# Effective Business Alignment





Annual Report 2012

# Contents =

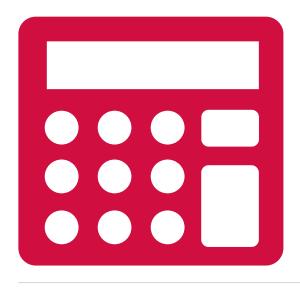
Financial Summary	
Chairman's Review	
<b>Chief Executive Officer's Review</b>	
Case Studies	
Sustainability	
Directors' Report	
Auditor's Independence Declarate	tion
Corporate Governance Statemer	

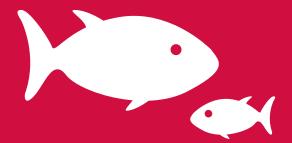
3	Independent Auditor's Report	30
6	Directors' Declaration	32
8	Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income	33
11	Consolidated Statement of Financial Position	34
12	Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity	35
13	Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows	36
23	Notes to the Financial Statements	37
24	Shareholder Information	74
	Corporate Directory	79



	30 June 2012	30 June 2011	Change
Total Revenue	290.5m	291.7m	(0.4)%
NDR (Gross Margin)		64.6m	(13.7)%
Underlying EBITDA¹	6.8m	11.3m	(39.8)%
Statutory EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	6.8m	11.3m	(39.8)%
Underlying NPAT <sup>2</sup>	(0.8)m	(0.9)m	11.1%
Statutory NPAT <sup>3</sup>	(61.6)m	(5.8)m	
Underlying EPS <sup>2</sup> (cents)	(0.8)c	(0.8)c	
Statutory EPS³ (cents)	(56.2)c	(5.3)c	
Operating cash flow (before interest and taxation)	8.4m	9.7m	(13.4)%
Operating cash flow	1.7m	0.8m	112.5%

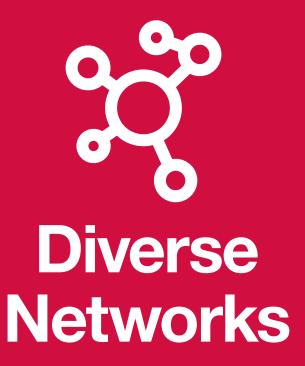
- 1 Before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and impairment
- 2 Before asset impairment (FY12 \$53.4m; FY11 \$1.3m), amortisation of intangibles (FY12 \$2.5m; FY11 \$3.2m), and notional interest on deferred payments for business acquisitions (FY12 \$0.5m; FY11 \$1.4m) under AIFRS
- 3 After impairment charge of (FY12 \$53.4m; FY11 \$1.3m), reflecting impact of challenging conditions and uncertainty over timing of recovery on certain Rubicor businesses





# Playing Big and Small

Each of the operating companies within Rubicor's bespoke house of brands has intimate specialist sector knowledge and experience. This experience is underpinned by the strength of one of the largest recruitment groups in Australia, New Zealand and Singapore.



The Rubicor Group consists of 23 operating companies and some 320 staff across 40 offices through 24 diverse brands – each of these brands delivers specialist solutions within their targeted industry sectors.



# Creating Opportunity

The Rubicor Group provides permanent, contract and temporary recruitment and human capital solutions and opportunities to both employers and candidates alike.



# Extending a Global Reach

The Rubicor network is global – with a reach that extends across the world. Coupled with a local, regional and national presence, the Rubicor Group provides custom solutions aligned to business success factors.



# Chairman's Review

**John Pettigrew** 

#### The year in review

Financial year 2012 was a challenging year with global economic concerns contributing to fragile business confidence, which in turn affected levels of recruitment activity.

While there was continuing strong demand in the resources and engineering sectors, generally, activity was more subdued. The manufacturing, retail, banking and finance sectors were hit particularly hard by downsizing and cost-cutting.

There was a 16% decline in the number of jobs advertised in Australian newspapers and online during the year (source: ANZ). Recruitment agencies face increasing competition as employers have a number of options available to them to conduct their own recruitment, including the use of internal resources and social media.

With an uncertain global economy and headcount freezes being imposed, many companies have preferred to hire staff on a fixed-term, part-time (or reduced hours), temporary or contract basis. While our volumes in temporary and contract recruitment have held up well, this business is intrinsically less profitable than permanent placements. Moreover, margins have been under pressure as clients seek to take advantage of competition to squeeze profit levels. We believe that this trend towards temporary or fixed-term recruitment is cyclical and the balance will swing back to more normal levels when confidence returns and recruitment activity picks up.

In response to these challenging operating conditions, management has taken steps to ensure our businesses are properly aligned to their markets, growing revenues where possible while maintaining a tight control on costs. We have continued to consolidate offices into hubs where appropriate and to further streamline the business.

As a result of these pressures Net Disposable Revenue (or Gross Margin) in FY12 was \$55.7 million, compared to \$64.6 million the previous year. EBITDA (Earnings Before Interest Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment) was \$6.8 million, marginally off the earnings guidance given to the market in May 2012. After interest expense and taxation there was an underlying loss of \$0.8 million and a statutory loss of \$61.6 million after an impairment charge of \$53.4 million and a deferred tax asset adjustment of \$4.2 million.

"In response to these challenging operating conditions, management has taken steps to ensure our businesses are properly aligned to their markets, growing revenues where possible while maintaining a tight control on costs."

#### **Debt reduction and capital management**

We continue to review the carrying value of assets. In light of the challenging trading conditions and uncertainty over the timing of a recovery, we decided to make an impairment charge of \$19.5 million as at 31 December 2011 followed by a further \$33.9 million as at 30 June 2012 to reflect deteriorating market conditions. As a result the net carrying value of goodwill has now been written down to \$14.6 million.

As explained at the Annual General Meeting, we continue to enjoy the support of our bank and our facility has been restructured and extended till 31 March 2014. It comprises a senior debt facility of \$52.5 million, a subordinated debt facility of \$33 million which carries no interest payments, and a working capital facility of \$10 million which is subject to an annual review and has been extended through to the end of February 2013.

The level of borrowings remains the biggest hurdle for the Company. Until we are able to significantly reduce this, it continues to be difficult to secure funds for investment in growth opportunities. And yet we need to grow our revenues in order to service our interest payments. In view of the current situation it is not feasible for the Directors to consider declaring a dividend.

Since the passing of Wayman Chapman, we have made no further board appointments. We have reduced both Directors' fees and executive management salaries by 10% since 1 January 2012 as a result of deteriorating performance.

#### **Outlook**

We anticipate that soft trading conditions will persist in many industry sectors due to weak business confidence. While the short-term prognosis for the market is uncertain, the longer-term fundamentals are more positive.

We have a broad and diverse network of specialist recruitment and human capital consulting businesses, each with their own particular market niches, which are showing a vibrant spirit and resilience in tough times. Our aim is to support them in maintaining strong client relationships so when the market recovers – as indeed it will – they are well positioned for the upturn in demand.

By November 2013 all vendor liabilities should be extinguished, which will be an important milestone. In the mean time, board and management continue to explore ways to improve our capital position.

I would like to thank all staff at Rubicor and in particular the management team ably led by CEO Jane Beaumont for their efforts and commitment.

# Chief Executive Officer's Review Jane Beaumont



#### Market and results overview

Despite a solid start to the financial year, a mix of global and local economic factors, especially in the second half of the year has seen job markets tighten across Australia and New Zealand in many of the sectors within which our brands operate.

At 5.2%, unemployment has remained low in Australia, our largest market. However, there has been a marked decline in external recruitment activity, particularly for permanent positions. Mining and resources continued to be very active, and there was growth in the more general jobs market in Western Australia, elsewhere the situation was very patchy with markets affected by weak business confidence.

In New Zealand the jobs market was impacted as a result of various distractions to businesses such as the Christchurch earthquake and the local election, as well as global economic uncertainty. The latter has also affected the Singapore market, which is represented by many international companies, especially those operating in the finance sector.

#### **Results highlights**

Total revenue amounted to \$290.5 million. We continued to secure repeat business from our existing clients as a result of our strong client relationships and our ability to cross-sell Rubicor services across the operating companies. We also attracted a number of new clients and preferred supplier agreements, with some client wins spread across multiple Rubicor companies. Given the patchy nature of business for many employers, business volume has at times been inconsistent when compared to prior periods, and the recruitment landscape remains very competitive. In both retaining and growing new business, there has been downward pressure on margins. We are mindful of the need to balance growth and margins and we monitor this closely.

Overall, Gross Margin or Net Disposable Revenue was \$55.7 million.

Permanent placements, which are our most profitable line of business, accounted for 44.3% of our Net Disposable Revenue. Volumes were considerably down on last year due to weak business confidence with employers simply not hiring, downsizing or in some instances, focusing more heavily on fixed-term, contract and temporary recruitment solutions.

Contract and temporary recruitment contributed 49.4% of NDR and we continue to focus on building our strength in this area.

esults ew Our emerging human capital solutions business contributed 6.3% of NDR. This business covers outsourcing of services such as leadership and employee development, business advice and restructure, remuneration benchmarking, assessments, coaching and training, and other associated services. Employers have taken a more cautious approach this year to investment in these areas.

During FY12 consultant numbers reduced from 251 to 215, with the ratio of consultant costs to NDR rising, reflecting the difficult sales environment.

Our overall measure of performance, EBITDA to NDR, averaged 12.2%, slightly down on the previous year, mainly as a result of reduced permanent placements which were impacted by global and local market conditions.

#### Strategic focus

In response to these challenging conditions and as discussed in November at our Annual General Meeting for last financial year, we are focusing on seven key areas.

**Investment in consultant headcount in growth sectors and markets.** To compensate for the market softening in a number of industries and sectors, we are looking to take advantage of opportunities in those sectors and disciplines where we are strong to drive revenue growth (for example both temporary and permanent services in resources and insurance).

Securing new business through improved cross-selling amongst the operating companies and greater penetration within our current customers. We have continued our strategy of creating hubs, where different brands can share common office infrastructure and collaborate on joint initiatives. For instance, SMF has joined Xpand, Ensure, Apsley and Credit in the Sydney CBD. Orbis has joined Cadden Crowe and SkillSearch in North Sydney. Meanwhile, Care Direct and Wheeler Campbell have co-located with Powerhouse in Wellington, New Zealand. For new business, we are increasingly focusing on mid-tier companies that have to compete with established market leaders in the war for talent, where our range of specialist brands and access to deep talent pools can provide a competitive edge. We have a flexible approach to partnering with clients, including operating a shared services environment - led by a single brand, combined brands or a bespoke solution.

**Improving our fill rates.** Filling a greater percentage of roles for our clients will increase our levels of retained work and the amount of exclusive work we are able to secure.

**Growing our temporary and contract business.** This is an important counterbalance to permanent placements that have been under pressure. Many of these contracts are for extended periods, providing a valuable recurring income stream.

Improving efficiency through IT initiatives. We have undertaken a complete overhaul of our Information Technology resources designed to deliver far-reaching benefits across the Group. All operating company websites have been refreshed, and redesigned, as part of a wider digital strategy and candidate attraction program. This will enhance the effectiveness of the websites and improve search engine optimisation, thereby expanding our reach to candidates and clients. Individual job boards on each of these websites have now been aggregated into a Rubicor Group job board to improve the overall candidate experience. Candidates can now go to one site to search for all opportunities from across Rubicor Group companies. We are also making increasing use of new technology such as smartphones, tablets and Skype. Meanwhile, we are in the process of outsourcing our IT services to a cloud solution, which will simplify processes, reduce costs and the amount of time spent on administration, enabling our people to focus on their core business. This will be completed by December 2012, with financial benefits being delivered in 2013 and beyond.

# Continuing investment in our people through learning and development programs to skill them up for the future.

We have established employee engagement and retention programs, learning and development options, and additional employee benefits including study assistance and an Employee Assistance Program. A new Group intranet has been launched which will help leverage our combined experience and knowledge and facilitate better communication between our employees. The intranet is very important to build, foster and drive business and knowledge leverage across the brands. We are also building on our social networking initiatives to create a stronger market presence, leading to greater engagement with talent communities through various social networks.

# Greater certainty of revenue through annuity income, in order to reduce the impact of market volatility.

In April 2012 we launched our Recruitment Process Outsourcing (RPO) offering to complement the outsourced solutions already managed by a number of our operating businesses. We look forward to servicing our first clients through this new Group line-of-business during the coming year.

"Total revenue amounted to \$290.5 million. We continued to secure repeat business from our existing clients as a result of our strong client relationships and our ability to cross-sell Rubicor services across the operating companies."

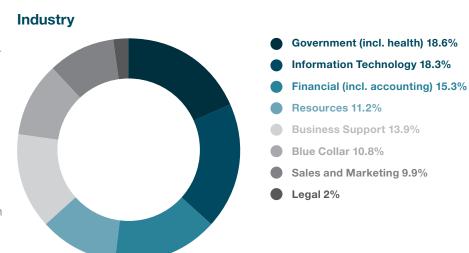
## **Chief Executive Officer's** Review

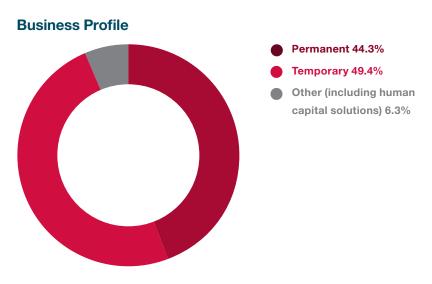
#### **Capital management**

Prudent capital management and debt reduction remain key priorities for Rubicor and in light of this the Directors have again decided not to declare a dividend. Vendor earn-outs of \$6.4 million were paid in the year, with \$2.4 million at present values remaining on the balance sheet to be settled over the next 18 months. The calculation of these vendor payments is aligned to the profitability of the operating businesses, with the quantum relating directly to the results achieved. As these payments are extinguished and amortisation on acquired intangible assets ceases, so statutory and underlying results will move closer together. Rubicor has only \$3.1 million of estimated future liabilities to extinguish by November 2013.

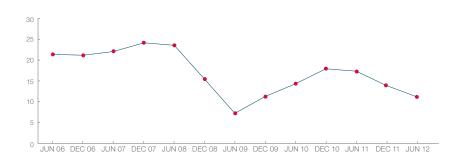
#### Outlook

We anticipate difficult market conditions will persist in the short term, especially while global economic concerns persist. Nevertheless, we believe the longer-term fundamentals of the recruitment sector remain positive. There are skills shortages and wage pressures in sectors such as mining and this will extend to other sectors. An ageing population will lead to a shrinking pool of candidates, coupled with increased workforce mobility among younger employees, pointing towards higher employment churn and greater competition for top quality employees across all industries. We believe there will be plenty of demand for high-calibre specialist recruiters operating in niche markets that have access to deep talent pools and established client relationships and Rubicor has assembled a diversified portfolio of recruitment businesses with these very characteristics. Our challenge is to ensure that our businesses are appropriately aligned, so we continue to take advantage of the growth and development trends in our key markets, while controlling costs and improving our capital position.

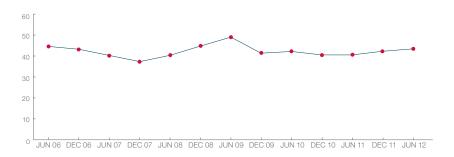




#### EBITDA - NDR



#### Consultant costs - NDR



#### Case Studies



#### **Talent management**

Rubicor consultants are increasingly embracing the concept of talent management. This involves developing in-depth knowledge of specific roles in particular industry sectors and forging strong relationships with the best people, not just those who are actively seeking to change jobs.

Instead of calling prospective clients to see if they have any positions that need filling and if lucky taking an order, the consultant has to invest time in building meaningful relationships with the top performers and up-and-coming talent in the sector with the promise that they can help foster that individual's career. Like an agent who represents sports stars or celebrities, the consultant then becomes the 'go to' person for clients wishing to access that talent pool.

For some this requires a complete change in mentality, according to General Manager, Operations Geraldine Ellis-Maguire, who is spearheading the program and who has a background in executive search.

'It all starts with the candidate. Without access to quality talent, what's in it for the client? Consultants who have undertaken our training program find that they are more focused, more professional and make much better use of their time, leading to improved billing performance.'

The program helps consultants identify the key competencies for particular roles so that they can assess potential candidates more objectively and rigorously, enabling them to focus on the best talent.

It also helps them engage in a different conversation with prospective clients. In their rush to fill positions too many employers are prepared to accept second best but a poor hiring decision can have many adverse flow-on effects. Instead, Rubicor consultants are taught to ask 'how important is it that you hire the right person?'

With the deficit of candidates to positions forecast to reach 240,000 by 2016 (according to Standards Australia), this presents a huge opportunity for specialist recruitment consultants with a demonstrated ability to bring talent to market.



#### Collaboration

Rubicor businesses are encouraged to collaborate, looking for business opportunities for one another and leveraging each other's contacts. For example, as well as servicing clients in banking and finance, Apsley also recruits general office support staff. This enables it to work across multiple industry sectors, providing added value to other Rubicor companies focusing on other roles. Apsley has collaborated with Xpand, which provides IT and digital talent for clients across many sectors; Dolman which specialises in professional legal recruitment; Cadden Crowe's resources, energy and engineering clients; Gel Group in Perth and with Gaulter Russell in New Zealand. It does not stop there. Leveraging relationships internally is core behaviour across Rubicor operating companies.

Collaboration with competitors can also be beneficial for all parties. Specialist competitor recruiters refer work to Apsley where their clients are looking for office support staff and this is not an area that they service. Strong partnering relationships have been developed over many months, and are now seen to be delivering excellent results for all.

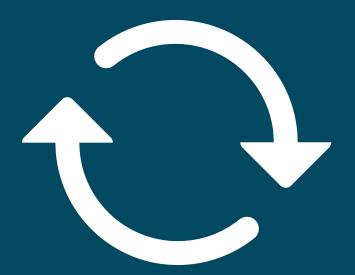


#### **OH&S risk management**

A good reputation for providing a safe working environment can help maintain staff and contractor loyalty, attract and retain business, and improve cost management through reduced insurance premiums and reduced staff turnover. To focus our efforts in this area we have enhanced our Risk Management program, recruiting a highly experienced National OH&S Risk and Assurance Manager who has a broader and more senior remit than previously utilised. Initially focusing on Challenge Recruitment, with its national footprint largely concentrated on blue collar and call centre workforces, a number of programs have been implemented across all customer sites to improve safety practices and thus enhance workforce performance and productivity for our customers. Last year, the rolling 12 months All Injury Frequency Rate at Challenge was reduced by 55% from 71.76 to 31.68 and the Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate by 88% - from 13.10 to 1.46. According to WorkSafe in Victoria, this performance is 78% better than the industry average over the last three years.

The first stage of this highly successful program has been implemented across all other Rubicor brands in Australia, with full implementation expected to be completed by 31 December 2012. The new National Work Health and Safety Harmonisation legislation has heightened employer awareness to their responsibilities. Rubicor employees can and do play a significant role in educating employers about these responsibilities and how to put these into practice in a safe and effective manner.

## **Sustainability**



Rubicor views sustainability and responsibility as integral to good business practice. In all our dealings with our stakeholders – employees, clients, candidates, investors or the wider community – we strive to be accountable, ethical and principled.

#### Governance and risk

Rubicor has adopted a written Code of Conduct, which applies to all of its executive and non-executive Directors, officers, employees, contractors and consultants. This code ensures that all persons dealing with Rubicor can be guided by the stated values and practices of Rubicor. Rubicor has also endorsed each of the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Principles of Good Corporate Governance and Best Practice Recommendations, exemplifying its commitment to good corporate governance. The Board ensures that Rubicor management maintains the highest level of corporate ethics.

# People management – employees, clients and candidates

Rubicor recognises the value and contribution employees make to the ongoing success of our business. We have an established range of employee policies and procedures to support the recruitment, retention and recognition of employees, including equality and diversity, health and safety, reward and recognition, and training and development. To ensure that executive remuneration is aligned with shareholders' interests, a significant portion of executive remuneration is at risk and dependent upon both the short-term and long-term performance of the Company. Rubicor is committed to the highest standards of customer care, for both its clients and its candidates and to meeting or exceeding industry expectations of best practice.

#### **Diversity**

Rubicor has a greater diversity balance when compared to Australian workplace statistics. As at 30 June 2012, 66.7% of Rubicor's workforce was female, compared to the national average of 45.6%. 41% of the MDs of our operating companies are women; 60% of our executive team and 25% of our board is female. This compares to an average of 14.4% for women on the boards of ASX 200 companies. Rubicor understands the value of balance in the workplace and actively promotes this. Our diversity policy recognises the needs of return-to-work employees, flexible work arrangements and other needs associated with diversity in the workplace. (National statistics sourced from Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Agency (EOWA) as at July 2012).

#### **Environmental footprint**

Rubicor has a relatively small carbon footprint, based on our employee numbers and the nature of our operations. However we continually strive to reduce the environmental impact of our organisational activities. Rubicor is developing and implementing strategies to manage carbon emissions across its businesses including: encouraging energy efficiency across all states and geographies; the purchase of energy efficient equipment; ongoing management of business related travel, in particular air travel; consideration of energy efficient alternatives in the design of Rubicor premises; the minimisation of waste and the recycling of resources; and encouraging the engagement of suppliers with energy efficient practices and policies. Rubicor also encourages shareholders to receive investor communications electronically.

#### Social sustainability

Rubicor encourages its operating businesses to contribute back to the communities in which they operate. Some choose to do this through approved charitable donations, others by supporting grass roots community activities. We believe a proactive approach to community engagement is important in instilling a sense of social responsibility or 'good corporate citizen' in our work ethic. All employees are granted a special day each year to contribute to and support their charity or community body of choice.



#### Sustainability in practice

SMF Recruitment has been leading this drive and identified a series of practical measures for improving sustainability. These include: avoiding unnecessary travel by car and encouraging the use of public transport, cycling or walking; using water and energy efficiently; using separated recycling bins for glass, paper, plastic and cans/tins; and maximising electronic communication and storage as an alternative to paper. Along with four other Rubicor firms Xpand, Apsley, Ensure and Credit, SMF Recruitment now operates from 120 Sussex Street, Sydney's most energy efficient building and one of the only 5.5 star-rated buildings in the country.

## **Directors' Report**

Your Directors present their annual financial report on the Company and its controlled entities for the financial year ended 30 June 2012. In order to comply with the provisions of the *Corporations Act 2001*, the Directors report as follows:

# 1. General information (a) Directors

The names of the Directors in office at any time during, or since the end of, the year are:

Names	Appointed
John Pettigrew	2 March 2007
Jane Beaumont	29 January 2009
Robert Aitken	6 May 2005
Russel Pillemer	10 September 2004

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

#### (b) Directors' information

John Pettigrew FCPA, FCIS, FCIM, MAICD

John is Chairman and a non-executive Director of the Company, Chair of the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee, and a member of both the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee and the Audit and Risk Management Committee. He joined the Company in March 2007.

John has extensive experience in senior finance and commercial roles in a number of corporations and industry sectors. Joining Stockland Trust Group in 1977 as Chief Financial Officer and becoming Finance Director in 1982, John established compliance, audit and risk management committees and led teams to accomplish several successful takeovers. He also had significant roles in structuring and managing listed property trusts, developing the first Australian stapled security and establishing domestic and international unsecured note programs for Stockland.

John is currently also a director of Astro Japan Property Group Limited.

#### Interests in shares and options:

1,180,000 shares in Rubicor Group Limited Nil options in Rubicor Group Limited

#### Jane Beaumont

Jane is Chief Executive Officer and an executive Director of the Company. She joined Rubicor in September 2006 as Chief Operating Officer and was promoted to Chief Executive Officer on 1 April 2009.

Jane has over 32 years' recruitment experience in the UK and Australasian markets. Prior to Rubicor, Jane spent five years with Manpower as Vice President Sales responsible for business acquisition and strategic sales. In 2001 she took on the role of Managing Director for Spherion's recruitment group in the Asia Pacific. After Spherion was acquired by Ross Human Directions Limited in June 2004, Jane spent two years as Managing Director for the group's recruitment businesses as a board appointee.

#### Interests in shares and options:

325,664 shares in Rubicor Group Limited Nil options in Rubicor Group Limited

#### Rob Aitken BE (Chem) (Hons), MBA

Rob is a non-executive Director of the Company and a member of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, Chair of the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee and a member of the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee. He joined the Company in May 2005.

Rob has over 26 years' experience in senior international management roles. Throughout his career, Rob has worked across the manufacturing, industrial marketing and distribution business sectors including roles as Executive General Manager, Southcorp Limited and President, Formica Corporation, USA. Rob was Chairman of the Rubicor Group Board from 6 May 2005 to 1 April 2010. He is also currently a director of Alesco Corporation Limited and Chair of Nuplex Industries Limited.

#### Interests in shares and options:

5,108,397 shares in Rubicor Group Limited Nil options in Rubicor Group Limited

#### Russel Pillemer CA, BCom (Hons)

Russel is a non-executive Director of the Company, a member of the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee and Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee, and is the Chairman of the Audit and Risk Management Committee. He was one of the initial founders and sponsors of Rubicor.

Russel is the CEO and a Director of Pengana Capital Limited. He has over 21 years' experience in the investment banking and funds management industries. In 1994 he joined Goldman Sachs and Co, where he had responsibility for leading the financial institutions effort in Australia.

In 1999 he relocated to New York, working in the Financial Institutions Group for Goldman Sachs and Co, specialising in mergers and acquisitions, capital raisings and the provision of general strategic advice to financial services companies. Previously, Russel worked in the corporate finance group of Ernst and Young. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia.

#### Interests in shares and options:

2,993,084 shares in Rubicor Group Limited Nil options in Rubicor Group Limited

## **Directors' Report**

#### Directorships of other listed companies

Directorships of other listed companies held by Directors in the three years immediately before the end of the financial year are as follows:

Name	Company	Period of directorship
John Pettigrew	Astro Japan Property Group Limited	Since 2005
	(formerly Babcock and Brown Japan Property)	
Rob Aitken	Nuplex Industries Limited	Since 2006
	Alesco Corporation Limited	Since 2003

#### (c) Principal activities

The principal activity of the Group during the financial year was the provision of contracting and recruitment services over a diversity of industry sectors throughout Australasia and also in Singapore.

There have been no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the financial year.

#### (d) Company secretary

Sharad Loomba is the General Counsel and Company Secretary of the Company. Sharad advises the CEO and the Board in connection with legal and corporate governance matters and is responsible for the legal and Company secretarial functions across the Rubicor Group.

Sharad is a corporate lawyer with over 19 years' experience, having worked with leading law firms in Australia, and also in the US, prior to joining the Rubicor Group in May 2007. Sharad holds a Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Laws from the University of New South Wales.

#### (e) Directors' meetings

.,	Board			nd Risk gement mittee	and Humar	neration n Resources mittee	and Co	nation prorate Committee
	Held	Attended	Held	Attended	Held	Attended	Held	Attended
John Pettigrew	11	11	2	2	2	2	1	1
Jane Beaumont	11	11	_	_	_	_	_	_
Robert Aitken	11	11	2	2	2	2	1	1
Russel Pillemer	11	10	2	2	2	1	1	1

#### 2. Business review

#### (a) Operating results

The consolidated loss of the Group attributable to equity holders after providing for income tax amounted to \$61.6 million (2011: loss of \$5.8 million).

#### (b) Review of operations

Information on the operations and financial position of the Group and its business strategies and prospects is set out in the Chairman's letter, the Chief Executive Officer's Review and the operations review of the published annual report.

#### (c) Significant changes in state of affairs

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Group.

#### (d) Future developments

Likely developments in the operations of the consolidated entity in future financial years and the expected results of those operations are referred to generally in the Chairman's letter, the Chief Executive Officer's Review and the operations review of the published Annual Report.

Further information on likely developments, including expected results would, in the Directors' opinion, result in unreasonable prejudice to the Group and has therefore not been included in this report.

#### (e) Events subsequent to balance date

Subsequent to year end, the annual review of the debt facilities was completed. This resulted in a downward revision of the covenant thresholds in line with the prevailing financial conditions and forecasts, and an extension of the bank overdraft facility to 28 February 2013.

#### 3. Other information

#### (a) Loans to Directors and executives

There are no loans to Director. Information on loans to executives, including amounts, interest rates and repayment terms are set out in Note 6(d) of the financial statements.

#### (b) Options

Unissued shares of Rubicor Group Limited under option at the date of this report are as follows:

Date options granted	Expiry date	Issue price of shares	Number under option
October 2005 <sup>1</sup> August 2006 <sup>1</sup> April 2008 <sup>1</sup> May 2008 <sup>1</sup> July 2010 <sup>2</sup> July 2010 <sup>3</sup> July 2011 <sup>4</sup> TOTAL	December 2015 December 2015 December 2018 December 2018 June 2017 June 2017 June 2018	Nil Nil 0.37 0.26 0.05 0.05	220,200 171,282 225,512 95,000 1,548,800 1,210,000 1,626,240 5.097,034
101/L			0,007,004

No option holder has any right under the options to participate in any other share issue of the Company or any other entity. A total of 647,893 options were capable of being exercised during the year ended 30 June 2012.

- 1 Options have a five-year vesting period and expire five years after they become exercisable. 198,272 options were exercised during the year via on-market share purchase and no options have been exercised post year end.
- 2 Options have a three-year vesting period and expire on 30 June 2017. The options are subject to performance hurdles based on compound annual EBITDA growth over the base year, 2010, calculated over a three-year period. The hurdle requires the meeting of a minimum of 10% compound annual EBITDA growth to participate and a 20% compound annual EBITDA growth in order for 100% of the options to vest. The options can be retested at the end of year four based on a four-year compound growth period.
- 3 Options have a three-year vesting period and expire on 30 June 2017. The options are subject to performance hurdles based on compound annual EBITDA growth over the base year, 2010, calculated over a three-year period. The hurdle requires the meeting of at least 10% compound annual EBITDA growth in order for the options to vest.
- 4 Options have a three-year vesting period and expire on 30 June 2018. The options are subject to performance hurdles based on compound annual EBITDA growth over the base year, 2011, calculated over a three-year period. The hurdle requires the meeting of a minimum of 10% compound annual EBITDA growth to participate and a 20% compound annual EBITDA growth in order for 100% of the options to vest. The options can be retested at the end of year four based on a four-year compound growth period.

#### (c) Non-audit services

The Company may decide to employ the auditor on assignments additional to their statutory audit duties where the auditor's expertise and experience with the Company and/or the Group are important.

Details of the amounts paid to the auditor (Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu) for audit and non-audit services provided during the year are outlined in Note 4 to the financial statements.

The Board of Directors has considered the position and, in accordance with the advice received from the Audit and Risk Management Committee, is satisfied that the provision of the non-audit services is compatible with the general standard of independence for auditors imposed by the *Corporations Act 2001*. The Directors are satisfied that the provision of non-audit services by the auditor, as set out below, did not compromise the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* for the following reasons:

- all non-audit services have been reviewed by the Audit and Risk Management Committee to ensure they do not impact the impartiality and objectivity of the auditor; and
- none of the services undermine the general principles relating to auditor independence as set out in APES 110 'Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants'.

#### (d) Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307c of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 23.

#### (e) Dividends

In respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2012, no ordinary dividends have been paid (2011: nil).

Dividends were paid during the financial year on redeemable preference shares totalling \$0.81 million (2011: \$0.22 million). These dividends are classified as part of vendor liabilities. Refer to Note 36.

#### (f) Environmental issues

The Group's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of a state or territory.

# (g) Indemnifying officers or auditors Insurance of officers

During the financial year, Rubicor Group Limited paid a premium to insure the Directors and secretaries of the Company and its Australian, New Zealand and Singapore based controlled entities.

The liabilities insured are legal costs that may be incurred in defending civil or criminal proceedings that may be brought against the officers in their capacity as officers of entities in the Group, and any other payments arising from liabilities incurred by the officers in connection with such proceedings. This does not include such liabilities that arise from conduct involving a wilful breach of duty by the officers or the improper use by the officers of their position or of information to gain advantage for themselves or someone else or to cause detriment to the

## **Directors' Report**

Company. It is not possible to apportion the premium between amounts relating to the insurance against legal costs and those relating to other liabilities.

The Company has not otherwise, during or since the end of the financial year, except to the extent permitted by law, indemnified or agreed to indemnify an officer or auditor of the Company or of any related body corporate against a liability incurred as such an officer or auditor.

#### (h) Proceedings on behalf of the Company

No person has applied to the Court under section 237 of the *Corporations Act 2001* for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the Company, or to intervene in any proceedings to which the Company is a party, for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Company for all or part of those proceedings.

No proceedings have been brought or intervened in on behalf of the Company with leave of the Court under section 237 of the Corporations Act 2001.

#### (i) Rounding off of amounts

The Company is a Company of the kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/0100, dated 10 July 1998, and in accordance with that Class Order amounts in the Directors' Report and the financial statements are rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

#### 4. Remuneration report – audited

The remuneration report is set out in the following main headings:

- (a) Key management personnel (last year known as Director and senior management details)
- (b) Relationship between the remuneration policy and Company performance
- (c) Principles used to determine the nature and amount of remuneration
- (d) Non-executive Director remuneration
- (e) Details of remuneration
- (f) Executive service agreements
- (g) Share-based compensation
- (h) Additional information

#### (a) Key management personnel

The following persons acted as Directors of the Company during or since the end of the financial year:

- John Pettigrew (Chairman)
- Jane Beaumont (Chief Executive Officer)
- Robert Aitken
- Russel Pillemer

The term 'other key management personnel' is used in this remuneration report to refer to the following executives. The named persons held their current position for the whole of the financial year and since the end of the financial year:

- Kevin Levine (Chief Financial Officer)
- Sharad Loomba (General Counsel and Company Secretary)
- Geraldine Ellis-Maguire (General Manager Operations)
- Sue Turk (General Manager Operations)

Key management personnel include both the Directors and other key management personnel named above.

# (b) Relationship between the remuneration policy and Company performance

Cash bonuses are linked to the annual profit levels of the Group in comparison with the budgeted performance of the Group.

The executive Director and other key management personnel are aligned with the long-term Company performance via the participation through the Senior Executive Share Plan Scheme and the Key Employee Share Option Plan.

The table below sets out summary information about the Group's earnings and movements in shareholder wealth for the five years to June 2012:

	30 June 2012 \$000	30 June 2011 \$000	30 June 2010 \$000	30 June 2009 \$000	30 June 2008 \$000
Revenue Net (loss)/profit before tax Net (loss)/profit after tax	290,535 (56,872) (61,127)	291,722 (6,175) (5,446)	280,613 (9,066) (8,199)	316,757 (46,124) (43,937)	367,350 5,869 1,847
	30 June 2012	30 June 2011	30 June 2010	30 June 2009	30 June 2008
Share price at end of year (dollars) Interim dividend (cents)	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.17 1.5
Final dividend (cents) Basic (loss)/earnings per share (cents) Diluted (loss)/earnings per share (cents)	(56.2) (56.2)	(5.3) (5.3)	(7.6) (7.6)	- (40.7) (40.7)	1.8 1.7

# (c) Principles used to determine the nature and amount of remuneration

The objective of the Company's executive reward framework is to ensure that reward for performance is competitive and appropriate for the results delivered. The framework seeks to align executive reward with achievement of strategic objectives and the creation of value for shareholders.

The Board seeks to ensure that executive reward satisfies the following key criteria for good reward governance practices:

- Competitiveness and reasonableness
- Acceptability to shareholders
- Performance linkage/alignment of executive compensation
- Transparency
- Capital management

#### Alignment of shareholders' interest

- Focuses on sustained growth in shareholder wealth, consisting of dividends and growth in share price, and delivering constant return on assets as well as focusing the executive on key non-financial drivers of value
- Attracts and retains high-calibre executives

#### Alignment to program participants' interests

- Rewards capability and experience
- Provides a clear structure for earning rewards
- Provides recognition for contribution to the business

The framework provides a mix of fixed and variable pay, and a blend of short-and long-term incentives.

The Board has established a Remuneration and Human Resources Committee which provides advice on remuneration and incentive policies and practices and specific recommendations on remuneration packages and other terms of employment for executives and Directors. The Corporate Governance Statement provides further information on the role of this committee.

#### Executive pay

The executive pay and reward framework has three components:

- Base pay and benefits, including superannuation
- Short-term performance incentives
- Long-term incentives provided in cash and through participation in the Rubicor Senior Executive Share Plan and Key Employee Share Option Plan

The combination of these comprises the executive's total remuneration.

#### Base pay

Base pay is determined by reference to appropriate benchmark information, taking into account an individual's responsibilities, performance, qualifications and experience, the broad objective being to pitch fixed remuneration at median market levels.

Base pay is structured as a package, which may be delivered as a mix of cash and other benefits, such as the provision of a motor vehicle, at the executive's discretion. There are no guaranteed base pay increases in any executives' employment contracts.

#### Short-term incentives

The Board believes that well designed and managed short-term plans are important elements of remuneration, providing tangible incentives for executives to strive to improve the Group's performance for the benefit of shareholders.

If the Group achieves predetermined earnings targets (based on earning before interest, taxation, depreciation and amortisation – EBITDA) and other additional working capital targets, the short-term incentive (STI) is payable to certain executives. Cash incentives are paid in September each year. Using EBITDA targets ensures the STI is only available when value is created for shareholders and when profit is consistent with the business plan. The STI is weighted for performance above the threshold to provide an incentive for executive outperformance.

Each executive eligible for an STI has STI targets depending on individual accountabilities and overall organisational performance. The maximum STI target bonus is 50% of the annual base salary at 1 July 2011.

Each year, the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee considers the appropriate targets and key performance indicators (KPIs) to link to the STI plan and the level of payout as targets are met. This includes setting the maximum payout under the STI plan, and minimum levels of performance, to trigger payment of the STI.

For the year ended 30 June 2012, the KPIs linked to STI plans were based on Group objectives. The STI plans are weighted 80% to EBITDA performance and 20% to working capital performance. For the EBITDA performance component, KPIs require the meeting of a minimum of 90% of the EBITDA target to participate, and 110% of the EBITDA target in order for 100% of the weighted STI to be awarded. The EBITDA result for the year ended 30 June 2012 did not meet the minimum target level and no STI has been earned. The working capital performance exceeded the target level and the 20% weighted STI has been earned.

The Remuneration and Human Resources Committee is responsible for assessing whether STI KPIs are met. To assist in making this assessment, the committee receives detailed reports. The STI targets are reviewed annually.

## **Directors' Report**

#### Long-term incentives

For the year ended 30 June 2012, long-term incentive (LTI) awards were made to the following key executives in the amounts as noted below:

Name	Total Benefits 2012 \$	Benefits relating to 2012	Escrowed Benefits relating to 2011 \$	Escrowed Benefits relating to 2010 \$
Jane Beaumont	203,811	200,000 <sup>1</sup>	_	3,8114
Kevin Levine	7,865	814 <sup>2</sup>	2,478 <sup>3</sup>	4,5734
Sharad Loomba	5,365	542 <sup>2</sup>	1,652 <sup>3</sup>	3,1714
Geraldine				
Ellis-Maguire	820	_	6403	180
Sue Turk	640	_	640 <sup>3</sup>	_

Details of the LTI awards for the year ended 30 June 2012 are given in sections (g) and (h) below.

#### (d) Non-executive Director remuneration

Non-executive Directors' fees are reviewed annually and are determined by the Board based on recommendations from the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee. In making its recommendations, the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee takes into account fees paid to other non-executive Directors of comparable companies and where necessary will seek external advice.

- 1 The amount for Jane Beaumont is weighted 100% cash and payable to her upon her continued employment with the Company as at 30 June 2012.
- 2 The amounts for Kevin Levine and Sharad Loomba are weighted 80% cash and 20% share options, payable to them if they continue employment with the Company until June 2014 and subject to satisfaction of a minimum performance hurdle of 10% compound annual growth in EBITDA of the Company for the period 1 July 2011 through 30 June 2014 from a base of \$11.3 million (20% compound annual growth required for 100% vesting), with a retest point at 30 June 2015. The executives have been issued with cash rights and share options to satisfy this grant, subject to the abovementioned performance hurdle.
- 3 The amounts for Kevin Levine and Sharad Loomba are weighted 80% cash and 20% share options, payable to them if they continue employment with the Company until June 2013 and subject to satisfaction of a minimum performance hurdle of 10% compound annual growth in EBITDA of the Company for the period 1 July 2010 through 30 June 2013 from a base of \$9.0 million (20% compound annual growth required for 100% vesting), with a retest point at 30 June 2014. The executives have been issued with cash rights and share options to satisfy this grant, subject to the abovementioned performance hurdle.
- 4 Refer section (a) below.

In accordance with the Company's Constitution, the Directors are entitled to receive fees not exceeding \$600,000 per annum in aggregate to be divided among the Directors as they may determine. Fees for non-executive Directors are not linked to performance. The non-executives received fees of \$338,191 during the year as follows:

- John Pettigrew \$151,045
- Robert Aitken \$92,623
- Russel Pillemer \$94,523

The Company does not operate equity plans for non-executive Directors.

Non-executive Directors are entitled to statutory superannuation. Amounts paid for statutory superannuation are included as part of the Directors' fees. There are no other schemes for retirement benefits for non-executive Directors.

#### (e) Details of remuneration

Details of remuneration of the Directors and other key management personnel of Rubicor Group Limited are set out in the tables on page 19.

The key management personnel of Rubicor Group Limited includes the Directors as per page 13 and the following executives who have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling activities of the Group.

- Jane Beaumont (Chief Executive Officer)
- Kevin Levine (Chief Financial Officer)
- Sharad Loomba (General Counsel and Company Secretary)
- Geraldine Ellis-Maguire (General Manager Operations)
- Sue Turk (General Manager Operations)

	emp	Short-term loyee benefits	Post- employment benefits		Share-based payment	
Name	Cash salary and fees \$	Cash bonus <sup>1</sup> \$	Super- annuation \$	Long-term employee benefit \$	Shares and options	Total \$
2012						
Non-executive Directors						
John Pettigrew	138,573	_	12,472	_	_	151,045
Robert Aitken Russel Pillemer	84,975 86,718	_	7,648 7,805	_	_	92,623 94,523
Executive Director						
Jane Beaumont	442,927	50,820	39,863	200,000	3,811	737,421
Other key management personnel						
Kevin Levine	319,213	28,986	25,000	_	7,865	381,064
Sharad Loomba	268,633	24,717	25,000	_	5,365	323,715
Geraldine Ellis-Maguire	265,819	24,360	24,081	_	820	315,080
Sue Turk	265,390	24,360	24,042		640	314,432
Total key management personnel compensation	1,872,248	153,243	165,911	200,000	18,501	2,409,903
earned has vested in the current year. No amounts vest in future financial years in respect of the short-term incentive bonus scheme for the 2012 financial year. 80% of the total short-term incentive available to be earned was forfeited in the current financial year.	emp	Short-term loyee benefits	Post- employment benefits		Share-based payment	
Name	Cash salary and fees \$	Cash bonus \$	Super- annuation \$	Long-term employee benefit <sup>2</sup> \$	Shares and options	Total \$
2011						
Non-executive Directors						
John Pettigrew	140,257	_	12,623	_	_	152,880
Robert Aitken	86,642	_	7,798	_	_	94,440
Russel Pillemer Wayman Chapman (1 July 2010 to his passing away,	81,749	_	7,358	_	_	89,107
16 May 2011)	71,012	_	6,391	_	2,322	79,725
Executive Director						
Jane Beaumont	444,037	242,000	39,963	583,033	1,075	1,310,108
Other key management personnel						
Kevin Levine <sup>1</sup>	323,706	138,030	21,369	198,690	3,768	685,563
Sharad Loomba <sup>1</sup>	269,250	117,700	25,000	132,460	2,546	546,956
Geraldine Ellis-Maguire <sup>1</sup>	266,055	116,000	23,945	_	640	406,640
Sue Turk <sup>1</sup>	266,055	116,000	23,945		640	406,640
Total key management personnel compensation	1,948,763	729,730	168,392	914,183	10,991	3,772,059

<sup>1</sup> Includes amounts held in escrow from satisfaction of previous year's awards and current year awards.

## **Directors' Report**

#### Other transactions with key management personnel

Information on share-based payments and other transactions with key management personnel is set out in Notes 6, 33 and 34 respectively.

#### (f) Executive service agreements

On appointment to the Board, all non-executive Directors sign a letter of appointment with the Company. The letter summarises the terms including compensation, relevant to the office of Director.

All contracts with executives may be terminated by either party with a notice period of three months, subject to termination payments detailed below. Executives are typically restricted for six months after termination from conducting or engaging in competing businesses and from solicitation of clients and employees of the Company.

#### Jane Beaumont Chief Executive Officer

- Term of agreement unlimited in term but capable of termination on three months' notice and the Company retains the right to terminate the contract immediately by making a payment in lieu of notice.
- Base salary, inclusive of superannuation, of \$482,790 per annum for the year ended 30 June 2012, to be reviewed annually by the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee.
- Payment of a termination benefit on early termination by the Company, other than for gross misconduct, equal to \$116,560.

#### Kevin Levine Chief Financial Officer

- Term of agreement unlimited in term but capable of termination on three months' notice and the Company retains the right to terminate the contract immediately by making a payment in lieu of notice.
- Base salary, inclusive of superannuation of \$344,213 per annum for the year ended 30 June 2012, to be reviewed annually by the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee.
- Payment of a termination benefit on early termination by the Company, other than for gross misconduct, equal to \$83,103.

#### Sharad Loomba General Counsel and Company Secretary

- Term of agreement unlimited in term but capable of termination on three months' notice and the Company retains the right to terminate the contract immediately by making a payment in lieu of notice.
- Base salary, inclusive of superannuation, of \$293,633 per annum for the year ended 30 June 2012, to be reviewed annually by the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee.
- Payment of a termination benefit on early termination by the Company, other than for gross misconduct, equal to \$73,251.

#### **Geraldine Ellis-Maguire** *General Manager Operations*

- Term of agreement unlimited in term but capable of termination on three months' notice and the Company retains the right to terminate the contract immediately by making a payment in lieu of notice.
- Base salary, inclusive of superannuation, of \$289,900 for the year ended 30 June 2012, to be reviewed annually by the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee.
- Payment of a termination benefit on early termination by the Company, other than for gross misconduct, equal to the corresponding portion of salary package in lieu of any part of the notice period that the Company does not require the executive to serve.

#### Sue Turk General Manager Operations

- Term of agreement unlimited in term but capable of termination on three months' notice and the Company retains the right to terminate the contract immediately by making a payment in lieu of notice.
- Base salary, inclusive of superannuation, of \$289,432 for the year ended 30 June 2012, to be reviewed annually by the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee.
- Payment of a termination benefit on early termination by the Company, other than for gross misconduct, equal to the corresponding portion of salary package in lieu of any part of the notice period that the Company does not require the executive to serve.

With effect from 1 January 2012, the Directors and executives undertook a voluntary 10% salary reduction.

#### (g) Share-based compensation Senior Executive Share Plan Shares

The Company established the Senior Executive Share Plan on 24 April 2007. The Senior Executive Share Plan is intended to provide incentives to attract, retain and motivate key executives whose present and potential contributions are important to the success of the Company and its subsidiaries by offering them an opportunity to share in the ownership of the Company. The Senior Executive Share Plan is administered by the Board in its discretion. The terms and conditions of the Senior Executive Share Plan are summarised below.

Plan Shares were made available under the Senior Executive Share Plan to the following key executives of the Company in August and November 2007:

Key executive	Amount
Wayman Chapman Kevin Levine	\$300,000 \$180,000
Jane Beaumont	\$150,000
Sharad Loomba	\$120,000

The Plan Shares were acquired at a price equal to the weighted average market price for shares for the five trading days prior to issue of the Plan Shares (\$0.91). The Company provided a loan to participants under the Share Plan for 100% of the purchase price of the Plan Shares to enable the participant to acquire the Plan Shares (Loan). The Loan has been provided on an interest-free basis. The Loan is repayable on the fifth anniversary of the date when the Loan was provided or otherwise in accordance with its terms (although the Board may vary the repayment period). If the performance conditions attaching to Plan Shares issued under the Share Plan have been satisfied, the Board will waive the loan repayment except for the portion equal to the fringe benefits tax payable on the Loan. The Loans from the Company to the above key executives will be repayable and the Plan Shares will become transferable to the key executive upon the satisfaction of certain performance hurdles based on the performance of the Company measured by:

- earnings per share growth over the period 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2010;
- total shareholder return ranking against the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries index for the corresponding period; and
- as the performance conditions have not been met for the abovementioned period, they are subject to a retest in year four and/or year five.

The number of ordinary shares acquired is in relation to the services to be performed for three years up to 30 June 2010:

Key executive	2008 shares
Wayman Chapman	423,204
Kevin Levine	235,088
Jane Beaumont	195,906
Sharad Loomba	163,003

As required by AASB 2, the fair value of the shares issued is determined as the market price at grant date.

\$19,789 has been recognised as a share-based payment expense on a graded vesting pattern for the financial year ended 30 June 2012 (2011: \$5,582) in relation to the Executive Senior Share Plan (refer to Note 33). The performance conditions have not been met and the Share Plan shares have lapsed. As a result, \$214,000 has been transferred from the share-based payment reserve to accumulated losses.

#### Options

None of the non-executive Directors of Rubicor Group Limited, are eligible to participate in the Company's Key Employee Share Option Plan. For details in relation to the Key Employee Share Option Plan refer to Note 34.

#### (h) Additional information

#### Details of remuneration: options and shares

For each grant of options and shares on page 21 of this report, the percentage of the available grant that was vested in the financial year and the percentage forfeited because the person did not meet the service and performance criteria is set out below:

Senior Executive	Share	Plan	Shares	and	Options

Name	Grant date	Expiry date	Fair value \$	Number granted	Number vested	% of grant vested	% of grant forfeited	% of compensation for the current year consisting of plan shares and options
Shares								
Kevin Levine	Nov 2008	Jun 2012	0.91	235,088	_	0%	100%	1.23%
Jane Beaumont	Nov 2008	Jun 2012	0.91	195,906	_	0%	100%	0.52%
Sharad Loomba	Nov 2008	Jun 2012	0.91	163,003	_	0%	100%	1.00%
Options								
Kevin Levine	Jul 2010	Jun 2017	0.02	929,280	_	0%	0%	0.66%
Kevin Levine	Jul 2011	Jun 2018	0.01	975,744	_	0%	0%	0.26%
Sharad Loomba	Jul 2010	Jun 2017	0.02	619,520	_	0%	0%	0.52%
Sharad Loomba	Jul 2011	Jun 2018	0.01	650,496	_	0%	0%	0.17%
Geraldine Ellis-Maguire	May 2008	Dec 2018	0.04	75,000	60,000	80%	0%	0.06%
Geraldine Ellis-Maguire	Jul 2010	Jun 2017	0.02	150,000	_	0%	0%	0.20%
Sue Turk	Jul 2010	Jun 2017	0.02	150,000	_	0%	0%	0.20%

No options were exercised during the year by any Director or other key management personnel.

# **Directors' Report**

The following table summarises the value of options granted, exercised or lapsed during the year to Directors and other key management personnel:

Name	Value of options granted at the grant date <sup>1</sup> \$	Value of options exercised at the exercise date	Value of options lapsed at the date of lapse <sup>2</sup> \$
Kevin Levine	4,879	_	_
Sharad Loomba	3,252	_	_
Geraldine Ellis-Maguire	_	_	_
Sue Turk	_	_	_

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors made pursuant to section 298(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001*:

Jane Beaumont Director

John Pettigrew Director

Sydney, dated the 25th day of September 2012.

<sup>1</sup> The value of options granted during the period is recognised in compensation over the vesting period of the grant, in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

<sup>2</sup> The value of options lapsing during the period due to the failure to satisfy a vesting condition is determined assuming vesting condition had been satisfied.

## **Auditor's Independence Declaration**

# Deloitte.

The Board of Directors Rubicor Group Limited Level 16, 1 York Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

25 September 2012

Dear Board Members

#### **Rubicor Group Limited**

In accordance with section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001*, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the Directors of Rubicor Group Limited.

As lead audit partner for the audit of the financial statements of Rubicor Group Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2012, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Yours sincerely

**DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU** 

Delaitle Tauche Tahmalou

Alfred Nehama

Partner

**Chartered Accountants** 

Liability limited by a scheme approved under Professional Standards Legislation. Member of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Ltd.

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu ABN 74 490 121 060

Grosvenor Place 225 George Street Sydney NSW 2000 PO Box N250 Grosvenor Place Sydney NSW 1220 Australia

DX: 10307SSE Tel: +61 (0) 2 9322 7000 Fax: +61 (0) 2 9322 7001 www.deloitte.com.au

## **Corporate Governance Statement**

The Board of Directors of the Company (Board) is responsible for the overall corporate governance of the Company and has adopted as a guiding principle that it act honestly, conscientiously and fairly in accordance with the law and in the interests of the shareholders with a view to building sustainable value for them, the Company's employees and other stakeholders in the Company.

The Board has adopted a suite of governance materials which are available in the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website (www.rubicor.com.au), under "About Us". The governance materials have been prepared and adopted on the basis that corporate governance procedures can add to the performance of the Company and the creation of shareholder value, and help to engender the confidence of the investment market.

This statement sets out the material governance principles and processes adopted by the Board. The Board supports the Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations, 2nd edition as released by the ASX Corporate Governance Council in 2007 and further amendments made in June 2010 (ASX Principles). The Board considers and applies these recommendations to the extent there is sound reason to do so given the circumstances of the Company.

The Board is responsible for the management of the affairs of the Company and its subsidiaries including:

- strategic and financial performance;
- executives;
- audit and risk management;
- strategic planning;
- corporate governance; and
- performance evaluation.

The Board must comprise at least three Directors, and will meet no less than six times formally per year. The Board has met eleven (11) times during the year.

Directors' attendance at Board and committee meetings this year is set out on page 14.

The role of executives is to manage the Company in accordance with the direction and delegations of the Board and the responsibility of the Board is to oversee the activities of management in carrying out these delegated duties. The Board shall approve all delegations of authority to Board committees and management.

Executives are invited to attend Board meetings; however the initial part of each meeting is conducted in the absence of the executives.

Responsibilities reserved for the Board are contained in the Board Charter which is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website. Executives are responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Company in line with Board approved delegations of authority.

#### **Board composition**

The Board comprised of four (4) Directors as at 30 June 2012, including three independent non-executive Directors and one executive Director. The members of the Board are:

- John Pettigrew independent non-executive Chairman;
- Jane Beaumont Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director:
- Robert Aitken independent non-executive Director; and
- Russel Pillemer independent non-executive Director.

Independent Directors are those who have the ability to exercise their duties unfettered by any business or other relationship. It is the approach and attitude of each non-executive Director which is critical to determining independence and this must be considered in relation to each Director. Other relevant factors to be taken into account are set out in the Board Charter which is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

In accordance with the criteria for an 'independent' Director, as set out in the Company's Board Charter, John Pettigrew, Robert Aitken and Russel Pillemer are considered by the Board as independent non-executive Directors.

A Director may not simultaneously hold the positions of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board. The Chairman is a non-executive independent Director and there is a clear division of responsibility between the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer. The Chairman's role is clearly defined in the Board Charter.

With the exception of the Chief Executive Officer, no Director is entitled to hold office for a period beyond three years from re-election, but is eligible for re-election by shareholders. Of the current Directors, Russel Pillemer will retire and offers himself for re-election at the Company's 2012 Annual General Meeting to be held on 27 November 2012.

The size and composition of the Board are determined in accordance with the Constitution of the Company. In addition, in accordance with the Board Charter, the Board will comprise Directors with a broad range of skills, expertise and experience from a diverse range of backgrounds.

The Board considers that, collectively the Directors have the range of skills, experience and expertise necessary to govern the Company. Details of each Director's skills, experience and expertise relevant to their position and their term in office and details of their attendance at Board and/or Committee meetings are set out in the Directors' Report included in this 2012 Annual Report.

The Board Charter also provides that a Director is entitled to seek independent professional advice (including, but not limited to, legal, accounting and financial advice) at the Company's expense, on any matter connected with the discharge of his or her responsibilities. A Director must obtain the approval of the Chairman prior to seeking such advice.

The Board has established a Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee which is primarily responsible for:

- establishing a criteria for Board membership, having regard to the desired mix of skills and diversity for the Board;
- periodically assessing the skills required to discharge the Board's duties, having regard to the strategic direction of the Company;
- proposing candidates for directorships for consideration by the Board by using a structured approach to identify a pool of candidates and using external experts where necessary, while having regard to the desired composition as stated in the Board Charter; and
- reviewing any retiring Director's performance and recommending to the Board whether that Director should be reappointed.

The committee will consider whether it is necessary and desirable to recruit additional Directors, bearing in mind:

- the mix of skills, experience, expertise and diversity of existing Directors;
- the business and strategic needs of the Company;
- the need to replace Directors before scheduled retirements; and
- the opportunity to obtain the services of particular persons with desirable skills when they are available.

The committee is also responsible for implementing the Selection and Appointment of Directors' Policy. This policy forms a part of the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee Charter and is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

New Directors are provided with formal appointment letters setting out the key terms and conditions of their appointment, including remuneration. In addition, all executives are provided with executive services contracts, which include expectations of their role, term of appointment, termination entitlements and rights and responsibilities.

Details of the Directors, their qualifications, period in office, skills and experiences are detailed on page 13.

#### **Conflicts of interests**

Directors of the Company are required to act in a manner which is consistent with the best interests of the Company as a whole, free of any actual or possible conflicts of interest. If a Director considers there may be a conflict, the Director is required to:

- immediately inform the Board of the potential conflict; and
- abstain from voting on any motion relating to the matter and be absent during all Board deliberations relating to the matter.

The Board Charter, available on the Company's website, provides further detail on managing conflicts of interest.

#### **Board committees**

- the Audit and Risk Management Committee, which is responsible for monitoring and advising the Board on the Company's audit, risk management and regulatory compliance policies and procedures;
- the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee, which is responsible for overseeing the remuneration and human resources policies and practices of the Company; and
- the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee, which is responsible for advising the Board on the composition of the Board and its committees, reviewing the performance of the Board, its committees and the individual Directors and advising the Board on its corporate governance policies.

Each committee has a formal charter approved by the Board, outlining its composition, role and responsibilities. These charters are available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

#### **Audit and Risk Management Committee**

The Audit and Risk Management Committee's functions include:

- assisting the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities for the financial reporting process, the system of internal control relating to all matters affecting the Company's financial performance, the audit process, and the Company's process for monitoring compliance with laws and regulations and the Company's Code of Conduct;
- determining the scope of the internal audit function and ensuring its resources are sufficient and used appropriately;
- reviewing of internal audit performance and independence;
- assisting the Board with the adoption and application of appropriate ethical standards and management of the Company and the conduct of the Company's business;
- assisting the Board in supervising the Company's risk management framework (such framework is described under a separate heading 'Risk management' later in this Statement); and
- reviewing the adequacy of the Company's insurance policies.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee also monitors the independence of the Company's external auditor. The committee must approve in advance the terms of engagement of the external auditor to perform audit and related work. Any non-audit work to be performed by the external auditor must be approved by the committee and, in doing so, the committee ensures the external auditor's independence and integrity is maintained. The lead engagement audit partners of the Company's external auditor will be rotated from the engagement after five years.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee is responsible for reviewing the performance of the external auditors, and the selection and appointment of the external auditor. The committee will recommend to the Board the re-appointment of the current external auditor or a tender process to select a new external auditor.

## **Corporate Governance Statement**

The committee ensures that it meets with the external auditors, independent of management, and with management independent of the external auditors. The Board has requested that the external auditor attend the 2012 Annual General Meeting and be available to answer shareholder questions about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the auditor's report.

#### Composition

The committee comprises a minimum of three non-executive Directors, who are financially literate, one of whom must have expertise in financial reporting. There is a majority of independent Directors on the committee. The Board of the Company will nominate the Chairman of the committee, who must be an independent non-executive Director who is not the Chairman of the Board. The committee may invite other persons to attend meetings of the committee including the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Company's external auditors.

The current members of the committee are Russel Pillemer (Chairman of the committee), John Pettigrew and Robert Aitken. All members are considered to be independent non-executive Directors. Details of the qualifications of the members are detailed on page 13.

The committee will meet as often as required to undertake its role effectively. The committee met two (2) times during the year. Directors' attendance at meetings is set out on page 14.

A copy of the Audit and Risk Management Committee Charter is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

#### Remuneration and Human Resources Committee

The Remuneration and Human Resources Committee's functions are to endeavour to ensure:

- that the Directors and the executives of the Company are remunerated fairly and appropriately;
- that the Company's remuneration policies and outcomes strike an appropriate balance between the interests of the Company's shareholders, and reward and motivate the executives and employees in order to secure the long-term benefits of their energy and loyalty;
- that the human resources policies and practices are consistent with and complementary to the strategic direction and objectives of the Company as determined by the Board; and
- that the organisation achieves the objectives set out in the Diversity Policy.

The committee also reviews and makes recommendations to the Board regarding executive remuneration including, but not limited to, base pay, incentive payments, equity awards and service contracts and identifying any gender-based disparities between comparable positions.

The committee may seek such advice from any external parties or professional advice as it may consider necessary or desirable to ensure informed decision making.

#### Composition

The committee will comprise a minimum of three non-executive Directors, including if practicable, a majority of independent non-executive Directors. The Board of the Company will nominate the Chairman of the committee, who must be an independent non-executive Director.

The current members of the committee are Robert Aitken (Chairman of the committee), John Pettigrew and Russel Pillemer, all of whom are considered to be independent non-executive Directors.

The committee will meet as often as required to undertake its role effectively. The committee met two (2) times during the year. Directors' attendance at meetings is set out on page 14.

A copy of the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee Charter is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

#### **Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee**

The Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee's functions are to:

- review and advise the Board on the composition of the Board and its committees (and in so doing, administer the Selection and Appointment of Directors Policy described earlier in this Statement);
- review the performance of the Board as a whole and the individual members of the Board;
- ensure that proper succession plans are in place for consideration by the Board;
- advise the Board on good governance standards and appropriate corporate governance policies for the Company;
   and
- critically review the Company's performance against its corporate governance policies.

#### Composition

The committee will comprise a minimum of two non-executive Directors, including if practicable, a majority of independent non-executive Directors. The Board of the Company will nominate the Chairman of the committee, who must be an independent non-executive Director.

The current members of the committee are John Pettigrew (Chairman of the committee), Robert Aitken and Russel Pillemer, all of whom are considered to be independent non-executive Directors

The committee will meet as often as required to undertake its role effectively. The committee met one (1) time during the year. Directors' attendance at meetings is set out on page 14.

A copy of the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee Charter is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

#### Performance review/evaluation

The Board and Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee Charters outline the responsibility for the performance review of the Board, the Chairman of the Board and the individual performance of all Directors and executives.

During the year, the Chairman met with each Director and assessed the performance of the Board, committees and individual Directors as well as the executives. The Chairman of the Audit and Risk Management Committee interviewed the Chairman of the Board. The observations from these interviews were communicated to and discussed amongst the Board and any actions to improve performance agreed. The process followed was consistent with that outlined in the Board Charter.

During the year, the Chief Executive Officer conducted performance reviews with the executives and senior management. The executives' performance was reviewed against performance measures which align with the Company's strategy with feedback from both the Board and the Chief Executive Officer conveyed.

#### **Education and induction**

New Directors will undergo an induction process in which they will be given a full briefing on the Company. Where possible, this will include meetings with Directors, key executives, tours of the premises, a Board manual and presentations from management.

In order to achieve continuing improvement in Board performance, all Directors are encouraged to undergo continual professional development. This includes education concerning key developments in the Company and in the industry and environment in which the Company operates.

# Independent professional advice and access to the Company's information

Each Director has the right of access to the Company's information and to the Company's executives. Further, the Board collectively and each Director, subject to informing the Chairman, has the right to seek independent professional advice from a suitably qualified advisor, at the Company's expense, with the approval of the Chairman, to assist them to carry out their responsibilities. Where appropriate, a copy of this advice is to be made available to all other members of the Board.

Each Director also has access to the General Counsel and Company Secretary.

#### Risk management

The Company has a risk management framework to allow it to achieve its business objectives whilst assisting management and ideally, providing early warnings of risks. The Risk Management Policy, covering both financial and operating risks, documents this framework. The objective of this Risk Management Policy is to:

- encourage appropriate tolerance of risks across all the Company businesses;
- establish procedures to analyse risks within agreed parameters across all the Company businesses;

- establish appropriate risk delegations and corresponding frameworks across the Company; and
- ensure the Company has in place a risk framework which can measurably react should the risk profile change.

Key components of the Risk Management Policy which bring together a number of procedures and controls within the Company are as follows:

- identification and assessment of all risks;
- monitoring and wherever possible, mitigation of identified risks:
- periodic reporting; and
- assessment of effectiveness of the risk management framework.

The Risk Management Policy outlines guidance on the identification of commonly identified risks relevant to Rubicor, such as:

- financial risks:
- operations risks; and
- combined risks.

An executive Risk Management Committee has been established to assess identified risks as recorded on the risk register and review mitigation strategies. This committee meets bi-monthly and assists in reporting to the Risk Management Committee. The Audit and Risk Management Committee regularly reports to the Board about committee activities, issues, and related recommendations. As suggested by Recommendation 7.2 of the ASX Principles, management provides ongoing reporting to the Board through the Audit and Risk Management Committee that indicate that the Company's management of its material business risks is operating satisfactorily.

A copy of the Risk Management Policy is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

# Attestations by Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) made the declarations required by section 295A of the Corporations Act and recommended under Recommendation 7.3 of the ASX Principles. In order for the CEO and CFO to make the declarations, appropriate attestations were made by management to the CEO and CFO.

#### Remuneration

In relation to remuneration issues the Board (with the assistance of the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee) has established a policy to ensure that it remunerates fairly and responsibly.

The remuneration philosophy is designed to ensure that the level and composition of remuneration is competitive, reasonable and appropriate for the results delivered and to attract and maintain talented and motivated Directors and employees.

## **Corporate Governance Statement**

Any equity-based executive remuneration will be made in accordance with thresholds set in plans approved by shareholders at the General Meeting. As prescribed in the Company's Share Trading Policy, executives are not permitted to enter into transactions in associated products which limit the economic risk of participating in unvested entitlements under any equity-based remuneration schemes.

The structure of executive remuneration is distinctly different to that of non-executive Directors as detailed in the Remuneration Report. Executives acting in their capacity as employees of the Company and subsidiary(ies) may receive a mix of fixed and variable pay, and a blend of short-and long-term incentives. Non-Executive Directors may receive only fixed remuneration.

There are no retirement schemes in place for the non-executive Directors, other than statutory superannuation benefits.

The Remuneration Report and details about the remuneration philosophy of the Company are set out on pages 16-22.

#### **Continuous disclosure**

The Company takes its disclosure obligations seriously and seeks to comply with the spirit as well as the content of the ASX requirements. The Company has adopted a Continuous Disclosure Policy in relation to information disclosures and relevant procedures.

The Policy sets out principles that the Company will apply in relation to the disclosure of material information, including that the Company:

- will not give analysts or other select groups of market participants any material price sensitive non-public information at any time;
- will not generally respond to market rumours and speculation except where:
  - the speculation or rumours indicate that the subject matter is no longer confidential and therefore the exception to disclosure set out in the Listing Rules no longer applies;
  - the ASX formally requests disclosure by the Company on the matter; or
  - the Board considers that it is appropriate to make a disclosure in the circumstances; and
- will only allow authorised company spokespersons to make any public statement on behalf of the Company.

A copy of the Continuous Disclosure Policy is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 4.10.17, this Annual Report contains a review of the operations and activities of the Company which are set out on pages 8-11.

#### **Share Trading Policy**

The Company has adopted a Share Trading Policy in line with the updated ASX Listing Rules and Guidance Note issued by the ASX in respect of trading polices to regulate dealings by the executives and non-executive Directors, officers, employees, contractors and consultants (employees). All employees are required to conduct their personal investment activity in a manner that is lawful and avoids conflicts of interest between the employee's personal interests and those of the Company and its clients.

The Company is keen to promote shareholder and general market confidence in the integrity of the Company's internal controls and procedures, and to provide guidance on avoiding any breach of the insider trading laws.

A copy of the Share Trading Policy is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website and has also been lodged with the ASX on 1 December 2010 as required by the ASX Listing Rules.

#### **Code of Conduct**

The Company has adopted a written Code of Conduct, which applies to all of the Company's executives and non-executive Directors, officers, employees, contractors and consultants.

The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to ensure that:

- high standards of corporate and individual behaviour are observed by all employees in the context of their employment with the Company;
- employees are aware of their responsibilities to the Company under their contract of employment and always act in an ethical and professional manner;
- legal, ethical and other obligations to legitimate stakeholders are complied with; and
- all persons dealing with the Company, whether it be employees, shareholders, suppliers, clients or competitors, can be guided by the stated values and practices of the Company.

Employees are encouraged to report any potential breaches of the Code and the Company ensures employees are not disadvantaged for any reports made in good faith. The Company will deal with any reports promptly and fairly.

A copy of the Code of Conduct is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

#### **Shareholder communication**

The Company respects the rights of its shareholders. To facilitate the effective exercise of those rights, the Company has established a Shareholder Communications Policy to:

- promote effective communications with shareholders of the Company;
- ensure all information relevant to their shareholding is disseminated to shareholders; and
- encourage effective participation by shareholders at the Company General Meetings.

The Company will, where practicable, arrange for advance notification of significant group briefings and will also keep a summary record of the issues discussed at briefings with investors and analysts.

The Shareholders Communications Policy is available on the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

#### **Diversity Policy**

The Company is committed to workplace diversity, with a particular focus on improving the representation of women at the senior level of the Company and the Board, and has adopted a Diversity Policy. The Company recognises the benefits arising from employee and board diversity, including a broader pool of high quality employees, improving employee retention, accessing different perspectives and ideas and benefiting from all available talent. With this policy, the Board also establishes measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and assesses annually the objectives and progress in achieving them.

Diversity includes, but is not limited to, gender, age, ethnicity and cultural background. The Diversity Policy, which takes into account the recommendations and guidance provided by the ASX Principles to the extent practicable, provides a framework for the Company to achieve:

- a diverse and skilled workforce, leading to continuous improvement in service delivery and achievement of corporate goals;
- a workplace culture characterised by inclusive practices and behaviours for the benefit of all staff;
- improved employment and career development opportunities for women:
- a work environment that values and utilises the contributions of employees with diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives through improved awareness of the benefits of workforce diversity and successful management of diversity; and
- awareness in all staff of their rights and responsibilities with regards to fairness, equity and respect for all aspects of diversity.

The Remuneration and Human Resource Committee has developed measurable objectives to achieve the objectives set out in the Diversity Policy, including identifying ways in which achievement of gender diversity is measured. The measurable objectives are as follows:

- embedding of diversity awareness and objectives into the day-to-day operations of the organisation to become part of the way we do business, through newsletters, conferences and other communication forums with staff;
- retain top talent by ensuring a workplace supportive of female success, through endorsement and delivery of a range of programs, events and policies; and
- ongoing improvement of core talent processes (performance, development and career) to ensure gender-based equity and transparency.

In 2012, the Company continued with Rubicor's VIP (Valuing Internal People) Program, maintaining a number of benefits and initiatives for employees including educational support, study leave, employee assistance, sick leave conversion to annual

leave days and a community day with the objective of engaging all employees, regardless of gender, to make the workplace more flexible and supportive for male and female staff generally.

The Committee monitors annually the objectives and the progress on the achievement of the objectives.

The Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee will ensure Board appointment processes are conducted in a manner that promotes gender diversity.

The following table reflects the percentage of women employees in the whole organisation, head of business, executive management and the Board:

	%
Whole organisation	66.7
Heads of business	41
Executives	60
Rubicor Board	25

The Diversity Policy is available in the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website.

# **Independent Auditor's Report** to the Members of Rubicor Group Limited

# Deloitte.

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu ABN 74 490 121 060

Grosvenor Place 225 George Street Sydney NSW 2000 PO Box N250 Grosvenor Place Sydney NSW 1220 Australia

DX: 10307SSE

Tel: +61 (0) 2 9322 7000 Fax: +61 (0)2 9322 7001 www.deloitte.com.au

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Rubicor Group Limited Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Rubicor Group Limited which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2012, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of cash flows and the consolidated statement of changes in equity for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration of the consolidated entity, comprising the Company and the entities it controlled at the year's end or from time to time during the financial year as set out on pages 32-73.

#### Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In Note 1, the directors also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, that the consolidated financial statements comply with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control, relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Auditor's Independence Declaration

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of Rubicor Group Limited would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

Liability limited by a scheme approved under Professional Standards Legislation. Member of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Ltd.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion:

- (a) the financial report of Rubicor Group Limited is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - (i) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2012 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) the consolidated financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 1.

#### Material Uncertainty Regarding Continuation as a Going Concern

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1(d) "Going Concern" in the financial report which indicates that the consolidated entity incurred a net loss of \$61.1 million during the year ended 30 June 2012 and, as of that date, the consolidated entity's current liabilities exceeded its current assets by \$79.6 million and had a deficiency of net assets of \$60.2 million. These conditions, along with other matters as set forth in Note 1(d), "Going Concern", indicate the existence of a material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt about the ability of the company and the consolidated entity to continue as going concerns and therefore, they may be unable to realise their assets and extinguish their liabilities in the normal course of business and at the amounts stated in the financial report.

#### **Report on the Remuneration Report**

We have audited the Remuneration Report included in pages 16-22 of the Directors' Report for the year ended 30 June 2012. The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Remuneration Report in accordance with section 300A of the Corporations Act 2001. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Remuneration Report, based on our audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the Remuneration Report of Rubicor Group Limited for the year ended 30 June 2012, complies with section 300A of the Corporations Act 2001.

DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU

Delaitle Tauche Tahmalou

Alfred Nehama

Partner

Chartered Accountants

Sydney, 25 September 2012

#### **Directors' Declaration**

The Directors declare that:

- (a) in the Directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable;
- (b) the attached financial statements are in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as stated in Note 1 to the financial statements;
- (c) in the Directors' opinion, the attached financial statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including compliance with accounting standards and giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the consolidated entity; and
- (d) the Directors have been given the declarations by section 295A of the Corporations Act 2001.

At the date of this declaration, the Company is within the class of companies affected by ASIC Class Order 98/1418. The nature of the deed of cross-guarantee is such that each Company which is party to the deed guarantees to each creditor payment in full of any debt in accordance with the deed of cross-guarantee.

In the Directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the companies to which the ASIC Class Order applies, as detailed in Note 23 to the financial statements will, as a group, be able to meet any obligations or liabilities to which they are, or may become, subject by virtue of the deed of cross-guarantee.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors made pursuant to section 295(5) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the Directors

lane Jeannant

Jane Beaumont Director

John Pettigrew

Sydney, dated the 25th day of September 2012.

# Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income For the financial year ended 30 June 2012

	Note	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Revenue On-hired labour costs	2	290,535 (234,806)	291,722 (227,123)
Employee benefits expense Rental expense on operating leases	3	(32,863) (4,412)	(36,049) (4,393)
Other expenses	3	(11,681)	(12,906)
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and impairment (EBITDA)	0	6,773	11,251
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Amortisation of intangible assets	3 10	(647) (2,514)	(826) (3,217)
Finance costs	3	(7,052)	(12,083)
Impairment losses relating to non-current assets	3, 10, 11	(53,432)	(1,300)
Loss before income tax expense Income tax (expense)/benefit	5	(56,872) (4,255)	(6,175) 729
Loss for the year		(61,127)	(5,446)
Other comprehensive income/(loss)			
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations		314	(825)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year, net of tax Total comprehensive loss for the year		314 (60,813)	(825) (6,271)
Total comprehensive loss for the year		(00,813)	(0,271)
Loss for the year attributable to:			
Owners of the parent Non-controlling interests		(61,554) 427	(5,808) 362
		(61,127)	(5,446)
Total comprehensive loss for the year attributable to:	_		
Owners of the parent		(61,240)	(6,633)
Non-controlling interests		427	362
		(60,813)	(6,271)
Basic loss per share (cents)	35	(56.2)	(5.3)
Diluted loss per share (cents)	35	(56.2)	(5.3)
·			

The accompanying Notes form part of these financial statements.

# **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**As at 30 June 2012

	Note	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Assets			
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents	7	1,379	2,017
Trade and other receivables	8	35,437	37,210
Other assets	9	905	1,487
Total current assets		37,721	40,714
Non-current assets	_		
Trade and other receivables	8 11	100	92
Property, plant and equipment Deferred tax assets	12	2,069 2,888	2,588 6,742
Intangible assets	10	15,833	73,703
Other assets	9	124	177
Total non-current assets		21,014	83,302
Total assets		58,735	124,016
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	10	00.000	00 110
Trade and other payables Borrowings	13 14	22,383 90,507	23,113 89,874
Other liabilities	16	2,423	-
Current tax payable	12	199	76
Provisions	15	1,845	1,841
Total current liabilities		117,357	114,904
Non-current liabilities			4.500
Borrowings Other liabilities	14 16	600	4,580 2,423
Provisions	15	994	2,423 994
Total non-current liabilities		1,594	7,997
Total liabilities		118,951	122,901
Net (liabilities)/assets		(60,216)	1,115
(Deficiency)/equity			
Share capital	17	64,605	64,605
Reserves	18	(354)	(297)
Accumulated losses	19	(124,969)	(63,629)
		(60,718)	679
Equity attributable to owners of the parent Non-controlling interests		(60,718) 502	679 436
Total (deficiency)/equity		(60,216)	1,115

The accompanying Notes form part of these financial statements

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For the financial year ended 30 June 2012

	Equity- settled employee benefit reserve \$000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$000	Share capital \$000	Accumulated losses \$000	Attributable to owners of the parent \$000	Non- controlling interests \$000	Total \$000
2012 Balance at 1 July 2011 (Loss)/profit for the year Other comprehensive loss for the year	554 - -	(851) - 314	64,605 - -	(63,629) (61,554)	679 (61,554) 314	436 427 –	1,115 (61,127) 314
Total comprehensive (loss)/profit for the year Transfer of reserve relating to lapsed options Dividends paid Share-based payments Options exercised	(214) - (152) (5)	314 - - -	- - - -	(61,554) 214 - - -	(61,240) - - (152) (5)	427 - (361) - -	(60,813) - (361) (152) (5)
Balance at 30 June 2012	183	(537)	64,605	(124,969)	(60,718)	502	(60,216)
	Equity- settled employee benefit reserve \$000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$000	Share capital \$000	Accumulated losses \$000	Attributable to owners of the parent \$000	Non- controlling interests \$000	Total \$000
2011 Balance at 1 July 2010 (Loss)/profit for the year Other comprehensive loss for the year	526 -	(26)	64,605 -	(57,821) (5,808)	7,284 (5,808)	214 362	7,498 (5,446)
	_	(825)	_	_	(825)	_	(825)
Total comprehensive (loss)/profit for the year Dividends paid Share-based payments Options exercised	- - 31 (3)	(825) (825) – –		(5,808)	(6,633) - 31 (3)	362 (140) –	(825) (6,271) (140) 31 (3)

The accompanying Notes form part of these financial statements.

# **Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

## For the financial year ended 30 June 2012

	Note	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Cash from operating activities Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST) Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		321,109 (312,694)	320,888 (311,171)
Finance costs paid Interest received Income taxes paid		8,415 (6,551) 108 (280)	9,717 (8,473) 53 (535)
Total cash inflow from operating activities	20(a)	1,692	762
Cash flows from investing activities  Payment for property, plant and equipment  Payment for intangible assets  Payment for controlled entities acquired (net of cash acquired):  – relating to prior years  Dividends paid to vendors – redeemable preference shares		(140) (431) (5,588) (808)	(365) (337) (6,994) (223)
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(6,967)	(7,919)
Cash flows from financing activities Repayment of third party borrowings Proceeds from third party borrowings Dividends paid to minority shareholders		(1,954) 6,600 (361)	(2,600) 6,013 (140)
Net cash inflow from financing activities		4,285	3,273
Net cash decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		(990) (378)	(3,884) 3,506
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	7	(1,368)	(378)

The accompanying Notes form part of these financial statements.

# 1. Accounting policies (a) General information

The financial statements cover the Group (consolidated entity) of Rubicor Group Limited and its controlled entities (consolidated financial statements). Rubicor Group Limited is a public Company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (trading under the symbol 'RUB'), incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

Rubicor Group Limited's registered office and principal place of business is as follows:

Rubicor Group Limited Level 16, 1 York Street Sydney NSW 2000

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the Group in the preparation of the financial statements. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

## (b) Statement of compliance

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, Accounting Standards and Interpretations, and comply with other requirements of the law. The Company is a for-profit entity.

The financial statements comprise the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

Accounting Standards include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (A-IFRS). Compliance with A-IFRS ensures that the financial statements of the Group comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 25 September 2012.

## (c) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs, except for certain financial instruments which are carried at fair value. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets. All amounts are presented in Australian dollars, unless otherwise noted.

The Company is a Company of the kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/0100, dated 10 July 1998, and in accordance with that Class Order amounts in the financial statements are rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

## (d) Going concern

The Directors have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis, which assumes continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and the settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 30 June 2012 reflects a consolidated Group net loss of \$61.1 million and the statement of financial position reflects an excess of current liabilities over current assets in respect of the Group of \$79.6 million, and a deficiency in net assets of \$60.2 million as at 30 June 2012.

During the year the Company's debt facilities were restructured as described in Note 14 and are subject to annual review. The bank overdraft facility expires on 28 February 2013 and is subject to renegotiation on or before that date. During the year, the Group operated within its banking covenants.

The annual review of the Group's debt facilities will occur on 31 March 2013 and may result in the bank amending the covenant thresholds in line with the prevailing financial conditions and forecasts at the time.

To continue as a going concern, the Group requires:

- the continued financial support of its bankers with regards to extending the overdraft facility expiring on 28 February 2013, and for successful refinancing of some or all of its facilities;
- the generation of an adequate level of profitability to ensure the Group continues to comply with the financial covenants under its existing debt facilities; and
- the generation of net cash inflows from operating activities in line with expected levels to meet normal operating liabilities.

Management is confident that it will achieve successful outcomes in regards to the matters outlined above and therefore that the Company and the Group will continue as going concerns. However, if the Company and the Group are unable to maintain the continued support of its bankers and generate the expected levels of operating profits and cash flows, significant uncertainty would exist as to whether the Company and the Group will continue as going concerns and therefore, whether they will realise their assets and extinguish their liabilities in the normal course of business and at the amounts stated in the financial statements.

The financial statements do not include adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts nor to the amounts and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company and the Group not continue as going concerns.

## (e) Adoption of new and revised Accounting Standards

In the current year, the Group has adopted all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are relevant to their operations and effective for the current annual reporting period. The adoption of these new and revised Standards and Interpretations has resulted in no changes to the Group's accounting policies.

## (f) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

## (i) Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment is measured on the cost basis less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Cost includes all directly attributable expenditure incurred, including costs to get the asset ready for its use as intended by management. Costs include an estimate of any expenditure expected to be incurred at the end of the asset's useful life, including restoration, rehabilitation and decommissioning costs.

## 1. Accounting policies (continued)

## (f) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by Directors for indications of impairment. If any such indications exist, an impairment test is carried out, and any impairment losses on the assets recognised.

#### (ii) Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including capitalised lease assets is depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives (commencing from the time the asset is ready for use). Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

The depreciable amount is the carrying value of the asset less estimated residual amounts. The residual amount is based on what a similar asset of the expected condition of the asset at the end of its useful life could be sold for.

The following useful lives are used in the calculation of depreciation:

Class of fixed asset	Estimated useful lives
Leasehold improvements	4 - 7 years
Leased assets	5 – 10 years
Motor vehicles	5 years
Office equipment	2.5 – 7 years

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted, if appropriate, at each statement of financial position date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in profit or loss.

## (g) Business combinations

Acquisitions of subsidiaries and businesses are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration for each acquisition is measured at the aggregate of the fair values (at the date of exchange) of assets given, liabilities incurred or assumed, and equity instruments issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Acquisition-related costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Where applicable, the consideration for the acquisition includes any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement, measured at its acquisition-date fair value. Subsequent changes in such fair values are adjusted against the cost of acquisition where they qualify as measurement period adjustments. All other subsequent changes in the fair value of contingent consideration classified as an asset or liability are accounted for in accordance with relevant Standards. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured at subsequent reporting dates and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

Where a business combination is achieved in stages, the Group's previously held interests in the acquired entity are remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date (i.e. the date the Group attains control) and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is recognised in profit or loss. Amounts arising from interests in the acquiree prior to the acquisition date that have previously been recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss, where such treatment would be appropriate if that interest were disposed of.

#### (h) Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the Group's statement of financial position when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

#### (i) Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are measured at initial recognition at fair value, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less provision for impairment. Appropriate allowances for estimated irrecoverable amounts are recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired. The allowance recognised is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition.

Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and credit terms are generally 30 days.

#### (ii) Investments

Investments in subsidiaries have been recognised at cost, less impairment losses, in the parent entity.

## (iii) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of financial position.

## (iv) Financial liabilities and equity

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued by the Group are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities. The accounting policies adopted for specific financial liabilities and equity instruments are set out below.

## (v) Trade payables

Trade payables are initially measured at fair value, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### (vi) Bank borrowings

Interest-bearing bank loans and overdrafts are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the settlement or redemption of borrowings is recognised over the term of the borrowings.

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for

their intended use or sale, are added to the cost of those assets, until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

#### (vii) Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

## (viii) Derivative financial instruments and hedge accounting

Foreign exchange forward contracts are entered into from time to time in order to manage the Group's exposure to foreign exchange rate risk. Further details of derivative financial instruments are disclosed in Note 29 to the financial statements.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value at the date the derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured to their fair value at each reporting date. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately unless the derivative is designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event, the timing of the recognition in profit or loss depends on the nature of the hedge relationship.

The Group designates certain derivatives as hedges of foreign currency risk of firm commitments (cash flow hedges). The fair value of a hedging derivative is presented as a non-current asset or a non-current liability if the remaining maturity of the instrument is more than 12 months and if it is not expected to be realised or settled within 12 months. Other derivatives are presented as current assets or current liabilities.

## Hedge accounting

Hedges of foreign exchange risk on firm commitments are accounted for as cash flow hedges. At the inception of the hedge relationship, the entity documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group documents whether the hedging instrument that is used in a hedging relationship is highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of the hedged item.

## Cash flow hedge

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges is deferred in equity. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit or loss as part of other expenses or other income.

Amounts deferred in equity are recycled in profit or loss in the periods when the hedged item is recognised in profit or loss in the same line of the income statement as the recognised hedged item.

## (i) Intangible assets

#### (i) Goodwill

Goodwill is initially recorded at the amount by which the purchase price for a business or for an ownership interest in a controlled entity exceeds the fair value attributed to its identifiable net assets at date of acquisition. Goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries is included in intangible assets. Goodwill is tested

annually for impairment and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Gains and losses on the disposal of an entity include the carrying amount of goodwill relating to the entity sold.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units expected to benefit from the synergies of the business combination. Cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated are tested for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that goodwill might be impaired. Each acquired business operates autonomously, therefore cash-generating units are determined at a subsidiary level.

#### (ii) Candidate databases

Acquired candidate databases are recorded at fair value as at the effective date of the relevant acquisition and then amortised on a straight-line basis over their useful life to the Group of five years.

## (iii) Preferred supplier arrangements

Acquired preferred supplier arrangements are recorded at fair value as at the date of the relevant acquisition and are then amortised on a straight-line basis over their useful life to the Group of five years.

## (iv) Course material content

Acquired training content and material is recorded at fair value as at the date of the relevant acquisition and is amortised on a straight-line basis over their useful life to the Group of five years.

#### (v) Computer software

Computer software is measured on the cost basis less amortisation and impairment losses. Computer software is amortised on a straight-line basis over its useful life to the Group of three years commencing from the time the software is held ready for use.

## (vi) Brands

Acquired brands are recorded at fair value as at the date of acquisition. The Group has committed to continually use, invest in and promote acquired brands; therefore the Directors have assessed that the brands have an indefinite useful life. Consequentially, brands are not amortised but are subject to annual impairment testing.

#### (j) Impairment

At each reporting date, the Group reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed in profit or loss.

In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

# Accounting policies (continued) Impairment (continued)

Impairment testing is performed annually for goodwill, and identifiable intangible assets with indefinite useful lives (brands).

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset or cash-generating unit is increased to the revised recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised as income in profit or loss. Impairments of goodwill are not reversed.

#### (k) Non-current assets held for sale

Non-current assets and disposal groups are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount will be recovered through a sale transaction rather than continuing use. This condition is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable and the asset (or disposal group) is available for immediate sale in its present condition. Management must be committed to the sale, which should be expected to have been completed within one year from the date of classification.

Non-current assets (and disposal groups) classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell, and are not depreciated.

## (I) Employee benefits

A liability is recognised for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave and long service leave when it is probable that settlement will be required and they are capable of being measured reliably.

Liabilities recognised in respect of employee benefits expected to be settled within 12 months are measured at their nominal values using the remuneration rate expected to apply at the time of settlement.

Liabilities recognised in respect of employee benefits which are not expected to be settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made by the Group in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

## Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution superannuation plans are expensed when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

#### (m) Provisions

Provisions, including provisions for make good costs, are recognised when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that the outflow can be reliably measured. Where the time value of money is material,

these amounts have been discounted using an appropriate discount rate.

# (n) Income tax Current tax

The charge for current income tax expense is based on the profit for the year adjusted for any non-assessable or disallowed items. It is calculated using the tax rates that have been enacted or are substantively enacted by the statement of financial position date.

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements used in the computation of taxable profit. No deferred tax assets or liabilities will be recognised from the initial recognition of an asset or liability, excluding a business combination, that at the time of the transaction did not affect either accounting or taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or liability is settled. Deferred tax is recognised in the income statement except where it relates to items which are recognised directly in equity, in which case the deferred tax is recognised directly in equity.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences and tax losses can be utilised.

## (o) Leases

Leases of fixed assets where substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, that are transferred to entities in the Group are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised at the inception of the lease by recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property and the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense.

The interest expense is recognised in profit or loss so as to achieve a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability outstanding.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Contingent rentals arising under operating leases are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

Lease incentives under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

## (p) Revenue recognition

Revenue from permanent placements is recognised as work is performed in accordance with agreed terms for retainer-based appointments, or on candidate appointment as accepted by both the client and candidate for non-retainer-based appointments.

Revenue from temporary placements is recognised at the time when the services are performed.

Revenue for the rendering of a service, including human capital consulting services, is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customer by reference to the stage of completion of the contract.

Revenue from recharge of expenses incurred in connection with recruitment services is recognised when the related expense is incurred and on-charged to the customer in accordance with agreed contractual terms.

Interest revenue is recognised on an effective interest rate method in relation to the outstanding financial asset.

Revenue from management fees is recognised at the time the service is performed.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), returns, trade allowances and other duties and taxes paid.

# (q) Foreign currency translation Functional and presentation currency

The functional currency of each of the Group's entities is identified as the currency of the primary economic environment in which that entity operates, and is used in the recognition of transactions and balances for that entity. The consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the parent entity's functional and presentation currency.

On consolidation, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations are translated into Australian dollars at exchange rates prevailing on the balance date. Income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuated significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the dates of the transaction are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are classified as equity and transferred to the Group's foreign currency translation reserve. Such exchange differences are recognised in the profit or loss in the period in which the foreign operation is disposed.

## (r) Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the assets and liabilities of all subsidiaries of Rubicor Group Limited (parent entity) as at 30 June 2012 and the results of all subsidiaries for the year then ended. Rubicor Group Limited and its subsidiaries are referred to in this financial report as the 'Group'.

A subsidiary is any entity over which Rubicor Group Limited has the power to control the financial and operating policies so as to obtain benefits from its activities. The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated profit and loss from the effective date of acquisition or up to the effective date of disposal, as appropriate.

A list of subsidiaries is contained in Note 21 to the financial statements. All subsidiaries have a June financial year end.

All inter-company balances and transactions between entities in the Group, including any unrealised profits or losses, have been eliminated on consolidation. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with those policies adopted by the Group.

## (s) Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the entity and that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting estimates may not always equal the actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities are discussed below.

#### (i) Estimated impairment of goodwill and brands

The Group annually tests whether goodwill and brands have suffered any impairment. The recoverable amounts of cash-generating units have been determined based on the higher of selling price less costs to sell and value-in-use calculations, the details of which can be found in Note 10(a). If any of these assumptions were to change, this could have a material impact on the amounts of goodwill recognised.

## (ii) Acquired intangible assets

The Group has purchased various entities. In the consolidated financial statements the purchase price has been allocated between identifiable intangible assets, such as preferred supplier agreements, course material content, brands and candidate databases, and goodwill. This allocation has been done based on a valuation of the identifiable assets and liabilities acquired. The valuation is based on estimated expected cash flows attributable to each applicable intangible asset.

# (iii) Cost of business combinations and associated Vendor earn-out liability

As a consequence of the deferred earn-out structure of the business acquisitions, the cost of combination and the associated Vendor earn-out liability has been determined by calculating the present value of estimated future cash flows associated with the deferred earn-out consideration payments. These cash flows are based, among other things, on management's assessment as to both the likely period in which the earn-out payments will be made and the future operating results of the acquired entities. If any of the assumptions and estimates made in regard to these assessments were to change, this could have a material impact on the cost of combination and the associated Vendor earn-out liability which is disclosed in Note 14 in the financial report.

## 1. Accounting policies (continued) (t) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included with other receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority are presented as operating cash flow.

#### (u) Share-based payments

Equity-settled share-based payments with employees and others providing similar services are measured at the fair value of the equity instrument at the grant date. The fair value determined at the grant date of the equity-settled share-based payments is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Group's estimate of shares that will eventually vest.

The above policy is applied to all equity-settled share-based payments that were granted after 7 November 2002 and that vested after 1 January 2005. No amount has been recognised in the financial statements in respect of other equity-settled share-based payments.

Equity-settled share-based payment transactions with other parties are measured at the fair value of the goods and services received, except where the fair value cannot be estimated reliably, in which case they are measured at the fair value of the equity instruments granted, measured at the date the entity obtains the goods or the counterparty renders the service. For cash-settled share-based payments, a liability equal to the portion of the goods or services received is recognised at the current fair value determined at each reporting date.

The fair value at grant date of instruments issued is independently determined using the Monte Carlo option pricing model that takes into account the exercise price, the term of the option, the impact of dilution, the expected price volatility of the underlying share, the expected dividend yield and the risk-free interest rate for the term of the option.

The fair value of options granted is adjusted to reflect market vesting conditions, but excludes the impact of any non-market vesting conditions (for example, profitability and sales growth targets). Non-market vesting conditions are included in assumptions about the number of options that are expected to become exercisable. At each balance date, the entity revises its estimate of the number of options that are expected to become exercisable. The employee benefit expense recognised each period takes into account the most recent estimate.

Upon the exercise of options, the balance of the share-based payments reserve relating to those options is transferred to share capital and the proceeds received, net of any directly attributable transaction costs, are credited to share capital.

Share-based compensation benefits are provided to employees via the Key Employee Share Option Plan (KESOP) (refer to Note 34) and Senior Executive Share Plan (refer to Note 33).

# (v) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations Standards and Interpretations in issue not yet adopted

At the date of authorisation of the financial statements, a number of Standards and Interpretations were in issue but not yet effective. The Group does not intend to adopt any of these pronouncements before their effective dates.

Initial application of the following Standards and Interpretations may have a material impact on the financial report of the Group but this has not been evaluated yet.

this has not been evaluated yet.	Effective for annual reporting	Expected to be initially applied
Standard/Interpretation	periods beginning or after	in the financial year ending
AASB 9 Financial Instruments, AASB 2009-11 and AASB 2010-7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 2010-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets	1 January 2012	30 June 2013
AASB 10 Consolidated Financial Statements	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 11 Joint Arrangements	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 12 Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement and AASB 2011-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 13	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 119 Employee Benefits (2011) and AASB 2011-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 119 (2011)	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 127 Separate Financial Statements (2011)	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 128 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 2011-7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Consolidation and Joint Arrangements Standards	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 2011-9 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income	1 July 2012	30 June 2013
Interpretation 20 Stripping Costs in the Production Phase of a Surface Mine and AASB 2011-12 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Interpretation 20	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 2012-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Disclosures – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities	1 January 2013	30 June 2014
AASB 2012-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Disclosures – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities	1 January 2014	30 June 2015
AASB 2012-6 Mandatory Effective Date of AASB 9 and Transition Disclosures (Amendments to AASB 9 and AASB 7)	1 January 2015	30 June 2016
At the date of authorisation of the financial statements, the following IASBs were also in issue but not effective, although Australian equivalent Standards have not yet been issued:		
Consolidated Financial Statements, Joint Arrangements and Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities: Transition Guidance (Amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 11 and IFRS 12)	1 January 2013	30 June 2014

## 1. Accounting policies (continued)

## (w) Dividends

A liability is authorised for the amount of any dividend declared, being appropriately authorised and no longer at the discretion of the entity, on or before the end of the financial year but not distributed at balance date.

## (x) Earnings per share

#### (i) Basic earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company, after deducting any costs of servicing equity other than ordinary shares, by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year, adjusted for bonus elements in ordinary shares issued during the year.

## (ii) Diluted earnings per share

Diluted earnings per share adjusts the figures used in determination of basic earnings per share to take into account the after income tax effect of interest and other financing costs associated with dilutive potential ordinary shares and the weighted average number of shares assumed to have been issued for no consideration in relation to dilutive potential ordinary shares.

#### 2. Revenue and other income

	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Revenue from:	000 000	007.771
Recruitment services	286,838	287,771
Interest	108	53
Recharge income	67	83
Organisational development fees	2,254	3,184
Other	1,268	631
Total revenue	290,535	291,722

3.	Exp	en	ses
----	-----	----	-----

3. Expenses		
(a) Other expenses	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Advertising and marketing Administration	1,430 8,848	1,616 9,672
Payroll tax costs	1,403	1,618
Total	11,681	12,906
(b) Employee benefits expense		
Salaries Superannuation	27,418 2,169	29,163 2,238
Other	3,276	4,648
Total	32,863	36,049
(c) Loss before income tax includes the following specific expenses:		
Finance costs Interest expense on Vendor earn-out liability (refer to Note 14)	532	1,430
Amortisation of borrowing costs	684	2,578
Interest and finance charges on other borrowings	5,836	8,075
	7,052	12,083
<b>Depreciation</b> Property, plant and equipment	344	453
Leasehold improvements	303	373
	647	826
Rental expense on operating leases	4,412	4,393
Defined contribution superannuation expense	16,364	14,745
Share-based payment (benefit)/expense	(152) 23	31 218
Allowance for impairment of trade receivables	23	218
Other significant expenses Impairment of non-current assets:		
- Office equipment	4	_
- Goodwill	53,404	1,300
- Leasehold improvements	24	
	53,432	1,300
Foreign exchange losses/(gains)	63	(15)
4. Auditor's remuneration	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Auditor of the parent entity – Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	272.222	440.000
Audit or review of financial reports under the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> Tax compliance services	370,000	410,000 33,096
Total remuneration	370,000	443,096
Polated annualises of Polaitte Toucha Talanatan		
Related practices of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu  Audit of financial reports <sup>1</sup>	49,242	40,461
Tax compliance services	19,444	277
	68,686	40,738
Other auditors		
Audit of financial reports <sup>2</sup>		8,256
		0.050

<sup>1</sup> Relates to Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu-New Zealand and Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu-Singapore.

8,256

<sup>2</sup> Relates to services provided by Mazars LLP, Singapore.

## 5. Income tax expense

	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Current tax expense Deferred tax – origination and reversal of temporary differences Over provision of tax in prior year	(405) (3,854) 4	(311) 1,025 15
Income tax (expense)/benefit	(4,255)	729
(b) Reconciliation of prima facie tax on loss		
from ordinary activities to income tax expense Loss before tax Prima facie tax benefit on loss from ordinary activities	56,872	6,175
before income tax at 30% (2011: 30%) Add:	17,062	1,852
Tax effect of:	(40,000)	(44.0)
- impairment loss on goodwill and other non-current assets that are not deductible	(16,030)	(418)
<ul><li>non-deductible interest</li><li>share option expense</li></ul>	(157) 45	(372)
- other non-allowable items	(553)	(9) (247)
- over provision of tax in prior year	4	15
- difference in overseas tax rates	31	7
- effect on deferred tax balances due to change in income tax rate of New Zealand		
component from 30% to 28% on 1 July 2011	_	(7)
- effect of deferred tax assets written down	(4,184)	_
- effect of tax losses not brought to account	(473)	(92)
Income tax (expense)/benefit	(4,255)	729

The tax rate used in the above reconciliation is the corporate tax rate of 30% payable by Australian corporate entities on taxable profits under Australian tax law. There has been no change in the corporate tax rate when compared with the previous reporting period.

## (c) Unrecognised deferred tax assets

	\$000	\$000
Tax losses – revenue Temporary differences	3,452 4,184	2,979
	7,636	2,979

## 6. Key management personnel disclosures

## (a) Key management personnel compensation for the year was as follows:

	2012	2011
Short-term employee benefits	2,025,491	2,678,493
Post-employment benefits	165,911	168,392
Long-term employee benefits	200,000	914,183
Share-based payments	18,501	10,991
Total	2,409,903	3,772,059

## (b) Individual director and key management personnel disclosures

Detailed remuneration disclosures are included in the Directors' Report. The relevant information can be found in sections 4(a)-(h) of the Remuneration Report on pages 16-22.

## (c) Equity instrument disclosures relating to key management personnel

## Share holdings

The number of shares in the Company held during the financial year by each Director and other key management personnel of the Group, including their personally related parties, is set out below:

## Ordinary shares

	Balance at the start		Balance at the end
Name	of the year	Sold	of the year
2012			
Directors			
John Pettigrew	1,610,000	(430,000)	1,180,000
Jane Beaumont	325,664	_	325,664
Robert Aitken	5,108,397	_	5,108,397
Russel Pillemer	2,993,084		2,993,084
Other key management personnel of the Group			
Kevin Levine	1,172,493	-	1,172,493
Sharad Loomba	163,003	_	163,003
	Balance		Balance
	at the start		at the end
Name	of the year	Purchased	of the year
2011			
Directors			
John Pettigrew	610,000	1,000,000	1,610,000
Jane Beaumont	325,664	_	325,664
Robert Aitken	2,558,397	2,550,000	5,108,397
Russel Pillemer	443,084	2,550,000	2,993,084
Wayman Chapman	2,967,864		2,967,864
Other key management personnel of the Group			
Kevin Levine	1,172,493	_	1,172,493
Sharad Loomba	163,003	_	163,003

## 6. Key management personnel disclosures (continued)

## (d) Key management personnel transactions with the Company and its controlled entities

Information regarding individual key management personnel's service contracts with the Group is provided in the Remuneration Report (refer to page 16-22.

## Loans to key management personnel

Details of loans made to key management personnel of the Group, including their personally related parties, are set out below.

Name	Balance at the start of the year \$	Loans made/ (repaid) \$	Interest payable for the year \$	Balance at the end of the year \$	Highest indebtedness during the year
<b>2012</b> Kevin Levine	92,184	_	7,589	99,773	99,773
2011	,		,	,	,
Kevin Levine	136,908	(52,944)	8,220	92,184	136,908
7. Cash and cash equivalents				2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Cash on hand Cash at bank				6 1,373	9 2,008
Total cash and cash equivalents				1,379	2,017
Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position as follows: Cash and cash equivalents Bank overdraft (Note 14)				1,379 (2,747)	2,017 (2,395)
				(1,368)	(378)
8. Trade and other receivables				2012 \$000	2011
Current Trade receivables Allowance for impairment of receivables				32,868 (700)	33,925 (689)
				32,168	33,236
Other receivables				3,269	3,974
				35,437	37,210

The ageing of past due but not impaired trade receivables at year end is detailed below:

	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Past due 0 – 30 days Past due 31 – 60 days Past due 60+ days	7,235 1,666 731	8,151 1,562 915
Total	9,632	10,628
Age of impaired trade receivables:		
60 – 90 days 90 – 120 days 120+ days	247 236 217	- 314 375
Total	700	689
The movement in the allowance for doubtful accounts in respect of trade receivables is detailed below:		
Balance at beginning of year Amounts written off as uncollectible Increase in allowance recognised in profit or loss Foreign currency exchange differences	689 (12) 23 -	769 (297) 218 (1)
Balance at end of year	700	689

The average credit period on provision of services is 30 days. No interest is charged on trade receivable balances overdue.

The Group has used the following basis to assess the allowance loss for trade receivables:

- a specific provision based on estimated irrecoverable amounts;
- historical bad debt experience;
- the general economic conditions;
- an individual account-by-account specific risk assessment based on past credit history; and
- any prior knowledge of debtor insolvency or other credit risk.

Included in the Group's trade receivable balance are debtors with a carrying amount of \$8.9 million (2011: \$9.9 million) which are past due at the reporting date, which the Group has not provided for as there has been no significant change in credit quality and the Group believes that the amounts are still considered recoverable. The Group does not hold any collateral over these balances.

	\$000	\$000
Non-current Loan to key management personnel (Note 6(d))	100	92
	100	92

Current         Propayments         905         1,487           Non-current         905         1,487           Rental guarantee deposit         116         169           Other         8         8           10. Intangible assets         2012         2011           10. Intangible assets         2012         2011           Preferred supplier agreements         2014         2,014           Cost         2,014         2,014           Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (2,014)         (1,915)           Net carrying value         2         202         203           Course material content         542         5	9. Other assets	0040	0044
Prepayments         905         1,487           Non-current         8         1           Rental guarantee deposit         116         189           Other         8         8           0ther         2012         2012           10. Intangible assets         2012         2011           2002         2003         2000           Preferred supplier agreements         2         2014         2,014           Cost         2,014         2,014         2,014           Net carrying value         -         99           Course material content         542         542           Cost         542         542           Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (542)         (307)           Net carrying value         -         235           Condidate databases         22,757         (20,725)           Cost         22,757         (20,725)           Net carrying value         -         2,032           Computer software         22,757         (20,725)           Net carrying value         7         2,032           Brands         591         591           Cost         564         64,00			
Non-current         Pental guarantee deposit         116         169 <th< td=""><td></td><td>905</td><td>1.487</td></th<>		905	1.487
Non-current         116         169         169         160 <th< td=""><td>· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·</td><td></td><td></td></th<>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Rental guarantee deposit         116 8 8         169 0ther         168 8         8			, -
10. Intangible assets   2012   2011   2000	Rental guarantee deposit		
Preferred supplier agreements         2012 5000         2014 5000           Cost         2,014 2,014 2,014 (1,915)         2,014 (2,014)         2,015         2,014 (1,915)         2,015         2,014 (1,915)         2,015         2,015         2,015         2,015         2,015         2,015         2,015         2,015         2,015         2,015         2,015         2,027         <		124	177
Cost         2,014         2,014           Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (2,014)         (1,915)           Net carrying value         -         99           Course material content         542         542           Cost         542         (307)           Net carrying value         -         235           Candidate databases         22,757         22,757           Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (22,757)         (20,725)           Net carrying value         -         2,032           Computer software         6,833         6,400           Cost         6,833         6,400           Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (6,114)         (5,897)           Net carrying value         719         503           Brands         591         591           Cost         591         591           Accumulated impairment         (44)         (44)           Net carrying value         547         547           Goodwill         547         547           Goodwill         6,834         6,836         6,836           Cost         6,835         6,836         6,836         6,836         6,836	10. Intangible assets		
Net carrying value         -         99           Course material content         542         542         542         642         Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (542)         (307)         Net carrying value         -         235         Candidate databases         22,757         22,757         22,757         Accumulated amortisation and impairment         42,757         22,757         22,757         Accumulated amortisation and impairment         -         2,032         Accumulated amortisation and impairment         -         2,032           Cost         6,833         6,400         Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (6,114)         (5,897)           Net carrying value         719         503           Brands         591         591         591           Cost         591         591         591           Accumulated impairment         (44)         (44)           Net carrying value         547         547           Goodwill         547         547           Cost         100,212         102,528           Accumulated impairment (a)         (85,645)         (32,241)           Net carrying value         14,567         70,287	Cost		
Course material content           Cost         542         542           Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (542)         (307)           Net carrying value         -         235           Candidate databases         22,757         22,757           Cost         22,757         (20,725)           Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (22,757)         (20,725)           Net carrying value         -         2,032           Computer software         8,833         6,400           Cost         6,833         6,400           Accumulated amortisation and impairment         (6,114)         (5,897)           Net carrying value         719         503           Brands         591         591           Cost         591         591           Accumulated impairment         (44)         (44)           Net carrying value         547         547           Goodwill         547         547           Cost         547         547           Accumulated impairment (a)         (85,645)         (32,241)           Net carrying value         14,567         70,281			
Candidate databases         Cost       22,757       22,757         Accumulated amortisation and impairment       (22,757)       (20,725)         Net carrying value       –       2,032         Computer software       6,833       6,400         Cost       6,814       (5,897)         Net carrying value       719       503         Brands       591       591         Cost       591       591         Accumulated impairment       (44)       (44)         Net carrying value       547       547         Goodwill       547       547         Cost       100,212       102,528         Accumulated impairment (a)       (85,645)       (32,241)         Net carrying value       14,567       70,287	Course material content Cost		
Cost Accumulated amortisation and impairment         22,757 (22,757) (20,725)           Net carrying value         - 2,032           Computer software         8,833 (6,400)           Cost Accumulated amortisation and impairment         6,813 (6,114) (5,897)           Net carrying value         719 (6,114) (5,897)           Brands         591 (44) (44) (44) (44)           Cost Accumulated impairment         591 (44) (44) (44) (44) (44) (44) (44) (44	Net carrying value		235
Computer software         Cost       6,833       6,400         Accumulated amortisation and impairment       (6,114)       (5,897)         Net carrying value       719       503         Brands       S91       591       591         Accumulated impairment       (44)       (44)       (44)         Net carrying value       547       547         Goodwill       Cost       100,212       102,528         Accumulated impairment (a)       (85,645)       (32,241)         Net carrying value       14,567       70,287	Cost		
Cost       6,833       6,400         Accumulated amortisation and impairment       (6,114)       (5,897)         Net carrying value       719       503         Brands       S91       591       591         Cost       591       591       440         Net carrying value       547       547         Goodwill       Cost       100,212       102,528         Accumulated impairment (a)       (85,645)       (32,241)         Net carrying value       14,567       70,287	Net carrying value		2,032
Brands           Cost         591         591           Accumulated impairment         (44)         (44)           Net carrying value         547         547           Goodwill         Cost         100,212         102,528           Accumulated impairment (a)         (85,645)         (32,241)           Net carrying value         14,567         70,287	Cost		
Cost         591         591           Accumulated impairment         (44)         (44)           Net carrying value         547         547           Goodwill         Cost         100,212         102,528           Accumulated impairment (a)         (85,645)         (32,241)           Net carrying value         14,567         70,287	Net carrying value	719	503
Goodwill           Cost         100,212         102,528           Accumulated impairment (a)         (85,645)         (32,241)           Net carrying value         14,567         70,287	Cost		
Cost         100,212         102,528           Accumulated impairment (a)         (85,645)         (32,241)           Net carrying value         14,567         70,287	Net carrying value	547	547
Net carrying value         14,567         70,287	Cost		
Total intangible assets 15,833 73,703		14,567	
	Total intangible assets	15,833	73,703

## (a) Impairment tests for goodwill

Goodwill is allocated to recruitment cash-generating units (CGUs), being the autonomously operated businesses acquired by the Group (refer to Note 21). The recoverable amount of the CGUs is determined based on value-in-use calculations.

The following key assumptions were used in the value-in-use calculations:

- Management has based the value-in-use calculations on the most recently completed management-approved forecast performance for the forthcoming one-year period. Future cash flows are projected using forecast growth rates of 2.0% (30 June 2011: 3.0%) into perpetuity. A pre-tax discount rate of 18.6% (30 June 2011: 17.1%), reflecting the assessed risks associated with the CGU segments, has been applied to determine the present value of the future cash flow projections.
- During the year ended 30 June 2012, the Group assessed the recoverable amount of goodwill, and in light of continuing challenging trading conditions and uncertainty over the timing of a recovery, determined that goodwill associated with the Group's CGUs was impaired by \$53.4 million. In the prior year, goodwill associated with the Group's CGUs was impaired by \$1.3 million.
- Sensitivity analysis shows that EBITDA and the discount rate assumption are key components in the outcome of the recoverable amount. The following table shows the potential impact on impairment from the movement in the underlying assumptions:

	\$000	\$000
Change in EBITDA – reduction of 10%	1,662	1,518
Change in discount rate – increase of 1%	1,363	1,392

The Directors have not identified any other likely changes in other significant assumptions since 30 June 2012 and the signing of the financial statements that would cause the carrying value of the recognised goodwill to exceed its recoverable amount.

## (b) Intangible assets – detailed reconciliation

	Goodwill \$000	Candidate database \$000	Preferred supplier agreements \$000	Computer software \$000	Course material content \$000	Brands \$000	Total \$000
2012	100 500			0.400	<b>-</b> 40	<b>50</b> 4	404.000
Cost brought forward  Decrease in estimated deferred	102,528	22,757	2,014	6,400	542	591	134,832
vendor consideration Additions other than through	(2,584)	-	-	-	-	-	(2,584)
business combinations	-	-	-	431	-	-	431
Net foreign currency exchange differences	268	_	-	2	_	_	270
	100,212	22,757	2,014	6,833	542	591	132,949
Amortisation and impairment							
brought forward	(32,241)	(20,725)	(1,915)	(5,897)	(307)	(44)	(61,129)
Amortisation expense	_	(1,979)	(99)	(201)	(235)	_	(2,514)
Impairment losses	(53,404)	_	_	-	_	-	(53,404)
Net foreign currency							
exchange differences	_	(53)	_	(16)	_	_	(69)
	(85,645)	(22,757)	(2,014)	(6,114)	(542)	(44)	(117,116)
Closing written-down value	14,567	_	_	719	_	547	15,833

## 10. Intangible assets (continued)

ior mangable access (commuca)	Goodwill \$000	Candidate database \$000	Preferred supplier agreements \$000	Computer software \$000	Course material content \$000	Brands \$000	Total \$000
2011							
Cost brought forward	103,376	22,757	2,014	6,078	542	591	135,358
Decrease in estimated deferred							
vendor consideration	(66)	_	_	_	_	_	(66)
Additions other than through				000			000
business combinations  Net foreign currency	_	_	_	338	_	_	338
exchange differences	(782)	_	_	(16)	_	_	(798)
	. , ,	00.757	0.014	· , ,	5.40	504	
	102,528	22,757	2,014	6,400	542	591	134,832
Amortisation and impairment							
brought forward	(30,941)	(18,183)	(1,691)	(5,675)	(253)	(44)	(56,787)
Amortisation expense	_	(2,700)	(224)	(239)	(54)	_	(3,217)
Impairment losses	(1,300)	_	_	_	_	_	(1,300)
Net foreign currency		150		47			475
exchange differences		158		17	_		175
	(32,241)	(20,725)	(1,915)	(5,897)	(307)	(44)	(61,129)
Closing written-down value	70,287	2,032	99	503	235	547	73,703

11. Property plant and equipment	Motor vehicles \$000	Office equipment \$000	Leasehold improvements \$000	Leased assets \$000	Total \$000
2012					
Cost	40	0.547	0.450	50	0.770
Balance at the beginning of the year	18	3,547 107	3,156 33	52	6,773 140
Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment Net foreign currency exchange differences	_	107	9	_	27
Balance at 30 June 2012	18	3,672	3,198	52	6,940
Depreciation and impairment losses					
Balance at the beginning of the year	(3)	(2,334)	(1,796)	(52)	(4,185)
Depreciation expense	(4)	(340)	(303)	_	(647)
Net foreign currency exchange differences	_	(5)	(6)	_	(11)
Impairment losses	_	(4)	(24)		(28)
Balance at 30 June 2012	(7)	(2,683)	(2,129)	(52)	(4,871)
Carrying amount – 30 June 2012	11	989	1,069	-	2,069
Certain assets have been pledged as security – see Note 14(h).					
	Motor vehicles \$000	Office equipment \$000	Leasehold improvements \$000	Leased assets \$000	Total \$000
2011	vehicles	equipment	improvements	assets	
2011 Cost	vehicles	equipment	improvements	assets	
	vehicles	equipment	improvements	assets	
Cost	vehicles \$000	equipment \$000	improvements \$000	assets \$000	\$000
Cost Balance at the beginning of the year Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment Disposals	vehicles \$000	9000 3,418 178 -	3,025 168	assets \$000	\$000 6,504 364 (9)
Cost Balance at the beginning of the year Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment	vehicles \$000	equipment \$000 3,418 178	3,025 168	assets \$000	\$000 6,504 364
Cost Balance at the beginning of the year Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment Disposals	yehicles \$000 9 18 (9)	9000 3,418 178 -	3,025 168	assets \$000	\$000 6,504 364 (9)
Cost  Balance at the beginning of the year  Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment  Disposals  Net foreign currency exchange differences  Balance at 30 June 2011	yehicles \$000 9 18 (9)	3,418 178 - (49)	3,025 168 - (37)	assets \$000 52 - -	\$000 6,504 364 (9) (86)
Cost Balance at the beginning of the year Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment Disposals Net foreign currency exchange differences	yehicles \$000 9 18 (9)	3,418 178 - (49)	3,025 168 - (37)	assets \$000 52 - -	\$000 6,504 364 (9) (86)
Cost Balance at the beginning of the year Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment Disposals Net foreign currency exchange differences Balance at 30 June 2011 Depreciation and impairment losses	yehicles \$000 9 18 (9) - 18 (9) 9	3,418 178 - (49)	3,025 168 - (37) 3,156	assets \$000 52 - - - 52	\$000 6,504 364 (9) (86) 6,773
Cost Balance at the beginning of the year Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment Disposals Net foreign currency exchange differences  Balance at 30 June 2011  Depreciation and impairment losses Balance at the beginning of the year Disposals Depreciation expense	yehicles \$000 9 18 (9) - 18	3,418 178 - (49)	3,025 168 - (37) 3,156	ssets \$000 52 - - - 52 (52)	\$000 6,504 364 (9) (86) 6,773
Cost Balance at the beginning of the year Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment Disposals Net foreign currency exchange differences  Balance at 30 June 2011  Depreciation and impairment losses Balance at the beginning of the year Disposals Depreciation expense Net foreign currency exchange differences	yehicles \$000 9 18 (9) - 18 (9) 9	3,418 178 - (49) 3,547	3,025 168 - (37) 3,156	52 - - - 52 52 (52)	\$000 6,504 364 (9) (86) 6,773 (3,416) 9
Cost Balance at the beginning of the year Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment Disposals Net foreign currency exchange differences  Balance at 30 June 2011  Depreciation and impairment losses Balance at the beginning of the year Disposals Depreciation expense	yehicles \$000 9 18 (9) - 18 (9) 9	3,418 178 - (49) 3,547 (1,917) - (450)	3,025 168 - (37) 3,156 (1,438) - (373)	52 - - - 52 52 (52)	\$000 6,504 364 (9) (86) 6,773 (3,416) 9 (826)

15

1,213

1,360

Certain assets have been pledged as security – see Note 14(h).

Carrying amount – 30 June 2011

2,588

12.	<b>Taxation</b>
Ass	ets

Assets						2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Non-current							,
Deferred tax assets comprise the following ter	nnorary c	differences:					
Exchange difference on foreign operations						(84)	(187)
Intangible assets						-	3,994
Make-good costs						112	100
Property, plant and equipment						311	277
Accrued income						(298)	(430)
Accrued expenses						44	68
Accrued rent						107	117
Impairment of trade receivables						209	206
Employee benefits						1,477	1,533
Transaction costs						25	57
Other provisions						251	329
Borrowing costs						725	659
IPO costs						9	19
						2,888	6,742
	xchange fference						
	n foreign	Accrued	Accrued	Intangible	Make-good	Fixed	Accrued
op	erations \$000	income \$000	expenses \$000	assets \$000	costs \$000	assets \$000	rent \$000
At 30 June 2010	_	(987)	89	3,347	78	287	133
(Charged)/credited to the income statement	(187)	557	(21)	647	22	(10)	(16)
At 30 June 2011	(187)	(430)	68	3,994	100	277	117
(Charged)/credited to the income statement	103	132	(24)	(3,994)	12	34	(10)
At 30 June 2012	(84)	(298)	44	_	112	311	107
Imp	pairment						
	of trade	Employee	Transaction	IPO	Borrowing	Other	T-4-1
rec	eivables \$000	benefits \$000	costs \$000	costs \$000	costs \$000	provisions \$000	Total \$000
At 30 June 2010	231	1,525	110	324	_	580	5,717
Credited/(charged) to the income statement	(25)	8	(53)	(305)	659	(251)	1,025
At 30 June 2011	206	1,533	57	19	659	329	6,742
(Charged)/credited to the income statement	3	(56)	(32)	(10)	66	(78)	(3,854)
At 30 June 2012	209	1,477	25	9	725	251	2,888

Deferred tax assets have been recognised on the basis that there will be future taxable profits against which they can be utilised. The future taxable profits are based on management estimations that sufficient suitable taxable profit will be made against which to offset the deductions.

## Liabilities

	\$000	\$000
Current	400	70
Income tax payable	199	
	199	76

## 13. Trade and other payables

	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Current Trade payable	2,324	2,564
Other creditors and accruals	20,059	20,549
	22,383	23,113

The average credit period on purchases of certain products is 30 days. No interest is charged on trade payables. The Group has financial risk management policies in place to ensure that all payables are paid within the credit timeframe.

#### 14. Borrowings

	Note	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Current			<u> </u>
Unsecured liabilities			
Vendor earn-out liability	(a)	1,856	6,330
Other	,	374	238
		2,230	6,568
Secured liabilities			
Bank overdraft	(b)	2,747	2,395
Finance lease obligation	(h), 31	4	4
Cash advance facility (net of borrowing costs)	(C)	_	23,907
Cash advance acquisition facility	(d)	_	27,000
Working capital facility	(e)		30,000
Subordinated facility	(f)	33,000	_
Term facility (net of borrowing costs)	(g)	52,526	
		88,277	83,306
		90,507	89,874
Non-current			
Unsecured liabilities			
Vendor earn-out liability	(a)	586	4,561
		586	4,561
Secured liabilities			
Finance lease obligation	(h), 31	14	19
		14	19
		600	4,580

## (a) Vendor earn-out liability

The Vendor earn-out liability comprises the fair value of estimated initial consideration payments which are payable to vendors over a period of one to three years post-acquisition, and estimated exit consideration payments which are payable to vendors over a three-year period after provision of exit notice by the vendors.

For Australian business acquisitions, the Vendor earn-out liability has been structured through the issue to vendors of Series B Redeemable Preference Shares which are progressively redeemed at each earn-out payment date. All redemption payments made are contingent on the profit performance of the acquired business over the payment period. Each holder of Series B Redeemable Preference Shares is entitled to receive franked dividends for each year based on the Net Profit Before Tax of the vendor business acquired. The dividends are payable by the Company in priority to any other dividends in respect of any other shares. If these dividends are not paid then they will accumulate. The holders do not have rights to any other dividends or any entitlement to receive notice of, attend or vote at any general meeting of the Company.

#### 14. Borrowings (continued)

For New Zealand business acquisitions, earn-out payments have not been structured through preference shares; however, additional share consideration payments equivalent in structure to the preference dividends referred to above have been incorporated as part of the share purchase consideration.

The Vendor earn-out liability has been determined by calculating the present value of the estimated future cash flows associated with the earn-out payments, including the associated preference dividend and additional share consideration payments. The cash flows have been discounted at rates between 11.4% and 12.5%, representing the assessed risk-adjusted rate of return for the acquired businesses at their acquisition dates.

#### (b) Bank overdraft facility

\$10.0 million (30 June 2011: \$7.0 million) cash overdraft facility to assist with ongoing working capital requirements. This facility is subject to annual review and expires on 28 February 2013. At 30 June 2012, this facility attracted interest at a margin over the bank reference rate. Interest is calculated daily and is payable monthly in arrears.

## (c) Cash advance facility (net of borrowing costs)

This facility was redesignated to the new term facility in September 2011 (30 June 2011: \$23.9 million).

#### (d) Cash advance acquisition facility

\$24.0 million of this facility was redesignated as a drawing under the new term facility and the remaining \$3.0 million was redesignated to a drawing under the new subordinated facility in September 2011 (30 June 2011: \$27.0 million).

## (e) Working capital facility

This facility was redesignated to the new subordinated facility in September 2011 (30 June 2011: \$30.0 million).

## (f) Subordinated facility

The new subordinated facility of \$33.0 million was drawn in September 2011 (30 June 2011: nil). The facility attracts no interest and expires on 31 March 2014. The facility is subject to an annual review on 31 March 2013 which may result in the bank amending the covenant thresholds in line with the prevailing financial conditions and forecasts at the time.

## (g) Term facility (net of borrowing costs)

The new term facility of \$48.1 million was drawn in September 2011 and a further \$6.6 million was drawn in November 2011 (30 June 2011: nil). It attracts interest at a margin over BBSY, and based on the BBSY at 30 June 2012, the effective rate would be 7.12%. Quarterly amortisation payments of \$0.65 million apply and the facility expires on 31 March 2014. The facility is subject to an annual review on 31 March 2013 which may result in the bank amending the covenant thresholds in line with the prevailing financial conditions and forecasts at the time.

# (h) Assets pledged as security in respect of secured liabilities Existing facilities

The finance lease obligation is secured against the underlying finance lease assets with net book value of \$0.011 million (2011: \$0.015 million).

The term facility, subordinated facility and the bank overdraft facility are secured by a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the parent and subsidiaries together with a mortgage over all shares held by the parent entity in the consolidated entities.

## (i) Other facilities

These relate to bank guarantees in respect of rental properties.

## (j) Financing arrangements

(j) Financing arrangements	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Restricted access was available at balance date to the following lines of credit:  Loan facilities		
Cash advance facility (c)	_	24,150
Cash advance acquisition facility (d)	_	27,000
Subordinated facility (f)	33,000	_
Term facility (g)	52,800	
	85,800	51,150
Used at balance date		04450
Cash advance facility (c)	_	24,150
Cash advance acquisition facility (d) Subordinated facility (f)	33,000	27,000
Term facility (g)	52,800	_
	85,800	51,150
Unused at balance date		
Cash advance facility (c)	_	_
Cash advance acquisition facility (d)	-	_
Subordinated facility (f) There for all the (c)	_	_
Term facility (g)		
Credit standby arrangements Bank overdraft (b)	10,000	7,000
Other facilities (i)	2,650	7,000 2,750
Working capital facility (e)	2,030	30,000
TVOTNING Capital raciiity (c)	12,650	39,750
		09,700
Used at balance date Bank overdraft (b)	2,747	2,395
Other facilities (i)	1,924	2,393
Working capital facility (e)	1,924	30,000
- Vorking depical redshifty (b)	4,671	
	4,071	34,581
Unused at balance date Bank overdraft (b)	7,253	4,605
Other facilities (i)	726	564
Working capital facility (e)		
	7,979	5,169

#### 15. Provisions

13. Provisions	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Current Non-current	1,845 994	1,841 994
	2,839	2,835
Current Employee benefits Straight-lining of rent provision	1,703 142	1,672 169
	1,845	1,841
Non-current Employee benefits Make-good Straight-lining of rent provision	293 488 213	281 492 221
	994	994

## (a) Make good provision

The Group is required to restore the leased premises to their original condition at the end of the respective lease terms. A provision has been recognised for the value of the estimated expenditure required to remove any leasehold improvements. These costs have been capitalised as part of the cost of leasehold improvements and are amortised over the shorter of the term of the lease or the useful life of the assets.

## (b) Straight-lining of rent provision

The Group has office space leases that are recorded as operating leases. A number of the lease contracts have rent-free periods. The total of rent payments due under the lease is being recognised on a straight-line basis in profit or loss. Accordingly, there is a liability recorded for accrued rent equal to the difference between the rent expense charged against income and actual cash payments required under the terms of the lease.

## (c) Movement in provisions

Movement in each class of provision during the financial year, other than employee benefits, is set out below:

	Straight-lining	Straight-lining of rent		ovision
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Carrying amount at beginning of year (Decrease)/increase in provision	390	445	492	479
	(35)	(55)	(4)	13
Carrying amount at end of year	355	390	488	492

#### 16. Other liabilities

This represents extension fees incurred in respect of extending the debt facilities in August 2010. The extension is subject to a fee of 3% of the facilities amounting to \$2.4 million. The fee is payable on the first date that the fee is able to be paid, provided that in the reasonable opinion of the Board of Directors, the payment of the fee will not likely cause the Company to be unable to comply with the terms of the facility documents and there is sufficient excess in the working capital facilities.

Conversely, in the event that any of the following conditions occur, the fee is payable on the earlier of:

- (a) any date on which any of the facilities is repaid using proceeds advanced or provided by an external party; or
- (b) any date on which any member of the Group disposes of assets or a business with an aggregate value equal to or greater than \$2.5 million; or
- (c) the date payment is requested while a default subsists; or
- (d) the date on which all the facilities are repaid in full,

subject to the same provisos as noted above.

## 17. Contributed equity

	Note	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
109,610,814 (2011: 109,610,814) fully paid ordinary shares Treasury shares	33	65,343 (738)	65,343 (738)
		64,605	64,605

Changes to the then Corporations Law abolished the authorised capital and par value concept in relation to share capital from 1 July 1998. Therefore, the Company does not have a limited amount of authorised capital and issued shares do not have a par value.

## **Ordinary shares**

2011 and 2012	Number of shares	\$000
Balance at 1 July 2010 Treasury shares	110,628,015 (1,017,201)	65,343 (738)
Balance at 30 June 2011 and 2012	109,610,814	64,605

Ordinary shares confer on their holders the right to participate in dividends declared by the Board. Ordinary shares confer on their holders an entitlement to vote at any general meeting of the Company.

18. Reserves				
			2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Equity-settled employee benefit reserve (a)			183	554
Foreign currency translation reserve (b)			(537)	(851)
			(354)	(297)
(a) Equity-settled employee benefit reserve This reserve is to recognise the value of options recognised to date.				
(b) Foreign currency translation reserve This reserve is to recognise the value of translation differences of foreig	n entities.			
The movement in each reserve during the financial year is set out below	v:			
	Equity-settled e benefit rese		Foreign cu translation r	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Balance 1 July	554	526	(851)	(26)
Share-based payments Options exercised during the year	(152) (5)	31 (3)	_	_
Transfer of reserve relating to lapsed options	(214)	_	-	_
Currency translation differences arising during the year			314	(825)
Balance 30 June	183	554	(537)	(851)
19. Accumulated losses			2012	2011
			\$000	\$000
Accumulated losses at the beginning of the period			(63,629)	(57,821)
Net loss attributable to members of the parent entity			(61,554)	(5,808)
Transfer of reserve relating to lapsed options  Minority interest on acquisition of controlled entities			214 -	_
Balance 30 June		<del></del>	(124,969)	(63,629)
Balance do dune			(124,303)	(00,029)
20. Cash flow information				
(a) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations to loss after incom	e tax		0010	0011
			2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Net loss for the year			(61,127)	(5,446)
Non-cash flows in loss				,
Amortisation of intangible assets			2,514	3,217
Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment			-	_
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Share-based payments expense			647 (157)	826 28
Amortisation of borrowing costs			359	2,180
Interest on Vendor earn-out liability			532	1,430
Impairment of non-current assets			53,432	1,300
Changes in operating assets and liabilities				
Decrease in trade and term receivables			1,765	839
Decrease in other assets			635 (889)	166
Decrease in trade payables and accruals Increase/(decrease) in income tax payable			(889) 122	(2,453 (256
Decrease/(increase) in deferred taxes			3,854	(1,025
Increase/(decrease) in provisions			5	(44)

## 21. Controlled entities

	Country of	Percentage owned	Percentage owned
Name	incorporation	2012	2011
Parent entity			
Rubicor Group Limited	Australia	_	_
Subsidiaries of parent entity			
Locher & Associates Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Locher Holdings Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Gel Group Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Cadden Crowe Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
James Gall & Associates Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Apsley Recruitment Pty Limited (vii)	Australia	100	100
Cadden Crowe (Victoria) Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Cadden Crowe (Queensland) Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Skillsearch Contracting Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Careers Unlimited Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
SMF Recruitment Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Xpand Group Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
CIT Professionals Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Rubicor CRS Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Wizard Personnel & Office Services Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Dolman Group Pty Limited (iii)	Australia	100	100
Challenge Recruitment Limited (vi)	Australia	100	100
Rubicor SW Personnel Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Rubicor Gemteg Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Orbis Recruitment Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Ensure Recruitment Pty Limited (iv)	Australia	50.1	50.1
Rubicor (T1) Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Rubicor Services Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Rubicor Workforce Solutions Pty Limited	Australia	100	_
Rubicor New Zealand Limited (v)	New Zealand	100	100
Wheeler Campbell Consulting Limited (i)	New Zealand	100	100
Health Recruitment NZ Limited (ii)	New Zealand	100	100
Gaulter Russell NZ Limited	New Zealand	100	100
Numero (NZ) Limited	New Zealand	100	100
Powerhouse People Ltd	New Zealand	100	100
Rubicor Group Pte Limited (Singapore)	Singapore	100	100
Rubicor Hong Kong Limited	Hong Kong	100	100

- (i) Includes Wheeler Campbell Management Leasing Limited and Intersearch NZ Limited.
- (ii) Includes Care Direct Limited and Health Recruitment International Limited.
- (iii) Includes subsidiary Dolman F-Lex Pty Limited, and Dolman Pty Limited.
- (iv) Rubicor Group has immediate control over 50.1% of the economic benefits arising from Ensure Recruitment Pty Limited. Rubicor has control over the strategic running of the Company and has consolidated the Company in full and disclosed the non-controlling interest.
- (v) Includes Rubicor Services (NZ) Limited and Recruit Rubicor NZ Limited.
- (vi) Includes Choice HR Pty Limited.
- (vii) Includes ACN 101254022 Pty Limited and Apsley Recruitment Unit Trust.

## 22. Parent entity disclosures

(a) Financial position		
	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Assets		
Current assets Non-current assets	93,410 49,461	74,183 104,910
Total assets	142,871	179,093
Liabilities Current liabilities	231,287	200,799
Non-current liabilities	714	4,064
Total liabilities	232,001	204,863
Net liabilities	(89,130)	(25,770)
Equity Share capital Reserves Accumulated losses	64,605 239 (153,974)	64,605 397 (90,772)
Total equity	(89,130)	(25,770)
(b) Financial performance		
	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Loss for the year Other comprehensive income	(63,202)	(12,367)
Total comprehensive loss	(63,202)	(12,367)
<ul><li>(c) Guarantees entered into by the parent entity in relation to the of the parent entity and Challenge Recruitment Limited are parties to a diguarantees the debt of others (refer Note 23).</li><li>(d) Contingent liabilities of the parent entity</li></ul>	eed of cross-guarantee under which each Compa 2012	2011
Deally assessment and in second of least of second assessment of the se	\$000	\$000
Bank guarantees in respect of leased premises totalling (refer Note 28):	1,407	1,875

## (e) Commitments for expenditure for the parent entity

The parent had nil committed expenditure as at 30 June 2012 and 30 June 2011.

## 23. Deed of cross-guarantee

Rubicor Group Limited and Challenge Recruitment Limited are parties to a deed of cross-guarantee under which each company guarantees the debt of others. By entering into the deed, the wholly owned entities have been relieved from the requirement to prepare a financial report and Directors' Report under Class Order 98/1418 (as amended) issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

## (a) Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

The above companies represent a 'Closed Group' for the purposes of the Class Order.

Set out below is a consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the years ended 30 June 2012 and 2011 of the Closed Group consisting of Rubicor Group Limited and Challenge Recruitment Limited.

## Statement of comprehensive income

etatement et eemptenenene meente	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Revenue On-hired labour costs Employee benefits expense Rental expense on operating leases Other expenses	85,610 (76,945) (8,184) (726) (3,297)	88,908 (80,157) (9,399) (801) (4,009)
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA)  Depreciation of property, plant and equipment  Amortisation of intangible assets  Finance costs  Impairment losses relating to non-current assets	(3,542) (127) (441) (5,252) (54,966)	(5,458) (284) (58) (10,318) (6)
Loss before income tax expense Income tax benefit	(64,328) 2,016	(16,124) 4,283
Loss for the year	(62,312)	(11,841)
Other comprehensive income		_
Total comprehensive loss for the year	(62,312)	(11,841)

## 23. Deed of cross-guarantee (continued)

## (b) Statement of financial position

Set out below is a consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2012 and 2011 of the Closed Group consisting of Rubicor Group Limited and Challenge Recruitment Limited.

_			
Statement	of fin	ancial	nosition

Statement of financial position	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Assets Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents Trade and other receivables Other assets	104,678 511	83,582 981
Total current assets	105,189	84,563
Non-current assets Trade and other receivables Other financial assets Property, plant and equipment Deferred tax assets Intangible assets	80,725 30,912 352 1,721 603	60,213 88,311 511 1,756 317
Total non-current assets	114,313	151,108
Total assets	219,502	235,671
Liabilities Current liabilities Trade and other payables Borrowings Provisions	8,083 298,763 929	7,623 249,605 729
Total current liabilities	307,775	257,957
Non-current liabilities Borrowings Provisions	583 185	3,955 331
Total non-current liabilities	768	4,286
Total liabilities	308,543	262,243
Net liabilities	(89,041)	(26,572)
Equity Share capital Reserves Accumulated losses	64,605 239 (153,885)	64,605 396 (91,573)
Total equity	(89,041)	(26,572)

## 24. Commitments for expenditure

The Group had nil committed expenditure as at 30 June 2012 and 30 June 2011.

## 25. Segment information

Our internal reporting system produces reports in which business activities are presented in a variety of ways. Based on these reports, the Executive Board, which is responsible for assessing the performance of various Company components and making resource allocation decisions as our Chief Operating Decision Maker (CODM), evaluates business activities in a number of different ways. The Group's reportable segments under AASB 8 are as follows:

- Australia;
- New Zealand; and
- Other.

(a) Revenue

The Australian and New Zealand reportable segments supply recruitment services to the Australian and New Zealand geographical regions respectively.

'Other' is the aggregation of the Group's other operating segments that are not separately reportable. Included in 'Other' are operating segments for the Group's activities in supplying recruitment services in Singapore.

There have been no changes in basis of segmentation or basis of segmental profit or loss since the previous financial report.

## Segment revenues and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and result by reporting operating segment for the periods under review:

Other

Unallocated

Economic entity

 Austra	lia	New Zea	aland
2012	2011	2012	2011

Part		7 100	7 10011 0110		odidi id	01110	O1	Orialioo	atoa		no oritity
Total segment revenue         267,602         265,006         21,444         25,301         1,489         1,415         -         -         290,535         291,722           (b) Result         Australia         New Zeal down and Search											
New Zealand	Total segment	267,602	265,006	21,444	25,301	1,489	1,415	-	_	290,535	291,722
Australia	_	267,602	265,006	21,444	25,301	1,489	1,415	-	_	290,535	291,722
2012   2011   2012   2012   2011   2012   2012   2011   2012   2012   2012   2011   2012   2012   2012   2011   2012   2012   2012   2012   2011   2012	(b) Result										
Segment results before depreciation and amortisation   11,029   17,088   1,421   1,609   243   231   -   -   12,693   18,928   18,028   1,421   1,609   243   231   -   -   (647)   (826)   (826)   (827)   (826)   (827)		Aus	stralia	New Ze	ealand	Othe	er	Unalloc	ated	Econom	nic entity
Defore depreciation and amortisation   11,029   17,088   1,421   1,609   243   231   -   -   12,693   18,928     Depreciation   (567)   (726)   (55)   (81)   (25)   (19)   -   -   (647)   (826)     Segment results after depreciation and before amortisation   10,462   16,362   1,366   1,528   218   212   -   -   12,046   18,102     Amortisation   Central administration costs and directors' salaries   (6,028)   (7,730)     Interest revenue   108   53     Finance costs   Interest on vendor earn-out liabilities   (55,20)   (1,430)     Impairment losses   (56,872)   (5,175)     Loss before tax   Income tax (expense)/ benefit   (4,255)   729											
Depreciation   Campaigne   C	before depreciation										
after depreciation and before amortisation 10,462 16,362 1,366 1,528 218 212 12,046 18,102 (2,514) (3,217) Central administration costs and directors' salaries (6,028) (7,730) Interest revenue Finance costs Interest on vendor earn-out liabilities Impairment losses (53,432) (1,300) Eloss before tax Income tax (expense)/ benefit								_	_ _		
Amortisation       (2,514)       (3,217)         Central administration       (5,214)       (3,217)         costs and directors' salaries       (6,028)       (7,730)         Interest revenue       108       53         Finance costs       (6,520)       (10,653)         Interest on vendor earn-out liabilities       (532)       (1,430)         Impairment losses       (53,432)       (1,300)         Loss before tax Income tax (expense)/benefit       (4,255)       729	after depreciation and before										
salaries         (6,028)         (7,730)           Interest revenue         108         53           Finance costs         (6,520)         (10,653)           Interest on vendor earn-out liabilities         (532)         (1,430)           Impairment losses         (53,432)         (1,300)           Loss before tax         (56,872)         (6,175)           Income tax (expense)/benefit         (4,255)         729	Amortisation Central administration costs and	10,462	16,362	1,366	1,528	218	212	-	_		
Interest revenue         108         53           Finance costs         (6,520)         (10,653)           Interest on vendor         (532)         (1,430)           earn-out liabilities         (53,432)         (1,300)           Impairment losses         (56,872)         (6,175)           Loss before tax         (56,872)         (6,175)           Income tax (expense)/benefit         (4,255)         729										(6,028)	(7,730)
Interest on vendor       (532) (1,430)         earn-out liabilities       (53,432) (1,300)         Impairment losses       (56,872) (6,175)         Loss before tax       (6,175)         Income tax (expense)/benefit       (4,255) 729	Interest revenue										,
Impairment losses         (53,432)         (1,300)           Loss before tax         (56,872)         (6,175)           Income tax (expense)/benefit         (4,255)         729										(6,520)	(10,653)
Income tax (expense)/ benefit (4,255) 729											
	Income tax (expense)/										
Loss after tax (5,446)	benefit									(4,255)	729
	Loss after tax						_			(61,127)	(5,446)

#### 25. Segment information (continued)

#### (c) Segment assets and liabilities

The Group is not required to disclose information regarding segment assets and liabilities where that information is not reported to the CODM.

## (d) Information about major customers

Included in revenues are revenues of \$79.2 million (2011: \$72.8 million) which arose from sales to two (2011: two) of the Group's customers whose individual revenue exceeds 10% of total revenue in the Australian segment.

## 26. Related party transactions

## Group/Company transactions with related parties outside the Group

There have been no transactions with related parties outside the Group during the financial years ended 30 June 2012 and 30 June 2011, other than key management personnel disclosures in Note 6.

#### 27. Secured liabilities

The following security is held by the parent company's and consolidated entity's bankers:

- fixed and floating charge over all assets of the parent entity;
- fixed and floating charge over all assets of the controlled entities; and
- mortgage over all the shares held by the parent entity in the controlled entities.

Security provided in respect of other secured liabilities is disclosed in Note 14(i).

#### 28. Contingent liabilities

The Group had contingent liabilities at 30 June 2012 in respect of bank guarantees for leases (refer to Note 30), as set out below:

	\$000	\$000
Contingent liabilities	4.050	0.400
Bank guarantees in respect of leased premises totalling	1,858	2,186
	1,858	2,186

Security for borrowing and leases is detailed in Note 14.

#### 29. Financial instruments

## (a) Significant accounting policies

Details of the significant accounting policies and methods adopted, including the criteria for recognition, the basis of measurement and the basis on which income and expenses are recognised, in respect of each class of financial asset, financial liability and equity instrument are disclosed in Note 1 to the financial statements.

## (b) Capital risk management

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to stakeholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balances.

The capital structure of the Group consists of debt, which includes the borrowings disclosed in Note 14, cash and cash equivalents and equity attributable to equity holders of the parent, comprising issued capital, reserves, other equity and retained earnings (accumulated losses) as disclosed in Notes 17, 18 and 19 respectively.

#### (c) Financial risk management objectives

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group's financial management framework. The Board has an established Audit and Risk Management Committee which is responsible for developing and monitoring the Group's financial management policies. The committee provides regular reports to the Board of Directors on its activities.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee oversees how management monitors compliance with risk management policies and procedures and reviews the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to the risks.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are market risk (including currency risk and fair value interest rate risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow interest rate risk. The Board reviews and approves policies for managing each of these risks.

The Board has approved written principles on foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, the use of financial derivatives and non-derivative financial instruments, and the investment of excess liquidity. The Audit and Risk Management Committee oversees how management monitors compliance with risk management policies and procedures and reviews the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to the risks. The Group does not enter into or trade financial instruments, including derivative financial instruments, for speculative purposes.

## (d) Market risk

The Group's activities expose it primarily to the financial risks of changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. The Group may enter into a variety of derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to interest rate and foreign currency risk, including:

- foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge the exchange rate risk arising from transactions not recorded in an entity's functional currency; and
- interest rate swaps to mitigate the risk of rising interest rates.

## (e) Foreign currency risk management

The Group from time to time undertakes certain transactions denominated in foreign currencies that are different to the functional currencies of the respective entities undertaking the transactions, hence exposures to exchange rate fluctuations arise. Exchange rate exposures are managed within approved policy parameters utilising forward foreign exchange contracts.

The carrying amount of the Group's foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities at the reporting date that are denominated in a currency that is different to the functional currency of the respective entities within the Group is as follows:

		Consolidated			
	Liabilitie	Liabilities			
	2012 \$000	2011 \$000	2012 \$000	2011 \$000	
US dollar	_	_	-	84	
	_	_	-	84	

#### (f) Interest rate risk management

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk associated with borrowed funds at floating interest rates. During the financial year, risks associated with interest rate movements were monitored by the Board; however, no hedging instruments were considered necessary to manage this risk.

The Group's exposures to interest rates on financial assets and financial liabilities are detailed in the liquidity risk management section of this note.

## Interest rate sensitivity

The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on the exposure to interest rates at the reporting date and the stipulated change taking place at the beginning of the financial year and held constant throughout the reporting period. A 100 basis point increase or decrease is used when reporting interest rate risk internally to key management personnel and represents management's assessment of the possible change in interest rates.

At the reporting date, if interest rates had been 100 basis points higher or lower and all other variables were held constant, the Group's loss before tax would decrease/increase by \$0.55 million (2011: loss before tax decrease/increase by \$0.84 million). This is mainly attributable to the Group's exposure to interest rates on its variable rate borrowings.

#### (g) Credit risk management

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations, resulting in financial loss to the Group. The Group has adopted a policy of only dealing with creditworthy counterparties and obtaining sufficient collateral where appropriate, as a means of mitigating the risk of financial loss from defaults.

Trade receivables consist of a large number of customers, spread across diverse industries and geographical areas. Ongoing credit evaluation is performed on the financial condition of accounts receivable.

The carrying value of trade receivables recorded in the financial statements, net of any impairment allowances, represents the Group's maximum exposure to credit risks.

The Group does not have any significant credit risk exposure to any single counterparty or any group of counterparties having similar characteristics. The credit risk on liquid funds and derivative financial instruments is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies.

The maximum credit risk exposure of financial assets is their carrying amount in the financial statements.

## 29. Financial instruments (continued)

## (h) Liquidity risk management

Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the CFO and Board of Directors, who have built an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the Group's short-medium-and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements.

The Group manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate reserves, banking facilities and reserve borrowing facilities by continuously forecasting and comparing actual cash flows and matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities. Included in Note 14(j) is a listing of additional undrawn facilities that the Group has at its disposal to further reduce liquidity risk.

#### Liquidity and interest risk tables

The following table details the Group's remaining contractual maturity for its non-derivative financial liabilities. The table has been presented based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Group may be required to pay. The table includes both interest and principal cash flows.

## Financial liabilities

Financiai liabilities	Weighted average effective interest rate %	0-3 months \$000	3 months to 1 year \$000	1-5 years \$000	5+ years \$000	Total \$000
2012						
Trade and other payables	_	11,026	_	_	_	11,026
Bank overdraft	10.24	2,747	_	_	_	2,747
Finance lease liability	11.80	1	3	14	_	18
Subordinated facility <sup>1</sup>	-	_	_	33,000	_	33,000
Term facility <sup>1</sup>	7.12	1,590	4,735	53,054	_	59,379
Extension fees <sup>1</sup>	<del>-</del>	_		2,423	_	2,423
Vendor earn-out liability	12.34	314	1,620	1,233	_	3,167
Total		15,678	6,358	89,724	-	111,760
2011						
Trade and other payables	_	12,149	_	_	_	12,149
Bank overdraft	11.19	2,395	_	_	_	2,395
Finance lease liability	11.80	1	3	19	_	23
Working capital facility	10.49	787	2,360	33,672	_	36,819
Cash advance facility	8.24	1,147	3,402	23,912	_	28,461
Cash advance acquisition facility	8.24	556	1,669	29,596	_	31,821
Extension fees	_	_	_	2,423	_	2,423
Vendor earn-out liability	12.34	305	6,327	5,916	_	12,548
Total		17,340	13,761	95,538	_	126,639

<sup>1</sup> The term and subordinated facilities have been classified as payable within one to five years as the facilities expire on 31 March 2014 (refer to Note 14). Extension fees may be payable at this time and have therefore also been classified as payable within one to five years (refer to Note 16). As these facilities are subject to an annual review on 31 March 2013, they have been classified as current on the statement of financial position, together with the extension fees.

#### Fair value of financial instruments

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities is determined as follows:

- the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities with standard terms and conditions and traded on active liquid markets is determined with reference to quoted market prices;
- the fair value of other financial assets and liabilities is determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on discounted cash flow analysis using prices from observable current market transactions; and
- the fair value of derivative instruments is calculated using quoted prices. Where such prices are not available, use is made of
  discounted cash flow analysis using the applicable yield curve for the duration of the instruments for non-optional derivatives,
  and option pricing models for optional derivatives.

The Directors consider that the carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded at amortised cost in the financial statements approximate their fair values.

## 30. Operating lease arrangements

## Leases as lessee

Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows:

	\$000	\$000
Leases as lessee		
Less than one year	3,261	3,351
Between one and five years	4,299	4,827
Total	7,560	8,178

The Group leases a number of offices under operating leases. The leases run over varying periods, some with option periods. Some of the leases have fixed rate rental periods, and some have market rate rental adjustments.

#### 31. Finance and hire purchase leases

The present value of finance lease liabilities is as follows:

	2012 \$000	2011 \$000
Less than one year Between one and five years	5 17	6 21
Minimum future lease payments¹ Less future finance charges	22 (4)	27 (4)
Present value of minimum lease payments	18	23
Recognised in the financial statements as: Borrowings: Current (Note 14)	4	Δ
Non-current (Note 14)	14	19
Total	18	23

The finance and hire purchase leases are secured against the underlying assets, with a net book value \$0.011 million (2011: \$0.015 million).

Minimum future lease payments includes the aggregate of all lease payments and any guaranteed residual.

#### 32. Events after the balance date

Subsequent to year end, the annual review of the debt facilities was completed. This resulted in a downward revision of the covenant thresholds in line with the prevailing financial conditions and forecasts, and an extension of the bank overdraft facility to 28 February 2013.

#### 33. Senior Executive Share Plan

The Company established the Senior Executive Share Plan on 24 April 2007. The Senior Executive Share Plan is intended to provide incentives to attract, retain and motivate key executives whose present and potential contributions are important to the success of the Company and its subsidiaries by offering them an opportunity to share in the ownership of the Company. The Senior Executive Share Plan is administered by the Board in its discretion. The terms and conditions of the Senior Executive Share Plan are summarised below.

Plan Shares were made available under the Senior Executive Share Plan to the following key executives of the Company in August and November 2007:

Key executive	Amount
Wayman Chapman	\$300,000
Kevin Levine	\$180,000
Jane Beaumont	\$150,000
Sharad Loomba	\$120,000

The Plan Shares were acquired at a price equal to the weighted average market price for shares for the five trading days prior to acquisition of the Plan Shares. The Company provided a loan to participants under the Share Plan for 100% of the purchase price of the Plan Shares to enable the participant to acquire the Plan Shares (Loan). The Loan has been provided on an interest-free basis. The Loan is repayable on the fifth anniversary of the date when the Loan was provided or otherwise in accordance with its terms (although the Board may vary the repayment period). If the performance conditions attaching to Plan Shares issued under the Share Plan have been satisfied, the Board will waive the loan repayment except for the portion equal to the fringe benefits tax payable on the Loan. The Loans from the Company to the above key executives will be repayable and the Plan Shares will become transferable by the key executive upon the satisfaction of certain performance hurdles based on the performance of the Company measured by:

- earnings per share growth over the period 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2011; and
- total shareholder return ranking against the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries index.

The number of ordinary shares acquired is in relation to the services to be performed for three years up to 30 June 2011:

Key executive	2008 shares
Wayman Chapman	423,204
Kevin Levine	235,088
Jane Beaumont	195,906
Sharad Loomba	163,003
Total	1,017,201

As required by AASB 2, the fair value of the shares issued is determined as the market price at grant date.

\$19,789 has been recognised as a share-based payment expense on a graded vesting pattern for the year ended 30 June 2012 (2011: expense of \$5,582) in relation to the Senior Executive Share Plan (refer to Note 17).

As this Share Plan has now lapsed the relating equity-settled employee benefit reserve has been transferred to accumulated losses (refer to Note 19).

## 34. Share-based payments

## Key Employee Share Option Plan

In the 2006 financial year, Rubicor Group Limited established the Key Employee Share Option Plan (the Plan). The Plan was established to retain and motivate eligible persons whose present and potential contributions are important to the success of the parent and its controlled entities by offering them an opportunity to participate in the Group's future performance through the awarding of share options. Eligible persons are full-time or part-time employees of the consolidated entity or other such persons as approved by the Board of Directors.

Vesting of the share options awarded takes place over a five-year period, with the first of the options vesting after two years and the rest vesting in tranches thereafter. The options cannot be exercised until the occurrence of a specified liquidity event.

On exercise, each share option entitles the eligible person holding that option to one ordinary share in the parent entity, ranking equally with all other shares. The exercise price of an option will be determined by the Board of Directors and set out in the Award Invitation.

The maximum number of shares to be issued to eligible persons on exercise of the share options is 5% of the issued share capital of the parent entity on a diluted basis at the valuation date.

The expiry date of the options is the earlier of:

- five years following the vesting period for options issued before July 2011, and 30 June 2017 for options issued from July 2011;
- the expiration date set out in the relevant Award Invitation;
- the date on which any condition relating to the exercise of the options can no longer be satisfied; or
- the date that the relevant participant ceased to be employed or engaged by the consolidated entity.

The fair value at grant date is independently determined using a Monte Carlo option pricing model.

The key model inputs for options granted before July 2010 include:

- (a) Options are granted for no consideration, will vest over a five-year period, with 40% vesting after two years, and the rest vesting in three equal tranches.
- (b) The grant dates were 27 May 2008, 28 April 2008, 31 August 2006 and 31 October 2005.
- (c) The expected dividend yield is 6%.
- (d) The risk-free interest rate varied between 5.34% and 5.48%.
- (e) The expected price volatility of the Company's shares is 45%, based on historical experience of similar companies.

The key model inputs for options granted in July 2010 include:

- (a) Options are granted for no consideration, and will vest three years from the grant date.
- (b) The grant date was 1 July 2010.
- (c) The expected dividend yield is 0%.
- (d) The risk-free interest rate varied between 5.10% and 5.48%.
- (e) The expected price volatility of the Company's shares is 65%, based on historical experience of similar companies.

The key model inputs for options granted in July 2011 include:

- (a) Options are granted for no consideration, and will vest three years from the grant date.
- (b) The grant date was 1 July 2011.
- (c) The expected dividend yield is 0%.
- (d) The risk-free interest rate varied between 5.52% and 5.56%.
- (e) The expected price volatility of the Company's shares is 69%, based on historical experience of similar companies.

A gain of \$186,664 has been recognised as a share-based payment true-up adjustment on a graded vesting pattern for the year ended 30 June 2012 (2011: expense of \$25,872) and \$5,723 has been exercised during the year (2011: \$3,544) (refer to Note 18).

The following share-based payment arrangements were in existence during the current and comparative reporting periods:

Options series	Number	Grant date	Expiry date	Exercise price \$	Fair value at grant date \$
Issued October 2005	1,847,459	October 2005	December 2015	Nil	0.37
Issued August 2006	1,028,843	August 2006	December 2015	Nil	0.58
Issued April 2008	957,415	April 2008	December 2018	0.37	0.11
Issued May 2008	170,000	May 2008	December 2018	0.26	0.04
Issued July 2010	1,548,800	July 2010	June 2017	0.05	0.02
Issued July 2010	1,210,000	July 2010	June 2017	0.05	0.02
Issued July 2011	1,626,240	July 2011	June 2018	0.05	0.01

## 34. Share-based payments (continued)

## Key Employee Share Option Plan (continued)

The following table reconciles the outstanding share options granted under the Employee Share Option Plan at the beginning and end of the financial year:

	2012		2011	
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price
Balance at beginning of the financial year	4,598,295	0.08	1,912,790	0.07
Granted during the year	1,626,240	0.05	2,758,800	0.05
Exercised during the financial year (i)	(198,272)	_	(73,295)	_
Expired during the financial year	(929,229)	<u> </u>	_	
Balance at end of the financial year (ii)	5,097,034	0.06	4,598,295	0.08
Exercisable at end of the financial year	647,893	0.13	1,538,920	0.10

## (i) Exercised during the financial year

The following share options granted under the Employee Share Option Plan were exercised during the financial year via on-market share purchase:

	Number exercised	Exercise date	Share price at exercise date
Issued October 2005	103,808	29 July 2011	0.03
Issued October 2005	2,504	5 August 2011	0.02
Issued October 2005	3,000	12 August 2011	0.02
Issued October 2005	4,875	15 August 2011	0.03
Issued August 2006	46,713	20 September 2011	0.03
Issued August 2006	37,372	12 October 2011	0.02

## (ii) Balance at the end of the financial year

The share options outstanding at the end of the financial year had an average exercise price of \$0.06 (2011: \$0.08), and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 4.9 years (2009: 5.8 years).

## 35. Loss per share

	2012 cents	2011 cents
(a) Basic loss per share Loss attributable to the equity holders of the Parent	(56.2)	(5.3)
(b) Diluted loss per share Loss attributable to the equity holders of the Parent	(56.2)	(5.3)
	2012 number	2011 number
(c) Weighted average number of shares used as the denominator Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the denominator in calculating basic earnings per share	109,610,814	109,610,814
Weighted average number of ordinary shares and potential ordinary shares used as the denominator in calculating diluted earnings per share	109,610,814	109,610,814

## Information concerning the classification of securities

## (i) Options

Options granted to employees under the Employee Share Option Plan are considered to be potential ordinary shares and have not been included in the determination of diluted earnings per share as they would be anti-dilutive. The options have not been included in the determination of basic earnings per share. Details relating to the options are set out in Note 34.

## 36. Dividends

## (a) Ordinary shares

(a) Ordinary shares	2012		2011	
	Cents per Share	Total \$000	Cents per Share	Total \$000
Ordinary shares				
Interim dividend:				
Franked to 100%	-	-	_	_
(b) Series B redeemable preference shares Dividends totalling \$0.81 million (2011: \$0.22 million) paid in November 201 as the liability includes the present value of future dividend payments (reference shares)		ed against th	e Vendor earn-o	ut liability
(c) Franking credits				
(o) Franking Growth			2012	2011
			\$000	\$000

The balance of the franking account includes:

based on a tax rate of 30% (2011: 30%)

Franking credits available for subsequent financial years

- (i) franking credits that arose from the payment of the amount of the provision for income tax;
- (ii) franking debits that arose from the refund of the amount of the provision for income tax;
- (iii) franking debits that arose from the payment of dividends recognised as a liability at the reporting date; and
- (iv) franking credits that arose from the receipt of dividends recognised as receivables at the reporting date.

9,964

9,778

# **Shareholder Information as at 21 September 2012**

## Number of security holders and securities on issue

## **Quoted equity securities**

Rubicor has on issue 110,628,015 fully paid ordinary shares which are held by 889 shareholders.

## Unquoted equity securities

Rubicor has 175 Series B redeemable preference shares on issue which are held by 40 shareholders.

Rubicor has 5,097,034 options on issue under the Employee Option Plan and these are held by 38 optionholders.

#### **Voting Rights**

#### **Quoted equity securities**

The voting rights attached to fully paid ordinary shares are that on a show of hands, every member present, in person or proxy, has one vote and upon a poll, each share shall have one vote.

## Unquoted equity securities

There are no voting rights attached to Series B redeemable preference shares.

Optionholders do not have any voting rights on the options held by them.

## **Distribution of security holders**

## **Quoted equity securities**

## Ordinary fully paid ordinary shares

Holding	Number of shareholders	Number of shares	%_
1 – 1,000	19	13,347	0.01
1,001 – 5,000	166	609,354	0.55
5,001 – 10,000	154	1,403,381	1.27
10,001 – 100,000	391	14,926,297	13.49
100,001 and over	159	93,675,636	84.68
Total	889	110,628,015	100.00
Series B redeemable preference shares  Holding	Number of shareholders	Number of shares	%_
1 – 1,000	40	175	100
1,001 – 5,000	_	_	_
5,001 – 10,000	_	_	_
10,001 – 100,000	_	_	_
100,001 and over			
Total	40	175	100

## Rubicor employee options

Options granted on various dates with various vesting dates and various expiry dates – all vested options may be converted to Fully Paid Ordinary Shares on a one-for-one basis with a nil exercise price:

Holding	Number of optionholders	Number of options	%
1 – 1,000	_	_	_
1,001 - 5,000	_	_	_
5,001 - 10,000	2	12,976	3
10,001 - 100,000	11	378,506	97
100,001 and over	_	_	_
Total	13	391,482	100

Options granted on various dates with various vesting dates and various expiry dates – all vested options may be converted to Fully Paid Ordinary Shares on a one-for-one basis with a 37 cent exercise price:

Holding	Number of optionholders	Number of options	%
1 – 1,000		_	_
1,001 - 5,000	_	_	_
5,001 - 10,000	_	_	_
10,001 – 100,000	4	225,512	100
100,001 and over	_	_	_
Total	4	225,512	100

Options granted on various dates with various vesting dates and various expiry dates – all vested options may be converted to Fully Paid Ordinary Shares on a one-for-one basis with a 26 cent exercise price:

Holding	Number of optionholders	Number of options	%
1 – 1,000	_	_	_
1,001 – 5,000	_	_	_
5,001 - 10,000	_	_	_
10,001 – 100,000	2	95,000	100
100,001 and over		_	
Total	2	95,000	100

Options granted on various dates with various vesting dates and various expiry dates – all vested options may be converted to Fully Paid Ordinary Shares on a one-for-one basis with a 5 cent exercise price:

Holding	Number of optionholders	Number of options	%
1 – 1,000	_	_	_
1,001 - 5,000	_	_	_
5,001 - 10,000	_	_	_
10,001 - 100,000	12	790,000	18
100,001 and over	7	3,595,040	82
Total	19	4,385,040	100

## Unmarketable parcel of shares

The number of shareholders holding less than a marketable parcel of Fully Paid Ordinary Shares is 615. 50,000 Fully Paid Ordinary Shares comprise a marketable parcel at Rubicor's closing share price of \$0.10.

## **Substantial shareholders**

The number of securities held by substantial shareholders and their associates are set out below:

## Fully Paid Ordinary Shares

Name	Number	%
Salmary Pty Limited, Pathold No. 107 Pty Limited,		
George P. Miltenyi, Mary E. Miltenyi, Peter J. Lewis and Susan E. Flynn	5.667.941	5.17 <sup>1</sup>
Hatch Investments Pty Limited	5,572,200	5.17° 5.03²
Hatch investments Fty Limited	3,372,200	5.05

<sup>1</sup> As notified to the Company on 21 June 2011.

<sup>2</sup> As notified to the Company on 4 July 2012.

## **Shareholder Information as at 21 September 2012**

## **Unquoted equity securities**

## Series B redeemable preference shares

There are 175 Series B Redeemable Preference Shares on issue to 40 shareholders.

There are no shareholders who hold 20% or more of the Series B Redeemable Preference Shares.

#### Rubicor employee options

There are 391,482 (with a nil exercise price) unquoted options on issue to 13 optionholders under the Employee Option Plan.

There are 225,512 (with a 37 cent exercise price) unquoted options on issue to four optionholders under the Employee Option Plan.

There are 95,000 (with a 26 cent exercise price) unquoted options on issue to two optionholders under the Employee Option Plan.

There are 4,385,040 (with a 5 cent exercise price) unquoted options on issue to 19 optionholders under the Employee Option Plan.

There are no optionholders who hold 20% or more of the options under the Employee Option Plan.

## On-market buy-back

There is no current on-market buy-back.

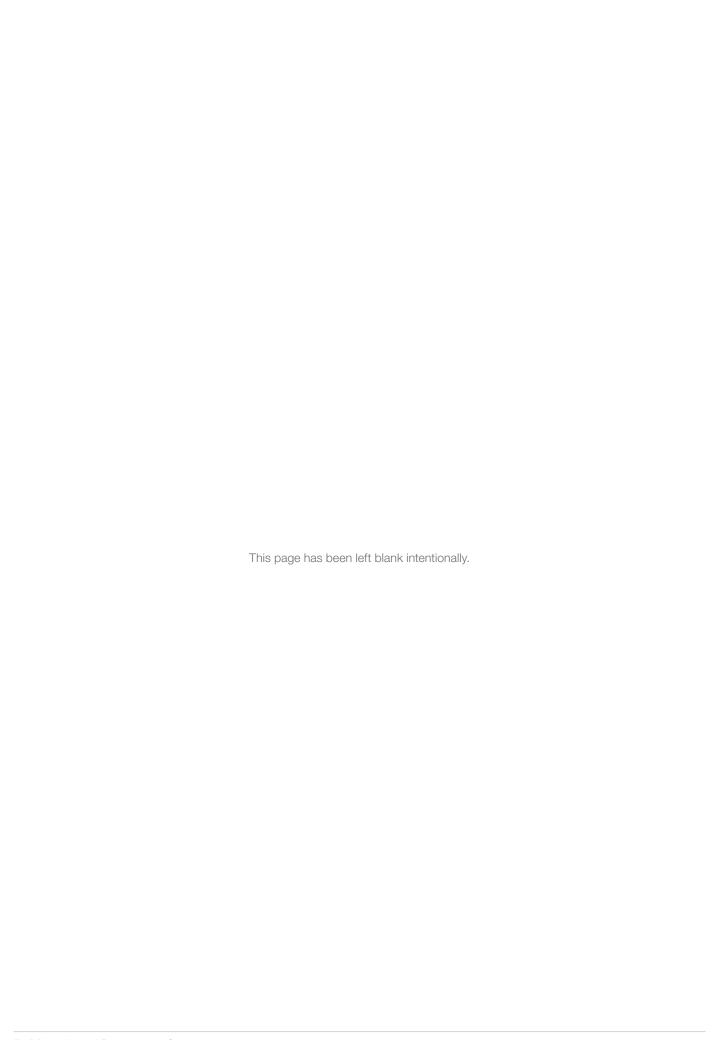
## **Twenty largest shareholders**

## Fully paid ordinary shares

Details of the 20 largest shareholders of quoted securities (grouped) by registered shareholding are:

Name	Number of shares	%
1 Hatch Investments Pty Limited	6,616,549	5.98
2 Ria Super Pty Limited	5,108,397	4.62
3 Salmary Pty Limited	5,019,178	4.54
4 Mr Steven Petrovski & Mrs Katrina Petrovski	3,000,000	2.71
5 Mr Michael McLagan & Mrs Pat McLagan	2,775,400	2.51
6 MRJ Capital Pty Limited	2,550,000	2.31
7 Mrs Ruth Winifred Chapman	2,544,660	2.30
8 Mr Victor John Plummer	2,194,100	1.98
9 Daleford Way Pty Limited	2,000,000	1.81
10 Wilson Funds Limited	1,935,793	1.75
11 The Promenade Coffs Harbour Pty Limited	1,512,500	1.37
12 Mr Richard Frank Agnew Wills	1,500,000	1.36
13 Donna Rose Braunthal	1,326,658	1.20
14 Mr James Malackey	1,326,150	1.20
15 Eatonia Holdings Pty Limited	1,287,397	1.16
16 Brownvalley Investments Pty Limited	1,202,897	1.09
17 Mr Steven Bruce Troughton & Mrs Wendy Ann Troughton	1,200,000	1.08
18 Jaswear Pty Limited	1,157,416	1.05
19 Mr Peter David Emmerton & Mr Robert Voet	1,138,805	1.03
20 Quotidian No. 2 Pty Limited	1,123,371	1.02
Total	46,519,271	42.05

This page has been left blank intentionally.



## **Corporate Directory**

## **Directors**

## **Executive Director**

Jane Beaumont Chief Executive Officer

## Non-Executive Directors

John Pettigrew, Chairman Robert Aitken Russel Pillemer

## **Chief Financial Officer**

Kevin Levine

## **Company Secretary**

Sharad Loomba

## **Registered Office**

Level 16, 1 York Street Sydney NSW 2000

Telephone: +61 2 8061 0000 Facsimile: +61 2 8061 0001

## Australian Company Number

110 913 365

## Australian Business Number

74 110 913 365

## **Auditors**

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Grosvenor Place 225 George Street Sydney NSW 2000

## **Share Registry**

Link Market Services Limited Level 12, 680 George Street Sydney NSW 2000

Telephone: +61 2 8280 7111 Facsimile: +61 2 9287 0303 www.linkmarketservices.com.au

## Website

www.rubicor.com.au

## **ASX Code**

RUB

















































## **Our Brands**

Each Rubicor operating company has its own brand which is well recognised by clients and candidates in the particular sector or geographic market that it serves. Unlike many of our listed competitors who operate a single generic brand, Rubicor's decentralised business model allows our operating companies to act as specialists, focusing on their market niches while preserving their own brand identity and culture. At the same time they benefit from synergies, financial discipline and operational controls as part of a large listed entity. There are also increased career opportunities across the Group. We think this approach provides the best of both worlds and is an important differentiating factor.

