

Rex Trueform Group Limited

Listed on the General Segment of the Main Board

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



REX TRUEFORM
GROUP LIMITED

UNAUDITED INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED RESULTS for the six months ended 31 December 2024

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| | Notes | % Change | Six months ended 31 December 2024 Unaudited R'000 | Six months ended 31 December 2023 Unaudited R'000 | Year ended 30 June 2024 Audited R'000 |
|---|----------|---------------|---|---|---|
| Revenue | 4 | (4.5%) | 458,147 | 479,981 | 890,578 |
| Retail sales | | (6.0%) | 362,264 | 385,385 | 703,470 |
| Cost of sales | | | (172,277) | (206,127) | (381,897) |
| Gross profit | | 6.0% | 189,987 | 179,258 | 321,573 |
| Other revenue | | 1.4% | 95,883 | 94,596 | 187,108 |
| Net foreign exchange (loss) / gain | | | (2,138) | 1,785 | 609 |
| Other operating costs | | 1.8% | (238,374) | (234,259) | (476,176) |
| Operating profit | | 9.6% | 45,358 | 41,380 | 33,114 |
| Finance income | | | 18,788 | 18,939 | 37,823 |
| Finance costs | | | (31,641) | (27,415) | (57,288) |
| Impairment reversals on financial assets | | | - | - | 4,872 |
| Fair value loss on contingent consideration | | | - | (2,915) | (2,915) |
| Share of (loss) / profit from equity accounted investments | | | (874) | 3,532 | (1,721) |
| Impairment loss on investment in associate | | | - | - | (4,879) |
| Profit before tax | | (5.6%) | 31,631 | 33,521 | 9,006 |
| Income tax expense | | | (8,613) | (8,287) | (8,359) |
| Profit for the period | | (8.8%) | 23,018 | 25,234 | 647 |
| Other comprehensive income: | | | | | |
| Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss | | | | | |
| Losses on remeasurements of defined benefit plans | | | - | (28) | (108) |
| Fair value adjustment on assets held at fair value through other comprehensive income | | | 4,979 | 197 | 5,448 |
| Other comprehensive income for the period, net of taxation | | | 4,979 | 169 | 5,340 |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | | | 27,997 | 25,403 | 5,987 |
| Profit / (loss) attributable to: | | | | | |
| Equity holders | | | 21,218 | 21,701 | (835) |
| Non-controlling interest | | | 1,800 | 3,533 | 1,482 |
| Profit for the period | | | 23,018 | 25,234 | 647 |
| Total comprehensive income attributable to: | | | | | |
| Ordinary and "N" ordinary shareholders of the parent | | | 26,197 | 21,870 | 4,505 |
| Non-controlling interest | | | 1,800 | 3,533 | 1,482 |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | | | 27,997 | 25,403 | 5,987 |
| Basic earnings / (loss) per ordinary share (cents) | | | 98.1 | 100.0 | (3.9) |
| Headline earnings per ordinary share (cents) | | | 97.3 | 100.3 | 37.4 |
| Diluted earnings / (loss) per ordinary share (cents) | | | 96.1 | 100.0 | (3.8) |
| Diluted headline earnings per ordinary share (cents) | | | 95.3 | 100.3 | 36.5 |

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

| | | Six months ended 31 December 2024 Unaudited R'000 | Six months ended 31 December 2023 Unaudited R'000 | Year ended 30 June 2024 Audited R'000 |
|-------------------------------------|----|---|---|---|
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Non-current assets | | | | |
| | | 928,547 | 850,764 | 929,048 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 6 | 193,964 | 158,509 | 199,242 |
| Right-of-use asset | 9 | 138,349 | 181,868 | 139,193 |
| Investment property | 7 | 294,799 | 254,042 | 287,984 |
| Intangible assets | 8 | 32,479 | 24,326 | 30,059 |
| Investment in associates | 10 | 211,433 | 202,927 | 227,636 |
| Deferred tax asset | | 8,851 | 8,188 | 11,594 |
| Other investments | | 39,071 | 13,391 | 25,093 |
| Loans receivable | 11 | 9,601 | 7,513 | 8,247 |
| Current assets | | | | |
| | | 234,372 | 267,902 | 214,088 |
| Inventories | 12 | 114,889 | 141,670 | 127,209 |
| Trade and other receivables | | 33,441 | 54,459 | 25,625 |
| Income tax receivable | | 2,440 | 2,970 | 7,882 |
| Loans receivable | 11 | - | 94 | - |
| Forward exchange contracts | | 93 | 42 | - |
| Accrued operating lease asset | | 6,198 | 4,017 | 5,076 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | 77,311 | 64,650 | 48,296 |
| Total assets | | 1,162,919 | 1,118,666 | 1,143,136 |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Capital and reserves | | | | |
| | | 471,912 | 476,188 | 461,646 |
| Ordinary share capital | | 29,092 | 19,912 | 30,622 |
| Preference share capital | | 280 | 280 | 280 |
| Share premium | | 25,836 | 25,836 | 25,836 |
| Treasury shares | | (7,038) | - | (8,568) |
| Share-based payment reserve | | 9,132 | 5,254 | 8,003 |
| Other reserves | | 9,752 | (398) | 4,773 |
| Retained earnings | | 392,366 | 394,054 | 371,334 |
| Non-controlling interest | | 12,492 | 31,250 | 29,366 |
| Non-current liabilities | | | | |
| | | 536,287 | 480,217 | 527,703 |
| Provisions | | 5,551 | 4,844 | 4,321 |
| Deferred tax liability | | 11,601 | 10,227 | 11,601 |
| Lease liability | 13 | 126,751 | 163,533 | 130,189 |
| Interest-bearing borrowings | 14 | 392,336 | 301,573 | 381,494 |
| Post-retirement liability | | 48 | 40 | 98 |
| Current liabilities | | | | |
| | | 154,720 | 162,261 | 153,787 |
| Provisions | | 3,093 | 4,228 | 4,562 |
| Trade and other payables | | 90,297 | 96,123 | 90,829 |
| Forward exchange contracts | | - | - | 962 |
| Lease liability | 13 | 45,217 | 51,236 | 44,110 |
| Interest-bearing borrowings | 14 | 16,113 | 10,674 | 13,324 |
| Total equity and liabilities | | 1,162,919 | 1,118,666 | 1,143,136 |

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

| | | Six months ended 31 December 2024 Unaudited R'000 | Six months ended 31 December 2023 Unaudited Restated* R'000 | Year ended 30 June 2024 Audited R'000 |
|--|----|---|---|---|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | | |
| Operating profit before working capital changes | 16 | 87,097 | 89,512 | 137,979 |
| Working capital changes | 16 | 2,179 | (20,896) | 23,180 |
| Interest received | | 41,491 | 20,534 | 22,847 |
| Interest paid | | (47,583) | (25,965) | (51,073) |
| Dividends paid | | - | - | (17) |
| Dividends received | | 1,507 | 879 | 878 |
| Income tax paid | | (426) | (11,314) | (19,785) |
| Net cash inflows from operating activities | | 84,265 | 52,749 | 114,009 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | | |
| Purchase of property, plant, equipment | 6 | (8,043) | (19,153) | (75,716) |
| Purchase of investment property | 7 | (9,929) | (3,553) | (40,479) |
| Purchase of intangible assets | 8 | (4,173) | - | (9,760) |
| Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment | | 66 | - | 77 |
| Loans advanced | | (832) | (634) | (923) |
| Loans repaid | | - | - | 15 |
| Purchase of other investments | | (9,000) | (1,364) | (6,411) |
| Proceeds from sale of other investments | | - | - | 79 |
| Acquisition of interests in associates | 10 | (7,954) | - | (18,000) |
| Net cash outflows from investing activities | | (39,865) | (24,704) | (151,118) |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | | | |
| Lease liabilities repaid | 13 | (27,896) | (28,732) | (58,283) |
| Loans repaid | | (7,795) | (6,508) | (9,657) |
| Loan received | | 37,427 | 22,397 | 103,897 |
| Additional investment in existing subsidiaries | | (17,120) | (1,000) | (1,000) |
| Net cash (outflows) / inflows from financing activities | | (15,384) | (13,843) | 34,957 |
| Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | | 29,015 | 14,202 | (2,152) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period | | 48,296 | 50,448 | 50,448 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period | | 77,311 | 64,650 | 48,296 |

*During the current period, the comparative information for December 2023 was retrospectively adjusted for the repurchase of shares in subsidiary incorrectly classified as an investing cash flow. Refer to note 18 for further disclosures.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

| | Six months ended 31 December 2024 Unaudited R'000 | Six months ended 31 December 2023 Unaudited R'000 | Year ended 30 June 2024 Audited R'000 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ordinary share capital | 29,092 | 19,912 | 30,622 |
| Opening balance | 30,622 | 19,912 | 19,912 |
| Shares issued | - | - | 10,710 |
| Shares forfeited | (1,530) | - | - |
| Preference share capital | 280 | 280 | 280 |
| Opening balance | 280 | 280 | 280 |
| Share premium | 25,836 | 25,836 | 25,836 |
| Opening balance | 25,836 | 25,836 | 25,836 |
| Treasury shares | (7,038) | - | (8,568) |
| Opening balance | (8,568) | - | - |
| Treasury shares issued | - | - | (10,710) |
| Treasury shares forfeited | 1,530 | - | - |
| Delivery of treasury shares | - | - | 2,142 |
| Share-based payment reserves | 9,132 | 5,254 | 8,003 |
| Opening balance | 8,003 | 5,254 | 5,254 |
| Delivery of treasury shares | - | - | (2,142) |
| Equity-settled share-based payment | 1,129 | - | 4,891 |
| Other reserves | 9,752 | (398) | 4,773 |
| Opening balance | 4,773 | (567) | (567) |
| Losses on remeasurements of defined benefit plans | - | (28) | (108) |
| Fair value adjustment on assets held at fair value through other comprehensive income | 4,979 | 197 | 5,448 |
| Retained earnings | 392,366 | 394,054 | 371,334 |
| Opening balance | 371,334 | 372,371 | 372,371 |
| Profit for the period | 21,218 | 21,701 | (835) |
| Preference dividends paid | - | - | (17) |
| Change in degree of control | 17 (186) | (18) | (185) |
| Non-controlling interest | 12,492 | 31,250 | 29,366 |
| Opening balance | 29,366 | 27,699 | 27,699 |
| Profit for the period | 1,800 | 3,533 | 1,482 |
| Change in degree of control | 17 (18,674) | 18 | 185 |
| Total capital and reserves | 471,912 | 476,188 | 461,646 |

| Six months ended 31 December 2024 Unaudited R'000 | Six months ended 31 December 2023 Unaudited R'000 | Year ended 30 June 2024 Audited R'000 |
|--|---|---|
|--|---|---|

SUMMARY OF RELATED PARTY BALANCES AND TRANSACTIONS

Significant related party transactions during the period were as follows:

| | | | |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Tenant recoveries | | | |
| - BSF Breeding Proprietary Limited | 1,010 | 171 | 848 |
| Management and administration fees received | | | |
| - SA Water Works Holding Company (RF) Proprietary Limited ¹ | 1,273 | 1,555 | 3,203 |
| Management and administration fees paid | | | |
| - Geomer Managerial Services Proprietary Limited ² | 1,521 | 1,449 | 2,898 |
| - Quoin Online Proprietary Limited | - | 2,238 | 3,050 |
| - Augusta Road Management Proprietary Limited | 1,805 | - | 1,750 |
| Accrued dividends on loan to associate | | | |
| - SA Water Works Holding Company (RF) Proprietary Limited ¹ | 16,768 | 17,006 | 33,846 |
| Dividend income | | | |
| - Texton Property Fund Limited ¹ | 1,507 | 848 | 849 |

Significant related party balances during the period were as follows:

| | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| Loans receivable | | | |
| - African and Overseas Enterprises Limited ³ | 9,601 | 7,513 | 8,247 |
| - SA Water Works Holding Company (RF) Proprietary Limited ¹ | 188,291 | 194,732 | 211,573 |

¹ Associate company

² Indirectly controlled by MA Golding

³ Holding company

All related party transactions and balances are similar to those in the prior year.

DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Directors' fees | 445 | 445 | 889 |
| Fees for other services | 128 | 128 | 256 |
| Basic salary | 1,070 | 1,075 | 2,149 |
| Performance related payments | - | 410 | 410 |
| Value of other benefits | 988 | 33 | 64 |
| Retirement fund contributions | 39 | 38 | 77 |
| Share-based payment | - | - | 1,435 |
| | 2,670 | 2,129 | 5,280 |

GROUP SEGMENTAL REPORTING

Revenue

| | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Retail | 355,713 | 382,677 | 696,108 |
| Retail sales - External | 355,572 | 382,549 | 695,897 |
| Retail sales - Inter-segment | 141 | 128 | 211 |
| Property | 47,869 | 41,300 | 84,596 |
| Rental income - External | 27,145 | 25,963 | 51,958 |
| Rental income - Inter-segment | 3,529 | 3,492 | 7,065 |
| Tenant recoveries - External | 15,458 | 10,526 | 22,564 |
| Tenant recoveries - Inter-segment | 1,737 | 1,319 | 3,009 |
| Media and broadcasting | 56,755 | 58,342 | 115,812 |
| Retail sales - External | 6,692 | 2,836 | 7,575 |
| Media and broadcasting income - External | 50,063 | 55,506 | 108,192 |
| Profit on sale of property - External | - | - | 45 |
| Water infrastructure | 1,273 | 1,201 | 2,475 |
| Management fee income - External | 1,273 | 1,201 | 2,475 |
| Group services | 5,007 | 4,293 | 7,783 |
| Management fee income - External | 436 | 1,722 | 994 |
| Management fee income - Inter-segment | 3,064 | 1,693 | 5,911 |
| Dividend income - External | 1,507 | 878 | 878 |
| Inter-segment eliminations | (8,470) | (7,832) | (16,196) |
| Total group revenue | 458,147 | 479,981 | 890,578 |

| | Six months ended 31 December 2024 Unaudited R'000 | Six months ended 31 December 2023 Unaudited R'000 | Year ended 30 June 2024 Audited R'000 |
|--|---|---|---|
| GROUP SEGMENTAL REPORTING | | | |
| Segment operating profit / (loss) | | | |
| Retail | 27,161 | 23,323 | 1,739 |
| Property | 19,919 | 17,586 | 29,059 |
| Media and broadcasting | 4,133 | 4,376 | 8,040 |
| Water infrastructure | (64) | (43) | (185) |
| Group services** | (5,164) | (3,277) | (4,307) |
| Inter-segment eliminations | (627) | (585) | (1,232) |
| Total group operating profit | 45,358 | 41,380 | 33,114 |
| Segment net profit / (loss) after tax | | | |
| Retail | 11,558 | 8,489 | (15,716) |
| Property | 5,957 | 7,976 | 18,989 |
| Media and broadcasting | 2,661 | 2,216 | 3,507 |
| Water infrastructure | 1,871 | 7,635 | 5,454 |
| Group services** | (746) | (773) | (12,421) |
| Inter-segment eliminations | 1,717 | (309) | 834 |
| Total group net profit after tax | 23,018 | 25,234 | 647 |
| Cost of sales | | | |
| Retail | 167,716 | 206,127 | 374,788 |
| Media and broadcasting | 4,561 | - | 7,109 |
| Total cost of sales | 172,277 | 206,127 | 381,897 |
| Employment costs | | | |
| Retail | 57,679 | 56,016 | 113,402 |
| Media and broadcasting | 12,721 | 12,826 | 25,959 |
| Group services** | 5,526 | 4,121 | 14,077 |
| Total employment costs | 75,926 | 68,842 | 153,438 |
| Occupancy costs | | | |
| Retail | 23,467 | 18,664 | 42,694 |
| Property | 16,902 | 13,912 | 29,065 |
| Media and broadcasting | 853 | 1,276 | 2,742 |
| Inter-segment eliminations | (2,670) | - | (5,355) |
| Total occupancy costs | 38,552 | 33,852 | 69,146 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | | | |
| Retail | 38,091 | 39,871 | 83,099 |
| Property | 3,920 | 3,691 | 7,595 |
| Media and broadcasting | 5,043 | 6,664 | 13,511 |
| Group services** | 69 | 27 | 69 |
| Inter-segment eliminations | (1,674) | - | (3,030) |
| Total group depreciation and amortisation | 45,449 | 50,253 | 101,244 |
| Impairment reversal/ (charge) of non-financial assets | | | |
| Retail | 270 | - | 7,484 |
| Media and broadcasting | - | (1,458) | 4,885 |
| Total group impairment | 270 | (1,458) | 12,369 |
| Segment assets | | | |
| Retail | 468,655 | 484,988 | 438,623 |
| Property | 407,653 | 330,920 | 419,471 |
| Media and broadcasting | 133,581 | 112,188 | 137,228 |
| Water infrastructure | 193,112 | 199,472 | 216,935 |
| Group services** | 224,792 | 163,375 | 164,173 |
| Inter-segment eliminations | (264,874) | (172,277) | (233,294) |
| Total group assets | 1,162,919 | 1,118,666 | 1,143,136 |
| Segment liabilities | | | |
| Retail | (308,042) | (316,261) | (289,568) |
| Property | (325,833) | (267,642) | (314,272) |
| Media and broadcasting | (50,683) | (33,234) | (56,787) |
| Water infrastructure | (162,635) | (176,207) | (188,329) |
| Group services** | (23,459) | (6,433) | (23,877) |
| Inter-segment eliminations | 179,645 | 157,299 | 191,343 |
| Total group liabilities | (691,007) | (642,478) | (681,490) |
| Capital expenditure | | | |
| Retail | (10,037) | (18,445) | (30,519) |
| Property | (9,493) | (3,612) | (33,869) |
| Media and broadcasting | (2,615) | (894) | (61,567) |
| Total group capital expenditure | (22,145) | (22,951) | (125,955) |

** Group services include corporate costs.

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS

| Six months ended 31 December 2024 Unaudited R'000 | Six months ended 31 December 2023 Unaudited R'000 | Year ended 30 June 2024 Audited R'000 |
|--|---|---|
|--|---|---|

1 Basis of preparation

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 31 December 2024 have been prepared in accordance with the framework concepts and the measurement and recognition requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), and as a minimum contain the information required by International Accounting Standard (IAS) 34: Interim Financial Reporting, the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and the Financial Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council, the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa and the JSE Listings Requirements.

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements as at 30 June 2024. The accounting policies and methods of computations used in the preparation of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements are consistent in all material respects with those applied in the Group's annual financial statements as at 30 June 2024. None of the new standards, interpretations and amendments effective as of 1 July 2024 have had a material impact on the annual consolidated financial statements of the Group or condensed consolidated interim financial statements of the Group.

2 Unaudited interim results

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have neither been audited nor reviewed by the Group's external auditors. The directors take full responsibility for the preparation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements, which have been prepared under the supervision of K White CA (SA), the company's financial director, and were approved by the board of directors on 28 March 2025.

3 Dividends

Details of dividends paid are as follows:

| | | | |
|--|---|---|----|
| Dividend paid on 6% cumulative preference shares | - | - | 17 |
|--|---|---|----|

The directors have not proposed a dividend in respect of the preference, ordinary and 'N' ordinary shares.

4 Revenue

Revenue from contracts with customers

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Retail sales | 362,264 | 385,385 | 703,470 |
| Management fee income | 1,710 | 1,722 | 3,468 |
| Media and broadcasting income | 50,063 | 55,506 | 108,192 |
| Tenant recoveries | 15,458 | 10,526 | 22,567 |
| Profit on sale of property | - | - | 45 |
| | 429,495 | 453,139 | 837,742 |

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers

| | | | |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| South Africa | 419,365 | 439,485 | 812,974 |
| Rest of Africa | 6,782 | 5,651 | 13,404 |
| Asia | 604 | 3,009 | 4,124 |
| Europe | 1,202 | 2,647 | 3,476 |
| North America | 1,160 | 1,950 | 2,961 |
| Australia | 382 | 397 | 803 |
| | 429,495 | 453,139 | 837,742 |

Timing of revenue recognition

| | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Products transferred at a point in time | 362,264 | 385,385 | 703,515 |
| Recognised over the period services are rendered | 67,231 | 67,754 | 134,227 |
| | 429,495 | 453,139 | 837,742 |

Revenue from lease agreements – IFRS 16

| | | | |
|---------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Rental income | 27,145 | 25,963 | 51,958 |
|---------------|--------|--------|--------|

Revenue other than from contracts with customers

| | | | |
|--------------------|-------|-----|-----|
| Dividends received | 1,507 | 879 | 878 |
|--------------------|-------|-----|-----|

Total revenue

| | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 458,147 | 479,981 | 890,578 |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|

Shown as:

| | | | |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Retail sales | 362,264 | 385,385 | 703,470 |
| Other revenue | 95,883 | 94,596 | 187,108 |
| | 458,147 | 479,981 | 890,578 |

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS

| Six months ended 31 December 2024 Unaudited R'000 | Six months ended 31 December 2023 Unaudited R'000 | Year ended 30 June 2024 Audited R'000 |
|--|---|---|
|--|---|---|

5 Earnings per share

Reconciliation of headline earnings

| | | | |
|---|---------------|--------|---------|
| Profit attributable to equity holders | | | |
| Profit / (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the company for continuing operations | 21,218 | 21,701 | (835) |
| Adjusted for: | | | |
| Preference dividends attributable to preference shareholders | - | - | (17) |
| (Profit)/ loss from disposal of property, plant and equipment | (65) | 33 | (43) |
| Reversal of impairment on property, plant and equipment | (270) | - | - |
| Impairment on property, plant and equipment | - | - | 2,358 |
| Impairment on right-of-use asset | - | - | 5,125 |
| Impairment on investment in associate | - | - | 4,879 |
| Non-headline earnings items included in earnings from associate | 100 | 35 | - |
| Total tax effects of adjustments | 63 | (18) | (3,326) |
| Headline earnings | 21,046 | 21,751 | 8,141 |
| Number of equity shares in issue (000's) | 21,691 | 21,691 | 21,691 |
| Weighted average number of equity shares on which earnings per share is based (000's) | 21,638 | 21,691 | 21,777 |
| Weighted average number of equity shares on which diluted earnings per share is based (000's) | 22,073 | 21,691 | 22,337 |
| Issued shares net of treasury shares at beginning of year | 21,691 | 21,691 | 21,691 |
| Weighted average number of shares issued and repurchased during the reporting period | - | - | 86 |
| Weighted average number of shares forfeited and cancelled during the reporting period | (52) | - | - |
| Weighted average number of ordinary and "N" ordinary shares in issue | 21,638 | 21,691 | 21,777 |
| Weighted average number of ordinary and "N" ordinary shares in issue | 21,691 | 21,691 | 21,777 |
| Dilutive effect of share options | 435 | - | 560 |
| Weighted average number of diluted ordinary and "N" ordinary shares | 22,126 | 21,691 | 22,337 |
| Basic earnings / (loss) per ordinary share (cents) | 98.1 | 100.0 | (3.9) |
| Headline earnings per ordinary share (cents) | 97.3 | 100.3 | 37.4 |
| Diluted earnings / (loss) per ordinary share (cents) | 96.1 | 100.0 | (3.8) |
| Diluted headline earnings per ordinary share (cents) | 95.3 | 100.3 | 36.5 |

6 Property, plant and equipment

| | | | |
|---|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Carrying value at the beginning of the period | 199,242 | 151,626 | 151,626 |
| Additions | 8,043 | 19,153 | 75,716 |
| Transfer to investment property | - | - | 14 |
| Depreciation charge for the period | (13,586) | (12,270) | (25,678) |
| Impairment reversal / (charge) for the period | 270 | - | (2,358) |
| Disposals | (5) | - | (78) |
| Carrying value at the end of the period | 193,964 | 158,509 | 199,242 |

Acquisitions in the current year relate to the normal operations of the group.

7 Investment property

| | | | |
|---|----------------|---------|---------|
| Carrying value at the beginning of the period | 287,984 | 253,434 | 253,434 |
| Additions | 9,929 | 3,553 | 40,479 |
| Transfer to property, plant and equipment | - | - | (14) |
| Depreciation charge for the period | (3,114) | (2,945) | (5,915) |
| Carrying value at the end of the period | 294,799 | 254,042 | 287,984 |

Acquisitions in the current year relate to the normal operations of the group.

8 Intangible assets

| | | | |
|---|----------------|---------|---------|
| Carrying value at the beginning of the period | 30,059 | 28,707 | 28,707 |
| Additions | 4,173 | - | 9,760 |
| Amortisation charge for the period | (1,753) | (4,381) | (8,408) |
| Carrying value at the end of the period | 32,479 | 24,326 | 30,059 |

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9 Right-of-use asset

| | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Carrying value at the beginning of the period | 139,193 | 189,880 | 189,880 |
| Additions | 30,809 | 32,259 | 50,596 |
| Landlord contributions | (217) | (429) | (1,264) |
| Lease modifications | (4,440) | (9,184) | (11,130) |
| Depreciation charge for the period | (26,996) | (30,658) | (61,242) |
| Impairment charge for the period | - | - | (5,125) |
| Termination of lease | - | - | (22,522) |
| Carrying value at the end of the period | 138,349 | 181,868 | 139,193 |
| Retail segment - fixed term store leases - depreciated over 1 to 10 years | 136,504 | 155,832 | 137,097 |
| Media and broadcasting segment facilities - depreciated over 7 to 8 years | - | 24,189 | - |
| Property segment facilities - depreciated over 5 to 6 years | 1,845 | 1,847 | 2,096 |
| | 138,349 | 181,868 | 139,193 |

10 Investment in associates

SA Water Works Holding Company (RF) Proprietary Limited

The group's investment in SA Water Works Holding Company (RF) Proprietary Limited ("SAWW") consists of a 30.79% (2023: 30.79%) controlled interest which is held via a 52% controlled subsidiary, Ombrecorp Trading (RF) Proprietary Limited ("Ombrecorp"). The group's effective interest in SAWW is 16.01% (2023: 16.01%). SAWW's investments consist of entities which provide water and water services to the City of Mbombela and Illembe District municipalities.

Ombrecorp received loan funding from 27four Life for the sole purpose of acquiring the group's 30.79% interest in SAWW. A cession over Rex Trueform's shares in Ombrecorp, Ombrecorp's shares in SAWW and Ombrecorp's bank account has been provided to 27four Life as security over the loan. Rex Trueform and Ombrecorp therefore maintain their full rights as shareholders and Ombrecorp maintains full control of its bank accounts until such time as the debt has been extinguished or in the event of default.

Ombrecorp provided shareholder funding to SAWW in order to invest in the underlying subsidiaries which conduct business in the water utility sector in accordance with water concession agreements concluded with the relevant municipalities. The shareholder funding is unsecured, bears interest at prime plus 5% and is repayable out of profits and cash available for distribution. All shareholder loan repayments are subject to 75% shareholder approval. The loan to associate has accordingly been classified as an equity instrument.

Interest in associate - SAWW

| | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 183,714 | 197,785 | 208,890 |
| Carrying value at the beginning of the period | 8,417 | 9,904 | 9,904 |
| Share of (loss) / profit of associate | (1,894) | 4,248 | (1,487) |
| Carrying value at the end of the period | 6,523 | 14,152 | 8,417 |
| Loan to associate at the beginning of the period | 200,473 | 186,369 | 186,369 |
| - Capital | 125,000 | 125,000 | 125,000 |
| - Fair value movement on loan receivable | (11,100) | (11,100) | (11,100) |
| - Accrued dividends | 86,573 | 72,469 | 72,469 |
| Accrued dividends repaid during the period | (40,050) | (19,742) | (19,742) |
| Accrued dividends recognised during the period | 16,768 | 17,006 | 33,846 |
| Loan to associate at the end of the period | 177,191 | 183,633 | 200,473 |
| - Capital | 125,000 | 125,000 | 125,000 |
| - Fair value movement on loan receivable | (11,100) | (11,100) | (11,100) |
| - Accrued dividends | 63,291 | 69,733 | 86,573 |

Significant unobservable inputs in relation to the loan to associate

Accrued dividend rate: 16.25% - 16.75% (2023: 16.75%)

Term: 5.25 – 5.83 years (2023: 6.25 – 6.83 years)

Program Buyer Limited

The group's investment in Program Buyer Limited ("Program Buyer") consists of a 20.83% (2023: 0%) controlled interest which is held via a controlled subsidiary, Telemedia Proprietary Limited ("Telemedia"). African and Overseas Enterprises Limited, together with Rex Trueform Group Limited, owns 100% of the issued share capital of Telemedia. The carrying value of the investment in Program Buyer was fully impaired in the prior year.

Interest in associate - Program Buyer

| | | | |
|---|---|-------|---------|
| | - | 5,143 | - |
| Carrying value at the beginning of the period | - | 5,859 | 5,859 |
| Share of loss of associate | - | (716) | (980) |
| Impairment for the year | - | - | (4,879) |
| Carrying value at the end of the period | - | 5,143 | - |

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10 Investment in associates continued

AI Sport Africa Proprietary Limited*

The group acquired 35.00% of the share capital of AI Sport Africa Proprietary Limited ("AI Sport Africa") during February 2024 for R18m via a controlled subsidiary, Telemedia Proprietary Limited ("Telemedia"). African and Overseas Enterprises Limited, together with Rex Trueform Group Limited, owns 100% of the issued share capital of Telemedia.

*On 6 June 2024, Interactive Television Africa Proprietary Limited changed the company name to AI Sport Africa Proprietary Limited.

| | | | |
|--|---------------|---|---------------|
| Interest in associate - AI Sport Africa | 19,873 | - | 18,746 |
| Carrying value at the beginning of the period | 18,746 | - | - |
| Increase in investment at cost | - | - | 18,000 |
| Share of profit of associate | 1,127 | - | 746 |
| Carrying value at the end of the period | 19,873 | - | 18,746 |

Emerge Media Limited

The group acquired 25.1% of the share capital of Emerge Media Limited ("Emerge Media") on 26 July 2024 for an aggregate cash price of USD0.5m via a controlled subsidiary, Telemedia Proprietary Limited ("Telemedia"). African and Overseas Enterprises Limited, together with Rex Trueform Group Limited, owns 100% of the issued share capital of Telemedia.

| | | | |
|---|--------------|---|---|
| Interest in associate - Emerge Media | 7,846 | - | - |
| Carrying value at the beginning of the period | - | - | - |
| Increase in investment at cost | 7,954 | - | - |
| Share of loss of associate | (108) | - | - |
| Carrying value at the end of the period | 7,846 | - | - |

Investment in associate shown as:

| | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|---------|---------|
| Non-current assets | 211,433 | 202,928 | 227,636 |
| | 211,433 | 202,928 | 227,636 |

11 Loans receivable

Loans receivable comprise the following balances

| | | | |
|--|--------------|-------|-------|
| Loan to African and Overseas Enterprises Limited | 9,601 | 7,513 | 8,247 |
| Loans to Telemedia Africa Enterprises | - | 94 | - |
| | 9,601 | 7,607 | 8,247 |

Shown as:

| | | | |
|--------------------|--------------|-------|-------|
| Non-current assets | 9,601 | 7,513 | 8,247 |
| Current assets | - | 94 | - |
| | 9,601 | 7,607 | 8,247 |

The group provided financial assistance to its holding company in the form of loan facility of R14m. The loan is unsecured and bears interest at the prime rate of interest. The loan is repayable by June 2028, being the tenth anniversary of the signature date of the loan, and is therefore considered to be non-current.

12 Inventories

| | | | |
|---|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Inventories at cost | 127,416 | 155,930 | 141,160 |
| Provision for net realisable value | (12,527) | (14,260) | (13,951) |
| | 114,889 | 141,670 | 127,209 |
| Provision for net realisable value as percentage of inventory | % | (9.8) | (9.1) |
| | | (9.1) | (9.9) |

Inventory write-downs are due to the seasonal nature of products.

13 Lease liability

| | | | |
|--|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Balance at the beginning of the period | 174,299 | 222,465 | 222,465 |
| New leases | 30,740 | 32,185 | 50,843 |
| Lease modifications | (5,173) | (11,203) | (14,733) |
| Finance cost | 9,028 | 10,456 | 20,485 |
| Finance cost paid | (9,030) | (10,402) | (20,464) |
| Capital repaid | (27,896) | (28,732) | (58,283) |
| Termination of lease | - | - | (26,014) |
| Balance at the end of the period | 171,968 | 214,769 | 174,299 |

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|--|---|---|---|
| 13 Lease liability continued | | | |
| Included in non-current liabilities | 126,751 | 163,533 | 130,189 |
| Included in current liabilities | 45,217 | 51,236 | 44,110 |
| | 171,968 | 214,769 | 174,299 |
| Fixed-term store leases | 169,784 | 185,397 | 171,914 |
| Media and broadcasting facilities | - | 27,323 | - |
| Property facilities | 2,184 | 2,049 | 2,385 |
| | 171,968 | 214,769 | 174,299 |
| Lease liabilities bear interest from 7.00% to 12.75% p.a. (2023: 7.00% to 12.75% p.a.) and are repayable from 2025 to 2034 including renewable periods where applicable. | | | |
| 14 Interest-bearing borrowings | | | |
| Secured loans to finance purchase of properties | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the period | 288,245 | 194,198 | 194,198 |
| Loans received during the period | 33,000 | 18,575 | 100,075 |
| Repayments during the period | (5,139) | (4,214) | (5,836) |
| Interest accrued during the period | 15,664 | 9,717 | 21,785 |
| Interest repaid during the period | (16,960) | (7,347) | (21,977) |
| Balance at the end of the period | 314,810 | 210,929 | 288,245 |
| The secured loans bears interest at the 3 month Jibar interest rate plus 2.3% to 2.8% (between 9.7% and 10.74%) and are repayable over 5 years. A cession over Telemedia Proprietary Limited's property income has been provided to First Rand Bank as security over the loan, in the event of default. | | | |
| Secured loan raised to finance investment in associate | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the period | 106,573 | 101,025 | 101,023 |
| Interest repaid during the period | (21,262) | (8,123) | (8,123) |
| Interest accrued during the period | 6,557 | 6,888 | 13,673 |
| Balance at the end of the period | 91,868 | 99,790 | 106,573 |
| Ombrecorp received loan funding from 27four Life for the sole purpose of acquiring the group's 30% interest in SAWW, refer to note 10. The loan bears interest at the 6 month Jibar interest rate plus 5% and is repayable on or before 28 February 2029. As at 31 December 2024, the loan is not repayable within 12 months and is therefore non-current. | | | |
| Unsecured loan raised to finance insurance premiums | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the period | - | - | - |
| Loans received during the period | 4,427 | 3,822 | 3,821 |
| Repayments during the period | (2,656) | (2,294) | (3,821) |
| Interest accrued during the period | 109 | 94 | 157 |
| Interest repaid during the period | (109) | (94) | (157) |
| | 1,771 | 1,528 | - |
| The unsecured loan bears interest at 4.1% and is repayable by 1 April 2025. | | | |
| Interest bearing borrowings - Non-current | 392,336 | 300,045 | 381,494 |
| Interest bearing borrowings - Current | 16,113 | 10,674 | 13,324 |
| | 408,449 | 310,719 | 394,818 |
| 15 Financial instruments | | | |
| Financial instruments at amortised cost | | | |
| Trade and other receivables ** | 20,664 | 13,705 | 15,434 |
| Cash and cash equivalents ** | 77,311 | 64,650 | 48,296 |
| Loans receivable *** | 9,601 | 7,607 | 8,247 |
| Trade and other payables ** | (58,370) | (65,248) | (66,017) |
| Rent deposits *** | (8,017) | (6,602) | (6,895) |
| Lease liabilities *** | (171,968) | (214,769) | (174,299) |
| Interest-bearing borrowings *** | (408,449) | (312,247) | (394,818) |
| | (539,228) | (512,904) | (570,052) |
| ** Approximates the fair value of the financial instruments as all short term in nature (no time value of money applicable). *** Approximates the fair value of the financial instrument as it is linked to market related interest rates. | | | |
| Financial instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income | | | |
| Other investments - Listed shares (Level 1) | 29,285 | 12,657 | 24,307 |
| Other investments - Unlisted shares (Level 2) | 786 | 734 | 786 |
| Other investments - Unlisted shares (Level 3) | 9,000 | - | - |
| | 39,071 | 13,391 | 25,093 |

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|--|---|---|

15 Financial instruments continued

Other investments increased by the investment in Byte Orbit Proprietary Limited, refer to note 17. Furthermore, the listed shares were revalued during the year and a fair value adjustment of R5.0m before tax, was recognised in other comprehensive income.

Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

| | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Forward exchange contracts (Level 2) | 93 | 42 | (962) |
| Loan to associate (Level 3) - Refer to note 10 | 177,191 | 183,633 | 200,473 |
| | 177,284 | 183,675 | 199,511 |

Valuation of financial instruments

The group measures fair values using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of each input used in making these measurements:

- Level 1: Quoted market price (unadjusted) in an active market for an identical instrument.
- Level 2: Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices). This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.
- Level 3: Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes all instruments where the valuation technique includes inputs valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between not based on observable data and the observable inputs have a significant effect on the instruments' valuation. This category includes instruments that are the instruments.

The fair value of held at fair value through other comprehensive income assets was based on the latest market price of the invested shares.

Fair values of the forward exchange contracts was determined by comparing the contracted forward rate to the present value of the current forward rate of an equivalent contract with the same maturity date.

Management's assessment of the future expected cash flows of the underlying operating subsidiaries (Siza Water and Silulumanzi), in the form of dividend distributions was used to assess the recoverability of the investment, including the shareholder funding provided. The fair value assessment was done for the remaining concession term for each of the operating subsidiaries.

The fair value of the loan to associate was calculated by using the income approach. This approach used the estimated future cash flows and present value these cash flows using the applicable weighted average cost of capital. A sensitivity analysis was performed using a risk-adjusted weighted average cost of capital and adjusted future cash flows. A probability weighted scenario analysis is then performed on these discounted forecasted future cash flows.

Refer to note 10 for the significant unobservable inputs in relation to the loan to associate.

16 Cash flows from operating activities

| | | | |
|---|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Profit for the year | 23,018 | 25,234 | 647 |
| Adjustments for: | | | |
| Income tax expense | 8,613 | 8,287 | 8,359 |
| Finance income | (18,788) | (18,939) | (37,823) |
| Finance costs | 31,641 | 27,415 | 57,288 |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment expense of fixed assets | 45,179 | 50,253 | 108,725 |
| Impairment of investment in associate | - | - | 4,879 |
| Impairment of related party loan | - | - | 94 |
| Reversal of success fee accrual | - | - | (3,500) |
| Recovery of bad debt expense | - | (1,458) | (4,966) |
| Unrealised foreign exchange gains and losses | (1,055) | 670 | 1,674 |
| Dividends received | (1,507) | (879) | (878) |
| Gain on lease modification | (470) | (2,021) | (6,791) |
| Share of loss / (profit) of associate | 874 | (3,532) | 1,721 |
| Equity-settled share based payment | 1,129 | - | 4,891 |
| Gains and losses on disposal of non-current assets | (65) | 33 | 43 |
| Movement in post-retirement liability | 50 | 67 | 17 |
| Change in fair value of contingent consideration | - | 2,915 | 2,915 |
| Movement in inventory provision | (1,733) | 1,235 | 925 |
| Other non-cash movement | 211 | 232 | (241) |
| | 87,097 | 89,512 | 137,979 |

Working capital changes

| | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Adjustments for decrease in inventories | 14,053 | 9,669 | 23,889 |
| Adjustments for (increase) / decrease in trade and other receivables and operating lease assets | (10,462) | (17,019) | 15,528 |
| Adjustments for decrease in trade and other payables and provisions | (1,412) | (13,546) | (16,237) |
| | 2,179 | (20,896) | 23,180 |

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17 Other matters

Acquisition of shares of Byte Orbit

Rex Trueform Group Limited ("Rex Trueform") entered into a subscription agreement and a sale of share agreement on 20 December 2024 in which it will acquire 30.02% in Byte Orbit Proprietary Limited ("Byte Orbit"). In terms of the subscription agreement, Rex Trueform acquired a 10.23% equity interest in Byte Orbit on 20 December 2024 by subscribing for 997 ordinary shares for a subscription consideration of R9m. The investment in Byte Orbit is included in Other Investments as at 31 December 2024. Refer to note 19 for further information on the additional 19.79% equity interest acquired.

Acquisition of additional shares in Telemedia

On 10 July 2024, Rex Trueform Group Limited ("Rex Trueform Group") acquired a further 25% interest in Telemedia Proprietary Limited ("Telemedia") for a total purchase price of R14m. Rex Trueform Group increased its stake in Telemedia to 88.71%, and the group's interest in Telemedia increased to 100%.

Debt to equity conversion in Belper

On 26 July 2024, Belper Investments Proprietary Limited ("Belper") reached an agreement with Rex Trueform Group, whereby Rex Trueform Group converted the debt owing by Belper to equity. Rex Trueform Group converted debt amounting to R27m to share capital in Belper, increasing the total shareholding held by Rex Trueform Group from 53.68% to 72.03%.

Acquisition of additional shares in Belper

On 27 November 2024, Rex Trueform further increased its stake in Belper Investments Proprietary Limited ("Belper") to 79.02% by acquiring a further 6.99% interest from a minority shareholder of Belper.

18 Correction of error in Statement of Cash Flows

An error has been identified in the cash flows recognised for the period ended 31 December 2023 in accounting for the repurchase of shares in subsidiary as an investing activity as opposed to a financing activity. The error is identified and corrected for purposes of the comparative.

The error has been corrected by restating each of the affected financial statement line items for the prior periods as follows:

| | Six months ended 31 December 2023 | | Six months ended 31 December 2023 |
|--|---|----------------------|---|
| | Unaudited R'000 | Increase/ (Decrease) | Unaudited Restated R'000 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | |
| Repurchase of shares in subsidiary | (1,000) | 1,000 | - |
| Net cash outflows from investing activities | (1,000) | 1,000 | - |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | | |
| Additional investment in existing subsidiaries | - | (1,000) | (1,000) |
| Net cash outflows from financing activities | - | (1,000) | (1,000) |

19 Events subsequent to the reporting date

On 31 January 2025, in terms of the share subscription agreement, Rex Trueform Group Limited ("Rex Trueform Group") increased its share in Byte Orbit Proprietary Limited ("Byte Orbit") to 20.47% by subscribing for 998 additional ordinary shares for a subscription consideration of R9m. On 28 February 2025, in terms of the sale agreement, Rex Trueform Group increased its share in Byte Orbit to 30.02% by acquiring a further 930 ordinary shares for a purchase consideration of R12m.

On 27 February 2025 Rex Trueform Group increased its stake in Belper Investments Proprietary Limited ("Belper") to 84.74% by acquiring a further 5.72% interest from a minority shareholder of Belper.

The Umngeni tariff matter negotiations are underway to settle, and the directors are of the view that no material losses will arise in respect of the full and final settlement agreement at the date of these financial statements.

The Buhle Waste (Pty) Ltd versus the City of Mbombela and other respondents (including SA Water Works (RF) (Pty) Ltd) court case is still ongoing. The Supreme Court of Appeal ("SCA") has heard arguments in this matter in August 2024 and judgement was handed down in December 2024. Leave to appeal to the Constitutional Court has been submitted by all respondents which has the effect of suspending the judgement and order. The directors are of the view that this has no material impact on the value of the loan to associate at the date of these financial statements.

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

COMMENTARY

| | | Six months ended 31 December 2024 Unaudited R'000 | Six months ended 31 December 2023 Unaudited R'000 | Year ended 30 June 2024 Audited R'000 |
|---|-------|--|---|---|
| Other information and key ratios | | | | |
| Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income | | | | |
| Gross profit margin | % | 52.4 | 46.5 | 45.7 |
| Other operating costs to revenue | % | 52.0 | 48.8 | 53.5 |
| Operating profit margin | % | 9.9 | 8.6 | 3.7 |
| Net profit after tax margin | % | 5.0 | 5.3 | 0.1 |
| Statement of financial position | | | | |
| Capital commitments | | | | |
| Authorised - not contracted for | R'000 | 9,500 | 12,357 | 21,193 |
| Authorised - contracted for | R'000 | 10,363 | 23,431 | 15,062 |
| Return on equity | % | (0.3) | 11.2 | 6.5 |
| Return on capital | % | 12.0 | 28.4 | 12.9 |
| Return on assets | % | 5.0 | 11.9 | 5.4 |
| Inventory turn | times | 2.7 | 2.6 | 0.7 |
| Asset turn | times | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.1 |
| Net asset value per share | R | 21.17 | 20.50 | 19.49 |

Financial review

Group revenue decreased by 4.5% to R458.1m (2023: R480.0m), mainly due to a decrease in retail segment turnover. Other revenue, comprising of media and broadcasting income, rental income, tenant recoveries and management fee income, increased by 1.4% to R95.9m (2023: R94.6m). Investment income, consisting mainly of finance income from associates, decreased by 0.8% to R18.8m (2023: R18.9m).

The group realised an operating profit of R45.4m in the current year compared to R41.4m in the comparative period. Net profit after tax was R23.0m (2023: R25.2m) resulting in earnings per share of 98.1 cents (2023: 100.0 cents) and headline earnings per share of 97.3 cents (2023: 100.3 cents). Refer to the reconciliation of headline earnings in the summarised statement of comprehensive income for reasons for the movement between earnings per share and headline earnings per share.

The group's capital and reserves decreased by R4.3m to R471.9m (2023: R476.2m), contributing to a decrease in return on equity to -0.3% (2023: 11.2%). This is mainly due to the equity transactions relating to the increased shareholding in existing subsidiaries. The group concluded net asset value per share increased by 3.3% to R21.17 (2023: R20.50).

Retail segment sales decreased by 6.0% to R362.3m (2023: R385.4m) which is reflective of the general subdued consumer demand brought about by high interest rates, high inflation and the overall constrained economic environment. Gross margin has increased to 52.9% (2023: 46.1%), in line with the business strategy, resulting in gross profit increasing by 6.5% to R188.0m (2023: R176.5m) and the net profit after tax decreasing to R11.6m (2023: R8.5m). There were a total of 105 (2023: 102) retail stores as at 31 December 2024.

Property segment revenue increased by 15.9% to R47.9m (2023: R41.3m). No new property acquisitions were made during the current financial period. The segment realised a net profit after tax of R6.0m (2023: 8.0m).

Media and broadcasting revenue decreased by 2.7% to R56.8m (2023: R58.3m). The segment realised a net profit after tax of R2.6m (2023: R2.2m).

The company's water infrastructure investment yielded an equity-accounted loss of R1.9m (2023: profit of R4.2m) and a net profit after tax of R1.9m (2023: R7.6m). The underlying operating subsidiaries are profitable and cash generative.

Group services contributed a loss of R0.7m to after tax earnings (2023: R0.8m).

External auditor

Forvis Mazars have been appointed as the external auditor of the company for the financial year ending 30 June 2025.

Outlook

South Africa's economic growth is forecasted to be 1% year on year for 2025, an improvement on 2024 but still well below the desired growth levels with energy and logistics being the driving factors behind the low growth forecasts. Managing the associated risks and negative impact on profitability levels in each of the operating segments remain key elements of the company's strategy.

The group continues to ensure that operating segments have resilient financials and a competitive advantage in their respective industries. In response to the continued power crisis and blackouts, the group is investing in alternative energy sources in order to reduce the current and future adverse impact on operations and profitability.

We will continue to leverage our skills and expertise to optimize our current portfolio of investments while actively pursuing opportunities for expansion and diversification. This approach will position us for long-term success.

References to future financial performance have not been reviewed or reported on by the group's external auditors and do not constitute an earnings forecast.

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