

#### ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

#### **Bega Group Investor Day presentation**

Bega Cheese Limited (ASX:BGA]) ("**Bega Group**") is holding an Investor Day at its Wetherill Park facility in Sydney today. A copy of the presentation to be given at the Bega Group Investor Day is attached.

30 November 2023

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# Investor Presentation

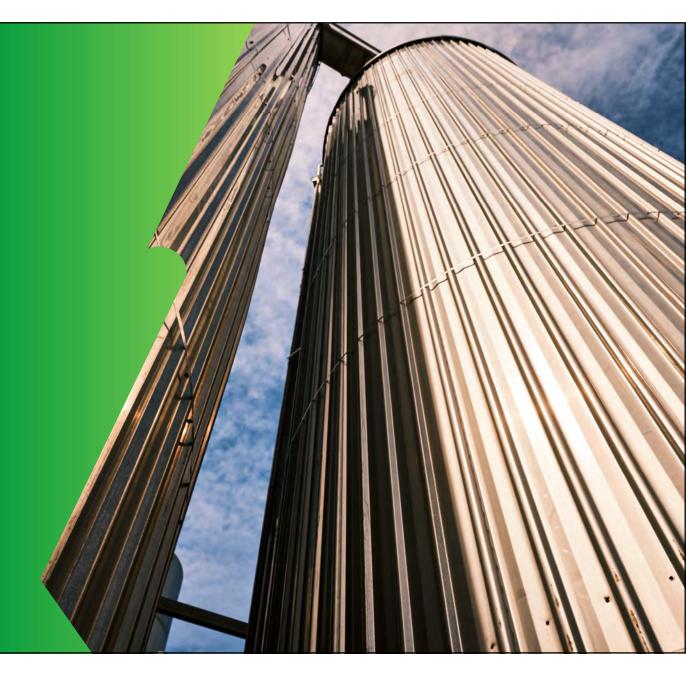
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## Site Welcome & Safety Briefing

Andrew Harris General Manager - Milk Based Beverage Operations



### Acknowledgment of Country

I would like to acknowledge the Cabrogal people of the Darug Nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today and to pay my respects to elders past and present.



## Site map & evacuation point

In the event of an emergency situation:

- 1. Stay calm and stay with your host
- 2. If there is immediate danger alert your host to the situation
- 3. Site wardens will take control and direct all personnel to safety

#### Alarms which indicate an emergency on site:

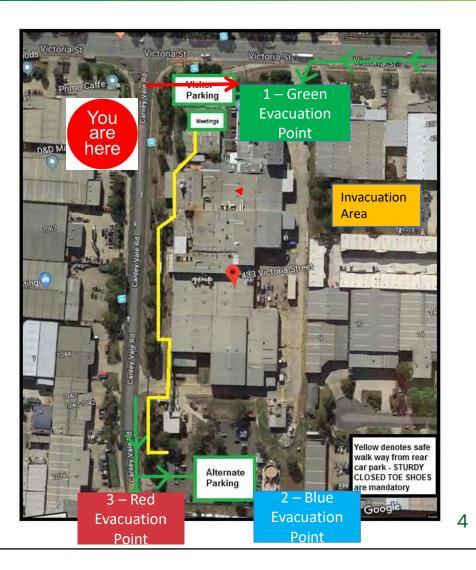
Warning Tone (Beep Beep Beep) prepare to evacuate and await instructions from Wardens

**Evacuation Tone (Whoop Whoop Whoop)** evacuate area and move to assembly point.

**Voice over PA (**for ammonia or gas release) follow directions of the site wardens to the evacuation areas.

Always follow the instructions of your host and the site wardens.

You must remain in the emergency Assembly Area until the Chief Warden gives the 'all clear'.













**Pete Findlay** Chief Executive Officer





## The Bega Group Executive Team





Pete Findlay CEO



Gunther Burghardt CFO



**Darryn Wallace** EGM – Retail Sales, Marketing & Partnerships



Adam McNamara EGM – Growth Channels & Customer Supply Chain



Antonietta Timms EGM – Branded Business Operations



Hamish Reid EGM – Bulk, Nutritionals and Ingredients



**Jac Scarlett** Group General Counsel



**Rob Grima** EGM – Operational Excellence



**David McKinnon** EGM – People & Capability



## **Overview of Investor Day**

Begg GROUP

- Our transition from a commodity-led to brand-led company generating higher and more consistent earnings
- Demonstrate the **important role** the Bulk business plays for the Group
- Channel / market **opportunities** to propel net revenue and profit growth
- **Disciplined cash flow focus** and capital management to enhance balance sheet and shareholder returns



**OUR PURPOSE IS...** 

## **CREATING GREAT FOOD FOR A** BETTER FUTURE

#### **OUR VISION IS...**

## **BECOME THE GREAT AUSTRALIAN FOOD COMPANY**

**OUR VALUES** 





for the customer and consumer





OUR BEHAVIOURS ARE OUR VALUES IN ACTION

**BE CARING** "We look out for each other"

**BE COURAGEOUS** "We think big and back ourselves" **BE INCLUSIVE** "We all belong"

**BE COLLABORATIVE** "We achieve greater outcomes together"

**BEOPEN** "We embrace change"

**BE COMMITTED** "We own it and deliver it"





#### Our purpose



## The Bega Group's unique capabilities

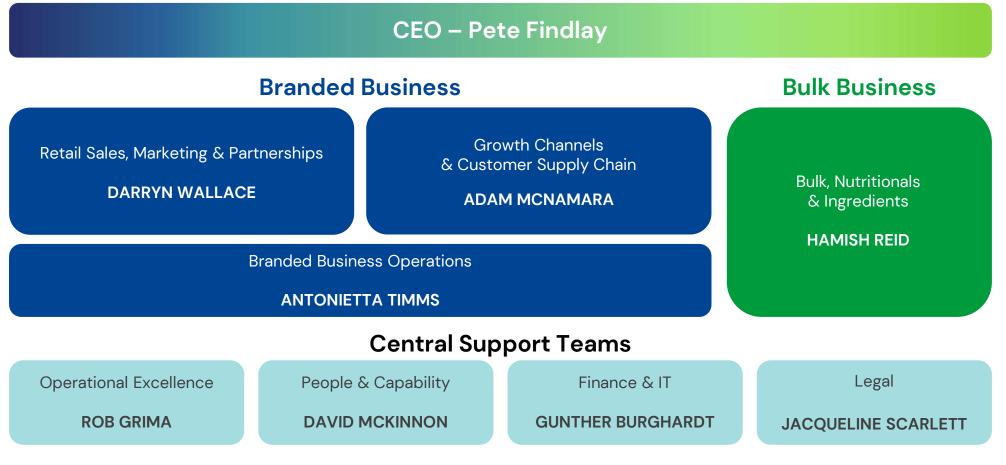


DIVERSIFIED PORTFOLIO OF MARKET LEADING BRANDS	<ul> <li>Market leading portfolio of brands</li> <li>Number #1-3 in our key categories</li> <li>Bega products are present in ~95% of Australian households</li> <li>~\$2b net branded sales revenue across all channels</li> <li>\$\vee \vee \vee \vee \vee \vee \vee \vee</li></ul>		
EFFICIENT DISTRIBUTION NETWORK	<ul> <li>Extensive logistics network</li> <li>27,000 businesses serviced each week</li> <li>100+ chilled depots, 13+ ambient warehouses and 3 national distribution centres</li> <li>3,200 truck loads per week delivered across Australia</li> </ul>		
COMPREHENSIVE MANUFACTURING NETWORK	<ul> <li>Robust and flexible supply chain</li> <li>19 sites across Australia</li> <li>Flexible footprint to maximise the milk pool</li> <li>Manages 1.3 billion litres of milk annually</li> </ul>		
DIRECT RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR FARMERS	<ul> <li>Strong links to our farmers and suppliers</li> <li>Diversified milk supply over 600 contracts with farmers for milk</li> <li>Contracts for milk in every state of Australia</li> <li>Long term ingredient supply relationships</li> </ul>		

Begg							
VISION: To become 'The Great Australian Food Company'							
PURPOSE: Creating great food for a better future							
5-YEAR HORIZON: Focus & Simplify							
Secure solids Grow and diversify the supply of milk solids to support branded growth and plant efficiency.	Protect and grow the core Grow our core domestic grocery business.	Win on the street Improve our competitiveness at a regional, local and national level outside key grocery by leveraging our distribution and product capability.	Streamline our sites Optimise our footprint and maximise consolidation opportunities.	Sustainability Meet our commitments to environment, social and governance (ESG).	<b>International</b> <b>opportunity</b> Focus and grow our international business.		
VALUES:       GROW our people       PASSION for the customer & consumer       INVEST in our future       SUPPORT each other							

## Structured for strategy





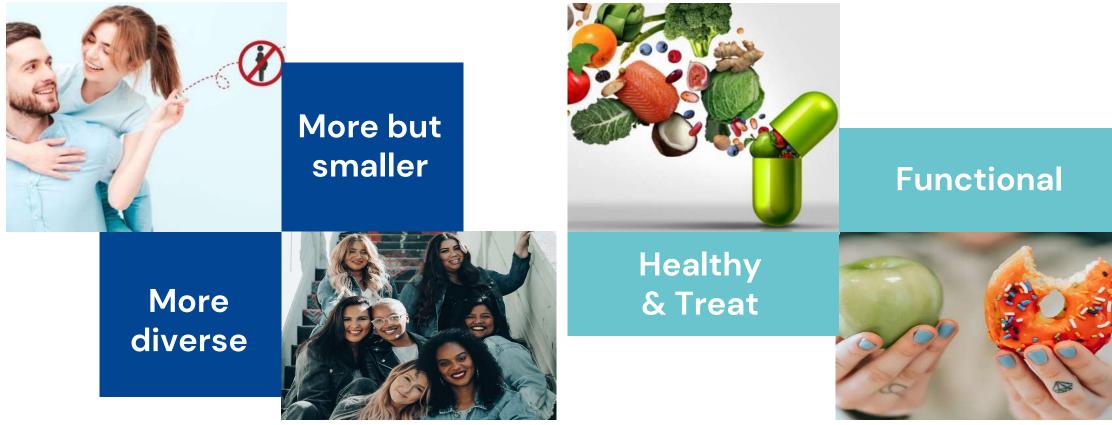
### Macro consumer trends

Sources: Australian Bureau of Statistics, 2021 Census results; Australian Institute of Family Studies (AIFS), Families Then & Now: Households and families report; Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.



#### **Demographics are changing**

#### Food needs are changing



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#### What is important is changing

#### Lifestyles are changing



## Great categories

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#### In growing categories bought by all Australian families

- Everyday categories
- **Defensive characteristics** with resilience through economic cycle
- Growth opportunities even with high penetration
- Focused on higher return, higher growth categories
- Positive on white milk category

Grocery Category	Retail Sales Value	Category Growth annual value	Total household penetration
Milk Based Beverages	\$918m	13%	54.3%
Yoghurt	\$1,780m	11%	90.7%
Spreads	\$700m	5%	93.5%
Fresh White Milk	\$2,118m	13%	87.1%
Chilled Juice & Drinks	\$657m	6%	59.2%
Creams & Custards	\$596m	16%	88.3%
Water Ice	\$59m	9%	29.1%

Source: Circana IHP Panel data

Note: this shows grocery information only e.g. Coles, Woolworths, IGA. It does not include independent sales, food service customers, or international sales.

## Great brands





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## Our power brands





- Founded in 1900, the Dairy Farmers brand is our largest trademark with over \$700m RSV, playing across white milk, yoghurt and culinary.
- Providing ultimate mental clarity, Dare is almost a half a billion-dollar RSV brand holding 47% value share of Iced Coffee in Grocery and 56% value share in Convenience.



- Providing positive nutrition, PURA is a trusted brand with more than 80 years of milk expertise. A leading brand in VIC and SA, with presence in TAS. Mainstream appeal, weighted to older consumers.
- FARMERS UNION
- An icon of SA with 52% market share of Iced Coffee in Grocery and the #1 selling SKU in total Yoghurt. Farmers Union is a \$216m RSV brand across the market.



• Australia's #1 selling yoghurt, and in more Aussie households than any other yoghurt brand. Yoplait was the first branded offer in Australia launching in 1982, and is now valued at \$168m RSV.



 The Bega brand turns 125 next year and is Australia's largest cheese and peanut butter brand. With 81% share of traditional peanut butter it's Australia's favourite peanut butter.



• VEGEMITE is one of Australia's most iconic brands and is 100 years young with the brand celebrating its centenary this year. VEGEMITE is #1 in the yeast spreads category, with 91% share and \$80M RSV.



Daily Juice is Bega's key mainstream juice brand with \$80m in RSV and holding 14% share of the total chilled juice Grocery market.

# Our **top 8 brands** contribute 72% of branded revenue



## Market leading brands



- Iconic Australian Brands with enduring appeal
- Strong market positions
- Covering essential consumer items to discretionary purchases
- Widely available and accessible for most Australians

Grocery Category	Bega Market Share	Bega Market Position	Bega Brands
Milk Based Beverages	52%	1	
Yoghurt	26%	1	
Spreads	31%	1	VEGEMITE CER STAR
Fresh White Milk	12%	3	
Chilled Juice & Drinks	22%	2	DAILY JUICE THE 20 Mildung
Creams & Custards	9%	4	PURA BER
Water Ice	81%	1	ZOOPER CERRI

Source: Circana IHP Panel data August 2023

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## Multichannel strategy





## Our Bulk business overview

#### Our Bulk business has been a strong contributor

- Invested in capability to offset decline in Chinese infant formula sales
- Product mix is **focused on higher returning** commodity streams
- Milk volume on track to stabilise in FY2O24
- Optimise cost structure and agility of bulk footprint
- **Ongoing challenge** of the disconnect between farmgate milk and commodity market cycles



## Our strategy is to 'focus & simplify'

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#### **Branded business**

- Grow and protect our core
- Win on the street
- International opportunity
- Streamlined sites

#### **Bulk business**

• Maximise milk solids returns

#### **Sustainability**

• Meet our customer, consumer and community sustainability expectations



## Sustainability



#### **Our Approach: Greater Good**

The Bega Group *Greater Good* strategy is aligned to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals with a focus on addressing the impacts of our business and where we can contribute to sustainable development – our products, our people and communities and our planet.



#### Food and nutrition

Reformulating products to align with nutritional profiling standards and designing product alternatives to meet specific dietary requirements.



and equality

Creating an inclusive culture,

embracing diversity and

treating people with respect.

Greenhouse gas emissions

Investing in energy reduction programs, process improvements and renewable energy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.



Packaging Wat

Developing more sustainable packaging solutions to improve recyclability, with an alignment to the Australian Packaging covenant.  $\bigcirc$ 

#### Water sustainability

Investing in capital to improve water systems and process redesign to improve water management throughout our operations.



## Site Overview Site Tour



## Wetherill Park



- Site constructed in 1986 and upgraded in 2017
- Flavoured milk, iced coffee, modified white milk, UHT portions, custard, extended shelf-life milk
- Processing and packing of 70 million litres of milk annually
- 160 staff, working 24/6 hr roster
- Six packing lines, two processing areas
- Distribution centre and coolroom
- Functions: manufacturing, engineering & reliability, quality, continuous improvement, distribution & warehousing with partnering from people and capability, safety and finance.
- Sales team based at the site.





## What is produced on site?





# LUNCH







**Darryn Wallace** EGM – Retail Sales, Marketing and Partnerships

Branded

**Business** 



Adam McNamara EGM – Growth Channels and Customer Supply Chain

# Antonietta Timms





## Our Branded Business Strategy



- Protect and grow our core
- Win on the street
- International opportunity
- Streamline our sites





#### Maximising our core brands with our key customers





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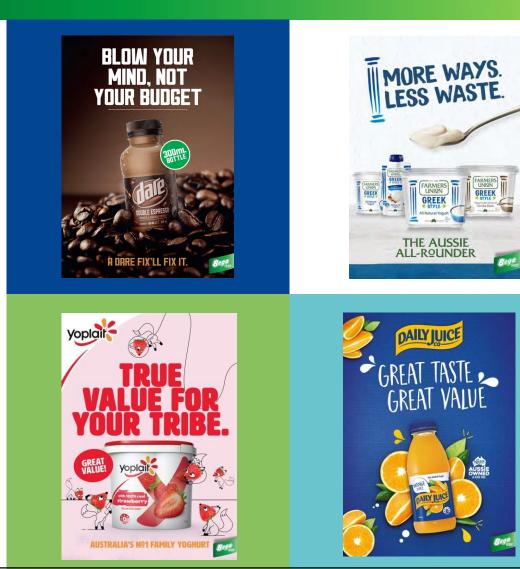
## **Investing behind** our core

We're local



# Investing behind our core

Provide trusted value





# Investing behind our core

**Engage shoppers** 







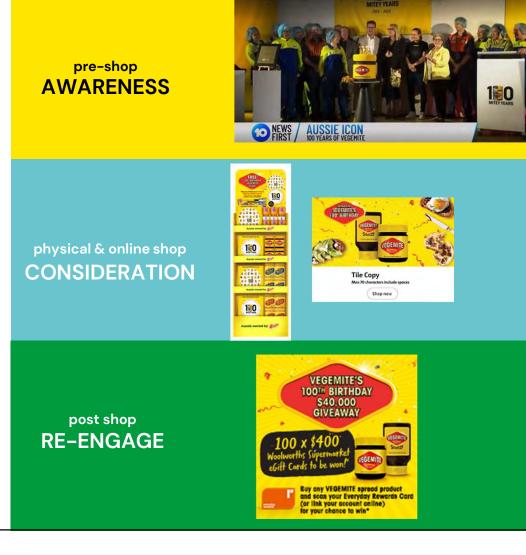






# Investing behind our core

Integrated customer experience



#### Protect and grow our core



## Innovation through trends

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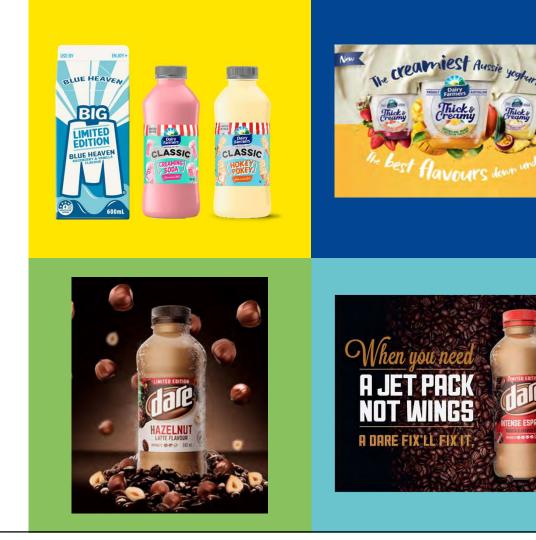


#### Protect and grow our core



## Innovation through trends





#### Protect and grow our core

## Innovation through trends

#### To tread lightly





RFA approved coffee beans





100% rPET TJB Bottle 1.5L/500mL Nude caps Oct/Nov '22 30% rPET in core Peanut Butter range





**RPET National Roll out commences** 





#### Accelerating growth outside of core grocery



#### Grow independents and convenience



#### We benefit from a change in shopper habits

Basket size is decreasing, whilst frequency of shop including top up shop and eat-now missions is on the rise.

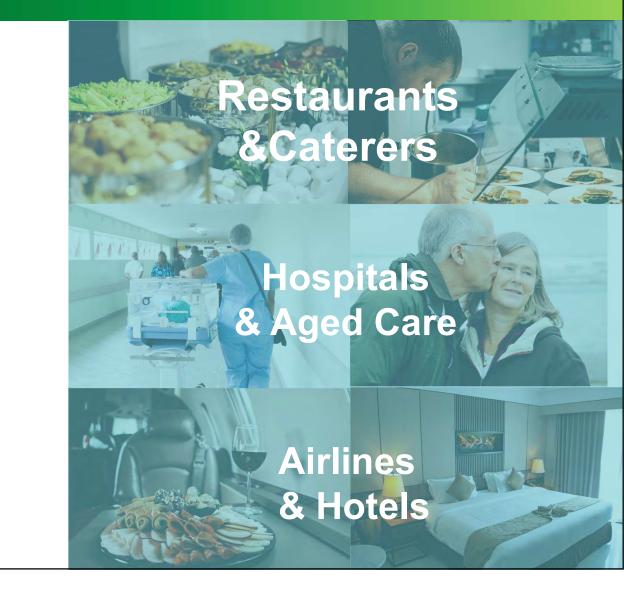
- Bega delivers to ~17k independent grocery and convenience stores – we're targeting 20k
- Consumers want more convenience
   we have the #1 convenience product\*
- Fridge program we'll make it more available
- Expand customer base *we'll be in more places*
- Expand offering there'll be more options in the fridge





## **Expand Foodservice**

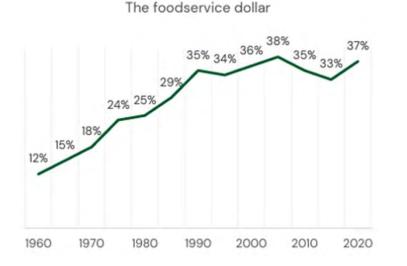
Food service is a \$60b market



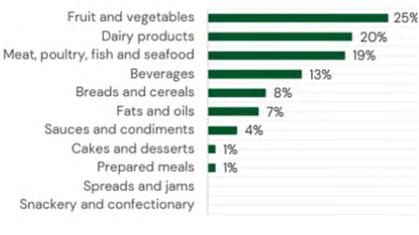
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#### Expand foodservice

- Growing in share currently 25% of wholesale supply and growing
- Rising out of home spend Australians spend over 37% on average of the food and nonalcoholic beverage budget on eating out of home.
- Dairy is the second largest category representing 20%



#### Grand Total Volume kg by product category



Source: the Australian Foodservice market, Food Industry Foresight 2021



#### Expand foodservice

#### Advantaged portfolio

Product breadth for multiple customer needs

Multi-Category; Multi-Format



Range of service models achieving vast reach

Bega's Direct Model; Wholesale Partnerships







#### Market leading distribution network



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**Scale** – ~3,200 truck loads per week and ~850 mil Bega litres annually

**Network** – Unparalleled connectivity between metropolitan, satellite and regional Australia with 133 chilled depots and distribution centres

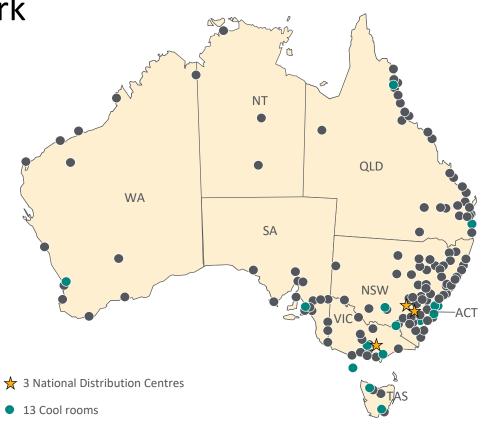
**Reach** – Capability to serve majority of Australia's population via large road/rail vehicles through to small route trucks and coastal freight.

**Unmatched Service & Quality Capability** – Live temperature and vehicle location tracking data for customers and central control being progressively rolled out across all facilities and fleet

**Team** – Talented team of logistics professionals that that are experts in chilled distribution, relentlessly drive safety & that are empowered to make a difference

**Costs** – Increasingly competitive cost base with ongoing optimisation that is underpinned by structured transformation program

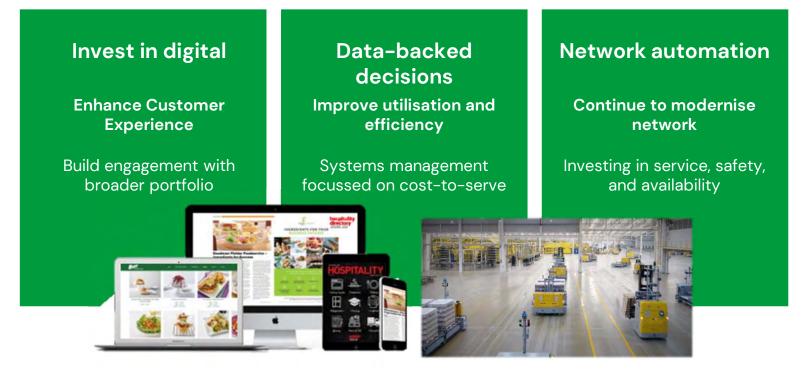
**Further opportunities** – National provider in a fragmented industry, becoming a logistics service provider in its own right



• 117 Depots (25 Bega owned, 92 Leased/3PL/Distributor owned)



#### Optimise our network



#### International opportunity

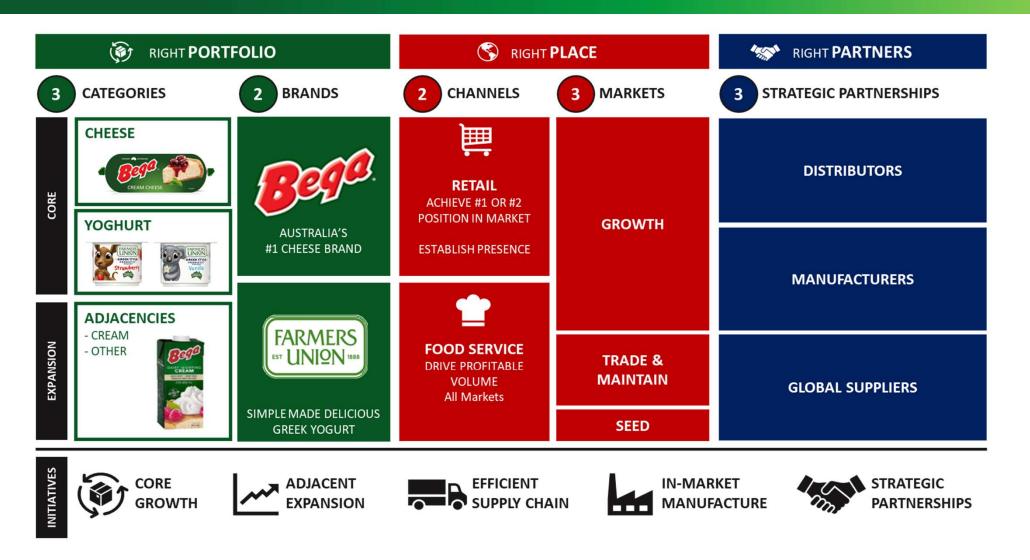


# International opportunity



### International Strategy





#### Streamline our sites



National footprint with overlapping capabilities across white milk, milk-based beverages, cream and cheese.

Opportunities:

- Consolidation remove excess capacity
- Strategic partnerships avoid investment in assets and improve efficiency and cost
- **Strategic investments** introduce technology to support growth and improve efficiency
- **Optimise** reduce conversion costs



#### Streamline our sites



**Focus and invest** in manufacturing capability across priority categories:

- Yoghurt Morwell, VIC
- Milk based beverages Wetherill Park, NSW
- Spreads Port Melbourne, VIC

Streamline and cost out focus with **simplification**:

• Improve plant efficiency and competitiveness through reduced complexity





Hamish Reid EGM – Bulk, Nutritionals and Ingredients

## Bulk Business





## Our bulk assets optimises the value of our national milk pool, and produces unique Bega branded products

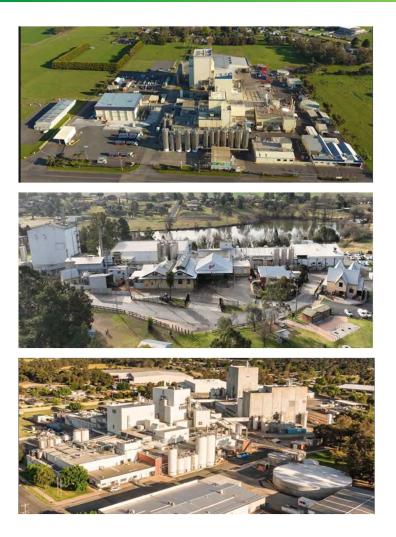


#### Bulk assets benefit Bega's brands



The majority of the milk processed by our Bulk assets are **for branded products.** These assets also:

- 1. **Optimise value** from the protein surplus generated by the branded business
- 2. Enable the purchase of lower cost seasonal milk
- **3.** Balance seasonal milk to provide flat milk demand of branded sites
- 4. Provide options to purchase low-cost spring milk from others, and may play a significant role in industry protein balancing in the future



### Maximising component value

The Bulk business separates milk components and recombines these into an optimal product mix for our branded business

800 million litres of milk are processed by our fresh **branded business** 

550 million litres of milk are processed in our **bulk business** 

- ✓ Fat from 400 million litres is utilised for **branded products**
- ✓ 60% of the protein from the same 400 million litres is utilised for bulk products
- ✓ 150 million litres of milk is used for bulk product into bulk markets

Bulk assets **improve returns for protein** through investments in milk protein concentrate and lactoferrin



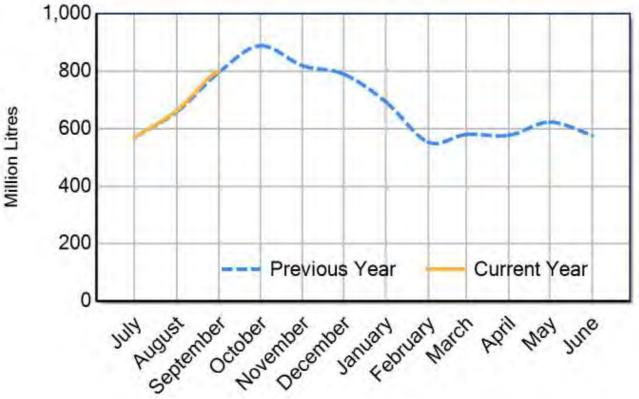
\*includes purchased cream

#### Australian milk is seasonal



- Victorian bulk assets enable the purchase of **lower cost** Victorian seasonal milk at scale
- Bulk assets balance seasonal milk to **meet the need** of our branded business
- Bulk assets enables white milk facilities to operate optimal cost structures
- Advantage of spring milk purchases from others where **value** can be achieved

Australian Milk Production - National Total 2022/2023 & 2023/2024

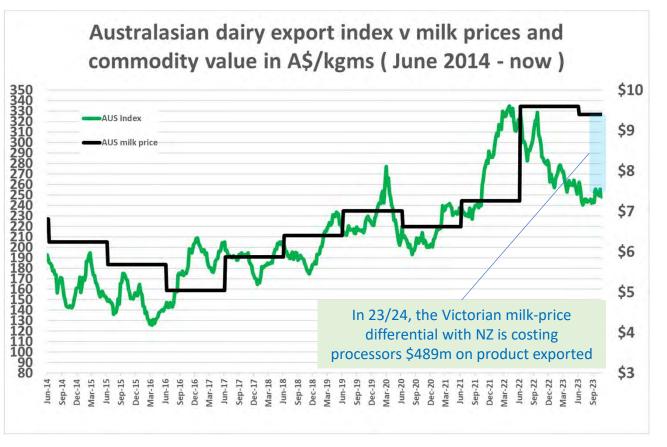


#### Milk price follows commodities



#### Milk prices and commodity prices correlate over time and we expect greater alignment in the coming years

- 30% of Australian milk is exported and >60% is exposed to global commodities through direct imports into Australia of cheese and butter
- The current dislocation is caused by fierce competition in farm gate milk procurement followed by a significant fall in commodity values
- Global milk production has now turned negative, and commodity pricing has subsequently responded positively



Source: Fresh Agenda

#### Our strategy is to 'secure milk solids'



1. Generate more value from protein investments, increasing margins beyond skim milk powder

Milk Protein Concentrate 85% capacity increase

2. Securing international solids to support brands

Creating more options for buyers in selected channels

3. Investigate direct participation in milk supply

Supporting high intensity automated farming in fresh dairy regions

4. Using our assets for non-dairy ingredient manufacturing

High value ingredients for cooking applications

5. Reducing our cost base while retaining optimal flexibility

Ongoing cost out and accelerated continuous improvement programs





**Gunther Burghardt** CFO

## Financial Overview





## Bega's strategic plan is focused on transition to a branded business and gross margin/EBIT margin expansion

#### **Revenue management**

- Advanced promotional analytics
- Mix management investment, resources and innovation focus on our advantaged categories
- Agile bulk business capable of moving to highest 'stream returns' as commodity prices change

#### Supply / COGS optimisation

- Annualised supply savings of \$30m \$40m partly mitigating cost inflation
- Site efficiency improvements, supply footprint, and procurement/logistics savings

Cash flow / capital structure focus to enhance returns and reduce cost of funds

Increasing scale and efficiencies / savings to optimise our cost of doing business



#### Ensuring a strong and resilient balance sheet through focus on cash flow optimisation

#### Target consistent strong operating cash conversion

- Our Integrated Business Planning (IBP) processes are vital in optimising inventory levels
- Portfolio simplification; 'fewer, bigger, better' products drive inventory down
- Accelerating focus on more balanced payment terms with medium-large suppliers

#### Capex of \$55m - \$90m per year (below depreciation/amortization of > \$90m)

- Investments in growth / capacity and site efficiencies and savings are top priority
- IT investments to assist growth and provide process improvements internally to reduce CODB
- Disciplined return on investment (IRR) > WACC

#### Year-end leverage ratios of 1.0x – 2.0x through the cycle

- Extend average tenor of debt facilities to reduce risk
- Targeting year-end leverage ratios of 1.0-2.0x leaves room for inorganic opportunities

#### Hedging program on key input commodities (oil, sugar, etc) and fx to reduce risk

## Strategic plan financials



	F18 Actual	FY23 Actual	FY24*	FY28	CAGR FY24 to FY28
Revenue (\$b)	1.25	3.37	3.4 – 3.55	3.9 – 4.2	3 – 5%
Gross Margin (% Revenue)	26%	19%	19 – 20%	23 – 26%	Average > +1 pt increase per year
Branded EBITDA (\$m)	48	144	200 – 210	250+	
Bulk EBITDA (\$m)	73	43	(20) – (15)	30 – 40	
Unallocated OH (\$m)	(11)	(27)	(20) – (15)	(40) – (30)	
Normalised EBITDA (\$m)	110	160	160 – 170	250+	
EPS Cents (normalised)	23.9	9.4	8 – 10	25+	25+%
ROFE	8.8%	4.2%	5 – 6%	10 – 12%	> +1 pt per year

\*FY2024 H1 normalised 35% - 40% of full year EBITDA, with commodities expected to rise in H2 while branded strength continues All EBITDA figures are nomalised

## Panel Q&A



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## THANK YOU

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