

# **Investor Presentation**



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# Listed Investment Companies



#### What are Listed Investment Companies?

- Pooled investment vehicles
- Assets managed along similar lines to traditional managed funds
- Investment focus varies by company, but most focused on domestic equities
- Closed end, so managers not subject to constraints of large cash flows
- Investors buy and sell their interest on market; price can vary from underlying value

#### Differences to a traditional managed fund:

- ☑ Shares freely tradeable on ASX
- Tax paid in the vehicle, franking credits available on dividends
- Company can manage dividend levels
- Manager can focus on generating return, rather than managing redemptions
- Potential to acquire underlying asset exposure at a discount to true value
- Increased transparency due to ASX reporting

## Westoz Investment Company Limited Overview



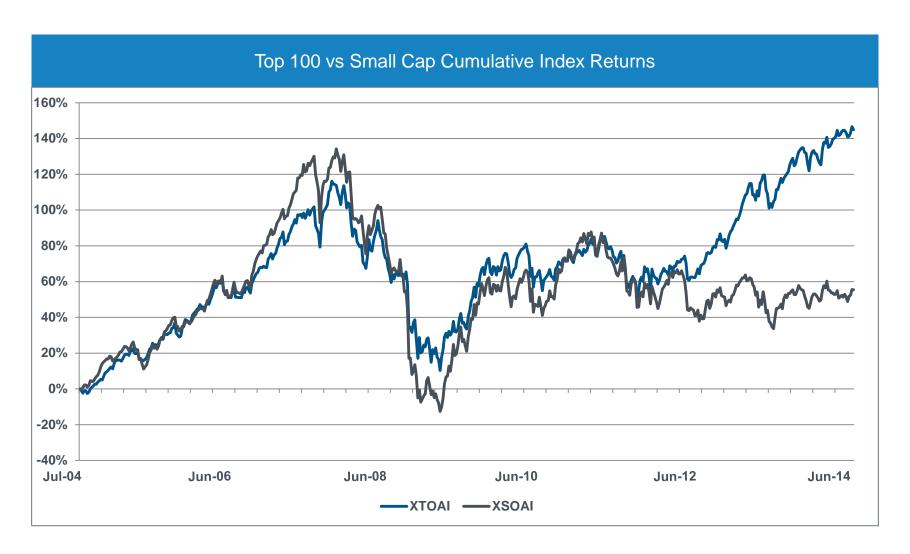
- WIC is a specialist listed investment company
- Its portfolio is managed by Westoz Funds Management Pty Ltd
- The investment focus is to generate a consistent positive return over the medium term on its portfolio of assets
- The portfolio is focused on small to mid cap listed companies, generally with a connection to Western Australia
- It holds a concentrated portfolio of securities which may from time to time consist of large levels of cash
- It aims to benefit shareholders from share price appreciation based on growth in underlying asset values and consistent dividend payouts

| Company Details, 30 June 2014            |         |
|--|---------|
| Last Price                               | \$1.320 |
| Last Net Assets Per Share                | \$1.295 |
| Shares on issue                          | 128.1m  |
| Options (\$1.30 strike, Aug 2015 expiry) | 12.8m   |
| Market Cap                               | \$169m  |
| Net Asset Value                          | \$166m  |
| Premium to Net Asset Value               | 2%      |
| Shareholders                             |         |
| Euroz Limited                            | 25%     |
| Wilson Asset Management                  | 8%      |
| Geoffrey Brown                           | 6%      |
| Total number of shareholders             | 1357    |

# Setting the Picture



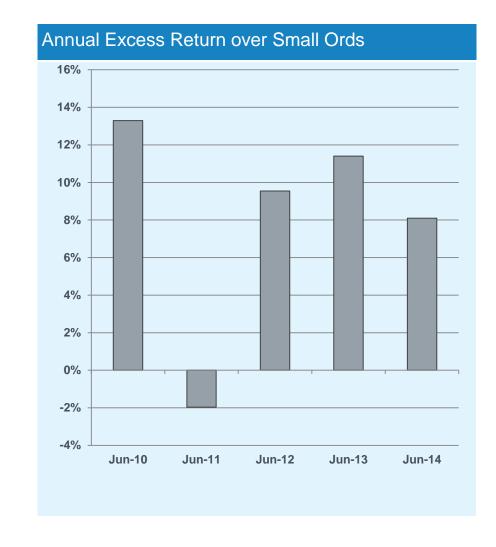
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## 2014 Portfolio Performance



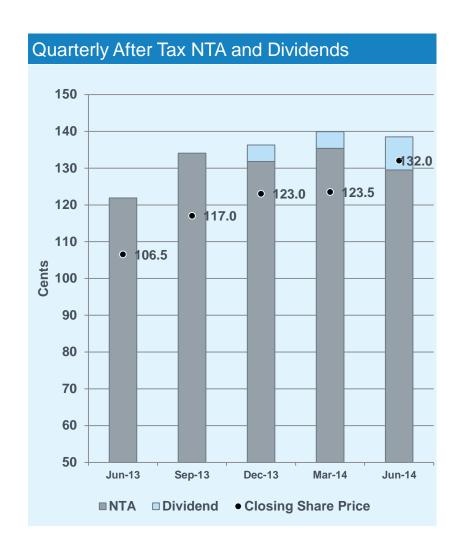
- Underlying return on investment portfolio (before fees and taxes) of 21.2%
- Average annual portfolio return since inception of 16.2% p.a, well ahead of broader equity markets
- FY 2014 saw three major positions subject to takeover offers; AUT, AQA and CLO
- CWP and FRI were also a major positive contributors
- Cash levels moved from 51% at start of year to 20% at the close, with a further boost from acceptance of AQA takeover offer post 30 June.



## 2014 Financial Year\*



- Estimated and Unaudited profit after tax \$21.2 mil.
- Paid total of \$13.5 mil out in dividends
- Net assets at year end \$166 mil, up from \$156 mil at start
- On a per share basis, net assets after tax increased from 121.9 cents to 129.5 cents after allowance for 9.0 cents in dividends.
- Shareholder return of 34% (share price plus dividends paid)
- New additions to Board, with Steve Tucker and Dermot Woods joining. Jay Hughes appointed Chairman.

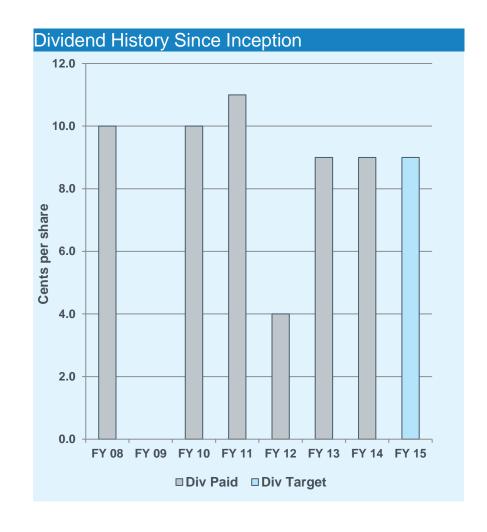


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## Some Recent Initiatives



- Change to dividend policy:
  - Intend paying a consistent stream of dividends to investors
  - Will consider levels of realised profits, retained earnings and franking credits
  - Target 9.0 cents per share for FY 2015, represents
    <u>fully franked yield of 6.8%</u> on 30 June price
- Bonus Option Issue
  - 1 option to acquire a new share at 130 cents for every 10 held
  - Exercisable at any time prior to 31 August 2015.
- Introduction of DRP
  - DRP price of 2.5% discount to after tax NTA at 31
    July

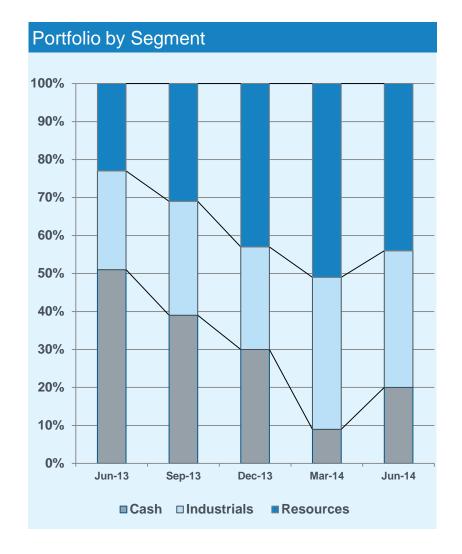


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# Portfolio



| Investment Portfolio, 30 June 2014 |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| Aquila Resources Limited           | 12.0%  |
| Finbar Group Limited               | 9.5%   |
| Automotive Holdings Group Limited  | 9.4%   |
| Cedar Woods Properties Limited     | 7.3%   |
| Mount Gibson Iron Limited          | 7.2%   |
| Medusa Mining Limited              | 7.1%   |
| Sundance Energy Australia Limited  | 5.1%   |
| Atlas Iron Limited                 | 3.2%   |
| Sandfire Resources NL              | 3.2%   |
| Fleetwood Corporation Limited      | 2.6%   |
| MACA Limited                       | 2.5%   |
| NRW Holdings Limited               | 2.0%   |
| Teranga Gold Corporation           | 2.0%   |
| Indophil Resources NL              | 1.5%   |
| Mermaid Marine Australia Limited   | 1.5%   |
| Aquarius Platinum Limited          | 1.2%   |
| Other                              | 3.1%   |
| Cash                               | 19.6%  |
| TOTAL                              | 100.0% |



# Portfolio Outlook



#### **Investment Decision considerations**

- Bottom up focus, decisions made on a stock by stock basis
- Quality of Management paramount
- Potential to generate cash from operations or assets
- Balance sheets appropriately structured for delivery of equity returns
- Valuation parameters, predominately price/earnings, dividend yield and discounted cash flows

#### **Investment Environment**

- Value has swung towards smaller companies following recent outperformance of larger stocks
- Coordinated global growth will be supportive for commodity prices
- · Some appetite for risk emerging
- Chase for yield waning, green shoots for growth opportunities

## Outlook for Shareholder Returns



Shareholder returns will be driven by three factors:

#### 1. Portfolio Performance

 Return on underlying investment portfolio will remain the key driver of returns (up 16.2% p.a. since inception in May 2005)

#### 2. Payout

- Stated intention is to pay a consistent stream of dividends
- Targeting 9.0 cent div in WIC in 2015 year; prospective yield (@\$1.30) circa 7%
- Dividend yield at higher end of peers

#### 3. Price

- Shares currently trade at close to underlying asset value
- Continuation of investment performance and dividends will minimize any discount overtime



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