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# Appendix 4E

## Preliminary final report

Name of entity

Ausenco Limited (ASX: AAX)

ABN

31 114 541 114

Current reporting period

31 December 2014

Previous corresponding period

31 December 2013

### Results for announcement to the market

AS\$'000

				<b>Current period</b>
Revenues from ordinary activities	Down	21%	To	\$357,155
Profit/ (Loss) from ordinary activities attributable to members	Up	28%	To	\$(29,472)
Underlying EBITDA	Down	95%	To	\$1,438
Profit/ (loss) after tax for the period attributable to members	Up	29%	To	\$(25,015)

<b>Dividends (distributions)</b>	<b>Amount per security</b>	<b>Franked amount per security at 30% tax</b>
No Final dividend paid in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2014	-	-
Interim dividend declared subsequent to 30 June 2014	-	-
Previous corresponding period		
- Final	-	-
- Interim	2.0 cents	0.5 cents
Date the final dividend is payable	n/a	
Record date for determining entitlements to the final dividend	n/a	

### Dividend reinvestment plan

N/A

NTA backing	Current reporting period	Previous corresponding period 31 December 2013
Net tangible asset backing per ordinary security	\$0.24	\$0.32

Details of entities over which control has been gained or lost during the period are included in the audited financial statements under note 36.

Details of associates and joint venture entities are included in the audited financial statements under note 26.

Details of Underlying EBITDA are included in Alternative performance measures in the financial report on page 96.



..... Date: 18/02/2014

Patrick O'Connor  
Company Secretary

**NOTES:**

*The information contained in this report is for the full year ended 31 December 2014 and the previous corresponding period 31 December 2013.*

*Australian Accounting Standards are utilised when compiling the report.*

*The accounts have been audited and are not subject to dispute or qualification.*

*For the full financial statements including commentary on the results, please refer to the financial report and press release.*

## **Directors' Report**

Your Directors present their report on the consolidated entity (referred to hereafter as the Group) consisting of Ausenco Limited and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the year ended 31 December 2014.

### **DIRECTORS**

The following persons were Directors of Ausenco Limited during the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report:

George Lloyd  
Zimi Meka  
Mary Shafer-Malicki  
Bob Thorpe  
Hank Tuten.

Peter Gregg was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director on 22 August 2014.

### **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

During the year the principal continuing activities of the Group consisted of the provision of engineering, construction and project management services to the resources and energy markets. The Group provides full project lifecycle solutions to clients in the minerals processing, pipelines, transportation systems, ports and terminals, infrastructure and conventional, oil & gas, renewable and alternative energy sectors.

### **DIVIDENDS - AUSENCO LIMITED**

Dividends paid to members during the financial year were as follows:

	<b>2014 \$'000</b>	<b>2013 \$'000</b>
Final ordinary dividend for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 of 10.1 cents per share paid on 1 May 2013	-	12,476
Interim unfranked dividend for the financial year ended 31 December 2013 of 2.0 cents per share paid on 18 September 2013	-	2,471
	<b>-</b>	<b>14,947</b>

All dividends have been recognised in the reporting period. The Directors have not recommended the payment of a final dividend for the financial year ended 31 December 2014 (2013: final dividend 10.1 cents, interim dividend 2.0 cents).

### **EARNINGS PER SHARE**

	<b>2014 Cents</b>	<b>2013 Cents</b>
Basic earnings per share (cents per share) attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company	(15.0)	(25.0)
Diluted earnings per share (cents per share) attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company	(15.0)	(25.0)

### **SAFETY**

The Group's safety performance for the 12 months to 31 December 2014 improved with the Total Recordable Injury (TRI) frequency rate reducing 42% from 3.71 to 2.14, the lowest in the Group's history. This was based on 20.5 million managed man hours, up 15% from 17.7 million man hours managed the year before. The Lost Time Injury (LTI) frequency rate has risen slightly from 0.23 in 2013 to 0.26 in 2014. A highlight during 2014 was the Constancia project in Peru achieving 7.7 million man hours LTI free. The improved performance during 2014 is achieved on the back of two new safety programs introduced during 2014 – the global HSE strategy and the Safety Citizenship Program.

## **OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW<sup>1</sup>**

While reductions in greenfield project work and challenging general market conditions in the APAC/Africa region affected current year performance, Ausenco's long-term diversification strategy provided an effective offset to the decline in demand.

Revenue from continuing operations for 2014 of \$357.2 million was down 21.3% on the revenue of \$453.9 million for the previous year. The Group recorded a net loss before tax for the year of \$29.5 million including an impairment charge of \$10.0 million on the APAC/Africa reporting segment. The underlying net loss before tax was \$12.7 million, against a net loss before tax of \$40.9 million in the previous 12 months. Net loss after tax attributable to shareholders was \$25.0 million, the underlying net loss after tax was \$10.2 million, compared to \$35.2 million net loss after tax for the previous year. The reduction in net earnings was driven primarily by market uncertainty, project deferrals, greater competition and rightsizing costs.

Reported EBITDA for 2014 was a loss of \$15.4 million, against the previous year reported EBITDA loss of \$21.8 million. The underlying EBITDA<sup>1</sup> was a profit of \$1.4 million. Basic earnings per share, a loss of 15.0 cents compares to a loss of 25.0 cents per share in 2013.

The Group's net operating cash outflow was \$9.2 million in the 2014 year. Net movements in working capital assets and liabilities contributed to a net inflow of \$4.4 million, with the significant gross outflow items attributable to \$4.5 million in redundancy costs, \$5.0 million in borrowing costs (a \$1.0 million increase compared to 2013 largely attributable to successful refinancing outcomes) and income tax paid of \$1.5 million. In the prior period, net operating cash inflow was \$9.0 million. Reflecting a year of more normal capital expenditure levels, net cash outflow associated with investing activities in 2014 was \$3.0 million (2013: \$26.2 million), including \$0.7 million in payments associated with the acquisition of the final 25% of the Rylson Group. Consistent with prior years the Group repaid \$8.9 million in scheduled borrowing amounts, with repayments projected to increase to \$13.2 million in 2015 as part of the refinancing extensions agreed with the Group's financiers.

The Group's gross cash position at 31 December 2014 was \$22.5 million (2013: \$37.6 million). Reflecting a more conservative capital management approach, the Board has not paid any dividends in 2014. Net debt increased during the year from \$24.7 million to \$43.1 million, with the net gearing ratio increasing to 16.0% from 8.7%, well within the Board's target gearing levels.

\$1.1 million in operating cash inflows were generated in the year prior to tax, financing and redundancy payments. Net tax assets increased by \$8.2 million (2013: increase \$7.6 million) largely attributable to an increase in timing differences associated with intangible assets. This was offset by a net working capital asset decrease of \$4.4 million, reflecting lower comparable activity levels across the group compared to the prior period.

After scheduled borrowings repayments of \$8.8 million during the year, total borrowings at year-end had increased by \$3.3 million to \$65.6 million. This reflects an increase of \$1.8 million attributable to a lower Australian dollar, proceeds from bank borrowings of \$5.4 million and other borrowings of \$4.9 million. After the extension to the current borrowing facilities, 85% of Ausenco's total borrowings are denominated in Canadian and US dollars, providing a natural hedge to adverse foreign currency movements where 88% of the Group's revenues are denominated in currencies other than Australian dollars.

In November 2014, ANZ and NAB agreed to extend the repayment timeline associated with the \$33.1 million of the drawn debt facilities denominated in Canadian dollars to January 2016. The existing amortising United States dollar borrowings of \$22.7 million continues until May 2016. As part of the arrangements, ANZ and NAB agreed to modified financial covenants to be satisfied in 2015 as well as a review in mid 2015 of an extension of the facility terms beyond the 2016 dates.

1. The Group's financial performance is explained using measures that are not defined under IFRS and are therefore termed non-IFRS measures. The non-IFRS financial information contained within this Directors' Report and Notes to the Financial Statements has not been audited in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. The non-IFRS measures used to monitor group performance are EBITDA, net debt, net gearing ratio, working capital assets and underlying EBITDA to total financing costs ratio. Business line or segment performance is monitored using EBITA. Each of these measures is discussed in more detail on page 96.

## OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

### Change in Segment reporting

During the second half of the 2014 financial year the Group streamlined its Americas business' reporting structure and responsibilities to have a regional primary focus. The reorganisation will facilitate greater accountability as well as provide enhanced integration across both service and geographic lines, and improved utilisation of both technical expertise and shared engineering resources. It will also enable the business to better penetrate and capture market opportunities and monitor performance.

No changes were required in APAC/Africa, as it had been operating on a regional basis since 2013. Environment and Sustainability, Minerals & Metals, Oil & Gas and Process Infrastructure were aligned and reshaped to reflect the geographic regions in which they were managed and operating, being North America and South America.

In keeping with the requirements of AASB 8 Operating Segments, the reorganisation led to a change in the segment report for all comparable periods.

### Business Line Performance

The Group measures business line performance by reference to revenue and EBITA<sup>1</sup> (refer to note 4). The following table summarises business line performance for the new operating segments:

	Segment revenues		Segment EBITA	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
APAC/Africa	93,518	170,825	(9,680)	(6,739)
North America	140,310	154,073	2,423	8,147
South America	122,734	128,403	11,160	10,133
All other segments	179	(4)	(24,769)	(39,933)
<b>Total</b>	<b>356,741</b>	<b>453,297</b>	<b>(20,866)</b>	<b>(28,392)</b>

### APAC/Africa

Market conditions remained challenging in the resources sector across the APAC/Africa region. The APAC/Africa business line operating revenue was down 45.2% to \$93.5 million in 2014 and segment EBITA down 43.6% to a loss of \$9.7 million. Underlying EBITA loss was \$9.1 million compared to an underlying profit of \$10.6 million in 2013. Earnings performance was adversely impacted by project deferrals, the outbreak of Ebola in West Africa affecting new developments and greater competition. Weak market pricing and demand for coal and iron ore continue to curtail Australian project opportunities while the weaker Australian dollar provided greater opportunities to export our services into Africa and cross-sell into other areas of the Group. Due to slower forward growth the goodwill carrying value was reassessed and impaired by \$10.0 million.

While the resource sector remained difficult, our diversification strategy secured significant new projects in optimisation, contract operations and management services. Coupled with right sizing initiatives undertaken during the year and greater use of value centres in Mumbai and Kuala Lumpur, strategies to mitigate competitive forces have been put in place and a move towards significant improvements in profitability are anticipated for 2015 and beyond.

The strategy to diversify revenue streams which was established in 2013, is proving successful with the region's Ports and Terminals Infrastructure business doubling in size during the year and winning more than 40 assignments in its first 18 months. We also expect continued growth in optimisation and asset management services going forward as organisations switch their focus from new capital investments to maximising asset performance and reducing operating costs.

1. This performance measure is discussed on page 96.

## **OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)**

### **North America**

The North America business line operating revenue was down 8.9% to \$140.3 million in 2014 and segment EBITA down 70% to \$2.4 million. Underlying EBITA profit was \$3.8 million compared to an underlying profit of \$14.5 million in 2013.

Despite low levels of demand in some areas, the business remained profitable during the year. The organisational restructure completed in the year will enable improved integration across business lines and enable the business to better capture and cross-sell into new market opportunities. Right sizing initiatives were also undertaken during the year and are anticipated to deliver improved earnings and greater flexibility and responsiveness to client service levels.

In North America, the minerals and metals teams continued with delivery of the Goldstrike project as well as progressing on a number of newly awarded Evaluate and Innovate assignments. Volatility in base precious metal pricing and demand expectations have extended the start times of next stage development, and hence near term revenue generation capacity for Ausenco during the year.

Ausenco's oil & gas team delivered a strong result during the year, particularly as they are focused on delivering into the brownfield wellhead design and engineering markets in Alberta. The oil & gas business now contributes 11.3% of Group revenues and through our continued growth in the area, now works with 20% of Canada's top oil sand producers.

Infrastructure work in North America remained relatively stable, with many new awards in municipal infrastructure work in the water, transportation, pipelines and ports and terminals areas. Demand for replacement and new infrastructure in each of these areas will continue to underpin demand going forward.

### **South America**

The South America business line operating revenue was down 4.4% to \$122.7 million in 2014. In 2014 EBITA was \$11.2 million and underlying EBITA of \$14.2 million compared to an underlying EBITA of \$13.7 million in 2013.

Successfully delivering the Constancia copper project in Peru, which is one of South America's largest copper projects, at some of the world's lowest capital intensity values, has reinforced Ausenco's reputation for cost effective and efficient delivery of world class projects. Our teams have delivered a very strong result, working at more than 4,000 metres in the Peruvian Andes, managing a peak workforce of 6,200 people and achieving a world-class safety record of more than 13 million hours lost time injury (LTI) free.

We anticipate that forecast shortages in copper supply against growing demand into 2018 will drive further development and extension of copper operations in the region. Successfully delivering projects like Contstancia will provide a new benchmark for low-cost copper mines in South America, placing Ausenco in a unique position to benefit from similar projects going forward.

The market in Chile has been softer than anticipated as water, infrastructure, environmental and community issues delayed a number of projects in the year. Recent awards and the general increase in activity in 2015 provide early insight into the anticipated turnaround in activity levels in that country.

Our Belo Horizonte office in Brazil has delivered to expectations in completing the engineering and CQA on the world's longest iron ore slurry pipeline (529km) for the Minas Rio iron project and starting work on the new Viga iron ore project in Brazil.

### **All other segments**

From 1 January 2014 the Engineering Design Systems (EDS) team that provides global services has moved from the APAC/Africa to become a group function. In 2014 the Corporate group reported an EBITA loss of \$24.8 million, an underlying EBITA loss of \$12.6 million compared to an underlying loss of \$21.3 million in 2013, reflecting a lower cost structure.



## **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE STATE OF AFFAIRS**

Other than the business restructure that occurred during the year, no significant changes in the state of affairs have occurred during the year ended 31 December 2014.

## **MATTERS SUBSEQUENT TO THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR**

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2014 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

- (a) the Group's operations in future financial years, or
- (b) the results of those operations in future financial years, or
- (c) the Group's state of affairs in future financial year.

## **LIKELY DEVELOPMENTS AND EXPECTED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

Likely developments in and expected results of the operations of the Group have been discussed generally in the annual report.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION**

The Group does not carry out environmentally sensitive activities in its own right. The Group's principal exposure to environmental risk lies in failing to perform services to the appropriate standard of care, resulting in environmental damage. Assessment and management of such risks forms part of Ausenco's risk management and quality assurance systems. The Directors are not aware of any breaches of environmental regulations as a result of the activities of the consolidated entity.

## **MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS**

The numbers of meetings of the Company's Board of Directors and of each Board Committee held during the year ended 31 December 2014, and the numbers of meetings attended by each Director were:

	<b>Board</b>		<b>Audit &amp; Risk Committee</b>		<b>Remuneration Committee</b>		<b>Nomination Committee</b>	
	<b>Meetings held while a Director</b>	<b>Number attended</b>	<b>Meetings held while a Director</b>	<b>Number attended</b>	<b>Meetings held while a Director</b>	<b>Number attended</b>	<b>Meetings held while a Director</b>	<b>Number attended</b>
George Lloyd	7	7	6	6	4	4	1	1
Zimi Meka	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mary Shafer-Malicki	7	7	6	6	-	-	1	1
Bob Thorpe	7	7	6	6	4	4	1	1
Hank Tuten	7	7	-	-	4	4	1	1
Peter Gregg <sup>(a)</sup>	3	3	1	1	-	-	1	1

(a) Peter Gregg joined the Ausenco Board of Directors on 22 August 2014. Mr Gregg was appointed to the ARMC and Nomination Committee (where he replaced Mr Thorpe as chairman) on 21 October 2014.

## **INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS**

**George Lloyd**  
**MBA, B Eng Sc (Industrial), FAICD, FAusIMM**  
**Chairman**

George Lloyd has over 30 years resource industry experience and has served as a senior executive and board member of a number of listed and unlisted Australian resource companies with interests in minerals, energy and industry services. He has also served as an advisor to mining and energy companies in Asia and Australia, providing corporate finance and corporate strategy advice. He is the Chairman of Pryme Energy Limited (since 2008) and was previously the Chairman of Cape Alumina Limited (2009 - 2014).

*Information on the Director's interest in shares and shares rights can be found in the Remuneration Report.*

**INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS (continued)**

**Zimi Meka**

**B Eng (Hons) Mech, MIE Aust MAICD, RPEQ  
Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director**

Zimi Meka is one of the founding directors of Ausenco Limited and was appointed as Chief Executive Officer / Managing Director in 1999. Zimi's background includes senior roles in engineering and operations companies prior to the formation of Ausenco in 1991. He has over 25 years' experience in the design, construction and operation of a wide range of processing plants and infrastructure in the minerals industry in Australia and internationally. He is the Queensland University of Technology's 2008 Alumnus of the Year, was awarded the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy's 2009 Institute Medal and is one of Australia's top 100 most influential engineers as awarded by Engineers Australia. He is a Fellow of Engineers Australia, a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, and a Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

**Bob Thorpe**

**B Tech (Mech)  
Non-Executive Director**

Bob Thorpe was Ausenco's founding Managing Director until retiring from the role in 1999. Prior to the formation of Ausenco in 1991, Bob held Director and General Manager positions in engineering and operations management companies in Queensland and Western Australia. Bob has more than 35 years' experience in design, engineering, project management, construction, operation and maintenance of large scale processing plants in Australia and internationally. He also has significant experience in contractual and commercial management, estimating systems and corporate risk management.

**Hank Tuten**

**BA Econ  
Non-Executive Director**

Hank Tuten is a partner in and chairs the Investment Committee of Resource Capital Funds, a United States based investment fund. Prior to this, Hank spent more than 15 years with the N M Rothschild and Sons Group. During that period he was progressively, the Chief Executive Officer of Rothschild Australia Limited, Rothschild North America Inc. and Continuation Investments, the Rothschild Group's private equity arm. Hank has also had experience as a commercial banker with the Philadelphia National Bank. He also served as a Non-executive Director of Australian Solomons Gold Limited (2004 - 2009) and St. Barbara Mines Limited (2002 - 2008).

**Mary Shafer-Malicki**

**B Sc (Chem Eng)  
Non-Executive Director**

Mary Shafer-Malicki has held a number of senior executive leadership roles in her 25 year career, including over 15 years with BP Group, during which time she was Chief Executive Officer of BP Angola and Director General of BP Vietnam. Mary's extensive experience includes operations, strategy, commercial, safety and supply chain management. Her international exposure includes North America, The Netherlands, United Kingdom, West Africa and Vietnam. She is currently a Director of John Wood Group plc (since 2012), McDermott International Inc. (since 2011), and several non-profit organisations.

**Peter Gregg**

**B Econ, FFTA, MAICD  
Non-Executive Director**

Peter Gregg is a highly experienced company director and executive with a 40 year career in Chief Financial Officer, corporate strategy and risk management roles for some of Australia's largest organisations. Mr Gregg's board directorships have included Qantas Airways, Leighton's Holdings, Stanwell Limited, Queensland Rail, Skilled Group and the Australian Rugby League Commission. Most recently Mr Gregg served as Chief Financial Officer of Leighton Holdings Limited from 2009 to 2013 and was appointed Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Leighton Holdings Limited from 2013 to 2014.

*Information on the Directors' interest in shares and shares rights can be found in the Remuneration Report.*

## **INFORMATION ON COMPANY SECRETARY**

**Patrick O'Connor**  
**BA LLB, ACIS**

Patrick O'Connor was appointed to the position of Company Secretary on 16 May 2011 and is responsible for all Company Secretarial functions. Patrick is a member of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries (Australia) and has over 13 years' commercial and corporate governance experience working in legal financial and regulatory roles in Australia and the United Kingdom.

**Craig Allen**  
**MBA, B Com, LLB, Dip Fin, CA, F Fin**

Craig Allen has been with Ausenco since 2004 and in his role as Chief Financial Officer is responsible for the management of Ausenco's group finances, including finance, corporate strategic planning, treasury, taxation, investment evaluation and investor relations. He has an extensive financial, advisory and commercial background in the resource and energy industries as well as experience working on a number of large scale resource and energy mergers and acquisitions.

## **INSURANCE OF OFFICERS**

During the financial year, the Group paid a premium to insure the Directors and officers of the Company and Group entities. The contract of insurance prohibits the disclosure of the premiums paid and limits purchased.

The liabilities insured are legal costs that may be incurred in defending civil or criminal proceedings, plus applicable court awards or settlements in connection with such proceedings, brought against the Directors and/or officers of entities in the consolidated entity, other than where such liabilities arise out of conduct involving a wilful breach of duty by the Directors and/or officers; the improper use by the Directors and/or officers of their position or where privileged information is used to gain advantage for themselves or someone else or to cause detriment to the Company. It is not possible to apportion the premium between amounts relating to the insurance against legal costs and those relating to other liabilities.

## 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 Group is important. Details of the amounts paid or payable to the auditor (PwC) for non-audit services provided during the year are set out below.

The Board of Directors has considered the position and, in accordance with 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
- none of the services undermine the general principles relating to auditor independence as set out in APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants*.

During the year the following fees were paid or payable for non-audit services provided by the auditor of the Company and its related practices:

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	\$	\$
<b>OTHER ASSURANCE SERVICES</b>		
PwC Australia	-	89,250
Network firms of PwC Australia	-	42,359
<b>Total remuneration for other assurance services</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>131,609</b>
<b>TAXATION SERVICES</b>		
PwC Australia	<b>31,972</b>	175,332
Network firms of PwC Australia	<b>19,210</b>	96,738
<b>Total remuneration for other services</b>	<b>51,182</b>	<b>272,070</b>
<b>Total remuneration for non-audit services</b>	<b>51,182</b>	<b>403,679</b>

## PROCEEDINGS ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY

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

## **REMUNERATION REPORT**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Following the review of the Key Management Personnel (KMP) remuneration framework in 2013 and the changes implemented as a result of that review, there were no changes to the Company's remuneration practices and policies during 2014.

The remuneration structures for three KMP, Mr Nick Bell, Mr Neil Trembath and Mr Ed Meka, were changed during 2014. These changes, which are noted in the tables below, were the result of changes to the responsibilities of Mr Bell, Mr Trembath and Mr Meka.

- Mr Bell's role changed on 28 November 2013 to Executive Vice President, Business Development and Marketing.
- Following the organisation structure changes and an increase in role scope, the Board endorsed an increase of President Americas/Europe (Mr Ed Meka) remuneration effective 1 January 2014.
- The Chief Information Officer (CIO), Mr Paul Young, resigned on 30 August 2014. Following consideration of the current economic and business climate, the Board agreed that the recruitment of a replacement CIO be deferred and that the role be filled by Mr Trembath in the interim in addition to his current responsibilities.

No changes were made to the remuneration of the remaining KMP and the 10% reduction to Total Fixed Remuneration, which was implemented in 2013, remained in effect.

No short term or business development incentive bonuses were paid to KMP during 2014.

The 10% reduction in Non-Executive Director fees also remained in effect.

### **GOVERNANCE REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

The Remuneration Committee ("Committee") is a sub-committee of the Board. The Committee is governed by its charter which sets out the membership, responsibilities, authority and activities of the Committee. The Charter is available in the Investor section of the Group's website [www.ausenco.com](http://www.ausenco.com).

The Committee met four times during the financial year. Attendance at those meetings is detailed in the Directors' Report.

The following Directors were members of the Committee during the year:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>
Hank Tuten	Chairman	April 2006	Current
George Lloyd	Member	April 2006	Current
Bob Thorpe	Member	August 2013	Current

Where appropriate the Committee utilises external resources to assist it to carry out its duties.

Mercer Consulting (Australia) Pty Ltd (Mercer) assists with job sizing activities for KMP, as required. Mercer's global database also provides market data which is referenced when determining appropriate remuneration levels for KMP.

## REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)

### REMUNERATION STRATEGY

To compete in a truly global market and to maximise our competitive edge in delivering ingenious solutions to our clients, often in very challenging environments, the Company's remuneration strategy must address the complexity of the business, including its global reach, and recognise the importance of having the right people within the business to drive its competitive advantage.

The remuneration strategy is designed to ensure that all employees' fixed remuneration (within the Group's global context) is market competitive and that, where appropriate total remuneration includes short term and/or long term performance-based incentives which are directly linked to the delivery of above median shareholder value and which support the retention of employees.

### EXECUTIVE REMUNERATION POLICY

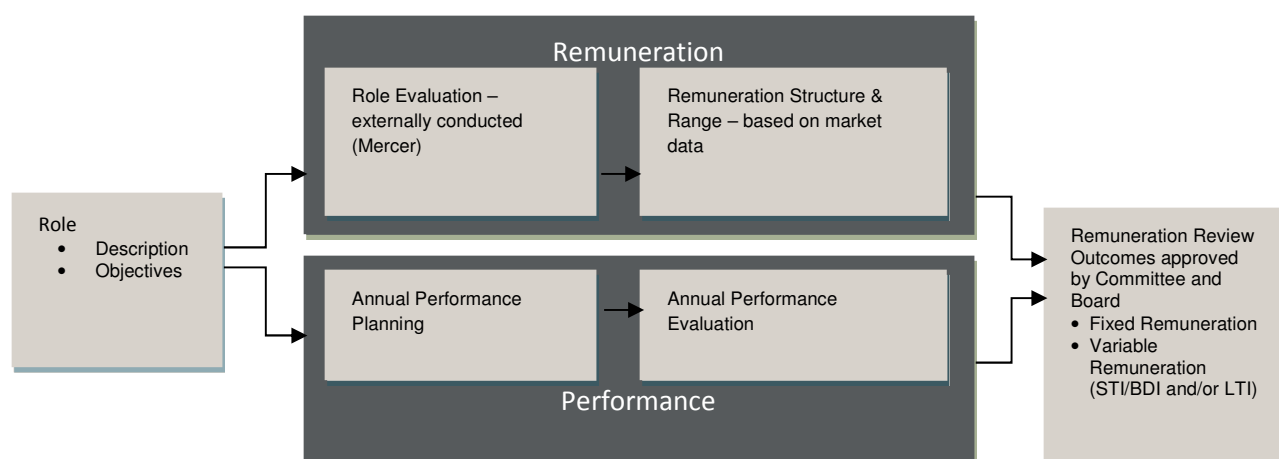
The executive remuneration policy is designed to:

- Establish a clear relationship between Company performance and KMP remuneration;
- Provide competitive rewards to ensure the Group attracts and retains suitably qualified KMP on a global, regional and local basis;
- Apply quantifiable and measurable performance targets that are aligned to the Group's strategic plan, within an appropriate control framework; and
- Measure and reward KMP performance using appropriate performance indicators which are structured to include both lead and lag indicators of the Company's performance.

The diagram below illustrates the Company's Remuneration Structure for KMP.

Total Potential Reward					
Total Fixed Remuneration (Base Salary plus Superannuation / Pension Contributions)	+	Short Term/Business Development Incentive (STI/BDI) – Cash payments	+	Long Term Incentive (LTI) – Performance Rights or Options	= Total Potential Reward
Fixed		Variable / At risk			

The following diagram demonstrates how the policy is applied in an operational context.



## REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)

### ALIGNMENT OF KMP REMUNERATION TO COMPANY PERFORMANCE

Ausenco's performance over the last five years is summarised in the table below:

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Earnings					
- NPAT	(10.7)	26.4	41.4	(35.2)	(25.0)
- Basic EPS (cps) <sup>(a)</sup>	(7.8)	19.1	29.8	(25.0)	(15.0)
Return on capital employed	(5%)	12%	17%	(12%)	(9%)
Total shareholder returns					
- Dividend interim and final (cps)	-	12.9	20.1	12.0	-
- Share price at each 31 December	3.08	2.47	3.19	0.63	0.43
- Annual Total Shareholder Return (%) <sup>(b)</sup>	(32%)	(16%)	37%	(80%)	(32%)

(a) Basic EPS for the 2010 to 2012 years has been restated as a result of the shares issued under the 2013 rights issue.

(b) Total Shareholder Return (TSR) represents the accumulated share price when all cash dividends are reinvested at the ex-dividend date.

The relationship between Company performance and rewards for eligible KMP is illustrated in the table below.

	Results Achieved		Impact on Performance Rights*		
	EPS Growth	TSR	EPS	TSR	Entitlement
2010	-146%	-32%	○	○	○
2011	344%	-16%	●	○	◐
2012	56%	37%	●	●	●
2013	-184%	-80%	○	○	○
2014	40%	-32%	○ <sup>1</sup>	○ <sup>1</sup>	○ <sup>1</sup>

\* The black proportion represents the percentage of Performance Rights granted.

<sup>1</sup> Measurement period is now 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2016.

### THE COMPANY'S REMUNERATION STRATEGY AND ITS LINK TO PERFORMANCE

The Company's Remuneration Strategy and its link to Performance	
<p><b>How does the Company determine appropriate fixed remuneration and how is this strategy intended to drive Company performance?</b></p>	<p>KMP fixed remuneration is designed to reflect market conditions and enable the Group to attract and retain key personnel to play an important role in growing the Company and improving its performance in a very competitive global market.</p> <p>To achieve this, the Group's Executive Remuneration Policy requires each KMP role to be independently evaluated (by Mercer) to determine the 'size' or 'work value' of the role. This information enables the Group to benchmark the KMP role against market data which is used to determine an appropriate remuneration range for KMP and the KMP salary is then placed within the range.</p> <p>In setting and reviewing KMP salaries, the following matters are taken into consideration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the scope and nature of the individual's role;</li> <li>their performance and experience; and</li> <li>Company performance.</li> </ul>

**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

**THE COMPANY'S REMUNERATION STRATEGY AND ITS LINK TO PERFORMANCE (continued)**

<b>The Company's Remuneration Strategy and its link to Performance</b>	
<b>How are the Company's Short-Term and or Business Development Incentive (STI/BDI) Plan performance targets determined?</b>	<p>The STI/BDI Plan targets directly link 'at risk remuneration' to the Company's short term strategic objectives. This is achieved by setting appropriate targets to drive the achievement of objectives key to the Group's strategy.</p> <p>Targets are reviewed and set annually.</p> <p>2014 STI targets included a single financial metric (earnings) and a minimum work on hand target.</p> <p>BDI targets are based on key performance targets founded on revenue, work on hand and revenue diversity.</p>
<b>How does Company performance impact the STI/BDI program?</b>	<p>As the Company did not achieve its 2014 targets, no STI/BDI bonus payments will be made in 2015.</p>
<b>What are the Company's objectives for the Long Term Incentive (LTI) program?</b>	<p>All LTI grants are delivered as Performance Rights which are an entitlement or right to a Performance Share subject to satisfaction of the designated performance measures.</p> <p>The Company's objectives for the LTI program are to link KMP and selected senior management personnel rewards to the Company's key performance drivers.</p> <p>The Company aims to achieve this via sustainable long term growth in total shareholder returns through earnings growth, share price appreciation, dividends and capital returns to shareholders.</p>
<b>What is the LTI performance measurement period for 2014?</b>	<p>Three years.</p>
<b>What performance metrics are applied to LTIs and why?</b>	<p>The Board believes that TSR and EPS growth are the appropriate LTI performance metrics.</p> <p>The Board recognises two groups of employees within the LTI program, being:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Those employees whose Performance Rights are subject to both TSR and EPS performance metrics.</li> </ol> <p>The Board believes these employees have the ability to impact TSR as well as EPS via their participation in the Company's strategic decision-making process.</p> <p>All KMP, along with select senior employees, are included in this group.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Those employees whose Performance Rights are subject to EPS performance metrics only.</li> </ol> <p>The Board believes these employees are sufficiently senior within the organisation to more directly influence EPS, rather than TSR.</p> <p>The Board believes this LTI program is consistent with market practice and aligned with the Company's objective of creating value for shareholders by enabling employees to be appropriately rewarded when shareholders also receive above-market returns on their investment.</p>



**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

**THE COMPANY'S REMUNERATION STRATEGY AND ITS LINK TO PERFORMANCE (continued)**

<b>The Company's Remuneration Strategy and its link to Performance</b>	
<b>How is growth in EPS calculated?</b>	EPS growth is calculated over a three year performance measurement period. Basic EPS is determined by dividing the operating profit attributable to members of the Group by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year. As required under AASB 133, Earnings per Share, growth in EPS is measured by comparing the EPS in the current measurement period to the EPS in the prior measurement period, calculated on a reported or statutory basis.
<b>How is TSR calculated?</b>	The TSR growth measure represents the change in the capital value of a listed entity's share price over a period, plus dividends, expressed as a percentage of the Company's share price at the start of the measurement period.
<b>Who is in the Comparator Group for TSR?</b>	The Comparator Group for TSR comprises the following 16 companies:  AMEC, Fluor Corporation, Jacobs, Lycopodium, Sedgman, SNC Lavalin, Wood Group, Worley Parsons, Calibre, KBR, Stantec, Decmil, GR Engineering, Monadelphous, RCR Tomlinson and Cardno.
<b>How is allotment determined?</b>	Allotment is based on the achievement of EPS growth targets and total shareholder return targets over the three year period from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2016.
<b>What was the LTI awarded for 2014?</b>	LTIs were awarded during 2014; the 2014 LTI award was ratified by shareholders at the AGM on 1 May 2014. The period of measurement is 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2016 and these LTI's will only vest in the event that the above performance hurdles are met.
<b>Does the LTI program have a clawback mechanism?</b>	Under the terms of the LTI the Directors have the discretion to 'clawback' any LTI securities issued where a participant has acted fraudulently or dishonestly, is in breach of his or her obligation to the Group or in circumstances where the Corporations Act provides for the clawback of any benefits

**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

**OTHER REMUNERATION ARRANGEMENTS**

Ausenco also has an Executive Options Plan (EOP) and an Employee Share Acquisition Plan ("ESAP"). However, due to business and economic conditions, the Board resolved not to offer either plan to employees during 2014.

The Board may however choose to utilise these plans in future periods. A summary of each of these plans is set out below:

Other Remuneration Arrangements	
<b>Executive Options Plan ("EOP")</b>	<p>There are currently no participants in the EOP and no outstanding options under the EOP.</p> <p>The EOP was established in April 2006 as a complementary reward mechanism for eligible senior employees in specific circumstances. Non-executive Directors are not eligible to participate in the EOP.</p> <p>The EOP provides for options, with associated time-based vesting conditions, to be issued to eligible senior employees.</p> <p>The Board has discretion in determining the treatment of options for participants who have left the Company or where there might have been fraudulent or dishonest actions.</p> <p>In the event of a takeover or other formal scheme for the acquisition of the Shares in the Group, the Board may exercise its discretion to determine that all unvested options vest, subject to further conditions to be determined by the Board.</p>
<b>Employee Share Acquisition Plan ("ESAP")</b>	<p><b>Eligibility:</b> The ESAP is open to all personnel employed on a permanent basis by the Group ("Eligible Employees"). Each ESAP offer is subject to Board approval. Non-executive Directors are not eligible to participate in the ESAP.</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> The ESAP supports employee retention by incorporating two or three year vesting periods.</p> <p><b>History:</b> The ESAP has been offered in 2008, 2011 and 2012. However in 2009, 2010, 2013 and 2014, the Board elected to forego the offer due to the uncertain economic climate and its impact on contributed equity. All shares offered under the 2008, 2011 and 2012 ESAP plan have vested. Any shares that have not been transferred to employees may be held in trust for the Trustee for a maximum period of 10 years after the date of the initial offer.</p> <p><b>Contribution:</b> Under the 2011 and 2012 ESAP offer, Eligible Employees were invited to contribute between \$500 and \$5,000 to purchase Ausenco shares ("Employee Contribution Shares").</p> <p><b>Matching:</b> Ausenco matches the participant's Employee Contribution Shares at a ratio of 1:3, providing the participant with one conditional right to receive an Ausenco share at a later date for each Employee Contribution Share, provided the participant remains an Eligible Employee during that period ("ESAP Conditional Right").</p> <p><b>Vesting:</b> 50% of the ESAP Conditional Rights vest after one year of service and the remaining 50% vest after the second year of service from the date of offer.</p> <p><b>ESAP Conditional Rights:</b> These are unlisted securities and have no voting rights or entitlement to dividends. They cannot be traded or transferred and are held in trust until the necessary vesting criteria have been met. Upon vesting, a participant's ESAP Conditional Rights will automatically convert into ordinary shares and once converted will have full voting rights and dividend entitlements, and will remain in the Ausenco Performance Trust until such time as they are transferred or sold. There are currently no ESAP Conditional Rights on issue as all shares offered under the 2008, 2011 and 2012 ESAP plan have vested.</p>

**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**  
**OTHER REMUNERATION ARRANGEMENTS (continued)**

Other Remuneration Arrangements	
	<p><b>Other conditions on the ESAP Securities:</b> The Employee Contribution Shares along with the ESAP Conditional Rights (together the "ESAP Securities") will be held by the Trustee until such time as they are transferred, sold or forfeited. The Trustee remains the legal owner of all ESAP Securities so long as they remain held by the Ausenco Performance Trust. The participants are the beneficial owners of their ESAP Employee Contribution Shares and entitled to the full voting rights and dividend entitlements attached to each ESAP Employee Contribution Share.</p>

**KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL AND OTHER EXECUTIVES' REMUNERATION**

The Remuneration Report shows remuneration information for the KMP of the Group and the Company as defined in AASB 124 *Related Party Disclosures*. KMP, during the course of 2014, are divided into three separate groups for ease of reference:

**NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS:**

- George Lloyd – Chairman
- Mary Shafer-Malicki – Non-Executive Director
- Bob Thorpe – Non-Executive Director
- Hank Tuten – Non-Executive Director
- Peter Gregg – Non Executive Director (from 22 August 2014)

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

- Mr Zimi Meka - Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director.

OTHER KMP, being those individuals who report directly to the Chief Executive Officer, actively participate in Executive Leadership meetings and strategy development, and have the requisite authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group and the Company. These individuals are listed below. KMP of the Group and the Company during the period:

- Mr Craig Allen – Chief Financial Officer
- Mr Nick Bell – Executive Vice President, Business Development and Marketing. On 1 January 2015 Nick also assumed the responsibility of Acting President, APAC/Africa
- Mr Simon Cmrlec – President, APAC/Africa until 31 December 2014 when he commenced in the position of President, North America
- Mr Ed Meka – President, Americas/Europe until 31 December 2014. As part of the restructure to appoint two new regional Presidents in the Americas, Ed elected to leave Ausenco rather than take a role in the new leadership structure and will finish with Ausenco in the first half of 2015
- Mr Neil Trembath – Chief People and Sustainability Officer (and Acting Chief Information Officer since 1 September 2014)
- Mr Paul Young – Chief Information Officer (ceased to be an employee on 30 August 2014).

**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

**REMUNERATION TABLE**

Details of the remuneration paid to the KMP of Ausenco and the Company during the 2014 financial year is set out in the following table:

Details of Remuneration		Primary Benefits			Post Employments	Long-term Benefits	Share Based Payments		Termina tion Benefits	Total	Percent age of remun eration consists of share based paymen ts
		Salary and Fees	STI/BDI /Cash Bonus (e)	Non- monetary Benefits (g)	Superannuation Benefits	Long Service Leave	Perform ance Rights Plan	ESAP			
									\$	\$	\$
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR											
Zimi Meka	FY 2014	791,908	-	5,564	26,388	13,855	-	-	-	837,715	-%
	FY 2013	816,644	234,422	4,262	45,086	13,855	12,119	1,179	-	1,127,567	1.2%
Sub-total	FY 2014	791,908	-	5,564	26,388	13,855	-	-	-	837,715	-%
	FY 2013	816,644	234,422	4,262	45,086	13,855	12,119	1,179	-	1,127,567	1.2%
KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL											
Craig Allen	FY 2014	430,194	-	5,564	13,825	7,547	157,984	-	-	615,114	25.7%
	FY 2013	446,432	172,260	4,262	26,362	7,547	151,779	-	-	808,642	18.8%
Nick Bell (a)(b)	FY 2014	559,378	-	5,564	9,391	-	169,095	-	-	743,428	22.7%
	FY 2013	552,917	145,721	4,262	46,043	-	167,256	-	-	916,199	18.3%
Simon Cmrlec	FY 2014	360,947	-	-	15,462	-	82,333	-	-	458,742	17.9%
	FY 2013	374,725	44,584	-	27,602	-	67,180	1,560	-	515,651	13.3%
Ed Meka (g)	FY 2014	414,023	-	31,523	22,419	7,420	102,767	-	-	578,152	17.8%
	FY 2013	473,182	-	77,948	40,556	6,398	87,802	-	-	685,886	12.8%
Neil Trembath (c)	FY 2014	345,962	-	5,564	24,242	-	66,891	-	-	442,659	15.1%
	FY 2013	354,849	55,414	4,262	21,840	-	63,403	381	-	500,149	12.8%
Paul Young (d)	FY 2014	179,341	-	3,709	19,786	-	-	-	-	202,836	-%
	FY 2013	264,663	28,219	4,262	19,177	-	37,057	-	-	353,378	10.5%
Sub-total	FY 2014	2,289,845	-	51,924	105,125	14,967	579,070	-	-	3,040,931	19.0%
	FY 2013(f)	2,466,768	446,198	94,996	181,580	13,945	574,477	1,941	-	3,779,905	15.2%
Grand total	FY 2014	3,081,753	-	57,488	131,513	28,822	579,070	-	-	3,878,646	14.9%
	FY 2013(f)	3,283,412	680,620	99,258	226,666	27,800	586,596	3,120	-	4,907,472	12.0%

- (a) On 28 November 2013 Mr Bell's role changed to Executive Vice President, Business Development and Marketing. In accordance with the Executive Remuneration Policy, the size of the new role was evaluated independently by Mercer, and the Board approved the following:
- a reduction of 10% to his fixed base salary.
  - an at target percentage for the long term incentive program was set at 40%.
  - his participating in the short-term incentive program ceasing and inclusion in the Business Development Incentive program with at target percentage of 30%.
- (b) As a result of the 10% reduction in Mr Bell's salary, Mr Bell does not participate in the additional 10% reduction to his Total Fixed Remuneration.
- (c) Mr Trembath holds the position of Chief People and Sustainability Officer. On 1 September 2014 he was also appointed as Acting Chief Information Officer. In recognition of the additional responsibilities, the Board approved for the duration that Mr Trembath is acting in this capacity, that he will receive a temporary 15% of fixed base salary allowance. It should be noted that Mr Trembath's earnings remain subject to the 10 percent salary reduction which also applies to the temporary allowance.
- (d) Mr Young ceased to be an employee on 30 August 2014.
- (e) Bonuses paid in 2013 resulting from the achievements of 2012 performance hurdles.
- (f) Opening balances adjusted to exclude Mr Mellish who ceased to be Key Management Personnel on 5 November 2013.
- (g) As a result of increased role scope as President Americas/Europe Mr Ed Meka's base salary inclusive of superannuation increased to \$486,938 (prior to the 10% voluntary reduction in salary) effective 1 January 2014. 2013 non-monetary benefits have been restated to include housing benefits provided.

**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**  
**2014 DISTRIBUTION OF REMUNERATION ENTITLEMENTS (INCLUDING LTI AND STI/BDI AT TARGET)**

Role Title	Name	Fixed Remuneration (a)	Short Term / Business Development Incentive	Long Term Incentive
Chief Executive Officer	Zimi Meka (b)	70%	30%	0%
Chief Financial Officer	Craig Allen	59%	16%	25%
Executive Vice President, Business Development and Marketing	Nick Bell	61%	17%	22%
President, APAC/Africa	Simon Cmrlec	69%	12%	19%
President, Americas/Europe	Ed Meka	64%	17%	19%
Chief People and Sustainability Officer and Acting Chief Information Officer	Neil Trembath	76%	10%	14%
Chief Information Officer	Paul Young (c)	77%	9%	14%

(a) Excludes superannuation / pension / retirement payments.

(b) Mr Zimi Meka does not participate in the LTI, the Board considers that his substantial share holdings demonstrates continued commitment to the Company.

(c) Ceased to be Key Management Personnel on 30 August 2014.

**OPTIONS AND RIGHTS AS REMUNERATION**

Details of performance rights and options over ordinary shares in the Company provided as remuneration to each of the Group's KMP are set out below.

The assessed fair value at grant date of the performance rights and options granted to the individuals is allocated equally over the period from grant date to vesting date, and the amount is included in the remuneration tables shown below. During the year, the Group granted rights to KMP as set out in the following table:

**NUMBER OF OPTIONS AND RIGHTS AS REMUNERATION**

	Balance at 1 Jan 2014	Granted as remuneration	Exercise of options / rights	Options / rights forfeited	Balance at 31 Dec 2014	Number of options/ rights vested	Number of options / rights vested at 31 Dec 2014
<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</b>							
Zimi Meka	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL</b>							
Craig Allen	135,879	636,768	49,482	-	723,165	49,482	-
Nick Bell	149,899	650,023	54,538	-	745,384	54,538	-
Simon Cmrlec	57,891	361,238	-	-	419,129	21,129	21,129
Ed Meka	112,449	459,113	-	-	571,562	29,911	60,819
Neil Trembath	57,068	270,578	20,691	-	306,955	20,691	-
Paul Young (a)	33,186	155,618	12,082	176,722	-	12,082	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>546,372</b>	<b>2,533,338</b>	<b>136,793</b>	<b>176,722</b>	<b>2,766,195</b>	<b>187,833</b>	<b>81,948</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>546,372</b>	<b>2,533,338</b>	<b>136,793</b>	<b>176,722</b>	<b>2,766,195</b>	<b>187,833</b>	<b>81,948</b>

(a) Mr Young ceased to be a Key Management Personnel on 30 August 2014.

**VALUE OF OPTIONS AND RIGHTS GRANTED AND FORFEITED DURING THE PERIOD**

	Value granted as remuneration	Value of options/ rights forfeited
	\$	\$
<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</b>		
Zimi Meka	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-
<b>KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL</b>		
Craig Allen	203,766	-
Nick Bell	208,007	-
Simon Cmrlec	115,596	-
Ed Meka	146,916	-
Neil Trembath	86,585	-
Paul Young (a)	49,798	72,834
<b>Total</b>	<b>810,668</b>	<b>72,834</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>810,668</b>	<b>72,834</b>

(a) Mr Young ceased to be a Key Management Personnel on 30 August 2014.

**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**  
**OPTIONS AND RIGHTS AS REMUNERATION (continued)**

The following table shows unissued ordinary shares of Ausenco Limited under options / rights at the date of this report:

Grant date	Expiry date	Exercise price	Balance at start of the year	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Expired during the year	Balance at end of the year	Exercisable at end of the year
			Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
19-Feb-08	19-Feb-15	\$-	9,249	-	4,242	-	5,007	5,007
25-Feb-08	19-Feb-15	\$-	3,243	-	-	-	3,243	3,243
05-Mar-08	19-Feb-15	\$-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17-Mar-09	17-Mar-14	\$-	128,697	-	103,431	-	25,266	25,266
01-Jan-11	01-Jan-16	\$-	397,336	-	139,650	21,460	236,226	95,883
01-Jan-12	01-Jan-17	\$-	999,501	-	221,763	73,862	703,876	111,404
01-Jan-13	01-Jan-18	\$-	-	-	-	-	-	-
01-Jan-14	01-Jan-19	\$-	-	5,206,981	-	274,221	4,932,760	-
			<b>1,538,026</b>	<b>5,206,981</b>	<b>469,086</b>	<b>369,543</b>	<b>5,906,378</b>	<b>240,803</b>
Weighted average exercise price			\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-

For options / rights granted, the fair value at grant date is determined using the Hull White option pricing model that takes into account the exercise price, the term of the options / rights, the impact of dilution, the share price at grant date and expected price volatility of the underlying share, the expected dividend yield and the risk free interest rate for the term of the options / rights. The model inputs for the options / rights granted during the year ended 31 December 2014 included:

- (i) Share price at grant date in 2014 was \$0.63 (2013 issue: \$2.90);
- (ii) Expected price volatility of the Company's shares: 43.6% (2013 issue: 38.6%);
- (iii) Expected dividend yield: 2% (2013 issue: 8.1%); and
- (iv) Risk free interest rate: 3.4% (2013 issue: 3.45%).

The expected price volatility is based on historic volatility, adjusted for any expected changes to future volatility due to publicly available information.

The fair value of share rights granted during 2014 is \$0.42 (2013: \$2.31).

**EXECUTIVE SERVICE AGREEMENTS**

The remuneration and other terms of employment for KMP are formalised in Executive Service Agreements. These agreements provide for KMP remuneration, including fixed annual remuneration and performance-related STI/BDI plan (cash bonuses as disclosed below), and may include participation in the LTI plan.

Executive's fixed annual remuneration will include provision for superannuation, pension scheme and like benefits or payments which Ausenco is required to provide in respect of its employees.

Specific information regarding the Executive Service Agreements for KMP in 2014 is summarised below:

Name	Position	Terms of agreement / contract and date commenced if during the year	Total Employment Cost (a)	Target STI/BDI (b)	Notice Period - Employee	Notice Period - Company
Zimi Meka	Chief Executive Officer	3 years from 15 June 2012 (c)	909,217	47%	6 months	6 months
Craig Allen	Chief Financial Officer	No fixed term	495,264	30%	6 months	6 months
Nick Bell	Executive Vice President, Business Development and Marketing	No fixed term, from 1 February 2014	568,770	30%	6 months	6 months
Simon Cmrlec	President APAC/Africa	No fixed term	421,445	20%	3 months	3 months
Ed Meka	President Americas/Europe	No fixed term	486,938	30%	6 months	6 months
Neil Trembath	Chief People Officer (d)	No fixed term	453,781	16%	6 months	6 months
Paul Young (e)	Chief Information Officer	No fixed term	302,600	12%	6 months	6 months

- (a) Total Employment Cost (TEC) includes annual base salary and superannuation/pension but excludes leave accrued but not taken and non-monetary benefits. It does not include STI/BDI or LTI payments. At termination, the voluntary 10 per cent reduction would not be applied to any notice period paid in lieu, therefore it is not included in the TEC.
- (b) Target STI/BDI as a percentage of base salary is subject to achievement of Ausenco's performance objectives and overall compliance with Ausenco's values. The Target STI/BDI percentage represents the amount payable for Ausenco and the individuals checking on-target performance. Achieving threshold or stretch goals to these objectives acts as a multiplier to these STI/BDI targets.
- (c) Employment contract provides for successive three year rollover terms unless otherwise terminated by the giving of notice.
- (d) Mr Trembath was also appointed Acting Chief Information Officer on 1 September 2014.
- (e) Ceased to be an employee on 30 August 2014.

**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)  
EXECUTIVE SERVICE AGREEMENTS (continued)**

Effective 1 January 2011, the CEO's remuneration package structure was changed to accommodate the current onerous personal taxation treatment resulting from his substantial shareholding in the Company. The restructure resulted in Mr Zimi Meka's Long Term Incentive component being removed and his remuneration package being adjusted to comprise 70% Fixed Remuneration and 30% Short Term Incentive; all other terms and conditions of his contract remained unchanged. Note that changes in legislation (*Corporations Amendment (Improving Accountability on Termination Payments) Act 2009 (Cth)*) regarding termination payment restrictions have been triggered under this remuneration change.

**REMUNERATION PAID AND OTHER SPECIFIC DISCLOSURES**

**Details of Remuneration**

**2014 Short Term / Business Development Incentive Bonus Payments**

Based on Company performance in 2014 no short term or business development incentive bonus payments will be made in 2015.

**2013 Short Term Incentive Bonus Payments**

Based on Company performance in 2013 no short term or business development incentive bonus payments were made in 2014.

**NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REMUNERATION POLICY**

The fees paid to Non-Executive Directors are set at levels which reflect both the responsibilities of and the time commitments required from each Non-Executive Director to discharge his or her duties. Non-Executive Directors do not receive performance related payments.

In setting fee levels for the Non-Executive Directors, the Committee, which makes recommendations to the Board, takes into account:

- the Group's remuneration policies;
- independent professional advice;
- fees paid by comparable companies;
- the level of remuneration necessary to attract and retain Directors of a suitable calibre; and
- the general time commitment required from Directors and the risks associated with discharging the duties attaching to the role of Director.

Non-Executive Directors' fees, including Committee fees, are set by the Board within the maximum aggregate amount of \$600,000 as approved by shareholders at the 2010 Annual General Meeting. Non-Executive Directors receive a base fee of \$74,800 inclusive of superannuation (2013: \$78,767) per annum in relation to their services as a Director.

Total fees paid to Non-Executive Directors during the 2014 financial year were \$329,734 (2013: \$417,464). Mr George Lloyd, as Chairman of the Board, received a fee of \$153,776. The annual fee paid to the Chairman of the Board reflects the greater time commitment of the Chairman.

None of the Directors receive any additional fees for chairing, participation in or membership of committees such as the Remuneration Committee, Nomination Committee or the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

In accordance with Rule 13.4 of the Constitution, Directors are also permitted to be paid additional fees for special duties which may be in addition to, or in substitution of, fees otherwise paid to Directors, within the aggregate remuneration cap approved by shareholders.

Directors are also entitled to be reimbursed for all business related expenses, including travel on the Group's business, which may be incurred in the discharge of their duties.

Superannuation contributions are made on behalf of the Non-Executive Directors in accordance with Ausenco's statutory superannuation obligations.

**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**  
**NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REMUNERATION POLICY (continued)**

The Board, with the assistance of the Committee, reviews its approach to Non-Executive Director remuneration to ensure it remains in line with general industry practice principles of corporate governance.

The Non-Executive Director fee arrangements for 2014 were reviewed during the 2013 financial year to ensure they adequately reflected the size and complexity of the Company, and the enhanced responsibilities associated with membership of the Committees of the Board, as well as increased travel requirements of members of the Board.

In June 2013, the Directors voluntarily agreed to a 10% reduction to their Non-Executive Director fees. This reduction remained in place during 2014 and is intended to continue until such time as the general economic and business conditions and the Company's performance improve.

Details of Non-Executive Directors' remuneration for the financial years ended 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2013 are set out in the following table:

Details of remuneration		Primary Benefits		Post employment		Total
		Salary and fees	STI/ Cash Bonus	Statutory superannuation	Other	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS</b>						
George Lloyd (a)	FY 2014	124,922	-	28,854	-	153,776
	FY 2013	114,974	-	10,523	-	125,497
Mary Shafer-Malicki	FY 2014	74,542	-	-	-	74,542
	FY 2013	78,683	-	-	-	78,683
Bob Thorpe	FY 2014	68,389	-	6,411	-	74,800
	FY 2013	72,185	-	6,582	-	78,767
Hank Tuten (b)	FY 2014	-	-	-	-	-
	FY 2013	-	-	-	-	-
Peter Gregg (c)	FY 2014	24,307	-	2,309	-	26,616
	FY 2013	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>292,160</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>37,574</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>329,734</b>
	<b>FY 2013 (d)</b>	<b>265,842</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,105</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>282,947</b>

(a) Mr Lloyd was appointed Chairman in February 2013.

(b) Mr Tuten does not receive a fee for his role as a Director.

(c) Mr Gregg was appointed as Non-executive Director on 22 August 2014.

(d) Opening balances adjusted to exclude Mr Crommelin, Mr Goss and Mr Moynihan who resigned during 2013.



**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**  
**DIRECTORS' / KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL'S SHAREHOLDERS**

<b>2014 Shares</b>	<b>Balance at 1 Jan 2014 <sup>(a)</sup></b>	<b>Shares granted as remuneration</b>	<b>Shares acquired during the year</b>	<b>Received on exercise of options / rights</b>	<b>Shares sold</b>	<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2014</b>
<b>DIRECTORS</b>						
George Lloyd	441,169	-	-	-	-	441,169
Zimi Meka	18,256,386	-	-	-	-	18,256,386
Mary Shafer-Malicki	12,500	-	1,500	-	-	14,000
Bob Thorpe	12,546,822	-	-	-	-	12,546,822
Hank Tuten	4,100,000	-	-	-	-	4,100,000
Peter Gregg (b)	-	-	172,500	-	-	172,500
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>35,356,877</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>174,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>35,530,877</b>
<b>SENIOR EXECUTIVES</b>						
Craig Allen	1,444,111	-	22,814	49,482	-	1,516,407
Nick Bell	178,648	-	1,067,514	-	-	1,246,162
Simon Cmrlec	24,054	-	282	-	-	24,336
Ed Meka	1,942,228	-	-	-	-	1,942,228
Neil Trembath	66,023	-	-	20,691	-	86,714
Paul Young (c)	89,125	-	-	12,082	64,289	36,918
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>3,744,189</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,090,610</b>	<b>82,255</b>	<b>64,289</b>	<b>4,852,765</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>39,101,066</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,264,610</b>	<b>82,255</b>	<b>64,289</b>	<b>40,383,642</b>

(a) Mr Crommelin, Mr Goss and Mr Moynihan resigned during 2013 and have therefore been removed from the opening balances.

(b) Mr Gregg was appointed as non-executive Director on 22 August 2014.

(c) Mr Young resigned as a Key Management Personnel on 30 August 2014.

<b>2014 Options and Performance rights</b>	<b>Balance at 1 Jan 2014 <sup>(a)</sup></b>	<b>Granted as remuneration</b>	<b>Exercise of options / rights</b>	<b>Options / rights forfeited</b>	<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2014</b>
<b>DIRECTORS</b>					
Zimi Meka	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL</b>					
Craig Allen	135,879	636,768	49,482	-	723,165
Nick Bell	149,899	650,023	54,538	-	745,384
Simon Cmrlec	57,891	361,238	-	-	419,129
Ed Meka	112,449	459,113	-	-	571,562
Neil Trembath	57,068	270,578	20,691	-	306,955
Paul Young (b)	33,186	155,618	12,082	176,722	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>546,372</b>	<b>2,533,338</b>	<b>136,793</b>	<b>176,722</b>	<b>2,766,195</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>546,372</b>	<b>2,533,338</b>	<b>136,793</b>	<b>176,722</b>	<b>2,766,195</b>

(a) Opening balance adjusted to exclude Mr Mellish who ceased to be a Key Management Personnel on 7 November 2013.

(b) Mr Young ceased to be a Key Management Personnel on 30 August 2014.

**REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**  
**DIRECTORS' / KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL'S SHAREHOLDERS (continued)**

	Date options/ rights granted	Number of options/ rights granted	% vested during year	% forfeited in year	Date first option/ right tranche can be exercised	Fair value per option/ right at grant date	Exercise price per option/ right	Expiry Date	Minimum value of options/ rights to vest	Maximum value of options/ rights to vest
<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</b>										
Zimi Meka	17-Mar-09	155,739	-	-	17-Mar-11	\$1.83	\$0.00	17-Mar-14	-	-
	01-Jan-10	76,143	-	-	01-Apr-12	\$3.94	\$0.00	01-Apr-15	-	-
<b>SENIOR EXECUTIVES</b>										
Craig Allen	17-Mar-09	92,214	-	-	17-Mar-11	\$1.83	\$0.00	17-Mar-14	-	-
	01-Jan-10	42,831	-	-	01-Apr-12	\$3.94	\$0.00	01-Apr-15	-	-
	01-Jan-11	75,399	17%	-	01-Jan-13	\$2.35	\$0.00	01-Jan-16	-	\$29,543
	01-Jan-12	110,745	33%	-	01-Jan-14	\$1.84	\$0.00	01-Jan-17	-	\$135,847
	01-Jan-13	100,875	-	-	01-Jan-15	\$2.02	\$0.00	01-Jan-18	-	-
	01-Jan-14	636,768	-	-	01-Jan-17	\$0.32	\$0.00	01-Jan-19	-	\$203,766
Nick Bell	17-Mar-09	95,901	-	-	17-Mar-11	\$1.83	\$0.00	17-Mar-14	-	-
	01-Jan-10	46,743	-	-	01-Apr-12	\$3.94	\$0.00	01-Apr-15	-	-
	01-Jan-11	82,287	17%	-	01-Jan-13	\$2.35	\$0.00	01-Jan-16	-	\$32,242
	01-Jan-12	122,469	33%	-	01-Jan-14	\$1.84	\$0.00	01-Jan-17	-	\$150,229
	01-Jan-13	111,558	-	-	01-Jan-15	\$2.02	\$0.00	01-Jan-18	-	-
	01-Jan-14	650,023	-	-	01-Jan-17	\$0.32	\$0.00	01-Jan-19	-	\$208,007
Simon Cmrlec	01-Jan-11	32,973	17%	-	01-Jan-13	\$2.35	\$0.00	01-Jan-16	-	\$25,840
	01-Jan-12	46,899	33%	-	01-Jan-14	\$1.84	\$0.00	01-Jan-17	-	\$86,294
	01-Jan-13	57,228	-	-	01-Jan-15	\$2.02	\$0.00	01-Jan-18	-	-
	01-Jan-14	361,238	-	-	01-Jan-17	\$0.32	\$0.00	01-Jan-19	-	\$115,596
Ed Meka	17-Mar-09	32,787	-	-	17-Mar-11	\$1.83	\$0.00	17-Mar-14	-	\$35,998
	01-Jan-10	16,473	-	-	01-Apr-12	\$3.94	\$0.00	01-Apr-15	-	-
	01-Jan-11	49,149	17%	-	01-Jan-13	\$2.35	\$0.00	01-Jan-16	-	\$57,774
	01-Jan-12	65,157	33%	-	01-Jan-14	\$1.84	\$0.00	01-Jan-17	-	\$119,889
	01-Jan-13	58,533	-	-	01-Jan-15	\$2.02	\$0.00	01-Jan-18	-	-
	01-Jan-14	459,113	-	-	01-Jan-17	\$0.32	\$0.00	01-Jan-19	-	\$146,916
Neil Trembath	17-Mar-09	36,720	-	-	17-Mar-11	\$1.83	\$0.00	17-Mar-14	-	-
	01-Jan-10	17,058	-	-	01-Apr-12	\$3.94	\$0.00	01-Apr-15	-	-
	01-Jan-11	30,027	17%	-	01-Jan-13	\$2.35	\$0.00	01-Jan-16	-	\$11,766
	01-Jan-12	47,058	33%	-	01-Jan-14	\$1.84	\$0.00	01-Jan-17	-	\$57,724
	01-Jan-13	42,864	-	-	01-Jan-15	\$2.02	\$0.00	01-Jan-18	-	-
	01-Jan-14	270,578	-	-	01-Jan-17	\$0.32	\$0.00	01-Jan-19	-	\$86,585
Paul Young (a)	17-Mar-09	19,476	-	-	17-Mar-11	\$1.83	\$0.00	17-Mar-14	-	-
	01-Jan-10	10,428	-	-	01-Apr-12	\$3.94	\$0.00	01-Apr-15	-	-
	01-Jan-11	18,357	17%	17%	01-Jan-13	\$2.35	\$0.00	01-Jan-16	-	-
	01-Jan-12	27,066	33%	67%	01-Jan-14	\$1.84	\$0.00	01-Jan-17	-	-
	01-Jan-13	24,654	-	-	01-Jan-15	\$2.02	\$0.00	01-Jan-18	-	-
	01-Jan-14	155,618	-	100%	-	\$0.32	\$0.00	-	-	-

(a) Mr Young ceased to be an employee on 30 August 2014.

**AUDITORS 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 24.

**ROUNDING OF AMOUNTS**

The Company is of a kind referred to in Class Order 98/100, issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, relating to the 'rounding off' of amounts in the Directors' Report. Amounts in the Directors' Report have been rounded off in accordance with that Class Order to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, to the nearest dollar.

**AUDITORS**

PricewaterhouseCoopers Australia continues in office in accordance with section 327 of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of Directors.



George Lloyd  
Director



Zimi Meka  
Director

Brisbane  
18 February 2015



## Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the audit of Ausenco Limited for the year ended 31 December 2014, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

This declaration is in respect of Ausenco Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Shewan', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michael Shewan  
Partner  
PricewaterhouseCoopers

Brisbane  
18 February 2015

**Ausenco Limited**  
**Consolidated statement of comprehensive income**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2014**

	Notes	Consolidated 2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
<b>Revenue from continuing operations</b>	5	<b>357,155</b>	453,874
Other income	5	6,564	5,587
Staff and contractors costs		(262,144)	(340,766)
Directly attributed project costs		(51,192)	(69,605)
Office and administration costs		(47,715)	(54,720)
Other expenses		(7,633)	(3,109)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	6	(9,800)	(15,744)
Impairment of goodwill	6	(10,000)	(12,470)
Finance costs	7	(5,005)	(4,017)
Share of profit from joint arrangements		298	50
<b>Loss before income tax</b>		<b>(29,472)</b>	<b>(40,920)</b>
Income tax benefit	8	4,457	5,720
<b>Loss for the year</b>		<b>(25,015)</b>	<b>(35,200)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>			
<b>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss</b>			
Currency translation differences arising during the year		(4,610)	3,434
Net investment hedge		(2,618)	3,206
<b>Other comprehensive (loss) / profit for the year, net of tax</b>		<b>(7,228)</b>	<b>6,640</b>
<b>Total comprehensive loss for the year</b>		<b>(32,243)</b>	<b>(28,560)</b>
<b>(Loss) / profit for the year attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:</b>			
Owners of Ausenco Limited		(25,015)	(35,603)
Non-controlling interests		-	403
		<b>(25,015)</b>	<b>(35,200)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive (loss) / income for the year attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:</b>			
Owners of Ausenco Limited		(32,243)	(28,963)
Non-controlling interests		-	403
		<b>(32,243)</b>	<b>(28,560)</b>
		<b>Cents</b>	<b>Cents</b>
<b>Earnings per share for profit attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:</b>			
Basic earnings per share (cents per share) attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:		(15.0)	(25.0)
Diluted earnings per share (cents per share) attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:		(15.0)	(25.0)

*The above consolidated statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.*

**Ausenco Limited**  
**Consolidated balance sheet**  
**As at 31 December 2014**

		<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
	Notes		
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	10	22,497	37,567
Trade and other receivables	11	46,088	64,284
Unbilled revenue	12	23,837	30,757
Current tax receivables		6,555	6,387
Other current assets	13	6,201	7,975
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>105,178</b>	<b>146,970</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Investments in joint ventures and associates	26	4,082	3,589
Property, plant and equipment	14	17,025	21,560
Intangible assets	15	186,336	204,128
Deferred tax assets	16	39,887	31,478
Other assets	13	81	334
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>247,411</b>	<b>261,089</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>352,589</b>	<b>408,059</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	17	28,013	44,315
Billings in advance	12	3,120	7,554
Borrowings	18	18,574	40,988
Current tax liabilities		3,855	4,613
Provisions	19	16,881	20,572
Other current liabilities	20	1,454	3,570
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>71,897</b>	<b>121,612</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings	18	47,053	21,327
Deferred tax liabilities	16	289	51
Provisions	19	2,212	1,170
Other non-current liabilities	20	4,365	5,438
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>53,919</b>	<b>27,986</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>125,816</b>	<b>149,598</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>226,773</b>	<b>258,461</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Contributed equity	21	246,181	245,841
Reserves	22	(37,986)	(31,314)
Retained earnings	23	18,578	43,934
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>226,773</b>	<b>258,461</b>

*The above consolidated balance sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.*

**Ausenco Limited**  
**Consolidated statement of changes in equity**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2014**

		Attributable to owners of Ausenco Limited					
Consolidated	Notes	Ordinary shares \$'000	Reserves \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	Total \$'000	Non-con- trolling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
<b>Balance at 1 January 2013</b>		216,878	(37,257)	94,484	274,105	-	274,105
Loss for the year		-	-	(35,603)	(35,603)	403	(35,200)
Other comprehensive income		-	6,640	-	6,640	-	6,640
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		-	6,640	(35,603)	(28,963)	403	(28,560)
<b>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</b>							
Contributions of equity, net of transaction costs	21	29,970	-	-	29,970	-	29,970
Treasury shares		(1,007)	-	-	(1,007)	-	(1,007)
Transactions with non-controlling interests	22	-	(940)	-	(940)	(403)	(1,343)
Dividends paid	24	-	-	(14,947)	(14,947)	-	(14,947)
Employee share plans		-	243	-	243	-	243
		28,963	(697)	(14,947)	13,319	(403)	12,916
<b>Balance at 31 December 2013</b>		<b>245,841</b>	<b>(31,314)</b>	<b>43,934</b>	<b>258,461</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>258,461</b>
<b>Balance at 1 January 2014</b>		245,841	(31,314)	43,934	258,461	-	258,461
Loss for the year		-	-	(25,015)	(25,015)	-	(25,015)
Other comprehensive income		-	(7,228)	-	(7,228)	-	(7,228)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		-	(7,228)	(25,015)	(32,243)	-	(32,243)
<b>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</b>							
Treasury shares		340	-	-	340	-	340
Dividends paid	24	-	-	(341)	(341)	-	(341)
Employee share plans		-	556	-	556	-	556
		340	556	(341)	555	-	555
<b>Balance at 31 December 2014</b>		<b>246,181</b>	<b>(37,986)</b>	<b>18,578</b>	<b>226,773</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>226,773</b>

*The above consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.*

**Ausenco Limited**  
**Consolidated statement of cash flows**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2014**

		<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
	Notes		
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST)		<b>419,265</b>	563,257
Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		<b>(422,724)</b>	(543,090)
		<b>(3,459)</b>	<b>20,167</b>
 Borrowing costs paid		<b>(5,005)</b>	(4,017)
Interest received		<b>712</b>	627
Income taxes paid		<b>(1,455)</b>	(7,732)
<b>Net cash (outflow) / inflow from operating activities</b>	27	<b>(9,207)</b>	<b>9,045</b>
 <b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Payments for acquisition of businesses		<b>(700)</b>	(16,325)
Payments for property, plant and equipment	14	<b>(1,364)</b>	(2,068)
Payments for intangibles		<b>(1,043)</b>	(7,793)
Proceeds from disposal of non-current assets		<b>90</b>	-
<b>Net cash outflow from investing activities</b>		<b>(3,017)</b>	(26,186)
 <b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Proceeds from issues of equity	21	<b>-</b>	28,963
Repayment of borrowings		<b>(8,862)</b>	(9,477)
Proceeds from borrowings		<b>5,434</b>	-
Transactions with non-controlling interests		<b>-</b>	(1,251)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests in subsidiaries	24	<b>(341)</b>	-
Dividends paid to company shareholders	24	<b>-</b>	(14,947)
<b>Net cash (outflow) / inflow from financing activities</b>		<b>(3,769)</b>	3,288
 <b>Net decrease in cash held</b>		<b>(15,993)</b>	<b>(13,853)</b>
 Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial period		<b>37,567</b>	51,442
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		<b>923</b>	(22)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>		<b>22,497</b>	<b>37,567</b>

**Non-cash financing activities**

Dividends satisfied by the issue of shares under the dividend reinvestment plan are shown in note 24.

Refer note 18 software licences were also acquired under finance leases.

*The above consolidated statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.*



## **1 General information**

Ausenco Limited ('the Company') and its subsidiaries (together, 'the Group') provide engineering design, project management, process controls and operations solutions to the oil & gas, power, environment & sustainability, minerals & metals, process infrastructure and program management sectors. The Group operated around the world with projects in APAC/Africa, North America and South America regions.

The Company is a public company limited by shares, which is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange and incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The address of its registered office is 144 Montague Road, South Brisbane, Queensland, 4101, Australia.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies**

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated. The financial statements are for the consolidated entity consisting of Ausenco Limited and its subsidiaries.

### **(a) Comparatives**

During the year and as part of its implementation of uniform systems in all its businesses, the group reviewed the classification of expenses as well as assets and liabilities. The reclassifications did not affect net assets, basic and diluted earnings per share.

The financial statements have been restated to reflect the changes in accounting standards adopted which were required to be applied retrospectively, see note 2(c)(ii).

### **(b) Change in segment reporting**

A business segment is identified as a group of assets and operations engaged in providing products or services that are subject to risks and returns that are different to those of other business segments.

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision makers. The chief operating decision makers, who are responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, have been identified as the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and the Presidents.

On 1 January 2014 the Program Management segment was amalgamated into the APAC/Africa segment.

During the second half of the 2014 financial year the Group reorganised its reporting structure and responsibilities to a geographical focus.

APAC/Africa and Corporate & Regional Services remained reporting lines while Environmental & Sustainability, Mineral & Metals, Oil & Gas and Process Infrastructure were re-aligned to the geographic region in which they were managed being North America and South America.

In keeping with the requirements of AASB 8 Operating Segments this organisational change led to a change in segment reporting for all comparable periods.

### **(c) Basis of preparation**

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, and interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the *Corporations Act 2001*. The consolidated financial statements of the Group also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The Group is a for profit entity for the purpose of preparing the financial statements.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(c) Basis of preparation (continued)**

#### *(i) Critical accounting estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in applying the Group's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 3.

#### *(ii) New and amended standards adopted by the Group*

The Group has applied the following standards and amendments for first time in their annual reporting period commencing 1 January 2014 :

*AASB 2011-4 and revised Corporations Regulations 2M.3.03 - Transfer of individual KMP disclosures to the remuneration report*

As a result of adopting the above, disclosures relating to individual key management personnel (KMP) equity holdings, loans and other transactions have been moved from the financial statements to the remuneration report.

*AASB 2013-3 Amendments to AASB 136 - Recoverable Amount Disclosures for Non-Financial Assets - effective for years commencing 1 January 2014*

This amendment expanded the disclosure of recoverable amounts on non-financial assets when they are based on fair value less costs of disposal. The amendment only affects the disclosure in the event non-financial assets are impaired based on fair value less costs of disposal.

#### *(iii) New accounting standards and interpretations not yet adopted*

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 31 December 2014 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Group. The Group's assessment of the impact of these new standards and interpretations is set out below.

*AASB 9 Financial instruments - effective on 1 January 2018, early adoption is permitted*

AASB 9 addresses the classification, measurement and derecognition of financial assets and financial liabilities. Since December 2013, it also sets out new rules for hedge accounting. There will be no impact on the Group's accounting for financial liabilities, as the new requirements only affect the accounting for financial liabilities that are designated at fair value through profit or loss and the Group does not have any such liabilities.

The new hedging rules align hedge accounting more closely with the Group's risk management practices. As a general rule, it will be easier to apply hedge accounting going forward. The new standard also introduces expanded disclosure requirements and changes in presentation. The Group has not yet assessed how its own hedging arrangements would be affected by the new rules and it has not yet decided whether to adopt any parts of AASB 9 early.

*AASB 15 Revenue from contracts with customers - effective 1 January 2017*

The AASB has issued a new standard for the recognition of revenue. This will replace AASB 118 which covers contracts for goods and services and AASB 111 which covers construction contracts.

The new standard is based on the principle that revenue is recognised when control of a good or service transfers to a customer - so the notion of control replaces the existing notion of risks and rewards.

A new five-step process must be applied before revenue can be recognised:

- identify contracts with customers,
- identify the separate performance obligation,
- determine the transaction price of the contract,
- allocate the transaction price to each of the separate performance obligations, and
- recognise the revenue as each performance obligation is satisfied.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(c) Basis of preparation (continued)**

#### *(iii) New accounting standards and interpretations not yet adopted (continued)*

These accounting changes may have flow-on effects on the Group's business practices regarding systems, processes and controls, compensation and bonus plans, contracts, tax planning and investor communications.

#### *AASB 11 Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations - effective 1 January 2016*

The amendments to AASB 11 clarify the accounting for the acquisition of an interest in a joint operation where the activities of the operation constitute a business. They require an investor to apply the principles of business combination accounting when it acquires an interest in a joint operation that constitutes a business.

This includes:

- measuring identifiable assets and liabilities at fair value,
- expensing acquisition-related costs,
- recognising deferred tax, and
- recognising the residual as goodwill, and testing this for impairment annually.

Existing interests in the joint operation are not remeasured on acquisition of an additional interest, provided joint control is maintained.

The amendments also apply when a joint operation is formed and an existing business is contributed.

The Group has not yet assessed how this affects the financial statements of the Group.

#### *AASB 127 Equity method in separate financial statements - effective 1 January 2016*

The AASB has made amendments to AASB 127 which will allow entities to use the equity method in their separate financial statements to measure investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates.

AASB 127 currently allows entities to measure their investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates either at cost or as a financial asset in their separate financial statements. The amendments introduce the equity method as a third option. The election can be made independently for each category of investment (subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates). Entities wishing to change to the equity method must do so retrospectively.

The Group has not yet assessed its preferred method of accounting.

#### *AASB 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and AASB 128 Investments in associates and joint ventures - effective 1 January 2016*

The AASB has made limited scope amendments to AASB 10 Consolidated financial statements and AASB 128 Investments in associates and joint ventures.

The amendments clarify the accounting treatment for sales or contribution of assets between an investor and its associates or joint ventures. They confirm that the accounting treatment depends on whether the nonmonetary assets sold or contributed to an associate or joint venture constitute a 'business' (as defined in IFRS 3 Business Combinations).

Where the non-monetary assets constitute a business, the investor will recognise the full gain or loss on the sale or contribution of assets. If the assets do not meet the definition of a business, the gain or loss is recognised by the investor only to the extent of the other investor's interests in the associate or joint venture. The amendments apply prospectively.

The Group has not yet assessed how this may affect the financial statements of the Group.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(c) Basis of preparation (continued)**

*(iii) New accounting standards and interpretations not yet adopted (continued)*

*Annual improvements project - 2010-2013 cycle (AASB 2014-1) - effective for years commencing 1 July 2014*

Amendments to clarify minor points in various accounting standards, including AASB 1, AASB 2, AASB 3, AASB 8, AASB 13, AASB 116, AASB 138, AASB 124 and AASB 140. The Group does not believe these minor amendments will have a material impact on the Group's financial statements.

### **(d) Principles of consolidation**

#### *(i) Subsidiaries*

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the assets and liabilities of the Group as at 31 December 2014.

Subsidiaries are all entities (including special purpose entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power to direct the activities of the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

Intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses on transactions between Group companies are eliminated. Profits and losses resulting from intra-group transactions that are recognised in assets are also eliminated. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

Non-controlling interests in the results and equity of subsidiaries are shown separately in the consolidated income statement, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and balance sheet respectively.

#### *(ii) Joint arrangements*

Under AASB 11 *Joint Arrangements*, investments in joint arrangements are classified as either joint operations or joint ventures depending on the contractual rights and obligations each investor has, rather than the legal structure of the joint arrangement. The Group has assessed the nature of its joint arrangements and determined to have both joint operations and joint ventures.

##### *Joint operations*

The Group recognises its direct right to its share of jointly held assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of joint operations. These have been incorporated in the financial statements under the appropriate headings. Details of the joint operations are set out in note 26.

##### *Joint ventures*

Interests in joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method. Under this method, the interests are initially recognised in the consolidated balance sheet at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of the post-acquisition profits or losses and movements in other comprehensive income in profit or loss and other comprehensive income respectively.

When the Group's share of losses in a joint venture equals or exceeds its interests in the joint ventures (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the joint ventures), the Group does not recognise further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the joint ventures.

Unrealised gains on transactions between the Group and its joint ventures are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the joint ventures. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of the joint ventures have been changed where necessary, to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(d) Principles of consolidation (continued)**

#### *(iii) Employee share trust*

The Group has formed a trust (known as Ausenco Performance Trust) to administer the Group's employee share schemes. This trust is consolidated, as the substance of the relationship is that the trust is controlled by the Group.

Unvested shares held by the Ausenco Performance Trust are disclosed as treasury shares and deducted from contributed equity.

#### *(iv) Changes in ownership interests*

The Group treats transactions with non-controlling interests that do not result in a loss of control as transactions with equity owners of the Group. A change in ownership interest results in an adjustment between the carrying amounts of the controlling and non-controlling interests to reflect their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference between the amount of the adjustment to non-controlling interests and any consideration paid or received is recognised in a separate reserve within equity attributable to owners of the Company.

When the Group ceases to have control, joint control or significant influence, any retained interest in the entity is remeasured to its fair value with the change in carrying amount recognised in profit or loss. The fair value is the initial carrying amount for the purposes of subsequently accounting for the retained interest as an associate, jointly controlled entity or financial asset. In addition, any amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of that entity are accounted for as if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities. This may mean that amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss.

If the ownership interest in a jointly-controlled entity or subsidiary is reduced but joint control or control is retained, only a proportionate share of the amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss where appropriate.

### **(e) Foreign currency translation**

#### *(i) Functional and presentation currency*

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ('the functional currency'). The consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Ausenco Limited's functional and presentation currency.

#### *(ii) Transactions and balances*

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in profit or loss, except when they are deferred in equity as qualifying cash flow hedges and qualifying net investment hedges or are attributable to part of the net investment in a foreign operation.

All foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the income statement within other income or other (expenses).

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(e) Foreign currency translation (continued)**

#### *(iii) Group companies*

The results and financial position of foreign operations (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- (a) assets and liabilities for each balance sheet presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that balance sheet,
- (b) income and expenses for the consolidated statement of comprehensive income is translated at average exchange rates (unless this is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated at the dates of the transactions), and
- (c) all resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income.

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of any net investment in foreign entities, and of borrowings and other financial instruments designated as hedges of such investments, are recognised in other comprehensive income. When the interests in the foreign operation is reduced the proportionate exchange difference is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. Repayments of the loans and borrowings are not deemed to be a disposal, consequently no adjustments of exchange differences previously recognised in shareholders' equity are made.

### **(f) Revenue recognition**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Amounts disclosed as revenue are net of returns, trade allowances, rebates and amounts collected on behalf of third parties. The Group recognises revenue when the amount of revenue can be reliably measured, it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity and specific criteria have been met for each of the Group's activities as specified below. The Group bases its estimates on historical results, taking into consideration the type of customer, the type of transaction and the specifics of each contract.

Revenue is recognised for the major business activities as follows:

#### *(i) Engineering and construction contracts and consulting services*

Revenue from contracts to provide construction, engineering, design or similar services includes the initial amount agreed in the contract plus any variations in contract work, claims and incentive payments, to the extent that it is probable that they will result in an inflow of economic benefits and can be measured reliably.

Construction contracts are either cost-plus, fully reimbursable or fixed price in nature. Cost-plus contracts can also include a fixed fee component which is linked to the achievement of milestones. As soon as the outcome of a construction contract can be estimated reliably, contract revenue is recognised in profit or loss.

When the outcome of a cost-plus construction contract can be estimated reliably, revenue is recognised by reference to the recoverable costs incurred during the year plus the fee earned, measured by the proportion that costs incurred to date bear to the estimated total costs of the contract.

For fixed price contracts, revenue recognised is determined using the percentage of completion method, with reference to the share of the costs incurred to date in the total estimated contract costs. Alternative methods of determining percentage completion are used depending on the type of project. Alternative measures include estimated of the project schedule and completion date; estimates of the extent of progress toward completion; and amounts of any probable claims and change orders included in revenue.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(f) Revenue recognition (continued)**

#### *(i) Engineering and construction contracts and consulting services (continued)*

Fixed fee incentive components are recognised when milestones have been reached or the specified criteria have been met.

When the outcome of a construction contract cannot be estimated reliably, contract revenue is recognised only to the extent of contract costs are incurred that are likely to be recoverable. An expected loss on a contract is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Revenue from consulting services is recognised in the accounting period in which the services are rendered.

#### *(ii) Interest income*

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method. When a loan and receivable is impaired, the Group reduces the carrying amount to its recoverable amount, being the estimated future cash flow discounted at the original interest rate of the instrument, and continues unwinding the discount as interest income. Interest income on impaired loan and receivables is recognised using the original effective interest method.

Interest income is recognised on a time proportion basis using the effective interest method.

#### *(iii) Dividends*

Dividends are recognised as revenue when the right to receive payment is established. However, the investment may need to be tested for impairment as a consequence. This applies even if they are paid out of pre-acquisition profits.

### **(g) Leases**

Leases of property, plant and equipment where the Company, as lessee, has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases (note 14). Finance leases are capitalised at the lease's inception at the fair value of the leased property or, if lower, the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding rental obligations, net of finance charges, are included in other short term and long term payables. Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to the income statements over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The property, plant and equipment acquired under finance leases is depreciated over the asset's useful life or over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term if there is no reasonable certainty that the Company will obtain ownership at the end of the lease term.

Leases in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are not transferred to the Group as lessee are classified as operating leases (note 31). Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Lease income from operating leases where the Group is a lessor is recognised in other income on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The respective leased assets are included in the balance sheet based on their nature.

### **(h) Income tax**

The income tax expense or revenue for the period is the tax payable on the current period's taxable income based on the applicable income tax rate for each jurisdiction adjusted by changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities attributable to temporary differences and to unused tax losses.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period in the countries where the Company's subsidiaries and associates operate and generate taxable income. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(h) Income tax (continued)**

Deferred income tax is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, the deferred income tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the end of the reporting period and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses only if it is probable that future taxable amounts will be available to utilise those temporary differences and losses.

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are not recognised for temporary differences between the carrying amount and tax bases of investments in foreign operations where the Company is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and when the deferred tax balances relate to the same taxation authority. Current tax assets and tax liabilities are offset where the entity has a legally enforceable right to offset and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### *Tax consolidation legislation*

Ausenco Limited and its directly held wholly-owned Australian controlled entities have implemented the tax consolidation legislation as of 1 July 2004. As a consequence, these entities are taxed as a single entity and the deferred tax assets and liabilities of these entities are set off in the consolidated financial statements.

The head entity of the tax consolidated group is Ausenco Limited. The entities also have tax sharing and funding agreements in place in order to allocate tax expense to the wholly-owned subsidiaries on a pro-rata basis. In addition, the agreement provides for the allocation of income tax liabilities between the entities should the head entity default on its tax obligations.

Assets or liabilities arising under tax funding agreements with the tax consolidated entities are recognised as amounts receivable from or payable to other entities in the Company. Any difference between the amounts assumed and amounts receivable or payable under the tax funding agreement are recognised as a contribution to (or distribution from) wholly owned tax consolidated entities.

As a consequence, Ausenco Limited recognises current income tax relating to transactions, events and balances of the wholly-owned Australian controlled entities in these financial statements as if those transactions, events and balances were its own, in addition to the current and deferred tax balances arising in relation to its own transactions, events and balances. Expenses and benefits arising under the tax sharing and funding agreements are recognised as a component of income tax expense/(benefit).

### **(i) Business combinations**

The Group applies the acquisition method to account for business combinations, regardless of whether equity instruments or other assets are acquired. The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement and the fair value of any pre-existing equity interest in the subsidiary. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are, with limited exceptions, measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date. The Group recognises any non-controlling interest in the acquiree on an acquisition by acquisition basis, either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the recognised amounts of the acquiree's identifiable net assets.

Acquisition related costs are expensed as incurred.



## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(i) Business combinations (continued)**

If a business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date carrying value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquire is re-measured to fair value at the acquisition date; any gains or losses arising from such re-measurement are recognised in profit or loss.

The excess of the consideration transferred and the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. If those amounts are less than the fair value of the net identifiable assets of the subsidiary acquired and the measurement of all amounts has been reviewed, the difference is recognised directly in profit or loss as a bargain purchase.

Where settlement of any part of cash consideration is deferred, the amounts payable in the future are discounted to their present value as at the date of exchange. The discount rate used is the entity's incremental borrowing rate, being the rate at which a similar borrowing could be obtained from an independent financier under comparable terms and conditions.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the Group is recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration that is deemed to be an asset or liability is recognised in accordance with AASB 139 either in profit or loss or as a change to other comprehensive income. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not re-measured, and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

### **(j) Cash and cash equivalents**

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet.

### **(k) Trade receivables**

Trade receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. Trade receivables are generally due for settlement within 30 days. They are presented as current assets unless collection is not expected for more than 12 months after the reporting date.

The collectability of trade receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectible are written off by reducing the carrying amount directly. An allowance account (provision for impairment of trade receivables) is used when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default or delinquency in payments (more than 30 days overdue) are considered indicators that the trade receivable is impaired. The amount of the impairment allowance is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. Cash flows relating to short-term receivables are not discounted if the effect of discounting is immaterial.

The amount of the impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss within other expenses. When a trade receivable for which an impairment allowance had been recognised becomes uncollectible in a subsequent period, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against other expenses in profit or loss.

### **(l) Unbilled revenue and billing in advance**

Construction work in progress is stated at the aggregate of contract costs incurred to date plus recognised profits less recognised losses and progress billings. If there are contracts where progress billings exceed the aggregate costs incurred plus profits less losses, the net amounts are presented as billings in advance.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(l) Unbilled revenue and billing in advance (continued)**

Contract costs include all costs directly related to specific contracts plus costs that are specifically chargeable to the client under the terms of the contract.

### **(m) Investments and other financial assets**

#### ***Classification***

The Group classifies its financial assets in the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, held-to-maturity investments and available-for-sale financial assets. The classification depends on the purpose for which the investments were acquired. Management determines the classification of its investments at initial recognition and, in the case of assets classified as held-to-maturity, re-evaluates this designation at the end of each reporting date.

#### ***(i) Loans and receivables***

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except for those with maturities greater than 12 months after the reporting period which are classified as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are included in trade and other receivables (note 11) in the balance sheet.

#### ***Recognition and derecognition***

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade-date, the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

When securities classified as available-for-sale are sold, the accumulated fair value adjustments recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss as gains and losses from investment securities.

#### ***Measurement***

At initial recognition, the Group measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in profit or loss.

Loans and receivables are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### ***Impairment***

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. In the case of equity securities classified as available for sale, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of a security below its cost is considered as an indicator that the securities are impaired. If any such evidence exists for available-for-sale financial assets, the cumulative loss - measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognised in profit or loss - is reclassified from equity and recognised in the profit or loss as a reclassification adjustment. Impairment losses recognised in profit or loss on equity instruments classified as available-for-sale are not reversed through profit or loss.

### **(n) Property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of any component accounted for as a separate asset is derecognised when replaced. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statements during the reporting period in which they are incurred.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(n) Property, plant and equipment (continued)**

Repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

The expected useful lives are as follows:

- |                                     |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| - Furniture, fittings and equipment | 2.5 - 5 years |
| - Leasehold improvements            | 10 years      |

Leasehold improvements are depreciated on a straight-line basis. Property, plant and equipment are depreciated using either straight-line or diminishing value basis.

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount (note 2(q)).

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

### **(o) Fair value estimation**

The net fair value of cash and cash equivalents and non interest bearing monetary financial assets and financial liabilities approximate their carrying amount.

### **(p) Intangible assets**

#### *(i) Goodwill*

Goodwill is measured as described in note 2(i). Goodwill on acquisitions of subsidiaries is included in intangible assets. Goodwill is not amortised. Instead, goodwill is tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that it might be impaired, and is 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.

Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units for the purpose of impairment testing. Each of those cash-generating units is identified according to business segment (note 15(a)). The allocation is made to those cash-generating units or groups of cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the business combination in which the goodwill arose, identified according to operating segments (note 4). When organisational changes take place that affect the composition of the cash-generating unit and segment, goodwill is reallocated based on the relative values of the business units affected by the changes.

#### *(ii) Brand names and licenses*

Brand names and licences have a finite useful life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate the cost of brand names and licences over their estimated useful lives which vary from 3 to 5 years. All brand names and licences have been fully amortised.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(p) Intangible assets (continued)**

#### *(iii) Software*

Costs incurred in developing products or systems and costs incurred in acquiring software and licenses that will contribute to future period financial benefits through revenue generation and/or cost reduction are capitalised to software and systems. Costs capitalised include external direct costs of materials and service and direct payroll and payroll related costs of employees' time spent on the project. Amortisation is calculated on a units of production basis over the estimated useful life of 10 years.

Costs incurred in developing software that will contribute to future period financial benefits through revenue generation and/or cost reduction are capitalised to software under development. Upon completion, software development costs are transferred to software and amortisation commences. Only costs directly attributable to the development phase are capitalised. These costs may include cost of materials and service and direct payroll related costs of employees' time spent on the project.

#### *(iv) Customer contracts*

Customer contracts and relationships acquired as part of a business combination are recognised separately from goodwill. The customer contracts are carried at their fair value at the date of acquisition less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated based on the timing of projected cash flows of the contracts over their estimated useful lives, which is between 6 months and 8 years.

### **(q) Impairment of assets**

Goodwill and intangible assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that they might be impaired. Other assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units).

### **(r) Trade and other payables**

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Group prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition. Trade and other payables are presented as current liabilities unless payment is not due within 12 months from the reporting date. They are recognised initially at their fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

### **(s) Borrowings**

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in the income statements over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method. Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a prepayment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Company has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(t) Borrowing and finance costs**

Borrowing costs incurred for the construction of any qualifying asset are capitalised during the period of time that is required to complete and prepare the asset for its intended use or sale. Other borrowing costs are expensed.

Finance costs are recognised as expenses in the period in which they are incurred. Finance costs include:

- (i) interest on bank overdrafts and short-term and long-term borrowings,
- (ii) amortisation of discounts or premiums relating to borrowings,
- (iii) amortisation of ancillary costs incurred in connection with the arrangement of borrowings, and
- (iv) accretion on deferred consideration incurred in business combination.

### **(u) Provisions**

Provisions for legal claims, project warranties, onerous leases and make good obligations are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount has been reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

Provisions are measured at the present value of management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period.

### **(v) Employee Benefits**

#### *(i) Short-term obligations*

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the reporting date are recognised in other trade payables whilst annual leave is recognised in provisions in respect of employees' services up to the reporting date and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

Liabilities for non-accumulating sick leave are recognised when the leave is taken and measured at the rates paid or payable.

#### *(ii) Other long-term employee benefit obligations*

The liability for long service leave and annual leave which is not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees' render the related service is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the end of the reporting period on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

The obligations are presented as current liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet as the Group does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the reporting date, regardless of when the actual settlement is expected to occur.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(v) Employee Benefits (continued)**

#### *(iii) Share-based payments*

Share-based compensation benefits are provided to employees via the Ausenco Executive Option Plan and Ausenco Performance Rights Plan. The Ausenco Executive Option Plan and Ausenco Performance Rights Plan are administered by Ausenco Performance Trust. Information relating to these schemes is set out in note 33.

The fair value of options and performance rights at grant date is recognised as an employee benefit expense with a corresponding increase in equity. The fair value is measured at grant date and recognised over the period during which the employees become unconditionally entitled to the options.

The fair value at grant date is independently determined using a Hull White option pricing model that takes into account the exercise price, the term of the option, the impact of dilution, the share price at grant date and 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 the options and performance rights granted is adjusted to reflect market vesting conditions, but excludes the impact of any non-market vesting conditions. Non-market vesting conditions are included in assumptions about the number of options and performance rights that are expected to become exercisable. At each balance sheet date, the entity revises its estimate of the number of options and performance rights 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 and performance rights, the balance of the share based payments reserve relating to those options and performance rights is transferred to contributed equity and any proceeds received, net of any directly attributable transaction costs, are credited to contributed equity.

#### *(iv) Superannuation*

Contributions to the defined contribution fund are recognised as an expense as they become payable. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.

### **(w) Contributed Equity**

Ordinary shares are classified as equity (note 21(b)).

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares for the acquisition of a business are not included in the cost of the acquisition as part of the purchase consideration.

If the Company reacquires its own equity instruments, for example as the result of a share buy back, those instruments are deducted from equity and the associated shares are cancelled. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss and the consideration paid including any directly attributable incremental costs (net of income taxes) is recognised directly in equity.

### **(x) Dividends**

Provision is made for the amount of any dividend declared, determined or publicly recommended by the directors on or before the end of the financial year but not distributed at the end of the reporting period.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(y) 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, excluding 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 excluding treasury shares (note 9).

#### *(ii) Diluted earnings per share*

Diluted earnings per share adjusts the figures used in the 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.

### **(z) 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 balance sheets.

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 flows.

Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority.

### **(aa) Rounding of amounts**

The Company is of a kind referred to in Class Order 98/100, issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, relating to the 'rounding off' of amounts in the financial report. Amounts in the financial report have been rounded off in accordance with that Class Order to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, the nearest dollar.

### **(ab) Parent entity financial information**

The financial information for the parent entity, Ausenco Limited, disclosed in note 34 has been prepared on the same basis as the consolidated financial statements, except as set out below.

#### *(i) Investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint arrangement entities*

Investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint arrangement entities are accounted for at cost in the financial statements of the Company. Dividends received from subsidiaries are recognised in the parent entity's profit or loss, when its right to receive the dividend is established. Dividends are not deducted from the carrying amount of these investments.

#### *(ii) Tax consolidation legislation*

Ausenco Limited and its directly held wholly-owned Australian controlled entities have implemented the tax consolidation legislation.

## **2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)**

### **(ab) Parent entity financial information (continued)**

#### *(ii) Tax consolidation legislation (continued)*

The Company and the controlled entities in the tax consolidated group account for their current and deferred tax amounts. These tax amounts are measured as if each entity in the tax consolidated group continues to be a standalone taxpayer in its own right.

In addition to its own current and deferred tax amounts, the Company also recognises the current tax liabilities (or assets) and the deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses and unused tax credits assumed from controlled entities in the tax consolidated group.

The entities have also entered into a tax funding agreement under which the wholly owned entities fully compensate the Company for any current tax payable assumed and are compensated by the Company for any current tax receivable and deferred tax assets relating to unused tax losses or unused tax credits that are transferred to the Company under the tax consolidation legislation. The funding amounts are determined by reference to the amounts recognised in the wholly owned entities' financial statements.

The amounts receivable/ payable under the tax funding agreement are due upon receipt of the funding advice from the Company, which is issued as soon as practicable after the end of each financial year. The Company may also require payment of interim funding amounts to assist with its obligations to pay tax instalments.

Assets or liabilities arising under tax funding agreements with the tax consolidated entities are recognised as current amounts receivable from or payable to other entities in the Group. Any difference between the amounts assumed and amounts receivable or payable under the tax funding agreement are recognised as a contribution to (or distribution from) wholly-owned tax consolidated entities.

#### *(iii) Financial guarantees*

Where the Company has provided financial guarantees in relation to loans and payables of subsidiaries for no compensation, the fair values of these guarantees are accounted for as contributions and recognised as part of the cost of the investment.

#### *(iv) Share based payments*

The grant by the Company of options over its equity instruments to the employees of subsidiary undertakings in the Group is treated as a capital contribution to that subsidiary undertaking. The fair value of employee services received, measured by reference to the grant date fair value, is recognised over the vesting period as an increase to investment in subsidiary undertakings, with a corresponding credit to equity.



### **3 Critical accounting estimates and judgments**

Estimates and judgments 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.

#### **(a) Critical accounting estimates and judgments**

The Group makes estimates and judgments concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and judgments that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

##### *(i) Estimated impairment of goodwill*

The Group tests annually whether goodwill has suffered any impairment, in accordance with the accounting policy stated in note 2(p)(i). The recoverable amounts of cash-generating units have been determined based on value in use calculations. These calculations require the use of assumptions. Refer to note 15 for details of these assumptions and the potential impact of changes to the assumptions.

##### *(ii) Income taxes*

The Group is subject to income taxes in Australia and jurisdictions where it has foreign operations. The Group estimates its tax liabilities based on the Group's understanding of the tax law. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the current and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made. Deferred tax assets for unused losses are recognised only if it is probable that future taxable amounts will be available to utilise the losses. This assessment is based on consideration of earnings outlined in Board approved budgets.

##### *(iii) Trade and other receivables*

The measurement of impairment of debtors requires management's best estimate of recoverable balances at reporting date. The estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical factors and expectations of future events, which are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

##### *(iv) Onerous leases*

The Group has certain leases which are considered to be onerous. Judgments and estimates are made in respect of the expected sub-contract receipts.

#### **(b) Critical judgments in applying accounting policies**

##### *(i) Revenue recognition*

The Group, in assessing the outcome of the contracts at the early stages of progress, when incorporating risks to completion has only recognised contract revenues to the extent of costs incurred that are expected to be recoverable. It is probable that the Group will be able to recover the contract costs incurred, however as the outcome of the contract costs cannot be estimated reliably, no profit is recognised in the early stages of the contract.

## 4 Segment information

### (a) Description of segments

The Ausenco group provides engineering, construction and project management services in a number of markets and across a wide span of geographic regions.

On 1 January 2014 the Program Management segment was amalgamated into the APAC/Africa segment.

Until 30 June 2014 Ausenco's reporting structure and operating segments were aligned across the following product/service offerings:

- Minerals & Metals
- Process Infrastructure
- Oil & Gas
- Environmental & Sustainability
- APAC/Africa

During the second half of the 2014 financial year the Group streamlined its Americas business reporting structure and responsibilities to have a regional primary focus. The reorganisation will facilitate greater accountability as well as provide enhanced integration across both service and geographic lines and improved utilisation of both technical expertise and shared engineering resources. It will also enable the business to better penetrate and capture market opportunities and monitor performance.

No changes were required in APAC/Africa, as it had been structured and operating on a regional basis since 2013. Environment and Sustainability, Minerals & Metals, Oil & Gas and Process Infrastructure were aligned and reshaped along a geographic regional in which they were managed and operating, being North America and South America.

In keeping with the requirements of AASB 8 the operating segments of the Group are now:

- North America
- South America
- APAC/Africa

Prior year comparatives have been restated to reflect the organisational change.

### (b) Segment information provided to the Chief Decision Makers

The segment information provided to the Chief Decision Makers for the reportable segments for the year ended 31 December 2014 is as follows:

<b>Consolidated 2014</b>	<b>North America \$'000</b>	<b>South America \$'000</b>	<b>APAC/ Africa \$'000</b>	<b>All other segments* \$'000</b>	<b>Total \$'000</b>
Total segment revenue	149,065	130,392	99,353	190	379,000
Inter-segment revenue	(8,755)	(7,658)	(5,835)	(11)	(22,259)
<b>Revenue from external customers</b>	<b>140,310</b>	<b>122,734</b>	<b>93,518</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>356,741</b>
<b>Segment EBITA</b>	<b>2,423</b>	<b>11,160</b>	<b>(9,680)</b>	<b>(24,769)</b>	<b>(20,866)</b>
<b>Total segment assets</b>	<b>24,303</b>	<b>21,112</b>	<b>23,007</b>	<b>1,503</b>	<b>69,925</b>

\* All other segments relate to Corporate and Regional Services that are not directly allocatable to a segment.

#### 4 Segment information (continued)

##### (b) Segment information provided to the Chief Decision Makers (continued)

<b>Consolidated 2013</b>	<b>North America \$'000</b>	<b>South America \$'000</b>	<b>APAC/ Africa \$'000</b>	<b>All other segments* \$'000</b>	<b>Total \$'000</b>
Total segment revenue	176,197	135,033	175,563	52	486,845
Inter-segment revenue	(22,124)	(6,630)	(4,738)	(56)	(33,548)
<b>Revenue from external customers</b>	<b>154,073</b>	<b>128,403</b>	<b>170,825</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>453,297</b>
 <b>Segment EBITA</b>	 <b>8,147</b>	 <b>10,133</b>	 <b>(6,739)</b>	 <b>(39,933)</b>	 <b>(28,392)</b>
 <b>Total segment assets</b>	 <b>29,621</b>	 <b>34,285</b>	 <b>29,759</b>	 <b>1,376</b>	 <b>95,041</b>

\* All other segments relate to Corporate and Regional Services that are not directly allocatable to a segment.

##### (c) Other segment information

###### (i) Segment revenue

Sales between segments are carried out at arm's length and are eliminated on consolidation. The revenue from external parties reported to the Chief Decision Makers is measured in a manner consistent with that in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

Segment revenue reconciles to total revenue from continuing operations as follows:

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	<b>2013 \$'000</b>
<b>Total segment revenue</b>	<b>379,000</b>	<b>486,845</b>
Inter-segment revenue	(22,259)	(33,548)
Interest income	712	627
Less share of profit from joint arrangements included in segment revenue	(298)	(50)
<b>Revenue from continuing operations</b>	<b>357,155</b>	<b>453,874</b>

The Group is domiciled in Australia. The amount of its revenue from external customers in Australia is \$42.6 million (12%), Canada \$73.6 million (21%), Chile \$32.3 million (9%), Peru \$83.8 million (23%), and the total revenue from external customers in other countries is \$124.5 million. Segment revenues for this purpose are allocated based on the country in which the projects being delivered are located.

In 2014 revenues of \$56.9 million (2013: \$53.4 million) and \$21.8 million (2013: \$63.2 million) are derived from single external customers. These revenues are attributable to the South America and North America segments respectively.

#### 4 Segment information (continued)

##### (c) Other segment information (continued)

###### (ii) Segment EBITA

The Chief Decision Makers assess the performance of the operating segments based on a measure of segment EBITA.

A reconciliation of segment EBITA to operating profit before income tax is provided as follows:

	Notes	Consolidated 2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
<b>Segment EBITA</b>		<b>(20,866)</b>	(28,392)
Interest income	5	712	627
Finance cost		(5,005)	(4,017)
Amortisation of intangibles	6	(4,313)	(9,138)
<b>Loss before income tax from continuing operations</b>		<b>(29,472)</b>	<b>(40,920)</b>

###### (iii) Segment assets

The amounts provided to the Chief Decision Makers with respect to total assets are measured in a manner consistent with that of the financial statements. These assets are allocated based on the operations of the segment and the physical location of the asset. Reportable segment assets comprise trade and other receivables and unbilled revenue.

Reportable segment assets are reconciled to total assets as follows:

	Consolidated 2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
<b>Segment assets</b>	<b>69,925</b>	95,041
Unallocated:		
Cash and cash equivalents	22,497	37,567
Current tax receivables	6,555	6,387
Other current assets	6,201	7,975
Investment in joint ventures and associates	4,082	3,589
Property, plant and equipment	17,025	21,560
Intangible assets	186,336	204,128
Deferred tax assets	39,887	31,478
Other non-current assets	81	334
<b>Total assets as per the balance sheet</b>	<b>352,589</b>	<b>408,059</b>

The total of segment assets located in Australia is \$17.0 million (2013: \$14.3 million), and the total of these segment assets located in other countries is \$52.9 million (2013: \$80.7 million). Segment assets are for this purpose allocated to countries based on where the assets are located.

## 5 Revenue

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
<b>From continuing operations</b>		
Services	<b>356,443</b>	453,247
Interest income	<b>712</b>	627
	<b>357,155</b>	<b>453,874</b>
<b>Other income</b>		
Rents and sub-lease rental income	<b>5,700</b>	3,874
Other income	<b>864</b>	1,458
Foreign exchange gains (net)	<b>-</b>	255
	<b>6,564</b>	<b>5,587</b>

## 6 Expenses

		<b>Consolidated</b>	
		<b>2014</b>	2013
		<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
<b>Loss before income tax includes the following specific expenses:</b>			
<i>Other employee expense</i>			
Defined contribution superannuation expense		<b>10,220</b>	12,349
Redundancy costs		<b>4,539</b>	10,222
Share based payment expense	33	<b>896</b>	1,325
<i>Depreciation of property, plant and equipment</i>	14	<b>5,487</b>	6,606
<i>Amortisation of intangibles:</i>			
Software		<b>4,313</b>	3,003
Other intangibles		<b>-</b>	6,135
Total amortisation	15	<b>4,313</b>	9,138
<b>Total depreciation and amortisation expense</b>		<b>9,800</b>	15,744
<i>Foreign exchange losses (net)</i>		<b>733</b>	-
<i>Operating lease rentals</i>		<b>24,084</b>	21,354
<i>Impairment losses - financial assets</i>			
Trade receivables		<b>5,674</b>	8,075
<i>Impairment of goodwill</i>		<b>10,000</b>	12,470

## 7 Finance costs

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
Interest and borrowing expenses	<b>5,005</b>	4,207
Less amounts capitalised on qualifying assets	<b>-</b>	(190)
<b>Finance costs expensed</b>	<b>5,005</b>	<b>4,017</b>

### (a) Capitalised borrowing costs

No borrowing costs were capitalised during 2014. The capitalisation rate in 2013 was 6.9% and represents the weighted average interest rate applicable to the entity's outstanding borrowings during that year.

## 8 Income taxes

### (a) Income tax expense

		<b>Consolidated</b>	
		<b>2014</b>	2013
	Notes	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
Current tax expense / (benefit)		<b>2,948</b>	(6,737)
Deferred tax (benefit) / expense		<b>(6,817)</b>	1,874
Adjustments for current tax of prior periods		<b>(588)</b>	(857)
		<b>(4,457)</b>	(5,720)
<b>Deferred tax (benefit) / expense is attributable to:</b>			
(Increase) / decrease in deferred tax assets	16	<b>(7,190)</b>	(268)
Increase / (decrease) in deferred tax liabilities	16	<b>373</b>	2,142
		<b>(6,817)</b>	1,874

## 8 Income taxes (continued)

### (b) Numerical reconciliation of income tax expense to prima facie tax payable

	Consolidated 2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
(Loss) / profit from continuing operations before income tax expense	(29,472)	(40,920)
Tax at the Australian tax rate of 30.0% (2013 - 30.0%)	(8,842)	(12,276)
<b>Tax effect of amounts which are not deductible / (taxable) in calculating taxable income:</b>		
Goodwill impairment	3,000	3,741
Amortisation of intangibles	(227)	(301)
International exempt income	(190)	(739)
Entertainment	60	57
Unrealised foreign exchange losses relating to net investment hedges	(775)	1,117
Current period losses not recognised	647	1,584
Items of capital nature	(791)	688
Other	117	416
Assessable income not recognised in accounting profit	-	126
Non-assessable income recognised in accounting profit	(530)	-
	(7,531)	(5,587)
International tax rate differential *	1,206	724
Adjustments for tax of prior periods	1,057	848
Previously recognised / (unrecognised) tax losses used to increase / (reduce) deferred tax expense	811	(1,705)
	3,074	(133)
<b>Income tax benefit</b>	(4,457)	(5,720)

\* Represents net increase / (reduction) for foreign tax rate differential.

### (c) Tax losses

Unused tax losses for which no deferred tax asset has been recognised	11,068	8,929
Potential tax benefit at relevant country tax rate	3,243	2,436

## 9 Earnings per share

	<b>Consolidated 2014 Cents</b>	2013 Cents
Basic earnings per share (cents per share) attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:	<b>(15.0)</b>	(25.0)
Diluted earnings per share (cents per share) attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:	<b>(15.0)</b>	(25.0)
<i>Weighted average number of shares used as the denominator</i>		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the denominator in calculating earnings per share	<b>167,229,401</b>	142,605,428
<i>Adjustments for calculation of diluted earnings per share</i>		
Options and rights	<b>6,266,107</b>	2,840,282
Weighted average number of ordinary shares and potential ordinary shares used as the denominator in calculating diluted earnings per share	<b>173,495,508</b>	145,445,710

## 10 Cash and cash equivalents

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
Cash at bank and in hand	<b>16,739</b>	20,345
Deposits at call	<b>5,758</b>	17,222
	<b>22,497</b>	37,567

### (a) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash in hand is non-interest bearing. Cash at bank is bearing interest at a rate between 0% and 1.0% (2013: 0% and 1.0%).

### (b) Deposits at call

The deposits are bearing interest at variable rates between 2.6% and 10.8% (2013: 2.6% and 8.1%).

### (c) Risk Exposure

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk is discussed in note 37.



## 11 Trade and other receivables

		<b>Consolidated</b>	
	Notes	<b>2014</b>	2013
		<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b>Current</b>			
Trade debtors		<b>49,720</b>	57,117
Less: Provision for impairment of receivables	11(a)	<b>(8,683)</b>	(4,123)
		<b>41,037</b>	<b>52,994</b>
Trade receivables from related parties	32	-	6,668
GST/VAT receivables		<b>1,819</b>	1,157
Other receivables	11(c)	<b>3,232</b>	3,465
		<b>46,088</b>	<b>64,284</b>
<b>Total trade and other receivables</b>		<b>46,088</b>	<b>64,284</b>

### (a) Impaired trade receivables

As at 31 December 2014 trade receivables of the Group with a nominal value of \$13,249,000 (2013: \$9,059,000) were impaired. The amount of the provision is \$8,683,000 (2013: \$4,123,000).

Movements in the provision for impairment of receivables are as follows:

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Opening balance at 1 January	<b>4,123</b>	2,407
Provision for impairment recognised during the year	<b>8,027</b>	9,239
Receivables written off during the year as uncollectable	<b>(1,114)</b>	(6,359)
Unused amounts reversed	<b>(2,353)</b>	(1,164)
Closing balance at 31 December	<b>8,683</b>	4,123

The creation and release of the provision for impaired receivables has been included in 'other expenses' in the income statement. Amounts charged to the provision account are generally written off when there is no expectation of recovery.

### (b) Past due but not impaired

As of 31 December 2014, trade receivables of \$12,764,000 (2013: \$35,870,000) were past due but not impaired. The ageing analysis of these trade receivables is as follows:

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Up to 3 months	<b>6,124</b>	31,372
3 to 6 months	<b>6,640</b>	4,498
	<b>12,764</b>	<b>35,870</b>

## **11 Trade and other receivables (continued)**

### **(b) Past due but not impaired (continued)**

The other classes within trade and other receivables do not contain impaired assets and are not past due. Based on the credit history of these other classes, it is expected that these amounts will be received when due.

### **(c) Other receivables**

These amounts generally arise from transactions outside the usual operating activities of the Group. Interest may be charged at commercial rates where the terms of repayment exceed six months.

Other receivables are comprised of advance amounts, sundry debtors and deposits.

### **(d) Foreign exchange and interest rate risk**

Information about the Group's exposure to foreign currency risk and interest rate risk in relation to trade and other receivables is provided in note 37.

### **(e) Fair value and credit risk**

Due to the short-term nature of these receivables, their carrying amount is assumed to approximate their fair value.

### **(f) Risk exposure**

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of the reporting period is the carrying amount of each class of receivables mentioned above. The fair value of securities held for certain trade receivable approximates the fair value of any collateral. Refer to note 37 for more information on the risk management policy of the Group and the credit quality of the entities' trade receivables.

## 12 Unbilled revenue and billing in advance

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Current assets (Amounts due from clients for contract work)	<b>23,837</b>	30,757
Current liabilities (Amounts due to clients for contract work)	<b>3,120</b>	7,554
<b>Net amounts due from clients for contract work</b>	<b>20,717</b>	<b>23,203</b>

## 13 Other assets

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b>Current</b>		
Prepayments	<b>5,169</b>	6,442
Withholding tax receivable	<b>1,032</b>	1,533
	<b>6,201</b>	7,975
<b>Non-current</b>		
Other assets	<b>81</b>	334
	<b>81</b>	334
<b>Total other assets</b>	<b>6,282</b>	<b>8,309</b>

## 14 Property, plant and equipment

Consolidated		Leasehold improvements \$'000	Furniture, fittings and equipment \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>Year ended 31 December 2014</b>				
Opening net book amount		10,267	11,293	21,560
Additions		478	901	1,379
Disposals		-	(405)	(405)
Depreciation charge	6	(1,616)	(3,871)	(5,487)
Reclassification		-	69	69
Exchange differences		5	(96)	(91)
<b>Closing net book amount</b>		<b>9,134</b>	<b>7,891</b>	<b>17,025</b>
<b>At 31 December 2014</b>				
Cost		19,537	45,377	64,914
Accumulated depreciation		(10,403)	(37,486)	(47,889)
<b>Net book amount</b>		<b>9,134</b>	<b>7,891</b>	<b>17,025</b>
Consolidated		Leasehold improvements \$'000	Furniture, fittings and equipment \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>Year ended 31 December 2013</b>				
Opening net book amount		11,051	13,132	24,183
Additions		518	1,550	2,068
Acquisition of businesses	36	243	1,491	1,734
Disposals		(138)	(588)	(726)
Depreciation charge	6	(2,203)	(4,403)	(6,606)
Reclassification		333	(333)	-
Exchange differences		463	444	907
<b>Closing net book amount</b>		<b>10,267</b>	<b>11,293</b>	<b>21,560</b>
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>				
Cost		19,661	45,437	65,098
Accumulated amortisation and impairment		(9,394)	(34,144)	(43,538)
<b>Net book amount</b>		<b>10,267</b>	<b>11,293</b>	<b>21,560</b>

## 15 Intangible assets

Consolidated	Notes	Goodwill \$'000	Brand names \$'000	Software \$'000	Customer contracts \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>Year ended 31 December 2014</b>						
Opening net book amount		174,508	-	29,620	-	204,128
Additions		-	-	3,450	-	3,450
Disposals		-	-	(144)	-	(144)
Amortisation charge	6	-	-	(4,313)	-	(4,313)
Net transfers		-	-	(69)	-	(69)
Impairment charge	6	(10,000)	-	-	-	(10,000)
Exchange differences		(6,690)	-	(26)	-	(6,716)
Closing net book amount		157,818	-	28,518	-	186,336

<b>At 31 December 2014</b>						
Cost		189,988	11,288	46,324	6,406	254,006
Accumulated amortisation and impairment		(32,170)	(11,288)	(17,806)	(6,406)	(67,670)
<b>Net book amount</b>		<b>157,818</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,518</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>186,336</b>

Consolidated	Notes	Goodwill \$'000	Brand names \$'000	Software \$'000	Customer contracts \$'000	Software under development \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>Year ended 31 December 2013</b>							
Opening net book amount		166,948	4,203	16,394	1,592	7,993	197,130
Additions		-	-	252	-	7,541	7,793
Acquisition of businesses		13,153	-	635	188	-	13,976
Amortisation charge	6	-	(4,325)	(3,003)	(1,810)	-	(9,138)
Net transfers		-	-	15,534	-	(15,534)	-
Impairment charge		(12,470)	-	-	-	-	(12,470)
Exchange differences		6,877	122	(192)	30	-	6,837
Closing net book amount		174,508	-	29,620	-	-	204,128

<b>At 31 December 2013</b>							
Cost		196,678	11,243	43,753	6,404	-	258,078
Accumulated amortisation and impairment		(22,170)	(11,243)	(14,133)	(6,404)	-	(53,950)
<b>Net book amount</b>		<b>174,508</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,620</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>204,128</b>

## 15 Intangible assets (continued)

### (a) Goodwill Allocation

Goodwill is allocated to the Group's cash-generating units (CGUs) identified according to business segment.

On 1 January 2014 the Program Management segment was amalgamated to the APAC/Africa segment. Accordingly \$530,000 of goodwill was re-allocated to the APAC/Africa CGU.

During the second half of 2014 the groups of assets for the purposes of identifying CGUs were adjusted to reflect the business restructure (further details refer note 2(b) and note 4) which occurred in August 2014. The CGUs of the business are now aligned with the new operating segments and are therefore defined on a geographical basis. This is the smallest group of assets that generate independent cash flows due to shared resourcing and management structures.

In accordance with Group accounting policy (refer note 2(p)(i)) goodwill is reallocated based on the relative values of the business units affected by the change.

Goodwill has been reallocated to the new CGUs as follows:

	<b>Goodwill at 31 December 2014 \$'000</b>
<b>Consolidated</b>	
<b>Operating Segments at 31 December 2014</b>	
APAC/Africa (including \$10.0 million impairment charge)	24,634
North America	85,720
South America	47,464
<b>Total goodwill at 31 December 2014</b>	<b>157,818</b>
	<b>Goodwill at 31 December 2013 \$'000</b>
<b>Consolidated</b>	
<b>Operating segments at 31 December 2013</b>	
APAC/Africa	34,104
Process Infrastructure	97,341
Minerals & Metals	10,157
Environmental & Sustainability	13,383
Oil & Gas	18,993
Program Management	530
<b>Total goodwill at 31 December 2013</b>	<b>174,508</b>

### (b) Testing for impairment

Market conditions to develop new green-field projects across the resources and energy sectors were stable, yet comparably soft, during the year. New enquiries and tender levels increased as the year unfolded, with expectations for new projects and growth for Ausenco leading into 2015 and beyond.

Against this background, the Group refocused cross selling programs to optimise the utilisation of teams across the business and ensure all new revenue opportunities were pursued. As well as implementing a range of initiatives taken during the year, achieving \$29 million in lower recurring operating costs in 2014 with an additional \$20 million of savings on track to be delivered into 2015. The precise timing and outcome of these actions impacted the performance of some of the Group's CGUs.

## **15 Intangible assets (continued)**

### **(b) Testing for impairment (continued)**

The Group tests property, plant and equipment, intangibles and goodwill for impairment:

- at least annually for indefinite life intangibles and goodwill, and
- where there is an indication that the asset may be impaired (which is assessed at least each reporting date).

If the asset does not generate independent cash inflows and its value in use cannot be estimated to be close to its fair value, the asset is tested for impairment as part of the CGU to which it belongs.

Assets are impaired if their carrying value exceeds their recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is determined as the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal or value in use.

### **(c) Impairment calculations**

The Group tests annually the recoverable amount of each CGUs goodwill balance based on value in use calculations of the cash flow projections for each CGU. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset or CGU.

Despite the positive initiatives taken in restructuring the business and reducing cost as well as a weakening Australian dollar increasing the competitiveness of the business and attractiveness of new projects, the near term earnings for APAC/Africa CGU are expected to reflect lower levels of growth than other CGUs. Accordingly, the projected growth rates and discount rates have been adjusted to reflect the level of risk to this CGU.

### **(d) Impairment charge**

The Group recognises that year to date performance of APAC/Africa is below expectations and that market conditions in Australia continue to be subdued. The Group has conducted a carrying value assessment and has taken a \$10.0 million impairment charge against the goodwill balance of APAC/Africa (December 2014 \$24.6 million, December 2013 \$34.1 million). On 1 January 2014 the Goodwill balance for APAC/Africa had been increased by \$530,000 when the Program Management segment was amalgamated to the APAC/Africa segment.

The Value in Use of the Group's other CGU's were assessed by the Group to exceed their carrying values and no other CGU impairments were required to be recognised.

### **(e) Inputs to impairment calculations**

Unless otherwise identified, the following discussion of inputs and assumptions is applicable to the assessment of the value in use of all of the Group's CGUs.

The value in use calculations use cash flow projections based on Ausenco's corporate plans and business forecasts prepared by management and approved by the Board. The corporate plans are developed annually with a five-year outlook and on the understanding that actual outcomes may differ from the assumptions used. For these calculations, adjustments are incorporated for relevant industry metrics as well as to exclude the costs and benefits of expansion capital. In the circumstances that a CGU is unable to achieve the forecast growth in earnings, there is a risk that the carrying value of the CGU would exceed its recoverable amount.

Cash flows beyond the five-year period are extrapolated using estimated growth rates, which are based on Group estimates, taking into consideration historical performance as well as expected long-term operating conditions. Growth rates do not exceed the consensus forecasts of the long-term average growth rate for the market sector in which the CGU operates.

Discount rates are based on the weighted average cost of capital determined by prevailing or benchmarked market inputs, risk adjusted where necessary. Other assumptions are determined with reference to external sources of information and use consistent, conservative estimates for variables such as terminal cash flow multiples. Increases in discount rates or changes in other key assumptions, such as operating conditions or financial performance, may cause the recoverable amounts to fall below carrying values.

## 15 Intangible assets (continued)

### (f) Key assumptions used in value in use calculations and impact of changes to key assumptions

The pre-tax discount rates incorporate a risk-adjustment relative to the risks associated with the net pre-tax cash flows being achieved, whilst the growth rates are based on the long-term average growth rates of the businesses.

The key assumptions used for assessing the recoverable amounts of the CGUs are set out below.

	APAC / Africa	North America	South America
Discount rate (pre-tax)	19.5%	13.3%	14.8%
Growth rate beyond financial plan	1.1%	2.8%	4.6%

Given the subdued market conditions in Australia, the carrying value and impairment review for the APAC/Africa has been completed using a discount rate of 19.5% (2013 discount rate 14.0%) to reflect the market uncertainty. EBITDA growth and projected margins are based on actual performance in prior years adjusted for expected efficiency improvements, including the impact of the recent business restructure and cost reductions implemented, and the Group's ability to increase its share of the market in key sectors.

In the circumstances that a CGU is unable to achieve the forecast growth in EBITDA and projected margins, there is a risk that the carrying value of the CGU would exceed its recoverable amount. As the goodwill for APAC/Africa CGU is carried at its Value in Use assessment any variation to the key assumptions used to determine Value in Use would result in a change to the assessed Value in Use. A 15% change in EBITDA of APAC/Africa would give rise to a \$11 million change in the CGU's recoverable amount.

The recoverable value of the other CGUs is sensitive to changes in discount rate, the level of EBITDA over the 5 year forecast period, and the forecast long-term EBITDA that drives terminal value. A one per cent change in discount rates or a 15 per cent change in forecast long-term EBITDA approximates a \$10 to \$22 million change in each CGUs recoverable value.



## 16 Deferred income tax

### (a) Deferred tax asset:

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
<b>This balance comprises:</b>		
<b>Amounts recognised in profit or loss</b>		
Tax losses	24,288	22,724
Employee benefits	3,507	4,946
Unrealised foreign exchange losses	4,713	3,934
Accruals	1,552	2,524
Provision for impairment of receivables	1,338	1,160
Project provisions	1,181	949
Lease incentive liability	2,115	1,914
Property, plant and equipment	445	351
Intangibles	9,091	-
Compound interest	37	24
Other	1,321	2,007
	<b>49,588</b>	<b>40,533</b>
<b>Amounts recognised directly in equity</b>		
Costs associated with capital raisings	389	493
<b>Total deferred tax assets</b>	<b>49,977</b>	<b>41,026</b>
Set-off of deferred tax liabilities pursuant to set-off provisions	<b>(10,090)</b>	<b>(9,548)</b>
<b>Net deferred tax assets</b>	<b>39,887</b>	<b>31,478</b>
Deferred tax assets expected to be recovered within 12 months	7,577	9,579
Deferred tax assets expected to be recovered after more than 12 months	42,400	31,447
	<b>49,977</b>	<b>41,026</b>
Opening balance	41,026	25,823
Credited / (expensed) to income statement	8 7,190	268
Credited directly to equity	-	617
Net tax losses	1,254	12,385
Acquisition of subsidiary	36 -	454
Foreign currency translation reserve translation	202	1,479
Reclassification between deferred tax asset and deferred tax liabilities	305	-
<b>Closing balance at 31 December</b>	<b>49,977</b>	<b>41,026</b>

## 16 Deferred income tax (continued)

### (b) Deferred tax liability:

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
<b>This balance comprises:</b>		
<b>Amounts recognised in profit or loss</b>		
Unrealised foreign exchange gains	2,601	5,012
Work in progress	936	1,109
Depreciation - property, plant and equipment	1,107	901
Intangible assets	5,040	2,321
Other	695	26
	<b>10,379</b>	<b>9,369</b>
<b>Amounts recognised directly in equity</b>		
Employee options	-	230
<b>Total deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>10,379</b>	<b>9,599</b>
Set-off of deferred tax liabilities pursuant to set-off provisions	<b>(10,090)</b>	<b>(9,548)</b>
<b>Net deferred tax liabilities</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>51</b>
Deferred tax liabilities expected to be settled within 12 months	936	1,109
Deferred tax liabilities expected to be settled after more than 12 months	9,443	8,490
	<b>10,379</b>	<b>9,599</b>
Note		
Balance at 1 January	9,599	6,978
Acquisition of subsidiary	-	12
Credited / (expensed) to the income statement	373	2,142
Foreign currency translation reserve	102	467
Reclassification between deferred tax asset and deferred tax liabilities	305	-
<b>Closing balance at 31 December</b>	<b>10,379</b>	<b>9,599</b>

## 17 Trade and other payables

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
<b>Current</b>		
Trade payables and accruals	22,549	38,123
Other tax payables	5,464	6,192
<b>Total trade and other payables</b>	<b>28,013</b>	<b>44,315</b>

### (a) Risk exposure

Information about the Group's exposure to foreign exchange risk is provided in note 37.

## 18 Borrowings

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
<b>Current</b>		
Secured bank loans	15,901	38,128
Other unsecured loans	2,673	2,860
	<b>18,574</b>	<b>40,988</b>
<b>Non-current</b>		
Secured bank loans	45,334	20,941
Other unsecured loans	1,719	386
	<b>47,053</b>	<b>21,327</b>
<b>Total borrowings</b>	<b>65,627</b>	<b>62,315</b>

### (a) Secured bank borrowing

Bank loans are subject to a weighted average interest rate of 4.6% (2013: 4.1%). See note 18(c) for details of security provided.

As at 31 December 2014, the Australian and New Zealand Banking Group (ANZ) and National Australia Bank (NAB) funding facility was \$100.8 million (2013: \$129.1 million), comprising bank overdraft, advance and amortising debt facilities of \$70.8 million, bank guarantee and letter of credit facilities of \$30.0 million. During the 2014 year \$5.3 million has been repaid on the facilities, with the lower Australian dollar since 1 January 2014 resulting in a \$2.1 million revaluation when translated to Australian dollars on the year end balances denominated in Canadian and United States dollars.

As disclosed in the Interim Financial Report for the half year ended 30 June 2014, the Group had a breach of its financial covenants in the first half of the financial year which was waived by the banks.

In November 2014, ANZ and NAB agreed to extend the repayment timeline associated with \$33.1 million of the drawn debt facilities denominated in Canadian dollars to January 2016. The existing amortising United States dollar debt facility of \$22.7 million continues until May 2016.

## 18 Borrowings (continued)

### (a) Secured bank borrowing (continued)

As part of the arrangements, ANZ and NAB have agreed to review in mid 2015 an extension of the facility terms beyond these nominated dates in 2016. In addition, modified financial covenants to be satisfied at 31 December 2014 and quarterly during 2015 have been agreed. The covenants have been struck with reference to the Group's budget. If the Group's actual financial quarterly performance during 2015 differs materially from the forecast provided, the Group could be in potential breach of its revised banking covenants, placing the Group in default of the terms of its banking facilities.

The Directors are confident in the Group's ability to meet the financial covenants and extend or refinance the Group's debt facilities before they fall due.

At 31 December 2014, \$24.2 million (2013: \$49.4 million) of the total ANZ and NAB facility was unused. The reduced level of unused facilities reflects the agreement to reduce the level of available and undrawn facilities, and associated costs, to a level more reflective of current and near term requirements.

### (b) Other unsecured borrowings

Other borrowings are subject to a weighted average interest rate of 2.3% (2013: 2.9%).

The Group leases software licences with a carrying amount of \$2,407,337 (2013: \$1,078,761) under finance leases expiring within three years.

### (c) Assets pledged as security

	Consolidated 2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
<b>Current</b>		
<i>Floating charge</i>		
Cash and cash equivalents	16,538	21,734
Trade and other receivables	32,100	41,729
Unbilled revenue	14,084	13,754
Other current assets	15,192	8,530
Total current assets pledged as security	<u>77,914</u>	<u>85,747</u>
<b>Non-current</b>		
<i>Fixed and floating charge</i>		
Receivables	10	8
Intangible assets	181,584	192,425
Deferred tax assets	28,113	23,905
Plant and equipment	12,927	14,772
Total non-current assets pledged as security	<u>222,634</u>	<u>231,110</u>
<b>Total assets pledged as security</b>	<u>300,548</u>	<u>316,857</u>

### (d) Fair value

For the majority of the borrowings, the fair values are not materially different to their carrying amounts, since the interest payable on those borrowings is either close to current market rates or the borrowings are of a short-term nature.

## 19 Provisions

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
<b>Current</b>		
Employee benefits	13,065	14,847
Project warranty provision	500	3,909
Onerous leases	1,770	118
Other current provisions	1,546	1,698
	<u>16,881</u>	<u>20,572</u>
<b>Non-current</b>		
Employee benefits	652	612
Make-good provision	944	558
Onerous leases	616	-
	<u>2,212</u>	<u>1,170</u>
<b>Total provisions</b>	<u>19,093</u>	<u>21,742</u>

**(a) Employee benefit amounts not expected to be settled within the next 12 months**

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
Amounts not expected to be settled within 12 months	<u>652</u>	<u>612</u>

The current provision for employee benefits includes accrued annual leave, vesting sick leave and long service leave. For long service leave it covers all unconditional entitlements where employees have completed the required period of service (10 years) and also those where employees are entitled to pro-rata payments in certain circumstances.

**(b) Make-good provisions**

The Group is required to restore some leased premises to their original condition at the end of the respective lease terms. A provision has been recognised for the present 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 10 years or the term of the lease.

**(c) Onerous leases**

The Group recognised a provision for onerous leases. This is based on the present cost of unutilised leased space less the anticipated sub-leased revenue.

## 19 Provisions (continued)

### (d) Movements in provisions

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

<b>Consolidated 2014</b>	<b>Make good \$'000</b>	<b>Project warranty \$'000</b>	<b>Onerous leases \$'000</b>	<b>Other \$'000</b>	<b>Total \$'000</b>
<b>Carrying amount at start of year</b>	558	3,909	118	1,698	<b>6,283</b>
Additional provisions recognised	386	500	2,325	2,381	<b>5,592</b>
Unused amounts reversed	-	(1,230)	-	(1,332)	<b>(2,562)</b>
Transferred to doubtful debt provision	-	(2,500)	-	-	<b>(2,500)</b>
Exchange Difference	-	(179)	-	(5)	<b>(184)</b>
Amounts used during the year	-	-	(57)	(1,196)	<b>(1,253)</b>
Closing balance	944	500	2,386	1,546	<b>5,376</b>
Analysis of total provisions					
Current	-	500	1,770	1,546	<b>3,816</b>
Non-current	944	-	616	-	<b>1,560</b>
	<b>944</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>2,386</b>	<b>1,546</b>	<b>5,376</b>

## 20 Other liabilities

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	<b>2013 \$'000</b>
<b>Current</b>		
Lease incentive	<b>1,454</b>	1,401
Deferred consideration <sup>(a)</sup>	<b>-</b>	2,169
	<b>1,454</b>	3,570
<b>Non-current</b>		
Lease incentives	<b>4,365</b>	5,438
	<b>4,365</b>	5,438
<b>Total other liabilities</b>	<b>5,819</b>	<b>9,008</b>

(a) Further information relating to deferred consideration can be found in Note 36.

## 21 Contributed equity

### (a) Share capital

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>31 December</b>	31 December
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Balance at 1 January	245,841	216,878
Shares issued	-	31,446
Transaction costs (net of tax)	-	(1,476)
Treasury Shares	340	(1,007)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>246,181</b>	<b>245,841</b>

### (b) Movements in ordinary share capital

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Shares</b>
Balance at 1 January	168,449,799	123,527,574
Shares issued	-	44,922,225
<b>Total contributed equity</b>	<b>168,449,799</b>	<b>168,449,799</b>

### (c) Terms and Conditions of Contributed Equity

Ordinary shares have the right to receive dividends as declared and, in the event of winding up of the Group, to participate in the proceeds from the sale of all surplus assets in proportion to the number of and amounts paid up on shares held. Ordinary shares entitle their holder to one vote, either in person or by proxy, at a meeting of the Company.

### (d) Treasury shares

Treasury shares are shares in Ausenco Limited that are held by the Ausenco Performance Trust for the purpose of issuing shares under the Ausenco employee share and performance rights schemes (see note 33 for further information).

	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Shares</b>
Opening balance	1,675,363	25,027
Acquisition of shares by the Trust	-	2,040,798
Employee share scheme issue	(13,320)	(37,465)
Transferred - options / performance rights	(517,561)	(352,997)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>1,144,482</b>	<b>1,675,363</b>

### (e) Dividend reinvestment plan

In August 2012 the Company advised that the dividend reinvestment plan would be suspended until further notice. The plan remains suspended in 2014.

## 22 Reserves

### (a) Reserves

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
Share-based payments reserve	<b>3,263</b>	2,707
Foreign currency translation reserve	<b>(40,309)</b>	(33,081)
Other reserves	<b>(940)</b>	(940)
	<b>(37,986)</b>	(31,314)

Note	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000

### Movements:

#### Share-based payments reserve

Balance at 1 January		<b>2,707</b>	2,464
Options and Performance rights expenses	33	<b>881</b>	1,198
Employee share plan expense	33	<b>15</b>	127
Shares issued to employees		<b>(340)</b>	(1,082)
Balance 31 December		<b>3,263</b>	2,707

#### Foreign currency translation reserve

Balance at 1 January		<b>(33,081)</b>	(39,721)
Net investment hedge		<b>(2,618)</b>	3,206
Currency translation differences arising during the year		<b>(4,610)</b>	3,434
Balance 31 December		<b>(40,309)</b>	(33,081)

#### Transactions with non-controlling interests

Opening balance		<b>(940)</b>	-
Acquisition of additional ownership in entity	25	<b>-</b>	(940)
Balance 31 December		<b>(940)</b>	(940)



## 22 Reserves (continued)

### (b) Nature and purpose of other reserves

#### (i) Share-based payments

The share-based payments reserve is used to recognise:

- the grant date fair value of shares, options and rights issued to employees;
- the issue of shares held by Ausenco Performance Trust to employees; and
- the funding of share purchases to employees made by the Ausenco Performance Trust.

#### (ii) Foreign currency translation

Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign controlled entities are recognised in other comprehensive income as described in note 2(e) and accumulated in a separate reserve within equity. The cumulative amount is reclassified to profit or loss when investment in the controlled foreign entity is reduced.

The Group has long-term internal loans and receivables that are designated as part of the net investment in foreign subsidiary operation totalling \$66.2 million (2013: \$75.1 million). The Group also has \$18.2 million of external borrowings designated as hedges against net assets in foreign subsidiaries. On consolidation, exchange differences of \$2.6 million (2013: \$3.2 million) arising from the revaluation of these loans and borrowings are taken to foreign currency translation reserve.

#### (iii) Other reserves

The Group treats transactions with non-controlling interests that do not result in a loss of control as transactions with equity owners of the Group. A change in ownership interest results in an adjustment between the carrying amounts for controlling and non-controlling interests to reflect their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference between the amount of the adjustment to non-controlling interests and any consideration paid or received is recognised in a separate reserve within equity attributable to owners of the Company.

## 23 Retained earnings

Movements in retained earnings were as follows:

		<b>Consolidated</b>	
		<b>2014</b>	2013
	Notes	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
Balance 1 January		<b>43,934</b>	94,484
Net loss for the year		<b>(25,015)</b>	(35,603)
Dividend paid	24	<b>(341)</b>	(14,947)
<b>Balance 31 December</b>		<b>18,578</b>	<b>43,934</b>

## 24 Dividends

### (a) Ordinary shares

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
<b>Interim dividend</b>		
Interim unfranked dividend for the financial year ended 31 December 2013 of 2.0 cents per share paid on 18 September 2013	-	2,471
<b>Final dividend</b>		
Final ordinary dividend for the financial year ended 31 December 2012 of 10.1 cents per share paid on 1 May 2013	-	12,476
	<u>-</u>	<u>14,947</u>
Dividends paid in cash or under the dividend reinvestment plan during the years ended 31 December 2014 and 2013 were as follows:		
Paid in cash	-	14,947

### (b) Franked dividends

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
Franking credits available for subsequent reporting periods based on a tax rate of 30.0% (2013 - 30.0%)	<u>428</u>	<u>748</u>

The above amounts represent the balance of the franking account as at the end of the reporting period, adjusted for:

- (i) franking credits that will arise from the payment of the current tax liability,
- (ii) franking debits that will arise from the payment of dividends recognised as a liability at the reporting date, and
- (iii) franking credits that will arise from the receipt of dividends recognised as a receivables at the reporting date.

### (c) Dividend paid to non-controlling interest in subsidiaries

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
Dividend paid to non-controlling interest in the Rylson Group	<u>341</u>	-

Information relating to business combinations can be found in note 36.

## 25 Investments in controlled entities

### (a) Significant investments in subsidiaries

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the assets, liabilities and results of the following subsidiaries in accordance with the accounting policy described in note 2(d):

Name of entity	Country of Incorporation	Beneficial interest held by the consolidated entity	
		2014 %	2013 %
AB Ventures Ltd	Mauritius	100	100
Ausenco Africa Limited	Mauritius	100	100
Ausenco Americas LLC	United States	100	100
Ausenco Beijing Limited	China	100	100
Ausenco Business Services Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	100	-
Ausenco Canada Inc	Canada	100	100
Ausenco Chile Limitada	Chile	100	100
Ausenco COS1 Limited	United Kingdom	100	-
Ausenco do Brasil Engenharia Ltda	Brazil	100	100
Ausenco Engineering Alberta Inc	Canada	100	100
Ausenco Engineering Canada Inc	Canada	100	100
Ausenco Engineering USA South Inc	United States	100	100
Ausenco Engineers Private Limited	India	100	100
Ausenco Global Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100
Ausenco International Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100
Ausenco Ireland Pty Limited*	Ireland	-	100
Ausenco Management Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100
Ausenco Operations Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100
Ausenco Performance Trust	Australia	100	100
Ausenco Peru S.A.C	Peru	100	100
Ausenco Projects Limited	Hong Kong	100	100
Ausenco PSI LLC	United States	100	100
Ausenco Rylson Pty Limited**	Australia	100	75
Ausenco Saudi Arabia Pty Ltd	Saudi Arabia	100	100
Ausenco Senegal SARL	Senegal	100	100
Ausenco Services Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100
Ausenco Sierra Leone Pty Limited	Sierra Leone	100	100
Ausenco Solutions Canada Inc	Canada	100	100
Ausenco Solutions Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100
Ausenco Solutions Quebec Inc	Canada	100	100
Ausenco South Africa (Pty) Limited	South Africa	100	100
Ausenco South America Holdings Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100
Ausenco USA Inc	United States	100	100
Ausenco Vietnam Co Ltd	Vietnam	100	100
Forestal Enterprises Ltd	Mauritius	100	100
Forestal International Consultants Inc	Canada	100	100
Global Procurement Services Limited***	Thailand	100	100
Pipeline Systems Chile SA	Chile	100	100
Pipeline Systems Incorporated (Baotou) Ltd	China	100	100
Pipeline Systems International Australia Pty Ltd	Australia	100	100
PSI Engineering Ltd	Canada	100	100
PT Ausenco Indonesia	Indonesia	100	100

## 25 Investments in controlled entities (continued)

### (a) Significant investments in subsidiaries (continued)

Name of entity	Country of Incorporation	Beneficial interest held by the consolidated entity	
		2014 %	2013 %
Sandwell Engineers (Proprietary) Limited	South Africa	70	70
Sandwell Inc	Canada	100	100
Sandwell Offshore Technologies. Inc	United States	100	100
Sandwell Sarana Consultants Inc	Canada	100	100
Swan Wooster Engineering Consultants Inc	Canada	100	100
Vector Argentina S.A.	Argentina	100	100
Vector Engineering Inc	United States	100	100

\* Ausenco Ireland Limited was placed into voluntary liquidation on 6 December 2013.

\*\* During 2014 the Group purchased the remaining 25% portion of Ausenco Rylson Pty Limited.

\*\*\* Global Procurement Services Limited currently in the process of voluntary liquidation.

## 26 Interests in joint arrangements

### (a) Interests in joint operations

	Ownership Interest Consolidated	
	2014 %	2013 %
Ausenco Roche - A joint venture with Roche Mining (Canada)	50	50
WorleyParsons Ausenco Joint Venture - Program management services for Alpha Coal Project (Australia)	50	50
Ausenco Taggart - Specific Coal Handling and Preparation Plant (CHPP) Projects (Australia)	-	50

### (b) Interests in joint ventures

	Ownership Interest Consolidated	
	2014 %	2013 %
Kramer Ausenco - Integrated engineering and construction services (PNG and the South Pacific Islands)	50	50
Ausenco Taggart Mongolia LLC - Coal Handling and Preparation Plant (CHPP) Projects (Mongolia)	50	50

## 26 Interests in joint arrangements (continued)

Information relating to the joint venture entities, presented in accordance with the accounting policy described in note 2(d) is set out below:

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
<b>Share of joint ventures assets and liabilities</b>		
Current assets	<b>3,486</b>	5,513
Non-current assets	<b>5,742</b>	4,741
Total assets	<b>9,228</b>	10,254
Current liabilities	<b>4,824</b>	6,067
Non-current liabilities	<b>322</b>	598
Total liabilities	<b>5,146</b>	6,665
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>4,082</b>	<b>3,589</b>
<b>Share of joint ventures revenue, expenses and results</b>		
Services revenue	<b>6,427</b>	8,078
Expenses	<b>(6,129)</b>	(8,028)
Profit before income tax	<b>298</b>	50

The Group had no other commitments in the joint ventures.

No contingent liabilities for interest in joint venture arrangements.

## 27 Reconciliation of loss / profit after income tax to net cash inflow from operations

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
Reconciliation of operating loss after income tax to net cash flow from operating activities:		
Net loss after income tax benefit	<b>(25,015)</b>	(35,200)
Depreciation and amortisation of non-current assets	<b>9,800</b>	15,744
Impairment of intangible assets	<b>10,000</b>	12,470
Share based payments expense	<b>898</b>	1,325
Unrealised net loss on foreign exchange	<b>3,600</b>	3,801
Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangibles	<b>(25)</b>	726
Change in operating assets and liabilities adjusted for effects of purchase of controlled entities during the financial year		
Decrease in trade receivables	<b>18,196</b>	26,960
Decrease in unbilled revenue	<b>6,920</b>	22,211
Increase in deferred tax assets	<b>(8,409)</b>	(7,034)
Decrease in other assets	<b>2,027</b>	902
Decrease in billings in advance	<b>(4,434)</b>	(514)
Decrease in payables and other liabilities	<b>(19,428)</b>	(17,018)
Decrease in current income tax	<b>(926)</b>	(5,631)
Decrease in other provisions	<b>(2,649)</b>	(4,591)
Increase / (decrease) in deferred tax liabilities	<b>238</b>	(5,106)
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<b>(9,207)</b>	<b>9,045</b>

## 28 Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

### (a) Guarantees

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
The consolidated entity is, in the normal course of business, required to provide guarantees and letters of credit on behalf of controlled entities in respect of their contractual performance related obligations. These guarantees and indemnities only give rise to a liability where the entity concerned fails to perform its contractual obligations. Bank guarantees outstanding at the balance date in respect of commitments for expenditure	<b>15,419</b>	20,706

### (b) Litigations

One of the Group's wholly owned subsidiary companies remains an incorrectly named co-defendant to a court action in Ontario, Canada. The claim related to services that were provided by a company which is not, and has not at any time been, related to Ausenco. In April 2014 the Ontario lower court confirmed that the lawsuit will proceed in Ontario. There are currently no confirmed court dates as the parties are in the process of agreeing a proposed timetable to progress the action. Ausenco continues to vigorously defend the claim and take appropriate steps to have it removed as a defendant in the matter.

In a separate matter, two of Ausenco's wholly owned subsidiary companies have been named as co-defendants to court claims in Canada. The overseas claims relate to equipment that failed in 2010, after 14 years of successful operation. The claims arise from services provided in 1997 by subsidiary companies that were acquired by Ausenco in 2008. Ausenco's insurer has been notified of the claims and Ausenco intends to vigorously defend the nature and basis of the claims on a number of fronts.

One of Ausenco's wholly owned, Canadian subsidiary companies has been named as a co-defendant to a Canadian claim as a means by the client to expand potential recovery opportunities. The plaintiff's action is focused primarily on a sub-consultant who has also been named as a co-defendant. Currently no court and/or mediation dates have been confirmed for this matter. Ausenco's insurer has been notified of the claims and Ausenco intends to vigorously defend the nature and basis of the claims on a number of fronts.

In December 2014 Ausenco initiated arbitration proceedings against a client following the non-payment of variation claims following the completion of a project in Africa. The directors have not disclosed an estimation of the amount or timing of possible cash inflows and recoveries to Ausenco related to the action as they do not want to prejudice the position of the Company in this dispute.

## 29 Key management personnel

### (a) Key Management Personnel compensation

	Consolidated 2014 \$	2013* \$
Short-term employee benefits	3,139,241	4,347,348
Post-employment benefits	131,513	248,996
Long-term benefits	28,822	27,800
Share-based payments	579,070	612,048
Termination benefits	-	19,641
	<u>3,878,646</u>	<u>5,255,833</u>

\* 2013 short-term employee benefits have been restated to include housing benefits provided.

### (b) Other transactions with key management personnel

During the year ended 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2013 no other transactions were made with the key management personnel of Ausenco Limited.



### 30 Remuneration of auditors

During the year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor of the parent entity, its related practices and non-related audit firms:

	Consolidated 2014 \$	2013 \$
<b>(a) PwC Australia</b>		
<i>Audit and other assurance services</i>		
Audit and review of financial statements	294,000	557,942
Other accounting services	-	89,250
<i>Other services</i>		
Tax compliance and advisory services	31,972	175,332
<b>Total remuneration of PwC Australia</b>	<b>325,972</b>	<b>822,524</b>
<b>(b) Network firms of PwC Australia</b>		
<i>Audit and other assurance services</i>		
Audit or review of financial statements	172,913	182,129
Other accounting services	-	42,359
<i>Other services</i>		
Tax compliance and advisory services	19,210	96,738
<b>Total remuneration of network firms of PwC Australia</b>	<b>192,123</b>	<b>321,226</b>
<b>(c) Non-PwC audit firms</b>		
<i>Audit and other assurance services</i>		
Audit and review of financial statements	97,242	47,993
Other accounting services	73,097	269,090
<i>Other services</i>		
Tax compliance and advisory services	204,196	161,766
<b>Total remuneration of non-PwC audit firms</b>	<b>374,535</b>	<b>478,849</b>
 Total auditors remuneration	 <b>892,630</b>	 1,622,599

## 31 Commitments

### (a) Capital commitments

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
<i>Capital expenditure commitments in relation to plant and equipment contracted but not provided for and payable:</i>		
Within one year	<b>632</b>	586
Later than one year but not later than five years	<b>520</b>	721
	<b>1,152</b>	1,307

### (b) Lease commitments: group as lessee

#### (i) Non-cancellable operating leases

The Group leases various offices under non-cancellable operating leases expiring within one to six years. The leases have varying terms and renewal rights. On renewal, the terms of the leases are renegotiated.

*Commitments for minimum lease payments in relation to non-cancellable operating leases are payable as follows:*

Within one year	<b>20,398</b>	20,163
Later than one year but not later than five years	<b>65,216</b>	47,137
Later than five years	<b>21,818</b>	-
Commitments not recognised in the financial statements	<b>107,432</b>	67,300

#### *Sub lease payment*

Future minimum lease payments expected to be received in relation to non-cancellable sub-leases of operating leases

<b>7,894</b>	7,642
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#### (ii) Finance leases

Commitments in relation to finance leases are payables as follows:

Within one year	<b>839</b>	1,388
Later than one year but not later than five years	<b>1,678</b>	361
Commitments recognised in the financial statements	<b>2,517</b>	1,749

The Group leases software licences with a carrying amount of \$2,407,337 (2013: \$1,078,761) under finance leases expiring within three years.

### (c) Remuneration commitments

Commitments for the payment of salaries and other remuneration as follows:

Within one year	<b>909</b>	908
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## 32 Related party transactions

### (a) Parent entities

The parent entity within the Group is Ausenco Limited which at 31 December 2014 owns 100% of the issued ordinary shares of Ausenco Services Pty Ltd, Ausenco Solutions Pty Ltd, Ausenco International Pty Ltd, Ausenco Global Pty Ltd and Ausenco Operations Pty Ltd.

### (b) Subsidiaries

Investment in controlled entities and subsidiaries is set out in note 25.

### (c) Transactions with other related parties

Transactions with related parties included transactions with joint ventures and joint operations as defined in note 26. The following transactions occurred:

	<b>Consolidated 2014</b>	2013
	\$	\$
Dividend revenue - other related parties	-	150,000
Services revenue	<b>110,514</b>	4,947,765
Services expenses	<b>(7,196,817)</b>	(79,681)
	<b>(7,086,303)</b>	5,018,084

No transactions occurred with Key Management Personnel of the Group.

### (d) Outstanding balances

The following balances are outstanding at the end of the reporting period in relation to transactions with related party joint ventures and joint operations as defined in note 26.

	<b>Consolidated 2014</b>	2013
	\$	\$
Current receivables (sale of goods)	<b>127,707</b>	6,667,552
Current payables (purchase of goods)	<b>(429,743)</b>	-

There were no outstanding balances with Key Management Personnel of the Group.

### (e) Loans to/from related parties

	<b>Consolidated 2014</b>	2013
	\$	\$
<i>Loans to other related parties</i>		
Opening balance at 1 January	-	2,359,648
Loans advanced	-	15,000
Loans reclassified as current receivables	-	(2,374,648)
Closing balance at 31 December	-	-

## **32 Related party transactions (continued)**

### **(f) Terms and conditions**

All other transactions were made on normal commercial terms and conditions and at market rates, except that there are no fixed terms for the repayment of loans between the parties. There was no interest charged on loans during the year.

Outstanding balances are unsecured and are repayable in cash.

## **33 Share based payments**

### **(a) "Executive Option Plan ("EOP")"**

The Group EOP was established in 2006 as a replacement for the cash based long term incentive plan. Staff eligibility to participate in the EOP is limited to Group Senior Executives (including Directors).

Under the EOP, eligible executive employees are invited to apply for options, each of which entitles the holder to subscribe for one fully paid ordinary share in the Company at an exercise price equal to the Company's share market price at the time of grant. The EOP provides for options, with associated time based vesting conditions, to be issued to eligible executive employees. Options are granted for a three year period, with one third of each option tranche vesting and becoming exercisable after each subsequent annual anniversary of the date of grant, subject to an overriding service condition. Options expire five years after the date of grant. Options granted under the EOP carry no dividend or voting rights.

There are currently no participants in the EOP and no outstanding options in the EOP.

### **(b) "Performance Rights Plan ("PRP")"**

The Group's Long Term Incentive ("LTI") plan is designed to link executive and selected management personnel reward with the key performance drivers which underpin sustainable long term growth in total shareholder return, comprising earnings growth, share price appreciation, dividends and capital returns to shareholders.

The Board determines on an annual basis whether the LTI plan will operate in the year. Participation in the LTI plan is offered at the discretion of the Board to eligible executives and selected management personnel who are able to influence the generation of shareholder wealth over the long term. The LTI plan provides the opportunity to receive performance rights, subject to the satisfaction of performance hurdles and vesting periods ("Eligible Employees").

The Group's PRP provides for performance rights to be issued to Eligible Employees. Under the PRP, Eligible Employees are invited to apply for performance rights, each of which entitles the holder to subscribe for one fully paid ordinary share in the Company at a nil exercise price.

Subject to the relevant performance hurdles being satisfied, each performance right entitles the holder to subscribe for one fully paid ordinary share in the Company at a nil exercise price. From 1 January 2014, Performance Rights granted which meet the applicable performance measurement metrics vest in a single tranche at the end of the three year performance measurement period. Prior to 2014 one third of the rights granted vested at the end of the two, three and four year period following grant, subject to a overriding service condition.

Where a participant leaves the Group, the terms of the PRP prescribe that the Board may exercise its discretion to allow a proportion of performance rights to vest and be exercised. The Board may deem any performance rights to have lapsed if, in the opinion of the Board, the Eligible Employee acts fraudulently or dishonestly or is in breach of any of their obligations to the Group.

In the event of a takeover or other formal scheme for the acquisition of the shares of the Group, the Directors may exercise their discretion to determine that all unvested performance rights vest, subject to further conditions to be determined by the Board.

### 33 Share based payments (continued)

#### (b) "Performance Rights Plan ("PRP")" (continued)

Grant date	Expiry date	Exercise price	Balance at start of the year	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Expired during the year	Balance at end of the year	Exercisable at end of the year
			Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
<b>2014</b>								
19-Feb-08	19-Feb-15	\$-	9,249	-	4,242	-	5,007	5,007
25-Feb-08	19-Feb-15	\$-	3,243	-	-	-	3,243	3,243
17-Mar-09	17-Mar-14	\$-	128,697	-	103,431	-	25,266	25,266
01-Jan-11	01-Jan-16	\$-	397,336	-	139,650	21,460	236,226	95,883
01-Jan-12	01-Jan-17	\$-	999,501	-	221,763	73,862	703,876	111,404
01-Jan-13	01-Jan-18	\$-	-	-	-	-	-	-
01-Jan-14	01-Jan-19	\$-	-	5,206,981	-	274,221	4,932,760	-
		\$-	<b>1,538,026</b>	<b>5,206,981</b>	<b>469,086</b>	<b>369,543</b>	<b>5,906,378</b>	<b>240,803</b>
Weighted average exercise price			\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Grant date	Expiry date	Exercise price	Balance at start of the year	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Expired during the year	Balance at end of the year	Exercisable at end of the year
			Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number
<b>2013</b>								
19-Feb-08	19-Feb-15	\$-	15,008	-	5,759	-	9,249	9,249
25-Feb-08	19-Feb-15	\$-	3,243	-	-	-	3,243	3,243
05-Mar-08	19-Feb-15	\$-	1,407	-	1,407	-	-	-
17-Mar-09	17-Mar-14	\$-	354,447	-	218,050	7,700	128,697	128,697
01-Jan-11	01-Jan-16	\$-	626,565	-	146,296	82,933	397,336	73,730
01-Jan-12	01-Jan-17	\$-	1,315,869	-	29,960	286,408	999,501	-
01-Jan-13	01-Jan-18	\$-	-	1,086,300	-	1,086,300	-	-
		\$-	<b>2,316,539</b>	<b>1,086,300</b>	<b>401,472</b>	<b>1,463,341</b>	<b>1,538,026</b>	<b>214,919</b>
Weighted average exercise price			\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-

The weighted average share price at the date of exercise of share rights exercised during the year ended 31 December 2014 was \$0.60 (2013: \$2.96).

The weighted average remaining contractual life of share rights outstanding at the end of the period was 3.6 years (2013: 2.5 years).

#### *Fair value of options/rights granted*

The fair value at a grant date is independently determined using the Hull White option pricing model that takes into account the exercise price, the term of the options/rights, the impact of dilution, the share price at grant date and expected price volatility of the underlying share, the expected dividend yield and the risk free interest rate for the term of the options/rights.

The model inputs for options/rights granted during the year ended 31 December 2014 included:

- (i) Share price at grant date in 2014 was \$0.63; (2013 issue: \$2.90)
- (ii) Expected price volatility of the company's shares: 43.6%; (2013 issue: 38.6%)
- (iii) Expected dividend yield: 2%; (2013 issue: 8.1%) and
- (iv) Risk free interest rate: 3.4% (2013 issue: 3.5%).

The expected price volatility is based on the historic volatility (based on the remaining life of the options/rights), adjusted for any expected changes to future volatility due to publicly available information.

The fair value of share rights granted during 2014 is \$0.42 (2013: \$2.31).

### 33 Share based payments (continued)

#### (c) "Employee Share Acquisition Plan ("ESAP")"

The ESAP is open to all personnel employed on a permanent basis by the Group ("Eligible Employees"). Each annual ESAP offer is subject to Board approval. Non-executive directors are not eligible to participate in the ESAP.

The ESAP supports employee retention by incorporating two or three year vesting periods.

The ESAP has been offered in 2008, 2011 and 2012. However in 2009, 2010, 2013 and 2014 the Board elected to forego the offer due to the uncertain economic climate and its impact on contributed equity. All shares offered under the 2008, 2011 and 2012 ESAP plan have vested. Any shares that have not been transferred to employees may be held in trust by the Trustee for a maximum period of 10 years after the date of the initial offer.

Under the 2011 and 2012 ESAP offer, Eligible Employees were invited to contribute between \$500 and \$5,000 to purchase Ausenco shares ("Employee Contribution Shares").

Ausenco matches the participant's Employee Contribution Shares at a ratio of 1:3, providing the participant with one conditional right to receive an Ausenco share at a later date for each Employee Contribution Share, provided the participant remains an Eligible Employee during that period ("ESAP Conditional Right").

50% of the ESAP Conditional Rights vest after one year of service and the remaining 50% vest after the second year of service from the date of offer.

These are unlisted securities and have no voting rights or entitlement to dividends. They cannot be traded or transferred and are held in trust until the necessary vesting criteria have been met. Upon vesting a participant's ESAP Conditional Rights will automatically convert into ordinary shares and once converted will have full voting rights and dividend entitlements and will remain in the Ausenco Performance Trust until such time as they are transferred or sold.

The Employee Contribution Shares along with the ESAP Conditional Rights (together the "ESAP Securities") will be held by the Trustee until such time as they are transferred, sold or forfeited. The Trustee remains the legal owner of all ESAP Securities so long as they remain held by the Ausenco Performance Trust. The participants are the beneficial owners of their ESAP Employee Contribution Shares and entitled to the full voting rights and dividend entitlements attached to each ESAP Employee Contribution Share.

#### (d) Expenses arising from share-based payment transactions

Total expenses arising from share based payment transactions recognised during the year as part of employee benefit expenses were as follows:

	<b>Consolidated</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
Options issued under employee option plan and performance rights plan	<b>881</b>	1,198
Shares issued under employee share scheme acquisition scheme	<b>15</b>	127
	<b>896</b>	1,325

### 34 Parent entity financial information

#### (a) Summary financial information

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets	162,021	142,155
Non-current assets	140,262	129,369
Total Assets	<u>302,283</u>	<u>271,524</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current liabilities	10,488	925
Non-current liabilities	6,057	4,813
Total Liabilities	<u>16,545</u>	<u>5,738</u>
Net Assets	<u>285,738</u>	<u>265,786</u>
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>		
Contributed equity	260,206	259,591
Share based payments reserve	3,004	2,473
Retained earnings	<u>22,528</u>	<u>3,722</u>
	<u>285,738</u>	<u>265,786</u>
Profit or loss for the year	<u>18,806</u>	<u>16,956</u>
Total comprehensive income	<u>18,806</u>	<u>16,956</u>

Movements in retained earnings were as follows:

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
Balance at 1 January	3,722	1,706
Net Profit for the year	18,806	16,956
Dividends	-	(14,940)
Balance 31 December	<u>22,528</u>	<u>3,722</u>

#### (b) Guarantees entered into by the parent entity

As at 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2013, the parent entity recognised no financial guarantees.

There are cross guarantees given by Ausenco Limited, Ausenco Solutions Pty Ltd, Ausenco International Pty Ltd, Ausenco Global Pty Ltd, Ausenco Operations Pty Ltd and Ausenco Services Pty Ltd as described in note 35.

#### (c) Contingent liabilities of the parent entity

The parent entity did not have any contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2014 or 31 December 2013.

### **34 Parent entity financial information (continued)**

#### **(d) Contractual commitments for the acquisition of property, plant or equipment**

As at 31 December 2014, the parent entity had no contractual commitments for the acquisition of property, plant or equipment.

### **35 Deed of cross guarantee**

#### **(a) Consolidated income statement, statement of comprehensive income and summary of movements in consolidated retained earnings**

During 2014, the following companies within the Group were parties to a deed of cross guarantee under which each company guarantees the debts of the others:

- Ausenco Limited
- Ausenco Solutions Pty Ltd
- Ausenco International Pty Ltd
- Ausenco Global Pty Ltd
- Ausenco Operations Pty Ltd
- Ausenco Services Pty Ltd

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.

The above companies represent a 'closed group' for the purposes of the Class Order, and as there are no other parties to the deed of cross guarantee that are controlled by Ausenco Limited, they also represent the 'extended closed group'.

Set out below is a consolidated statement of comprehensive income and a summary of movements in consolidated retained earnings for the year ended 31 December 2014 of the closed group consisting of Ausenco Limited, Ausenco Solutions Pty Ltd, Ausenco International Pty Ltd, Ausenco Global Pty Ltd, Ausenco Operations Pty Ltd and Ausenco Services Pty Ltd.



### 35 Deed of cross guarantee (continued)

(a) Consolidated income statement, statement of comprehensive income and summary of movements in consolidated retained earnings (continued)

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
<b>Revenue from continuing operations</b>	<b>90,045</b>	179,186
Other income	33,879	10,221
Staff and contractor costs	(78,514)	(139,451)
Directly attributed project costs	(18,000)	(32,233)
Office and administration costs	(21,285)	(22,783)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(5,560)	(4,265)
Other expenses	(8,413)	(511)
Finance costs	(3,784)	(4,981)
<b>Loss before income tax</b>	<b>(11,632)</b>	<b>(14,817)</b>
Income tax benefit	28	6,679
<b>Loss for the year</b>	<b>(11,604)</b>	<b>(8,138)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>		
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	90	579
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>(11,514)</b>	<b>(7,559)</b>
<b>Summary of movements in consolidated retained earnings</b>		
<b>Retained earnings at the beginning of the financial year</b>	<b>38,536</b>	61,621
Loss for the year	(11,604)	(8,138)
Dividends provided for or paid	-	(14,947)
<b>Retained earnings at the end of the financial year</b>	<b>26,932</b>	38,536

### 35 Deed of cross guarantee (continued)

#### (b) Consolidated balance sheet

Set out below is a consolidated balance sheet as at 31 December 2014 of the closed group consisting of Ausenco Limited, Ausenco Solutions Pty Ltd, Ausenco International Pty Ltd, Ausenco Global Pty Ltd, Ausenco Operations Pty Ltd and Ausenco Services Pty Ltd.

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	5,427	17,675
Trade and other receivables	102,626	73,785
Unbilled revenue	3,696	9,269
Current tax receivables	-	1,702
Other current assets	7,009	6,257
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>118,758</b>	<b>108,688</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Net investments	226,770	215,356
Property, plant and equipment	10,070	11,691
Deferred tax assets	22,368	17,063
Intangible assets	3,165	25,604
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>262,373</b>	<b>269,714</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>381,131</b>	<b>378,402</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Trade and other payables	38,032	26,833
Borrowings	12,991	19,448
Billings in advance	583	2,360
Current tax liabilities	1,769	2,386
Other current liabilities	2,253	901
Provision	7,146	12,076
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>62,774</b>	<b>64,004</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>		
Borrowings	31,121	20,881
Deferred tax liabilities	4,204	-
Provisions	1,383	1,170
Other non-current liabilities	2,865	3,706
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>39,573</b>	<b>25,757</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>102,347</b>	<b>89,761</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>278,784</b>	<b>288,641</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Contributed equity	246,957	245,841
Reserves	4,895	4,264
Retained earnings	26,932	38,536
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>278,784</b>	<b>288,641</b>

### 36 Business combination

#### The Rylson Group - Summary of acquisition

On 28 August 2012 the Group acquired 75% of the share capital of the Rylson Group for \$4.2 million, a global provider of business improvement and asset management solutions. The remaining 25% of the business was acquired on 21 November 2014.

**Details of the purchase consideration, the net assets acquired, goodwill and the non-controlling interest at the acquisition date were as follows:**

	2014 \$'000
Purchase consideration:	
Cash paid	2,873
Deferred consideration	807
Contingent consideration	1,644
Total purchase consideration	<u>5,324</u>
Details of the final fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired are as follows:	
	Fair value \$'000
Cash	69
Trade receivables	2,012
Unbilled revenue	200
Tax receivable	192
Property, plant and equipment	506
Intangible assets	1,400
Trade and other payables	(922)
Provisions	(473)
Borrowings	(880)
Other non-current liabilities	(667)
Net identifiable assets acquired	<u>1,437</u>
Add: Goodwill	3,887
<b>Net assets acquired</b>	<u><b>5,324</b></u>

There were no contingent assets or liabilities identified and recognised at the time of acquisition or subsequently.

The acquisition was complete with effect from 28 August 2012, and all fair values provided are final.

The goodwill is attributed to the skills and technical talent of the employees of the Rylson Group and the synergies expected to be achieved from integrating the business into Ausenco's existing operations. It will not be deductible for tax purposes.

*(i) Deferred consideration*

Deferred consideration consisted of \$807,000 was paid in full during 2013.

## **36 Business combination (continued)**

### **The Rylson Group - Summary of acquisition (continued)**

#### *(ii) Contingent consideration*

The contingent consideration payment for the final 25% interest required the Group to pay in cash to the remaining shareholder of the company 25% of three times the average of the Rylson Group's normalised earnings before interest and tax (EBIT) for three years from 2012 - 2014. EBIT is normalised by adjusting for any non-market based expenses to a market based expense. The 25% consideration was capped at a maximum undiscounted amount of \$1.9 million, with a minimum floor payment of \$0.5 million.

The final payment was \$0.7 million which was paid on 21 November 2014. As a result \$1.1 million was released from other current liabilities to other income during the year ended 31 December 2014.

#### *(iii) Non-controlling interests*

The Group had elected not to recognise the non-controlling interest in the Rylson Group at its proportionate share of the acquired net identifiable assets as substantially all the risks and reward have been transferred to the Group on acquisition.

## **37 Financial risk management**

The Group uses different methods to measure different types of risk to which it is exposed. These methods include sensitivity analysis in the case of interest rate and foreign exchange risks and ageing analysis for credit risk.

The Group's principal financial instruments are comprised of cash and borrowings. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to partially finance the Group's operations and acquisitions.

The Group has various other financial instruments such as trade debtors and trade creditors, which arise directly from its operations and acquisitions.

The Group hedges a portion of its exposure to fluctuations in the translations of USD net assets into AUD by designating USD borrowings as a hedging instrument. Exchange differences arising on the translation of USD currency borrowings, to the extent that they are in an effective hedging relationship, are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income to match the exchange differences on the translation of hedged USD net assets.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The Board reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below.

The largest contributor to the Group's revenue is the receipt of Australian dollars, although the prices received are influenced by major movements in exchange rates, particularly that of the United States dollar and the Canadian dollar relative to the Australian dollar. The Group does not currently hedge any of this indirect currency exposure.

### **(a) Market risk**

#### *(i) Foreign exchange risk*

The Group operates internationally and is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from various currency exposures, primarily with respect to the Canadian dollar and US dollar.

## 37 Financial risk management (continued)

### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (i) Foreign exchange risk (continued)

The amounts below represent the Australian dollar equivalent at 31 December 2014 of United States dollar financial assets and liabilities in entities within the Group whose functional currency is not United States dollar and that are not designated as cash flow hedges:

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
<b>Financial assets</b>		
Foreign cash held	2,272	6,326
Receivables	4,914	6,763
	<u>7,186</u>	<u>13,089</u>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>		
Trade creditors and other accruals	502	2,423
Loans	400	4,895
	<u>902</u>	<u>7,318</u>
<b>Net exposure</b>	<u>6,284</u>	<u>5,771</u>

At 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2013, the Group did not have any forward currency contracts or foreign exchange options to cover the exposure to foreign currency risk in United States dollar receivables.

The following sensitivity is based on the foreign currency risk exposures in existence at the balance sheet date.

With all other variables held constant, the below table illustrates how post tax profit and equity for both the Group and parent company would have been affected had the Australian dollar moved against the United States dollar:

	<b>2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
<b>Post tax profit higher/ (lower)</b>		
AUD/USD +5%	(209)	(202)
AUD/USD -5%	220	202

The movements in profit are due to the movement in foreign exchange rates which impact the fair value of financial assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies.

#### (ii) Interest rate risk

The Group's exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to the Group's long term borrowings.

### 37 Financial risk management (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

##### (ii) Interest rate risk (continued)

At 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2013, the Group had the following mix of financial assets and liabilities exposed to variable interest rate risk:

	Consolidated 31 December 2014		Consolidated 31 December 2013	
	Weighted average interest rate %	Balance \$'000	Weighted average interest rate %	Balance \$'000
<b>Financial assets</b>				
Cash assets	1.3	14,976	1.7	13,948
	1.3	14,976	1.7	13,948
<b>Financial liabilities</b>				
Bank loans	4.2	43,805	3.0	42,607
	4.2	43,805	3.0	42,607
<b>Net Exposure</b>		<b>(28,829)</b>		<b>(28,659)</b>

The Board and management believe the balance date risk exposure is representative of the risk exposure inherent in the financial instruments.

The Group regularly analyses its interest rate exposure. Within this analysis consideration is given to potential renewals of existing positions, alternative financing, alternative positions and the mix of fixed and variable interest rates.

The following sensitivity analysis is based on the interest rate risk exposures in existence at the balance sheet date:

	Higher / (Lower)			
	2014 \$'000 Profit	2014 \$'000 Equity	2013 \$'000 Profit	2013 \$'000 Equity
<b>Consolidated:</b>				
+1% (100 basis points)	(202)	-	(201)	-
-0.5% (50 basis points)	101	-	100	-

#### (b) Credit risk

Credit risk is managed on a Group basis. Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to Ausenco if a client or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contracted obligations, and arises principally from Ausenco's receivables from clients. Management has a credit policy in place and the exposure to credit risk is monitored on an ongoing basis. Credit evaluations are performed on clients in accordance with policies. The Group also has a policy in place to ensure that surplus cash is invested with financial institutions of appropriate credit worthiness.

The credit risk of financial assets of the Group which have been recognised on the balance sheet is generally the carrying amount, net of any provisions for doubtful debts. Refer to note 11(b) for analysis of past due but not impaired receivables.

For some trade and other receivables the Group may also obtain security in the form of guarantees, deeds of undertaking or letters of credit or shares in listed companies which can be called upon if the counterparty is in default under the terms of the agreement.

## 37 Financial risk management (continued)

### (c) Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient assets to meet liabilities as they fall due. The Group ensures that it can meet its financial obligations as they fall due by maintaining sufficient reserves of cash and short term deposits to meet forecast cash outlays.

The Group has access to the following undrawn borrowing facilities at the end of the reporting period:

	<b>Consolidated 2014 \$'000</b>	2013 \$'000
<b>SECURED FACILITIES</b>		
<b>Total facilities available:</b>		
Overdraft facilities	15,000	20,000
Multi-currency loan facility	55,801	59,009
Asset finance facility	-	100
Bank guarantee and letter of credit	30,000	50,000
	<u>100,801</u>	<u>129,109</u>
<b>Facilities not utilised at balance date:</b>		
Overdraft facilities	9,566	20,000
Asset finance facility	-	100
Bank guarantee and letter of credit	14,581	29,294
	<u>24,147</u>	<u>49,394</u>
<b>UNSECURED FACILITIES</b>		
<b>Total facilities available:</b>		
Performance bonds	24,522	22,542
	<u>24,522</u>	<u>22,542</u>
<b>Facilities not utilised at balance date:</b>		
Performance bonds	24,522	22,542
	<u>24,522</u>	<u>22,542</u>

The bank overdraft, bank guarantee and letter of credit facilities may be drawn at any time.

## 37 Financial risk management (continued)

### (c) Liquidity risk (continued)

The table below analyses the Group's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period from balance date to the contractual maturity date. As the amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows, their balances will not necessarily agree with the amounts disclosed in the balance sheet.

	0 - 1 Year \$'000	1 - 2 Years \$'000	2 - 5 Years \$'000	5+ Years \$'000	Total \$'000	Carrying Value \$'000
<b>2014</b>						
<b>Non-derivatives</b>						
Trade and other payables	28,013	-	-	-	28,013	28,013
Borrowings and future interest payments	12,124	45,716	-	-	57,840	55,801
Financial guarantee contracts	2,793	727	1,071	-	4,591	4,393
<b>Total non-derivatives</b>	<b>42,930</b>	<b>46,443</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>90,444</b>	<b>88,207</b>
<b>2013</b>						
<b>Non-derivatives</b>						
Trade and other payables	44,315	-	-	-	44,315	44,315
Borrowings and future interest payments	40,448	21,767	-	-	62,215	59,009
Financial guarantee contracts	3,338	-	-	-	3,338	3,270
<b>Total non-derivatives</b>	<b>88,101</b>	<b>21,767</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>109,868</b>	<b>106,594</b>

### (d) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

The interest bearing assets of the Group is cash. Please refer to note 37(a)(ii) for the interest rate analysis and note 10 for interest bearing asset details.

### (e) Capital management risk

The Group's objectives when managing capital is to safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern, so that it may continue to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital. As at 31 December 2014, the Group's net debt was \$43,130,000 (2013: \$24,748,000).

In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue new shares. Management also measures the gearing position of the Group to ensure that banking debt covenants are complied with.

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

## 38 Events after the reporting period

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2014 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

- (a) the Group's operations in future financial years, or
- (b) the results of those operations in future financial years, or
- (c) the Group's state of affairs in future financial years.



In the Directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 25 to 92 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements, and
  - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2014 and of its performance for the year ended on that date, and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable, and
- (c) at the date of this declaration, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the members of the extended closed group identified in note 35 will be able to meet any obligations or liabilities to which they are, or may become, subject by virtue of the deed of cross guarantee described in note 35.

Note 2(c) confirms that the financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The Directors have been given the declarations by the chief executive officer and chief financial officer required by section 295A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of Directors.



George Lloyd  
Director



Zimi Meka  
Director

Brisbane  
18 February 2015



## **Independent auditor's report to the members of Ausenco Limited**

### ***Report on the financial report***

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Ausenco Limited (the company), which comprises the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 December 2014, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration for Ausenco Limited (the consolidated entity). The consolidated entity comprises the company and the entities it controlled at year's end or from time to time during the financial year.

### ***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 2(c), the directors also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, that the 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 consolidated entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report 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.

### ***Independence***

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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### *Auditor's opinion*

In our opinion:

- (a) the financial report of Ausenco 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 31 December 2014 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.
- (b) the financial report and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 2(c).

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

We have audited the remuneration report included in pages 9 to 22 of the directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2014. 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.

### *Auditor's opinion*

In our opinion, the remuneration report of Ausenco Limited for the year ended 31 December 2014 complies with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Michael Shewan'.

Michael Shewan  
Partner

Brisbane  
18 February 2015

## Alternative performance measures

In addition to using profit as a measure of the Group and its segments' financial performance, Ausenco uses EBITDA, EBITA, underlying EBITDA, net debt, net gearing ratio and underlying EBITDA to total financing costs ratio. These measures are not defined under IFRS and are, therefore, termed "Non-IFRS" measures.

Adjusted EBITA is defined as group profit before net interest, tax and amortisation (excluding amortisation of other intangible assets), while EBITDA is group profit before net interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation. These measures are considered to be useful measures of our operating performance because they approximate the underlying operating cash flow by eliminating depreciation and/or amortisation.

Net debt consists of borrowings (both current and non-current) less cash and cash equivalents. Net gearing ratio is defined as Net debt divided by Shareholders Equity plus Net debt. Net debt and Net gearing ratio are measures of the Group's indebtedness and provides an indicator of the balance sheet strength.

Underlying EBITDA to total financing costs ratio is defined as underlying EBITDA divided by interest expense and is useful because it demonstrates the ability of the Group to pay interest expense to external financiers in compliance with funding facilities.

These above mentioned measures are commonly used by management, investors and financial analysts to evaluate companies' performance.

A reconciliation of these non-IFRS measures and specific items to the nearest measure prepared in accordance with IFRS is included in the table below. The non-IFRS financial information contained within this Directors' Report and Notes to the Financial Statements has not been audited in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

	Notes	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
<b>Profit before income tax</b>		<b>(29,472)</b>	<b>(40,920)</b>
Finance costs		5,005	4,017
Interest income	5	(712)	(627)
<b>EBIT</b>		<b>(25,179)</b>	<b>(37,530)</b>
Amortisation of intangibles	6	4,313	9,138
<b>EBITA</b>		<b>(20,866)</b>	<b>(28,392)</b>
Depreciation	6	5,487	6,606
<b>EBITDA</b>		<b>(15,379)</b>	<b>(21,786)</b>
Onerous leases		2,311	-
Redundancy costs		4,506	10,652
Trade receivables write offs		-	8,217
WIP write offs and provisions		-	7,705
Underperforming contracts		-	8,835
Acquisition costs		-	1,014
Impairment of goodwill		10,000	12,470
<b>Underlying EBITDA</b>		<b>1,438</b>	<b>27,107</b>

		31 December 2014 \$'000	31 December 2013 \$'000
Borrowings - Current	18	(18,574)	(40,988)
Borrowings - Non-current	18	(47,053)	(21,327)
Total borrowings		(65,627)	(62,315)
Cash	10	22,497	37,567
<b>Net debt</b>		<b>(43,130)</b>	<b>(24,748)</b>

# Corporate Directory

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## Securities Exchange Listing

Ausenco Limited shares are listed on the Australian Securities Exchange under the code 'AAX'.

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