

May 2012



**Results
Presentation**
for the
12 months ended
31 March 2012



Agenda

- Overview of Results
- Debtor Analysis
- Financial Results
- Outlook
- Questions

1. OVERVIEW OF RESULTS



R4 857m

R919 m

23.5%

882.5c

270c

+ 6.1%

38.9%

23.5%

+13.0%

+ 30.0%

Revenue

Gross
Profit

Operating
Margin

Headline
Earnings
per share

Final
Dividend
per share

LY 4 578

LY 36.3%

LY 23.0%

LY 781.1c

LY 207c

Operating Profit - History



Solid operating performance over the past 12 years –
Compound annual growth of 13%



Overview of Results



- Sales pattern for the year.
 - Furniture & appliances (83% of business) - up 4.8% (FY12)
 - Electronic sales (17% of business) - down 3.5% (FY 12)
- Stable credit/cash mix - 71.4% .
- Revenue
 - Insurance premiums
 - Service income
- Credit application decline rate – 33.0% (LY: 31.5%).
- Debtor costs 10.8% of net Debtors (FY11: 10.2%).

Overview of Results (Cont'd)



- Store roll out – 29 stores opened.
- Merchandise a key focus.
- New ranges launched twice a year.
- Gross profit margin improved.

	<u>FY12</u>	<u>FY11</u>	<u>FY10</u>
Gross profit	38.9%	36.3%	34.9%
Exchange gains/(losses)	<u>0.6%</u>	<u>(0.3%)</u>	<u>(1.5%)</u>
All in gross	39.5%	36.0%	33.4%

- Stock turn – 5.1 times.



Debtor Analysis

Debtor Costs



	FY12	FY11
	Rm	Rm
Total Debtor costs	522	459
▪ Bad debts written off ▪ Impairment Provision	405 117	336 123
Debtor costs as a % of net debtors	10.8%	10.2%

Debtor Payment Analysis



Impairment provision allocated on number of customers in the four summary categories.

Debtor's Payment Analysis		NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS			IMPAIRMENT PROVISION %	
			2012	2011	2012	2011
Satisfactory paid	Customers fully up to date including those who have paid 70% or more of amounts due over the contract period	No.	491,478	521,304		
		%	72.1%	74.5%	1%	1%
Slow payers	Customers who have paid between 70% and 65% of amounts due over the contract period	No.	55,791	55,439		
		%	8.2%	7.9%	26%	27%
Non-performing customers	Customers who have paid between 65% and 55% of amounts due over the contract period	No.	45,978	44,436		
		%	6.7%	6.4%	42%	44%
Non-performing customers	Customers who have paid 55% or less of amounts due over the contract period	No.	88,265	78,174		
		%	13.0%	11.2%	95%	98%
			681,512	699,353	18%	16.8%

- Continue to provide for the aggregate amount of insurance charges that may be impacted by the *in duplum* rule.



Financial Results

Income Statement



	FY12	FY11	
	Rm	Rm	%
Revenue	4 857	4 578	6.1%
Merchandise sales	2 365	2 290	3.3%
Gross profit %	38.9%	36.3%	
Operating profit	1 139	1 053	8.2%
Operating margin %	23.5%	23.0%	
Attributable earnings	801	712	12.5%
EPS (cents)	905	807	12.1%
Headline EPS (cents)	883	781	13.0%

Segmental Analysis



2012		<u>Group</u>	<u>Lewis</u>	<u>Best Home and Electric</u>	<u>My Home</u>
Revenue (Rm)		4 857	4 084	653	120
Revenue growth (%)		6.1%	6.0%	11.0%	(11.6%)
Operating profit (Rm)		1 139	985	146	8
Operating margin	FY:12	23.5%	24.1%	22.3%	7.0%
	FY:11	23.0%	23.9%	21.4%	5.0%
Number of stores		602	468	118	16

IFRS 8: OPERATING SEGMENTS

Information provided to Chief Operating decision-makers

Analysis of Costs

Excluding Debtor Costs



	FY12	FY11	Change
	Rm	Rm	%
Employment costs	733	693	5.7%
Admin and IT	221	208	6.3%
Marketing	185	156	17.6%
Occupancy costs	207	186	11.4%
Transport/Travel	178	148	20.6%
Depreciation	49	47	4.3%
Other operating costs	177	170	4.9%
Total	1 750	1 608	8.8%
% of revenue	36.0%	35.1%	

Balance Sheet Overview



	FY12 Rm	FY11 Rm
Property, plant and equipment	312	279
Investments	1 378	1 097
Inventory	281	256
Net Debtors	4 065	3 835
Cash	78	84
Total Assets	6 114	5 551
Shareholders' equity and reserves	4 275	3 728
Retirement benefits	64	59
Tax and Deferred Tax	115	114
Creditors	586	567
Interest-bearing borrowings	1 074	1 083
	6 114	5 551

Cash Flow



	FY12	FY11
Cash Flow - Trading	1 358	1 296
Working Capital	386	519
Cash Flow - Operations	972	777
Interest & Tax Paid	367	358
Insurance Investments	194	160
Vehicles and F&F	78	67
Dividends	330	292
	(3)	100
Opening Borrowings	999	899
Net Borrowings	996	999

Capital Ratios



	FY12	FY11
ROE – after tax (%)	20.0%	20.3%
ROCE – after tax (%)	16.7%	17.2%
ROA – before tax (%)	21.1%	21.8%
Total Dividend (cents)	442	363
Gearing ratio (%)	23.3%	26.8%

- No further share buy back planned
- Investing in store roll out/Debtor book



Outlook

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• Financial and operating targets	<u>2013</u>	<u>Medium-term</u>
Gross profit margin (%)	36 – 38	36 – 38
Operating costs as a % of revenue	36 – 37	35 – 36
Debtor costs as a % of net debtors	9.5 – 10.5	8
Operating profit margin (%)	23 – 24	26
Inventory turn (times)	5 – 5.5	5 – 5.5
Gearing (%)	28 – 32	< 35
• Merchandise		
• Store expansion		



Questions