

Annual results presentation

for the 12 months ended 31 March 2015



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Overview of results



Revenue	Operating margin	Earnings per share	Net asset value	Total dividend per share
+ 8.0%	20.0%	- 0.4%	+ 8.9%	maintained
R5 703m	R1 140m	945c	6 551c	517c
LY R5 282m	LY 21.8%	LY 949c	LY 6 012c	LY 517c

Half 1 – Half 2 comparison

	H1	% change LY	H2	% change LY	2015 Full Year	% change LY
Revenue	2 580	+1.6%	3 123	+ 14%	5 703	+ 8.0%
Merchandise sales	1 128	(3.5%)	1 463	+ 18%	2 591	+ 7.6%
Debtor costs	401	+27%	457	+ 18%	858	+ 22.2%
Operating profit	472	(9.9%)	668	+ 6%	1 140	(1.2%)
Attributable earnings	340	(10.5%)	499	+ 8%	839	(0.3%)

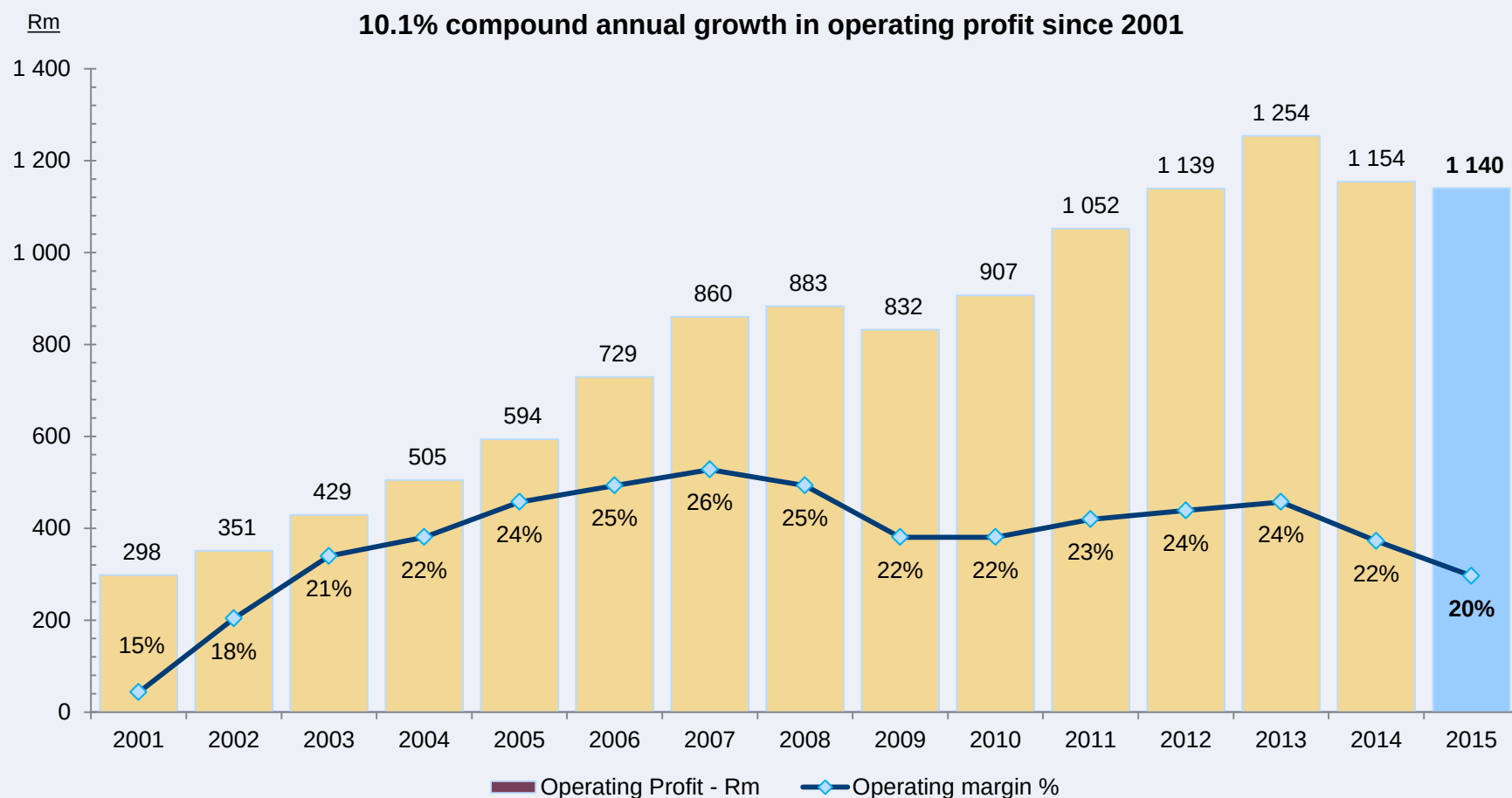
Overview of results

- Sales pattern for the year
 - › Furniture & appliances (81.3% of business) - up 7.5%
 - › Electronic sales (18.7% of business) - up 8.7%
- Credit application decline rate 40.2% (LY: 38.4%)
- Credit sales mix – 69.1% (LY 72.3%)
- Debtor costs 13% of net debtors (LY: 11.6%)
- Expenses well controlled

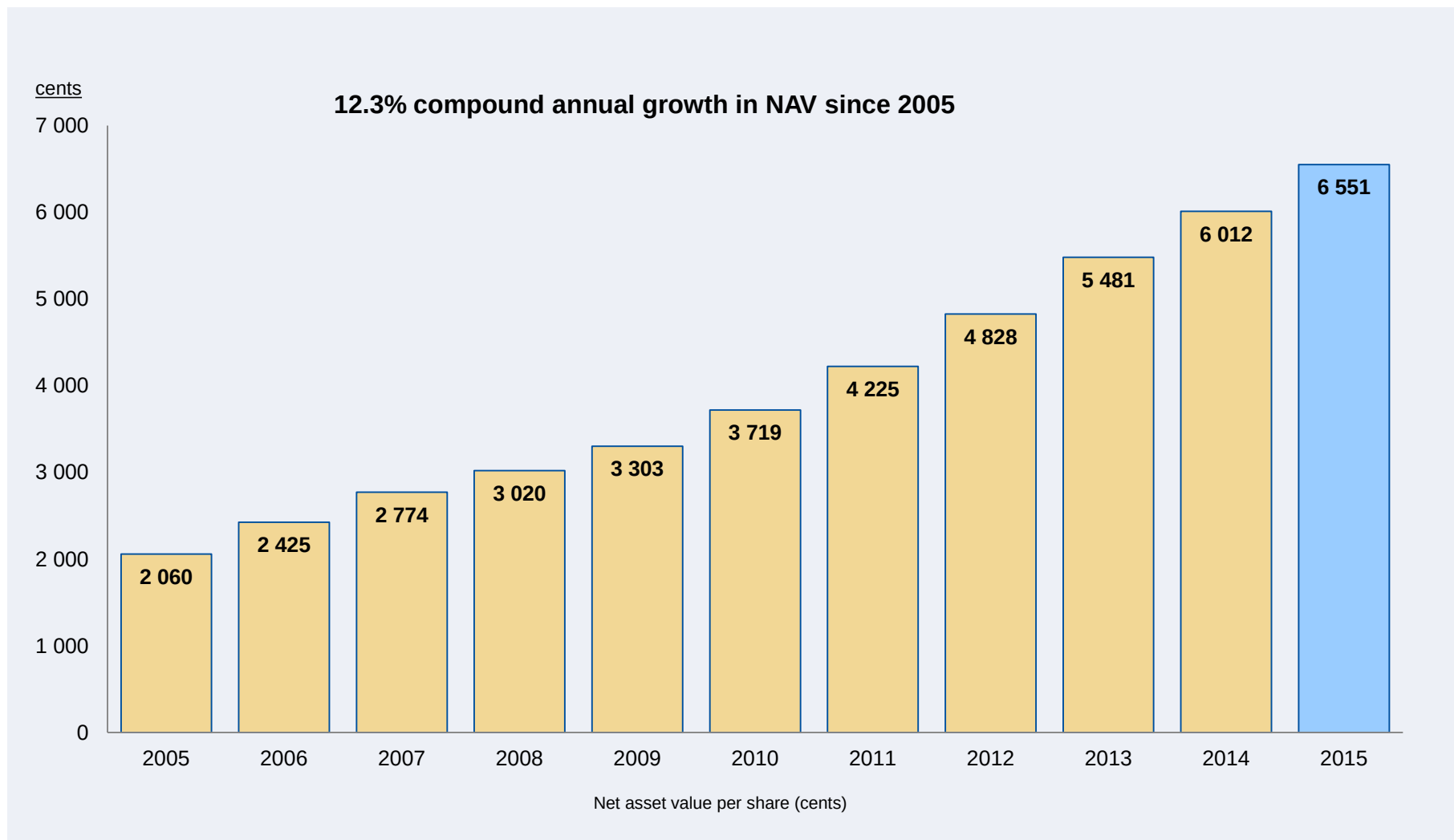
Overview of results

- Acquired the Beares brand and 61 stores – integrated from 2nd week Dec 2014
- Store roll out
 - 26 new stores opened
 - 75 stores refurbished
- Merchandise a key focus
- Solid gross profit margin at 36.6% despite aggressive discounting by competitors
- Resilient Lewis business model

Operating profit history



Net asset value per share



Debtor analysis



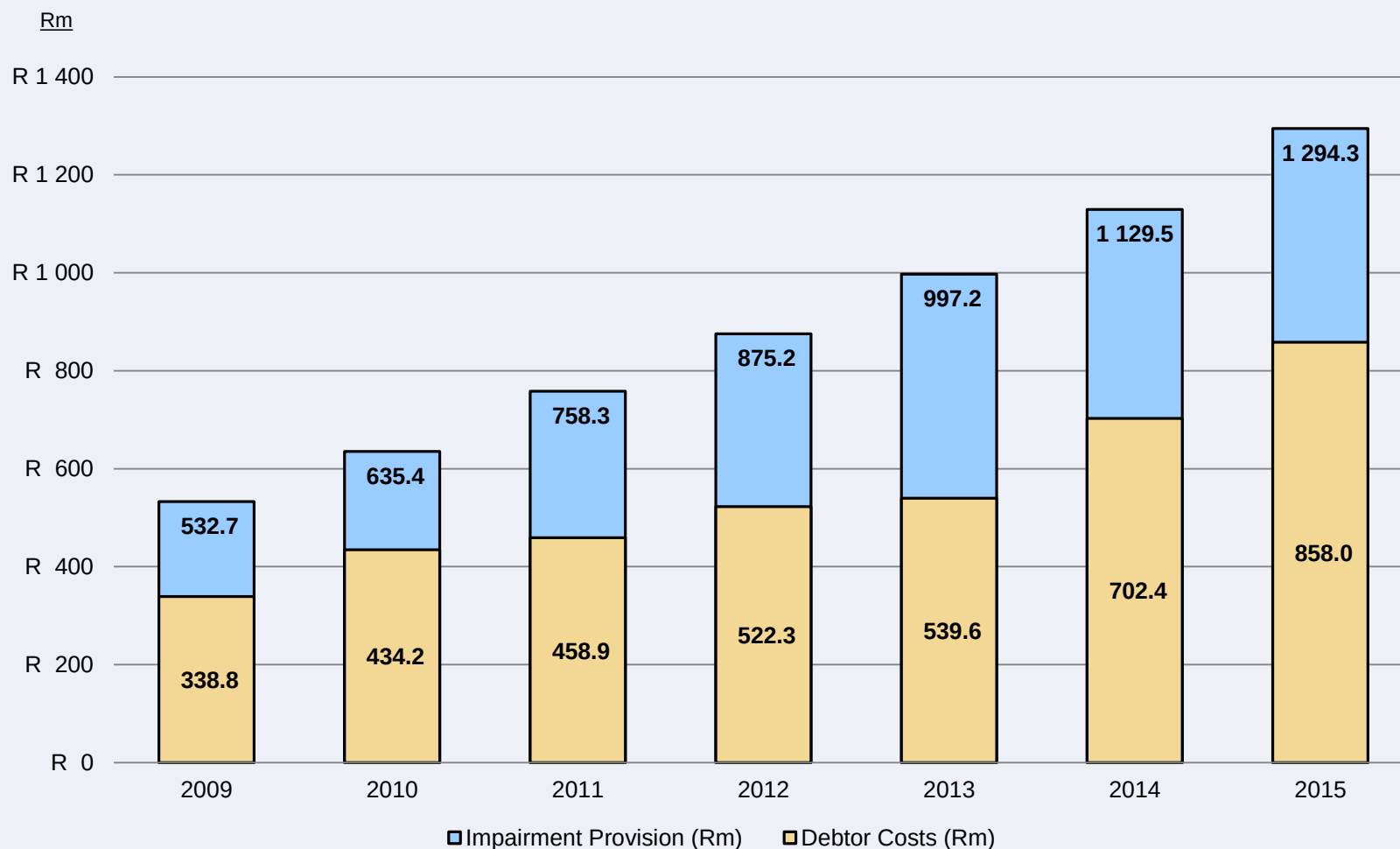
Debtor costs

	FY15 Rm	FY14 Rm
Total debtor costs (+22.2%)	858	702
■ Bad debts written off ■ Impairment provision	693 165	570 132
Debtor costs as a % of net debtors	13.0%	11.6%

Debtor payment analysis

Debtor's Payment Analysis		Number of Customers		Distribution of Impairment provision		
		2015	2014		2015	2014
Satisfactory paid: Customers fully up to date, including those who have paid 70% or more of amounts due over the contract period. The provision in this category results from an <i>in duplum</i> provision	No %	473 901 68.7%	463 048 68.3%	Rm %	21.1 1.6%	22.9 2.0%
Slow Payers: Customers who have paid 65% to 70% of amounts due over the period of the contract. The provision in this category ranges from 12% to 74% of Debtors and includes an <i>in duplum</i> provision (LY: 12% to 79%)	No %	56 347 8.2%	56 876 8.4%	Rm %	140.4 10.9%	121.3 10.8%
Non-performing customers: Customers who have paid 55% to 65% of amounts due over the period of the contract. The provision in this category ranges from 23% to 87% of Debtors (LY: 23% to 90%)	No %	52 433 7.6%	51 640 7.6%	Rm %	199.6 15.4%	180.0 15.9%
Non- performing customers: Customers who have paid 55% or less of amounts due over the contract period. The provision in this category ranges from 32% to 100% of Debtors (LY: 33% to 100%)	No %	107 167 15.5%	106 545 15.7%	Rm %	933.2 72.1%	805.3 71.3%
Totals	No	689 848	678 109	Rm	1 294.3	1129.5
Total impairment provision as a % of net debtors				%	19.7%	18.6%

Debtor costs vs. impairment provision (Rm)



Financial results



Income statement

		FY15	FY14	%
Revenue	Rm	5 703	5 282	8.0%
Merchandise sales	Rm	2 591	2 409	7.6%
Gross profit margin	%	36.6	36.7	
Operating profit	Rm	1 140	1 154	(1.2%)
Operating margin	%	20.0	21.8	
Attributable earnings	Rm	839	842	(0.3%)
EPS	cents	945	949	(0.4%)
Headline EPS	cents	883	921	(4.1%)

Segmental analysis



2015		Group	Lewis	Best Home and Electric	Bear's My Home
Revenue	Rm	5 703	4 688	802	213
Revenue growth	%	8.0	6.6	6.1	69.1
Operating profit	Rm	1 140	965	169	6
Operating margin	%	20.0	20.6	21.1	2.7
Number of stores		716	508	129	79

Analysis of costs

(excluding debtor costs)

	FY15	FY14	%
	Rm	Rm	
Employment costs	881	819	7.6%
Admin and IT	241	217	11.0%
Marketing	177	173	2.3%
Occupancy costs	274	245	11.6%
Transport / Travel	216	193	12.0%
Depreciation	64	58	9.0%
Other operating costs	208	196	6.7%
Total	2 061	1 901	8.4%
% of revenue	36.1%	36.0%	

Balance sheet

	FY15 Rm	FY14 Rm
<u>Assets</u>		
Property, plant and equipment	353	327
Trademark	60	-
Retirement benefit asset	77	80
Investments	1 843	1 699
Inventory	420	325
Debtors	5 396	5 079
Cash	222	480
Total Assets	8 371	7 990
<u>Equity and liabilities</u>		
Shareholders equity and reserves	5 824	5 342
Retirement benefit liability	106	93
Tax and deferred tax	213	181
Creditors	654	617
Interest-bearing borrowings	1 574	1 758
Total equity and liabilities	8 371	7 990

Capital ratios



	FY15	FY14
ROE – after tax (%)	15.0%	16.5%
ROCE – after tax (%)	12.8%	13.6%
ROA – before tax (%)	15.7%	16.8%
Gearing ratio (%)	23.2%	23.9%
Total dividend (cents)	517c	517c

Continued investment in store roll-out and growing the Beares debtors book

Regulatory update



Regulatory update

- Affordability assessment regulations effective March 2015
 - › No implementation period allowed for
 - › Credit industry requested time to comply to configure systems and train staff
 - › Awaiting regulatory feedback
 - › Expected impact on the group not material
- Industry response to technical report on SA consumer credit insurance market submitted in September 2014
 - › Awaiting regulatory feedback

Financial targets and Outlook



Financial and operating targets

Performance indicators	Achieved 2015	Target 2015	Target 2016	Medium-term targets
Gross profit margin (%)	36.6	37 - 38.5	37 - 38.5	37.5 - 38.5
Inventory turn (times)	3.9	5 - 5.5	5	5
Debtor costs as a percentage of net debtors	13.0	11.5 - 13.5	12 - 14	10 - 12
Satisfactory paid customers (%)	68.7	66 - 70	66 - 70	70 - 72
Operating profit margin (%)	20	21 - 23	19 - 21	22 - 24
New store openings	26	20 - 25	25 - 30	20 - 25
Credit sales as a percentage of total sales	69.1	70 - 75	68 - 70	68 - 70
Operating costs as a percentage of revenue (excluding debtor costs)	36.1	36 - 37	36.5 - 37.5	36 - 37
Gearing (%)	23.2	30 - 34	30 - 34	< 35
Dividend payout ratio (%)	60.4	50 - 55	50 - 55	50 - 55

Outlook

- Challenging trading environment
- Shifting competitive landscape
- Beares expansion
- Store expansion – Lewis
- Merchandise
- Management of the debtors book a top priority
- Proven business model

Questions

