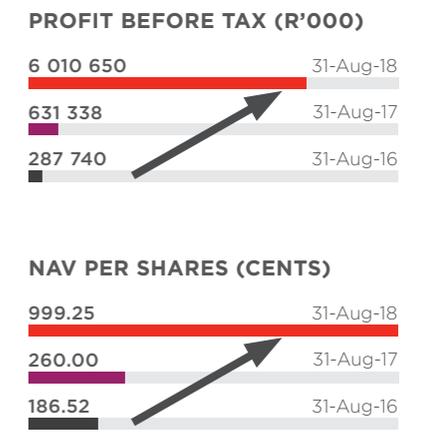
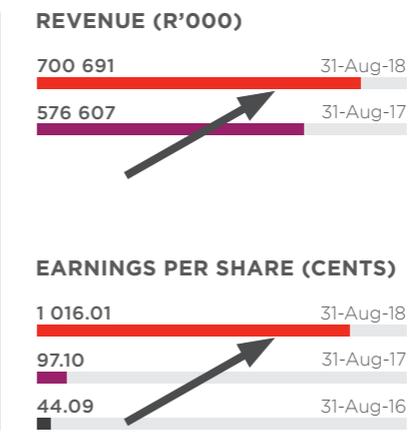
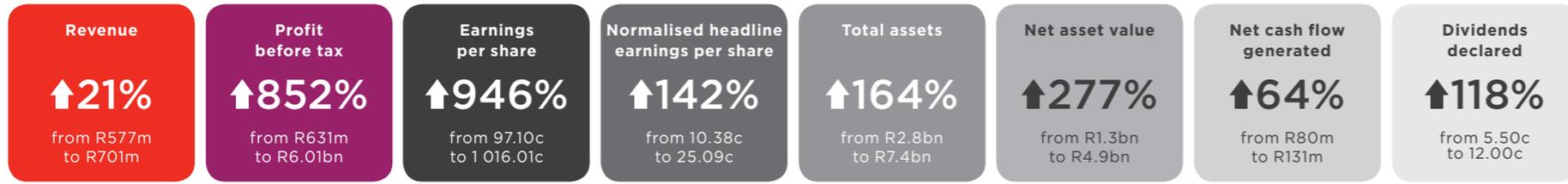




**AFRICAN EQUITY
EMPOWERMENT
INVESTMENTS
LIMITED**

SUMMARISED REVIEWED RESULTS AND DECLARATION OF CASH DIVIDEND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2018



GROUP PERFORMANCE

AEEI is a proud Level 1 Contributor in terms of the Department of Industry's Code of Good Practice on Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Amendment Act (Act No. 53 of 2003), with the Amended Generic Scorecard being applied, with black ownership at 73.72% and black female ownership of 38.29%.

Due to the deemed disposal of the technology division and in terms of IFRS 5 - Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations the Group has reallocated the net revenues and expenses of the technology division to profit from discontinued operations in both the 2017 and 2018 financial years. This resulted in a restatement of the 2017 statement of financial performance and other comprehensive figures.

During the year, the Group delivered excellent profit growth resulting from strong contributions from all its underlying investments for the year under review as well as the deemed disposal which created shareholder value.

The Group's restated revenue increased by 21% from R577m to R701m, mainly due to significant revenue growth achieved from the fishing and brands which is in line with our acquisitive growth strategy.

Group earnings grew by 946% from R477m to R4 992m as a result of a once-off gain from a deemed disposal of a subsidiary during the financial year.

Earnings per share ("EPS") increased by 946% from 97.10 cents to 1 016.01 cents for the year under review as a result of a once-off gain on deemed disposal of a subsidiary during the financial year.

Headline earnings per share ("HEPS") decreased from 94.89 cents to 24.24 cents as a result of the prior year including a once-off fair value adjustment prior to BT Communication Services South Africa ("BT") becoming an associate.

The Group's normalised HEPS increased by 142% from 10.38 cents to 25.09 cents. Normalised earnings are defined as earnings from continuing operations excluding non-recurring items and once-off fair value adjustments.

Profit before tax for the year under review increased by 852% from R631m to R6.01bn, mainly as a result of the gain on the deemed disposal of a subsidiary during the financial year and good performance of the food and fishing division.

The Group's total asset base increased by 164% from R2.8bn to R7.4bn, mainly due to the growth in property, plant and equipment and the increased fair value of the investment in associates compared to the comparative year, as a result of the deemed disposal of a subsidiary in our technology division.

Net asset value ("NAV") of the Group increased by 277% from R1.3bn to R4.9bn as a result of the financial performance and the greater fair value in the underlying investments.

As a result of the interest income earned in the Group, the net cash from operating activities increased by 64% from R80m to R131m in the current year.

The abalone division continued to focus on increasing spat production and stock holding in preparation for the farm's expansion. An additional 40 tons animal rearing capacity has been added to date, while construction for the expansion of the abalone farm is on track and is in line with the expansion plans. This division has produced results in line with management's expectations while they focus on their expansion plans, with increased performance expected to be achieved during the 2019/2020 financial year when the expansion of the abalone farm is completed. The well-known brand is in great demand from customers abroad, and since Premier's philosophy is based on pleasing its clients, the request for larger-sized abalone can now be accommodated with the new hatchery.

TECHNOLOGY

The information and communications technology ("ICT") associate, AYO Technology Solutions Limited ("AYO"), listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange ("JSE") as a leading Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment ("B-BBEE") ICT company with strong management expertise and a sound track record. The current improving market conditions and regulation pertaining to B-BBEE have placed them favourably to capture the growing ICT spend across the South African market. The ICT associate is currently servicing customers in Southern and Northern Africa, Europe and Mauritius. AYO's strategic alliance with BT provides it with access to global technology trends as well as access to the global market.

Since listing, AYO has shown excellent operational performance in delivering on its organic strategy as presented in its pre-listing statement, issued on 13 December 2017.

In the short time frame since listing, AYO concluded a significant contract with a multinational client which has generated significant revenue in the last quarter of the financial year.

AYO achieved significant growth in revenue of 33% from R478m to R638m mainly as a result of obtaining new customer contracts in the financial services sector which leverages the strategy to gain market share through its enhanced B-BBEE credentials.

During the financial year, the Group relinquished control of AYO, resulting in the division becoming an associate in August 2018.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY

The companies in the health and beauty division focuses on the importation and distribution of cosmetic brands as well as the manufacturing, sales and marketing of an extensive range of natural products that are human, animal and plant safe and internationally recognised in the food, agriculture, hygiene, beauty and general health sectors.

AfriNat Proprietary Limited, previously known as Wynberg Pharmaceuticals Proprietary Limited was rebranded during the year. As a result of marketing the brand and improved volume movements, particularly in its pre-harvest line of products, revenue increased by 138% from R5.2m to R12.4m and operating profit increased from a loss of R1.1m to a profit of R2.7m.

The acquisition of Orleans Cosmetics Proprietary Limited in the prior year combined with the existing business has led to revenues increasing by 258% from R9.7m to R34.5m, mainly as a result of the financial results being included for twelve months compared to only four months in the prior year. Operating profit excluding the prior year gain on bargain purchase increased from a loss of R0.65m to a profit of R1.9m.

BIOTECHNOLOGY

Genius Biotherapeutics South Africa progressed with its research and development activities as it completed the construction of a clean room facility.

The dendritic cell vaccine project obtained final approval from the Medicines Control Council with Phase 1 clinical trials on breast cancer, and on completion of an accredited clean room facility, the human clinical trials can commence in the 2019 year.

During the financial year, intangible assets namely the biosimilar drug under development, novel compound, licences and technologies as well as goodwill have been impaired by R140m due to the carrying amount of these assets exceeding their recoverable amount. The main reasons when assessing impairment of these intangible assets were due to milestones not being achieved. Funding is currently being sourced in order to evaluate the feasibility of these projects.

EVENTS AND TOURISM

The events and tourism division manages and owns an event planning and production company, espAfrica Proprietary Limited ("espAfrica"), a travel services company, Tripos Travel Proprietary Limited ("Tripos Travel") and a radio station, Magic 828 Proprietary Limited ("Magic 828") (managed under the corporate division).

espAfrica, a Group subsidiary, hosted a very successful 19th Cape Town International Jazz Festival during the financial year. The company's contribution to the Group's revenue amounted to R58m for the financial year.

Magic 828, which has been in existence for 36 months, contributed R9m to the Group's gross revenue for the year and increased its listenership in the Western Cape region to approximately 187 000 listeners.

Tripos Travel has been engaged in a turnaround strategy since 2016 which led to revenue increasing by 21% from R53m to R64m for the year under review.

STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS

The Group's strategic investments consist of Pioneer Foods Group ("Pioneer"), Sygnia Limited ("Sygnia"), Saab Grintek Defence Proprietary Limited ("SGD") and BT, which is now managed and reported under the technology division and accounted for as an associate since the prior year.

AEEI has minority equity stakes in SGD, Sygnia and Pioneer. These investments have shown improvements in their investment value since the date of the acquisitions. Consistent growth in earnings and regular dividends are received from all the strategic investments.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

Subsequent to year-end on 9 November 2018, the Board approved a buyback of shares, which management believes is trading at a discount, creating shareholder value.

A final gross dividend of 12.00 cents per share has been declared after the reporting period but before the financial statements were authorised for issue.

The directors are not aware of any other material facts or circumstances which occurred between the statement of financial position date and the date of this report that would require any adjustments to the annual financial statements.

PROSPECTS

AEEI will continue its strategic focus to grow the value of its core operational investments and improve the value add to our strategic investments as well as our investment in associates.

The AEEI Group has built a solid platform for further organic growth and has positioned itself well to further increase its investments by acquisition. Management is focused on its five-year strategic plan ("Vision 2020 Vision") and has firmed up its acquisition pipeline for both its fishing and brands division and ICT associate.

The Group's auditors have not reviewed nor reported on any comments relating to future prospects.

DIVIDENDS

The Board of directors is pleased to announce that it has approved and declared a dividend of 12.00 cents per share for the year ended 31 August 2018 from income reserves. The final dividend amount, net of South African dividend tax of 20% which equates to 2.40 cents per share, is therefore 9.60 cents per share for those shareholders that are not exempt from dividend tax.

The number of ordinary shares in issue at declaration date is 491 339 434 and the income tax number of the Company is 9314001034.

The salient dates of this dividend distribution are:

Gross dividend (cents per share)	12.00
Dividend net of dividend withholding tax	9.60
Last day to trade cum dividend	Tuesday, 11 December 2018
Trading ex-dividend commences	Wednesday, 12 December 2018
Record date	Friday, 14 December 2018
Date of payment	Monday, 18 December 2018

Share certificates may not be dematerialised or rematerialised between Wednesday, 12 December 2018 and Friday, 14 December 2018, both days inclusive.

APPRECIATION

We wish to thank our staff, Group executives, management and our Board of directors as well as our strategic partners, stakeholders and business partners and associates for their loyalty and dedication to contributing to the success of the Group.

Reverend Dr Vukile Mehana
Non-executive chairman

Mr Khalid Abdulla
Chief executive officer

Cape Town
13 November 2018

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Reviewed Group to 31 August 2018 R'000	Reviewed (restated) Group to 31 August 2017 R'000
Revenue	700 691	576 607
Profit before tax	6 010 650	631 338
Profit after tax (including portion attributable to non-controlling interest)	5 107 394	528 668
Headline earnings	119 085	466 232
Total assets	7 362 276	2 822 153
Earnings and diluted earnings per share (cents)	1 061.01	97.10
Headline earnings and diluted headline earnings per share (cents)	24.24	94.89
Net asset value per share (cents)	999.25	260.00

FISHING AND BRANDS

The fishing and brands division, Premier Fishing and Brands Limited ("Premier" or the "Premier Group") operates a vertically integrated fishing business which specialises in the harvesting, processing and marketing of fish and fish-related products. The Premier Group holds medium to long-term fishing rights in squid, lobster, small pelagics, hake deep-sea trawl, hake longline, horse mackerel, swordfish and tuna. The Premier Group also owns an abalone farm and invests in organic fertilisers through the Seagro range of products.

The fishing and brands division performed well with revenue increasing by 20% from R411m to R491m for the year, which includes the acquisition of Talhado Fishing Enterprises Proprietary Limited ("Talhado") and only four months of their financial performance is consolidated into the Group results.

SUMMARISED GROUP SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

	Fishing and brands R'000	Technology R'000	Telecommunications R'000	Combined technology and telecommunications R'000	Health and beauty R'000	Biotechnology R'000	Events and tourism R'000	Corporate R'000	Food R'000	Combined corporate and strategic investments R'000	Group R'000
31 August 2018											
Revenue	490 859	-	-	-	46 961	-	121 576	34 634	6 661	41 295	700 691
Profit/(loss) before tax	92 588	-	57 905	57 905	4 777	(153 285)	(6 321)	6 052 154	(37 168)	6 014 986	6 010 650
31 August 2017											
Revenue	407 814	-	-	-	14 886	99	118 813	29 106	5 889	34 987	576 607
Profit/(loss) before tax	94 745	-	569 963	569 963	10 647	(13 162)	(1 196)	49 440	(79 099)	(29 659)	631 338

Note: The events and tourism division excludes Magic 828, as the company was managed under the corporate office for the financial year under review. During the year, management assessed these segment profits/losses using profit before tax as a result of the Group moving towards becoming an investment entity, whereby both subsidiaries and equity accounted investments are being assessed.

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Note to shareholders

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