

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 29, 2016

EQUIFAX INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in Charter)

Georgia

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-06605

(Commission File
Number)

58-0401110

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**1550 Peachtree Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia**

(Address of principal executive offices)

30309

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:**(404) 885-8000**

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Explanatory Note.

Equifax Inc. ("Equifax" or the "Company") hereby amends its Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 29, 2016 in this Current Report on Form 8-K/A in order to include the consolidated financial statements of Veda Group Limited and its controlled entities ("Veda") required by Item 9.01(a) of Form 8-K and the pro forma financial information required by Item 9.01(b) of Form 8-K. Except as described above, all other information in the Company's Form 8-K filed on February 29, 2016 remains unchanged.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.**

The unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of Veda as of and for the six months ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 are filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K/A and are incorporated by reference herein.

The audited consolidated financial statements of Veda as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015 are filed herewith as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated herein by reference.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements of the Company and Veda as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, are filed herewith as Exhibit 99.3 and incorporated herein by reference. The unaudited pro forma financial information is not necessarily indicative of the condensed consolidated financial position or results of operations that would have been realized had the acquisition occurred on the assumed dates, nor is it meant to be indicative of any anticipated condensed consolidated financial position or future results of operations that the combined entity will experience after the acquisition.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed as part of this current report:

- 23.1 Consent of KPMG.
 - 99.1 Unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of Veda for the six months ended December 31, 2015 and 2014.
 - 99.2 Audited consolidated financial statements of Veda as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015.
 - 99.3 Unaudited pro forma condensed combined consolidated financial information.
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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

EQUIFAX INC.

By: /s/ John W. Gamble, Jr.
Name: John W. Gamble, Jr.
Title: Corporate Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 29, 2016

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Consent of Independent Auditors

The Board of Directors

Veda Group Limited:

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the registration statements on Form S-8 (File No. 33-34640); (File No. 33-58734); (File No. 33-58627); (File No. 33-86978); (File No. 33-71200); (File No. 333-52203); (File No. 333-52201); (File No. 333-68421); (File No. 333-68477); (File No. 333-48702); (File No. 333-97875); (File No. 333-110411); (File No. 333-116185); (File No. 333-116186); (File No. 333-140360); (File No. 333-142997); (File No. 333-152617); (File No. 333-190190), the registration statements on Form S-3 (File No. 333-54764); (File No. 333-129123), and the registration statement on Form S-3ASR (File No. 333-190189) of Equifax Inc. of our report dated 12 April 2016, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of Veda Group Limited and its controlled entities as of June 30 2015 and 2014, and the related consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, which report appears in Form 8-K/A of Equifax Inc., dated April 27, 2016.

/s/ KPMG

Sydney Australia

April 27, 2016

**Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities Unaudited Condensed
Interim Consolidated Financial Statements as of and
for the half-year ended 31 December 2015**

Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities ABN 26 124 306 958
**Unaudited Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial
Statements - 31 December 2015**

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Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Unaudited condensed interim consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income
For the half-year ended 31 December 2015 and 2014

	Note	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Revenue		\$ 180,563	\$ 162,973
Costs of external data and products used for resale		(33,811)	(29,919)
Employee benefits expense		(51,476)	(46,244)
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(15,954)	(12,508)
Software, technology and communication costs		(6,315)	(6,815)
Occupancy costs		(3,148)	(2,732)
Professional and legal fees		(2,057)	(1,656)
Travel and accommodation		(1,844)	(1,282)
Marketing and publications		(2,400)	(2,155)
Other expenses		(3,388)	(2,917)
Equifax acquisition related expenses	3	(3,182)	—
Finance income		292	403
Finance expenses	5	(5,835)	(6,954)
Share of profit from associates		2,693	1,459
Profit before income tax		54,138	51,653
Income tax expense	7	(14,664)	(13,589)
Profit for the period		39,474	38,064
Other comprehensive income (loss)			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges, net of tax		(224)	(2)
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		4,685	4,706
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax		4,461	4,704
Total comprehensive income for the period		43,935	42,768
Profit is attributable to:			
Owners of Veda Group Limited		39,108	37,834
Non-controlling interests		366	230
Profit for the period		39,474	38,064
Total comprehensive income for the period is attributable to:			
Owners of Veda Group Limited		43,535	42,597
Non-controlling interests		400	171
Total comprehensive income for the period		\$ 43,935	\$ 42,768
Earnings per Parent share		Cents	Cents

Basic earnings per share	11	4.6	4.5
Diluted earnings per share	11	4.6	4.5

The above unaudited condensed interim consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Unaudited condensed interim consolidated balance sheets
As at 31 December 2015 and 30 June 2015

	Note	2015 \$'000	2015 \$'000
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	\$ 29,872	\$ 29,799
Trade and other receivables		46,831	47,503
Other prepayments and deposits		3,238	2,485
Total current assets		79,941	79,787
Non-current assets			
Receivables		2,746	2,801
Investments in equity-accounted investees		35,445	33,920
Property, plant and equipment		6,261	4,772
Deferred tax assets		—	14,940
Intangible assets		976,324	938,129
Total non-current assets		1,020,776	994,562
Total assets		1,100,717	1,074,349
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables		29,125	29,843
Deferred revenue		6,662	7,439
Derivative financial instruments		303	—
Current tax liabilities		62	2,317
Provisions		8,016	3,867
Employee benefits		9,822	16,512
Total current liabilities		53,990	59,978
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	8	248,444	226,615
Deferred tax liabilities		949	—
Provisions		13,685	7,038
Other non-current payables		6,080	6,080
Employee benefits		1,345	1,458
Total non-current liabilities		270,503	241,191
Total liabilities		324,493	301,169
Net assets		776,224	773,180
EQUITY			
Contributed equity	9	800,070	792,161

Other reserves	17,002	10,985
Accumulated losses	(44,033)	(32,555)
Capital and reserves attributable to owners of Veda Group Limited	773,039	770,591
Non-controlling interests	3,185	2,589
Total equity	\$ 776,224	\$ 773,180

The above unaudited condensed interim consolidated balance sheets should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Consolidated statements of changes in
equity
For the half-year ended 31 December 2015 and 2014

Note	Attributable to owner of Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities						Total \$'000	Non- controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
	Contributed equity \$'000	Hedging Reserve \$'000	Share based payments reserve \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Treasury Shares \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000			
Balance at 1 July 2015	\$ 792,161	\$ —	\$ 8,458	\$ 2,527	\$ —	\$ (32,555)	\$ 770,591	\$ 2,589	\$ 773,180
Profit after income tax	—	—	—	—	—	39,108	39,108	366	39,474
Other comprehensive income (OCI):									
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges, net of tax	—	(224)	—	—	—	—	(224)	—	(224)
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	—	—	—	4,651	—	—	4,651	34	4,685
Total comprehensive income for the period	—	(224)	—	4,651	—	39,108	43,535	400	43,935
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:									
Dividends provided for or paid	10	—	—	—	—	(50,586)	(50,586)	—	(50,586)
Acquisition of treasury shares		—	—	—	(1,591)	—	(1,591)	—	(1,591)
Share based payments	12	—	3,181	—	—	—	3,181	—	3,181
Share options exercised		7,909	—	—	—	—	7,909	—	7,909
		7,909	—	3,181	(1,591)	(50,586)	(41,087)	—	(41,087)
Changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries:									
Acquisition of subsidiary with non-controlling interest		—	—	—	—	—	—	196	196
Balance at 31 December 2015	\$ 800,070	\$ (224)	\$ 11,639	\$ 7,178	\$ (1,591)	\$ (44,033)	\$ 773,039	\$ 3,185	\$ 776,224

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

Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Consolidated statements of changes in
equity
For the half-year ended 31 December 2015 and 2014

Note	Attributable to owner of Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities							Non- controlling interests	Total equity
	Contributed equity	Hedging Reserve	Share based payments reserve	Foreign currency translation reserve	Accumulated losses	Total			
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July 2014	\$ 791,364	\$ (75)	\$ 7,551	\$ 3,311	\$ (76,605)	\$ 725,546	\$ 2,046	\$ 727,592	
Profit after income tax	—	—	—	—	37,834	37,834	230	38,064	
Other comprehensive income (OCI):									
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges, net of tax	—	(2)	—	—	—	(2)	—	(2)	
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	—	—	—	4,765	—	4,765	(59)	4,706	
Total comprehensive income for the period	—	(2)	—	4,765	37,834	42,597	171	42,768	
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:									
Dividends provided for or paid	10	—	—	—	(33,682)	(33,682)	—	(33,682)	
Share based payments		—	(371)	—	—	(371)	—	(371)	
		—	(371)	—	(33,682)	(34,053)	—	(34,053)	
Balance at 31 December 2014	\$ 791,364	\$ (77)	\$ 7,180	\$ 8,076	\$ (72,453)	\$ 734,090	\$ 2,217	\$ 736,307	

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

Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Unaudited condensed interim consolidated statements of
cash flows For the half-year ended 31 December 2015 and
2014

	Note	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST)		\$ 199,487	\$ 177,369
Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		(131,595)	(117,021)
		67,892	60,348
Income taxes paid		(2,302)	(2,587)
Interest received		276	288
Net cash inflow from operating activities		65,866	58,049
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	14	(6,146)	(4,470)
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(2,601)	(2,032)
Payments for systems software and data		(24,246)	(25,112)
Management loans		855	668
Dividends received		1,784	1,793
Contingent consideration paid		(4,035)	(624)
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(34,389)	(29,777)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings	8	40,000	30,000
Repayment of borrowings		(22,473)	(26,461)
Dividends paid to company's shareholders	10	(50,586)	(33,682)
Payment of transaction costs related to borrowings		(1,359)	—
Interest and other costs paid on financial debt		(5,146)	(6,516)
Proceeds from exercise of share options		7,909	—
Net cash outflow from financing activities		(31,655)	(36,659)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		(178)	(8,387)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		29,799	30,028
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		251	(46)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year	6	\$ 29,872	\$ 21,595

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

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1 Basis of preparation of half-year report

The unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the functional currency of the company and the majority of the controlled entities in the Group. Unless otherwise stated all references to dollars refer to Australian dollars.

On 25 February 2016, Equifax Australia Pty Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Equifax Inc. acquired all of the shares on issue in the capital of the Company (under a scheme of arrangement which became effective on 11 February 2016 and was implemented on 25 February 2016) together with all options on issue which had not otherwise been cancelled. The Company was delisted (i.e. quotation of its shares was terminated and it was removed from the official list) by the ASX on 26 February 2016.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies

Veda Group Limited (the "Company") is a company domiciled in Australia. These unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements as at and for the six months ended 31 December 2015 comprise the Company and its controlled entities (together referred to as the Group and individually as Group entities) and the Group's interest in associates. The Group is a data analytics business. It provides credit information and analysis in Australia and New Zealand. It also provides information and analytic services to businesses and consumers to assist them in making decisions and managing risk.

(a) Statement of compliance

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

Selected explanatory notes are included to explain events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in financial position and performance of the Group since the last annual consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 30 June 2015. The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated annual financial statements of the Group as at and for the year ended 30 June 2015. The unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet as at 30 June 2015 included herein was derived from the audited consolidated financial statements as of that date.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those found in the 30 June 2015 annual financial statements.

These unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 12 April 2016.

(b) Accounting estimates and judgements

In preparing these unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements, Management makes judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The significant judgements made by Management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 30 June 2015.

(c) New accounting standards and interpretations

(i) *New accounting standards adopted*

In the current period there has been no impact from new or revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the IASB that are relevant to the Group's operations that would be effective for the current reporting period.

(ii) *New accounting standards released but not yet adopted*

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 31 December 2015 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.

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments (2013) is effective from 1 January 2018. The Group is not required to adopt this new standard until the annual reporting period ending 30 June 2019 and currently has no intention of early adopting this standard. The potential impact of the standard has been assessed at this stage as minimal.

IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017, with early adoption permitted. The Group has no intention of early adopting this standard. The Group has not yet completed its

assessment of the potential impact on its consolidated financial statements resulting from the application of IFRS 15.

The IASB issued IFRS 16 Leases with an effective date of 1 January 2019. Early adoption will be permitted for entities that also adopt IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers. The Group has no intention of early adopting this standard. The Group has not yet assessed the impact of IFRS16.

There are no other standards that are not yet effective and that are expected to have a material impact on the entity in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

3 Equifax acquisition related expenses

The Group incurred costs detailed in the following table in relation to the Equifax scheme of arrangement.

Share based payments expense was accelerated on the basis that the Board had previously resolved to accelerate vesting of grants under the Equity Incentive Plan should the Equifax acquisition scheme proceed and, after 14th December 2015, they considered that this scheme was more likely than not to proceed.

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Acceleration of share based payments expense	2,107	—
Professional and legal fees	1,075	—
Total Equifax acquisition related expenses	3,182	—

4 Operating Segments

Segment results are based on earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") and also excludes the Group's share of net profits and losses from associates. Segment assets and liabilities are not regularly provided to the Group's board.

(a) Information about reportable segments

31 December 2015	Australia \$'000	International \$'000	Total \$'000
Total Segment revenue	161,314	19,249	180,563
EBITDA	65,662	10,462	76,124
Depreciation and amortisation			(15,954)
Net finance costs			(5,543)
Equifax acquisition related expenses			(3,182)
Share of profit from associates			2,693
Profit before income tax			54,183

31 December 2014	Australia \$'000	International \$'000	Total \$'000
Total Segment revenue	144,248	18,725	162,973
EBITDA	60,038	9,215	69,253
Depreciation and amortisation			(12,508)
Net finance costs			(6,551)
Share of profit from associates			1,459
Profit before income tax			51,653

(b) Other segment information

In addition to the reportable segments of Australia and International, the Group provides revenues from external customers for groups similar products and services as detailed in the following table:

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Consumer Risk and Identity	58,609	52,582
B2C and Marketing	32,526	24,299
Commercial Risk and Information Services	70,179	67,367
Australia	161,314	144,248
International	19,249	18,725
Total revenue	180,563	162,973

Entity-wide disclosure

Revenue for New Zealand totalled \$19.0m for December 2015 (December 2014: \$18.2m) and non-current assets totalled \$203.0m as of 31 December 2015 (30 June 2015: \$197.7m). Non-current assets exclude financial instruments, deferred tax assets and employee benefit assets.

5 Finance expenses

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Bank interest and finance charges paid/payable	5,477	6,712
Amortisation of capitalised borrowing costs	358	242
Finance costs recognised in profit or loss	5,835	6,954

6 Cash and cash equivalents

	31 December 2015 \$'000	30 June 2015 \$'000
Current assets		
Bank balances	10,090	8,734
Deposits at call	19,782	21,065
Cash and cash equivalents	29,872	29,799

7 Income tax expense

Tax recognised in profit or loss

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Current tax expense	2,128	2,952
Deferred tax expense	12,513	11,306
Under/(over) provided in prior years	23	(669)
Total income tax expense	<u>14,664</u>	<u>13,589</u>

Numerical reconciliation between income tax expense and pre-tax accounting profit

Profit before tax	54,138	51,653
Income tax at 30%	16,241	15,496
Tax effect of amounts which are not deductible (taxable) in calculating taxable income:		
R&D offset	(716)	(965)
Sudry items	(82)	242
Share of net profit of associates	(802)	(515)
Under/(over) provided in prior years	23	(669)
Tax expense recognizes in the statement of profit or loss	<u>14,664</u>	<u>13,589</u>

8 Loans and borrowings

	31 December 2015 \$'000	30 June 2015 \$'000
Unsecured		
Senior Australian debt	143,500	121,000
Senior New Zealand debt	106,682	106,317
Capitalised borrowing costs	(1,738)	(702)
Total unsecured non-current borrowings	<u>248,444</u>	<u>226,615</u>

On 10 December 2013, the Group established:

- An unsecured 3 year revolving facilities, consisting of an AU\$240m facility and a NZ\$93m facility; and
- 2. An unsecured 3 year AU\$10 million bank guarantee facility.

On 10 September 2015, the Group amended and extended the above facilities which were due to mature in December 2016 resulting in:

- An unsecured revolving facilities, consisting of:
 - (a)) A\$102.5m 3 year facility;
 - (b)) A\$102.5m 5 year facility;
 - (c)) NZ\$66.5m 3 year facility;

(d)) NZ\$66.5m 5 year facility;
and

- An unsecured 3 year AU\$10 million bank guarantee facility.

The following table provides details of the components of the bank facilities and available cash equivalents:

	Maturity	31 December 2015		30 June 2015	
		Facility \$'000	Utilised \$'000	Facility \$'000	Utilised \$'000
Revolving credit facility A	December 2016	—	—	240,000	144,229
Revolving credit facility B (Note 1)	December 2016	—	—	83,088	83,088
Facility A1	September 2018	102,500	102,500	—	—
Facility A	September 2020	102,500	41,000	—	—
Facility A2 (Note1)	September 2018	62,505	62,505	—	—
Facility B (Note 1)	September 2020	62,505	44,177	—	—
Less: cash and cash equivalents		—	(29,872)	—	(29,799)
Less: capitalised borrowings costs		—	(1,738)	—	(702)
Net bank debt		330,010	218,572	323,088	196,816

Note 1 - NZD denominated debt of NZ\$133 million converted to AUD at an exchange rate of 0.93992 (Jun15 : NZ\$93 million converted to AUD at 0.8934).

9 Contributed equity

	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June
	Shares '000	Shares '000	2015 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Revolving credit facility A	846,426	842,455	800,070	792,161

There is no 'par value' for ordinary shares. The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as determined from time to time, and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the company.

10 Dividends

Ordinary shares

The following dividends were declared and paid by the Company during the half year ended 31 December 2015.

	Centers per share	Total amount \$'000	Date of payment
Final 2015 ordinary	6.0	50,586	8 October 2015
Final 2014 ordinary	4.0	33,682	9 October 2014

11 Earnings per share

The Group presents basic and diluted earnings per share data for its ordinary shares. Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares, which comprise share options granted to senior executives and employees.

Basic earnings per share

	2015	2014
Parent basic earnings per share (cents)	4.6	4.5
Parent diluted earnings per share (cents)	4.6	4.5
Profit for the period attributable to parent shareholders (in thousands of dollars)	39,108	37,834
In thousands of shares		
Issued ordinary shares at 1 July	842,455	842,055
Effect of allotment and issuances	2,231	—
Basic weighted average number of ordinary shares	844,686	846,193
In thousands of shares		
Basic weighted average number of ordinary shares	844,686	842,055
Effect of share options on issue	8,610	4,138
Diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares	853,296	846,193

At 31 December 2015, 35 million options were included in the diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares calculation. In 2014, 39 million options were included in the diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares calculation.

12 Share-based payments

Description of share-based payment arrangements

During the period the Company granted 756,023 Deferred Share Rights (DSR's) and 5,825,045 LTI Options under its Equity Incentive Plan.

At 31 December 2015, the Group had the following share-based payment arrangements:

Equity Incentive Plan

The fair value of instruments granted during the period were determined as follows:

DSR'S

Model used	Black Scholes
Grant Date	15 September 2015
Share Price as the Grant Date	\$2.11
30 trading day VWAP prior to the Grant Date	\$2.15
Exercise price	Nil
Dividend yield	2.90%
Vesting date	The DSRs will vest in three tranches: <input type="checkbox"/> 15 September 2016 (Tranche 1) <input type="checkbox"/> 15 September 2017 (Tranche 2) <input type="checkbox"/> 15 September 2018 (Tranche 3)
Expiration date	Immediately after vesting

Fair values determined using above methodology and inputs were as follows:

Tranche 1	\$2.09
Tranche 2	\$2.03
Tranche 3	\$1.97

LTI Options

Model used	Monte Carlo Simulation
Grant Date	15 September 2015
Share Price as at the Grant Date	\$2.11
Exercise price- 30 trading day VWAP prior to the Grant Date	\$2.15
Dividend yield	2.90%
Risk free rate	Rates used as follows <input type="checkbox"/> Tranche 1: 1.9% <input type="checkbox"/> Tranche 2: 2.1%
Volatility	25% Matrix of historical share prices and returns of Veda and ASX
Correlation	200 peer companies
TSR performance	No initial TSR performance assumed
Vesting date	The Options will vest in two tranches: <input type="checkbox"/> 15 September 2018 (Tranche 1) <input type="checkbox"/> 15 September 2019 (Tranche 2)

Fair values determined using above methodology and inputs were as follows:

Tranche 1	\$0.31
Tranche 2	\$0.34

The number and weighted average fair value of all instruments on issue are as follows:

	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of DSR's
DSR's		
Outstanding as at 1 July 2015	—	—
Granted during the period	—	756,023
Forfeited during the period	—	—
Exercised during the period	—	—
Expired during the period	—	—
Outstanding at 31 December	—	756,023
Exercisable at 31 December	—	—

	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of DSR's
LTI Options		
Outstanding as at 1 July 2015	\$2.15	—
Granted during the period	\$2.15	5,825,045
Forfeited during the period	\$2.15	—
Exercised during the period	\$2.15	—
Expired during the period	\$2.15	—
Outstanding at 31 December	\$2.15	5,825,045
Exercisable at 31 December	\$2.15	—

	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of DSR's
Other share options		
Outstanding as at 1 July 2015	\$1.99	38,766,664
Granted during the period	\$1.99	—
Forfeited during the period	\$1.99	—
Exercised during the period	\$1.99	(3,970,322)
Expired during the period	\$1.99	—
Outstanding at 31 December	\$1.99	34,796,342
Exercisable at 31 December	\$1.99	34,796,342

During the period the share based payments expense was accelerated. Refer to Note 3 for details.

13 Contingent assets and contingent liabilities

(a) Contingent liabilities

Guarantees

Guarantees issued by VA Australia Finance Pty Limited:

- Property leases to \$5,025,420 (June 2015 : \$4,757,920)
- Contractual obligations, performance and warranties in respect of certain controlled entities to nil (June 2015 : \$2,881,627).

The Company and the following subsidiaries have entered into a deed of cross guarantee:

- VA Australia Finance Pty Limited
- Veda Advantage Limited

- Veda Advantage Solutions Group Pty Limited
- Veda Advantage (Australia) Pty Limited
- Veda Advantage Information Services and Solutions Limited
- Verify Holdings Australia Pty Limited
- Corporate Scorecard Pty Limited

These guarantees may give rise to liabilities in the parent entity if the subsidiaries do not meet their obligations under the terms of the overdraft, loans, leases or other liabilities subject to the guarantees.

No material losses are anticipated in respect of any of the above contingent liabilities.

Claims

The Company is involved in various legal matters in the ordinary course of business. None of these matters is expected to give rise to a material claim against the company.

Contingent consideration

- In acquiring the Zip ID business in July 2015, additional consideration is payable on future earn-out hurdles. The fair value of the contingent consideration at 31 December 2015 is \$5.7 million.
- In acquiring the GCS business in July 2015, additional consideration is payable on future earn-out hurdles. The fair value of the contingent consideration at 31 December 2015 is \$0.6 million.
- In acquiring the Reachtel business in September 2015, additional consideration is payable on future earn-out hurdles. The fair value of the contingent consideration at 31 December 2015 is \$2.4 million.

Other matters

From time to time Veda also receives complaints from various parties such as consumer advocates in respect of compliance with the Privacy Act 1988 and Privacy Code. Veda takes its compliance obligations very seriously and believes it is compliant with all applicable laws and regulations. However, as is inherent in legal, regulatory and administrative proceedings, there is a risk the outcome may be unfavourable to the Group.

(b) Contingent assets

The Group had no contingent assets at 31 December 2015 (2014: nil).

14 Business combination

During the half year ended 31 December 2015 the group made the following business acquisitions:

- GCS;
- Zip ID;
and
- ReachTEL.

These acquisitions are explained below:

(a) Summary of acquisition - GCS

Effective 17 July 2015, the Group acquired 75% of GetCreditScore Pty Ltd ("GCS"). GCS is a business providing a web portal to allow consumers to access their credit bureau score for free and to collect leads from those consumers to use for marketing purposes.

The consideration for the acquisition consists of a payment of \$75 on completion with further consideration contingent on the performance of the business as measured by the number of consumer leads generated in the first year after acquisition. The contingent consideration booked for the acquisition is \$587,389.

Due to the nature of its business and the start-up phase of its operations, GCS has not yet contributed any revenue or net profit to the Group results.

Details of the purchase consideration, the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	\$'000
Purchase consideration	
Contingent consideration	587
Total purchase consideration	587
The assets and liabilities recognised as a result of the acquisition are as follows:	
	\$'000
Total purchase consideration	587
Non-controlling interest (25%)	196
Goodwill	783

(b) Summary of acquisition - Zip ID

Effective 1 July 2015, the Group acquired 100% of the companies Zip ID Holdings Pty Limited and Zip ID Pty Limited (collectively "Zip ID"). Zip ID is a business providing face to face and mobile enabled identity verification services.

The initial consideration for the purchase was \$500,000 with further consideration contingent on the performance of the business as measured by 3.5 times the direct contribution earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation of the business in the third year from acquisition (with instalments required at the end of years 1 and 2). The contingent consideration booked for the acquisition is \$5,701,282.

During the 6 months to 31 December 2015 Zip ID contributed revenue of \$315,175 and a net loss of \$375,589 to the Group results.

Details of the purchase consideration, the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	\$'000
Purchase consideration	
Cash paid (net of cash acquired)	369
Contingent consideration	5,701
Total purchase consideration	6,097
The assets and liabilities recognised as a result of the acquisition are as follows:	
	\$'000
Net intangible assets acquired	2,220
Deferred tax liabilities on intangible assets	(301)
Other net tangible liabilities acquired	(86)
Goodwill	4,264
Fair value of net assets acquired	6,097

(c) Summary of acquisition - ReachTEL

Effective 1 September 2015, the Group acquired 100% of the companies Codeset Pty Limited and ReachTEL Pty Limited (collectively "ReachTEL"). ReachTEL is a provider of market research and multi-channel communications solutions designed to help customers understand their market and remove inefficiencies, increase reach and improve profitability of its customers.

The consideration for the purchase was:

- \$5,000,000 up-front plus working capital adjustment;
- Guaranteed payments of \$2,500,000 per year for the next two years; and

- Contingent consideration based on the performance of the business as measured by 2.25 times the ReachTEL revenue in the second year after acquisition.
- The contingent consideration booked for the acquisition is \$2,428,538.

During the 4 months to 31 December 2015 ReachTEL contributed revenue of \$1,241,890 and net profit of \$641,442 to the Group results. If the acquisition had occurred on 1 July 2015 management estimates that contributed revenue would have been \$1,817,557 and contributed profit for the year would have been \$962,163. In determining these amounts, management has assumed that the fair value adjustments, determined provisionally, that arose on the date of acquisition would have been the same if the acquisition had occurred on 1 July 2015.

Details of the purchase consideration, the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	\$'000
Purchase consideration	
Cash paid (net of cash acquired)	5,750
Differed consideration	4,838
Contingent consideration	2,429
Total purchase consideration	13,017

The assets and liabilities recognised as a result of the acquisition are as follows:

	\$'000
Net intangible assets acquired	6,500
Deferred tax liabilities on intangible assets	(554)
Other net tangible assets acquired	592
Goodwill	6,479
Fair value of net assets acquired	13,017

15 Seasonality

Veda is not a highly seasonal business however revenues are typically lower than average during December and January and higher during May and June caused by lower business activity in Australia in December and January coinciding with the Australian summer and increased business activity in May and June coinciding with the typical Australian fiscal year end.

16 Events occurring after the reporting period

On 25 February 2016, Equifax Australia Pty Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Equifax Inc. acquired all of the shares on issue in the capital of the Company (under a scheme of arrangement which became effective on 11 February 2016 and was implemented on 25 February 2016) together with all options on issue which had not otherwise been cancelled. The Company was delisted (i.e. quotation of its shares was terminated and it was removed from the official list) by the ASX on 26 February 2016.

**Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Consolidated Financial
Statements
for the years ended 30 June
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Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive
income
For the years ended 30 June 2015 and 2014

	Note	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Revenue	6	338,767	302,049
Costs of external data and products used for resale		(61,716)	(56,365)
Employee benefits expense		(97,393)	(84,246)
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(27,863)	(23,049)
Software, technology and communication costs		(12,091)	(11,070)
Occupancy costs		(5,483)	(5,075)
Management fees		—	(1,786)
Professional and legal fees		(4,149)	(3,782)
Travel and accommodation		(2,880)	(1,971)
Marketing and publications		(4,293)	(4,264)
Other operating expenses		(6,310)	(5,138)
IPO related expenses	7	—	(25,677)
Finance income		678	1,119
Finance expenses	8	(13,326)	(50,395)
Share of net profit from associates	14	3,167	2,536
Profit before income tax		107,108	32,886
Income tax expense	9	(28,689)	(10,228)
Profit after income tax		78,419	22,658
Other comprehensive income (loss)			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges, net of tax	8	75	370
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		(741)	7,808
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		(666)	8,178
Total comprehensive income for the year		77,753	30,836
Profit after income tax is attributable to:			
Owners of Veda Group Limited		77,919	22,403
Non-controlling interests		500	255
		78,419	22,658
Total comprehensive income for the year is attributable to			
Owners of Veda Group Limited		77,210	30,512
Non-controlling interests		543	324
		77,753	30,836
Earnings per Parent share			
Basic - cents	20	9.3	3.2
Diluted - cents	20	9.2	3.2

The above consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Consolidated balance
sheets
As at 30 June 2015 and 2014

	Note	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	10(a)	29,799	30,028
Trade and other receivables	10(b)	47,503	39,416
Other prepayments and deposits		2,485	2,603
Total current assets		79,787	72,047
Non-current assets			
Receivables	10(b)	2,801	3,754
Investments in equity-accounted investees	14	33,920	30,790
Property, plant and equipment	11(a)	4,772	4,110
Deferred tax assets	11(b)	14,940	38,459
Intangible assets	11(c)	938,129	910,237
Total non-current assets		994,562	987,350
Total assets		1,074,349	1,059,397
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	10(c)	29,843	26,133
Deferred revenue		7,439	6,640
Derivative financial instruments		—	108
Current tax liabilities		2,317	689
Provisions	11(e)	3,867	1,477
Employee benefit obligations	11(f)	16,512	16,303
Total current liabilities		59,978	51,350
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	10(d)	226,615	267,931
Provisions	11(e)	7,038	5,339
Employee benefit obligations	11(f)	1,458	1,105
Other non-current payables		6,080	6,080
Total non-current liabilities		241,191	280,455
Total liabilities		301,169	331,805
Net assets		773,180	727,592
EQUITY			
Contributed equity	12(a)	792,161	791,364
Other reserves	12(b)	10,985	10,787
Accumulated losses	12(c)	(32,555)	(76,605)
Capital and reserves attributable to owners of Veda Group Limited		770,591	725,546
Non-controlling interests		2,589	2,046
Total equity		773,180	727,592

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

Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Consolidated statements of changes in
equity
For the years ended 30 June 2015 and 2014

		Attributable to owner of Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities				Non- controlling interests	Total equity
	Note	Contributed equity \$'000	Other reserves \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000	Total \$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2015							
Balance at 1 July 2014		791,364	10,787	(76,605)	725,546	2,046	727,592
Profit after income tax		—	—	77,919	77,919	500	78,419
Other comprehensive income:							
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges, net of tax		—	75	—	75	—	75
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		—	(784)	—	(784)	43	(741)
Total other comprehensive income (loss)		—	(709)	—	(709)	43	(666)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:							
Dividends	12(a)	—	—	(33,869)	(33,869)	—	(33,869)
Share based payments	12(b)	—	907	—	907	—	907
Share options exercised	12(a)	797	—	—	797	—	797
		797	907	(33,869)	(32,165)	—	(32,165)
Changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries:							
Balance at 30 June 2015		792,161	10,985	(32,555)	770,591	2,589	773,180

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

Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Consolidated statements of changes in
equity
For the years ended 30 June 2015 and 2014
(continued)

Attributable to owner of Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities						
Note	Contributed equity \$'000	Other reserves \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000	Total \$'000	Non- controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
2014						
Balance at 1 July 2013	512,911	(552)	(195,047)	317,312	776	318,088
Profit after income tax	—	—	22,403	22,403	255	22,658
Other comprehensive income:						
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges, net of tax	—	370	—	370	—	370
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	—	7,739	—	7,739	69	7,808
Total other comprehensive income	—	8,109	—	8,109	69	8,178
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:						
Contributions of equity, net of transaction costs and tax	12(a) 374,492	—	—	374,492	—	374,492
Share based payments	12(b) —	3,230	—	3,230	—	3,230
Capital reduction	12(a) (96,039)	—	96,039	—	—	—
	278,453	3,230	96,039	377,722	—	377,722
Changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries:						
Acquisition of subsidiary with non-controlling interest	—	—	—	—	946	946
Balance at 30 June 2014	791,364	10,787	(76,605)	725,546	2,046	727,592

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

Veda Group Limited and its Controlled Entities
Consolidated statements of cash flows
For the years ended 30 June 2015 and 2014

	Note	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST)		368,942	336,806
Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		(227,758)	(204,302)
		<u>141,184</u>	<u>132,504</u>
Income taxes paid		(4,543)	(3,030)
Interest received		708	1,001
Net cash inflow from operating activities		<u>137,349</u>	<u>130,475</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	22	(4,470)	(1,203)
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(2,342)	(850)
Payments for systems software and data		(50,237)	(45,267)
Management loans		952	(3,434)
Dividends received		2,777	312
Contingent consideration paid		(653)	(6,839)
Net cash outflow from investing activities		<u>(53,973)</u>	<u>(57,281)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from issues of shares and other equity securities		797	358,357
Proceeds from borrowings		30,000	317,499
Repayment of borrowings		(67,104)	(707,722)
Dividends paid to company's shareholders		(33,869)	—
IPO related costs		—	(13,238)
Borrowing costs		—	(1,419)
Withholding tax payments		—	(1,982)
Interest and other costs paid on financial debt		(13,136)	(21,728)
Other		—	(900)
Net cash outflow from financing activities		<u>(83,312)</u>	<u>(71,133)</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		64	2,061
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		30,028	27,554
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(293)	413
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year	10(a)	<u>29,799</u>	<u>30,028</u>

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

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1 Reporting entity

Veda Group Limited (the "Company") is a for-profit company domiciled in Australia.

The Company's registered office is at Level 15, 100 Arthur Street, North Sydney NSW 2060. The consolidated financial statements comprise the Company and its controlled entities (collectively the "Group" and individually "Group companies").

The consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 12 April 2016.

On 25 February 2016, Equifax Australia Pty Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Equifax Inc. acquired all of the shares on issue in the capital of the Company (under a scheme of arrangement which became effective on 11 February 2016 and was implemented on 25 February 2016) together with all options on issue which had not otherwise been cancelled. The Company was delisted (i.e. quotation of its shares was terminated and it was removed from the official list) by the ASX on 26 February 2016.

2 Basis of preparation

(a) Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS). These financial statements have been prepared for the purpose of complying with Equifax reporting requirements.

(b) Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following material items in the statement of financial position:

- derivative financial instruments are measured at fair value
- deferred acquisition consideration is measured at fair value

(c) Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is also the Company's functional currency.

All financial information presented in Australian dollars has been rounded to the nearest thousand unless otherwise stated.

(d) Judgments and estimates

(i) Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

In preparing the Group financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. The resulting accounting estimates, which are based on management's best judgment at the date of the Group financial statements, will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are summarised below. Revenue recognition is excluded from this summary on the grounds that the policy adopted in this area is sufficiently objective.

Tax

The Group is subject to tax in numerous jurisdictions. Significant judgment is required in determining the related assets or provisions as there are transactions in the ordinary course of business and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. The Group recognises liabilities based on estimates of whether additional tax will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recognised, such differences will impact on the results for the year and the respective income tax and deferred tax assets or provisions in the year in which such determination is made. The Group recognises tax assets based on forecasts of future profits against which those assets may be utilised.

Goodwill

The Group tests goodwill for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the goodwill may be impaired. The recoverable amount of each Cash Generating Unit (CGU) is determined based on a value in use calculation which requires the use of cash flow projections based on approved financial budgets, looking forward up to three years. Cash flows are extrapolated using estimated growth rates beyond a three year period. The growth rates used do not

exceed the long-term average growth rate for the markets in which the segment operates. The discount rates used reflect the segment's pre-tax weighted average cost of capital (WACC).

Fair value of derivatives and other financial instruments

In ascertaining the fair value of derivatives, the Group uses its judgment to select a variety of methods and makes assumptions, or uses observable market based inputs, that are mainly based on market conditions at each balance sheet date.

Share incentive plans

The assumptions used in determining the amounts charged in the Group income statement include judgments in respect of performance conditions and length of service together with future share prices, dividend and interest yields and exercise patterns.

(ii) Critical judgements

Management has made judgments in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the Group financial statements.

The most significant of these judgments is in respect of intangible assets where certain costs incurred in the developmental phase of an internal project are capitalised if a number of criteria are met. Management has made judgments and assumptions when assessing whether a project meets these criteria, and on measuring the costs and the economic life attributed to such projects.

On acquisition, specific intangible assets are identified and recognised separately from goodwill and then amortised over their estimated useful lives. These include such items as customer contracts and relationships and brand names to which value is first attributed at the time of acquisition. The capitalisation of these assets and the related amortisation charges are based on judgments about the value and economic life of such items.

The economic lives for intangible assets are estimated at between three and eight years for internal projects, which include internal use software and internally generated software, and between three and ten years for acquisition intangibles. Management has also made judgments and assumptions when assessing the economic life of acquired data, and the pattern of consumption of the economic benefits embodied in the asset.

3 Significant accounting policies

(a) Basis of consolidation

(i) Business combinations

The Group accounts for business combinations using the acquisition method when control is transferred to the Group. The consideration transferred in the acquisition is generally measured at fair value, as are the identifiable net assets acquired. Any goodwill that arises is tested annually for impairment. Any gain on a bargain purchase is recognised in profit or loss immediately. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred, except if related to the issue of debt or equity securities.

The consideration transferred does not include amounts related to the settlement of pre-existing relationships. Such amounts are generally recognised in profit or loss.

Any contingent consideration payable is measured at fair value at the acquisition date. If the contingent consideration is classified as equity, then it is not remeasured and settlement is accounted for within equity. Otherwise, subsequent changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration are recognised in profit or loss.

(ii) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Group. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases.

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between entities controlled by the Group are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of the impairment of the asset transferred. 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 statement of comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity and consolidated statement of financial position respectively.

(iii) Investments in equity accounted investees

The Group's interests in equity-accounted investees comprise interests in associates and joint ventures.

Associates are those entities in which the Group has significant influence, but not control or joint control, over the financial and operating policies. A joint venture is an arrangement in which the Group has joint control, whereby the Group has rights to the net assets of the arrangement, rather than rights to its assets and obligations for its liabilities.

Interests in associates and the joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method. They are recognised initially at cost, which includes transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, the consolidated financial statements include the Group's share of the profit or loss and Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) of equity-accounted investees, until the date on which significant influence or joint control ceases.

(b) Foreign currency

(i) Foreign currency transactions and balances

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to the respective functional currencies of the Group entities at exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are retranslated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at that date. The foreign currency gain or loss on monetary items is the difference between amortised cost in the functional currency at the beginning of the period, adjusted for effective interest and pay.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are measured at fair value are retranslated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at the date that the fair value was determined.

Non-monetary items in a foreign currency that are measured in terms of historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency differences arising on retranslation are recognised in profit or loss.

(ii) Foreign operations

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition, are translated to the functional currency at exchange rates at the reporting date. The income and expenses of foreign operations, excluding foreign operations in hyperinflationary economies, are translated to Australian dollars at exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

Foreign currency differences are recognised in other comprehensive income, and presented in the foreign currency translation reserve (translation reserve) in equity. However, if the operation is a non-wholly-owned subsidiary, then the relevant proportionate share of the translation difference is allocated to the non-controlling interests. When a foreign operation is disposed of such that control, significant influence or joint control is lost, the cumulative amount in the translation reserve related to that foreign operation is reclassified to profit or loss as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

When the settlement of a monetary item receivable from or payable to a foreign operation is neither planned nor likely in the foreseeable future, foreign exchange gains and losses arising from such a monetary item are considered to form part of a net investment in a foreign operation and are recognised in other comprehensive income, and are presented in the translation reserve in equity.

(c) Financial instruments

(i) Non-derivative financial assets

The Group initially recognises loans and receivables and deposits on the date that they are originated. All other financial assets (including assets designated at fair value through profit or loss) are recognised initially on the trade date at which the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

The Group derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows on the financial asset in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred. Any interest in transferred financial assets that is created or retained by the Group is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Group has a legal right to offset the amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

(ii) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Such assets are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

Loans and receivables comprises of cash and cash equivalents, and trade and other receivables.

(iii) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits with original maturities of three months or less from the acquisition date that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in their fair value, and are used by the Group in the management of its short-term commitments.

(iv) Non-derivative financial liabilities

The Group initially recognises debt securities issued and subordinated liabilities on the date that they are originated. All other financial liabilities (including liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss) are recognised initially on the trade date, which is the date that the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

The Group derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled or expired.

The Group classifies non-derivative financial liabilities into the other financial liabilities category. Such financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, these financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Other financial liabilities comprise borrowings and trade and other payables (excluding accrued expenses).

(v) 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 profit or loss 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.

The difference between the carrying amount of a financial liability that has been extinguished or transferred to another party and the consideration paid, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss as other income or finance costs. Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period.

(vi) Borrowing 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.

(vii) Share capital (Ordinary shares)

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares are recognised as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects.

(viii) Derivative financial instruments, including hedge accounting

The Group holds derivative financial instruments to hedge its interest rate risk exposures. Embedded derivatives are separated from the host contract and accounted for separately if the economic characteristics and risks of the host contract and the embedded derivative are not closely related, a separate instrument with the same terms as the embedded derivative would meet the definition of a derivative, and the combined instrument is not measured at fair value through profit or loss.

On initial designation of the derivative as the hedging instrument, the Group formally documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and hedged item, including the risk management objectives and strategy in undertaking the hedge transaction and the hedged risk, together with the methods that will be used to assess the effectiveness of the hedging relationship. The Group makes an assessment, both at the inception of the hedge relationship as well as on an ongoing basis, whether the hedging instruments are expected to be "highly effective" in offsetting the changes in the fair value or cash flows of the respective hedged items attributable to hedged risk, and whether the actual results of each hedge are within a range of 80 - 125 percent.

Derivatives are recognised initially at fair value and attributable transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred. Subsequent to initial recognition, derivatives are measured at fair value and changes therein are accounted for as described below.

(ix) Cash flow hedges

When a derivative is designated as the hedging instrument in a hedge of the variability in cash flows attributable to a particular risk associated with a recognised asset or liability or a highly probable forecast transaction that could affect profit or loss, the effective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivative is recognised in other comprehensive income and presented in the hedging reserve in equity. Any ineffective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivative is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

When the hedged item is a non-financial asset, the amount accumulated in equity is retained in other comprehensive income and reclassified to profit or loss in the same period or periods during which the non-financial item affects profit or loss. In other cases, the amount accumulated in equity is reclassified to profit or loss in the same period that the hedged item affects profit or loss. If the hedging instrument no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, expires or is sold, terminated or exercised, or the designation is revoked, then hedge accounting is discontinued prospectively. If the forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, then the balance in equity is reclassified in profit or loss.

(d) Property, plant and equipment

(i) Recognition and measurement

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the cost of materials and direct labour, any other costs directly attributable to bringing the assets to a working condition for their intended use, the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located and capitalised borrowing costs. Cost also may include transfers from equity of any gain or loss on qualifying cash flow hedges of foreign currency purchases of property, plant and equipment. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of that equipment.

When parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

Any gains and losses on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment (calculated as the difference between the net proceeds from disposal and the carrying amount of the item) is recognised in profit or loss.

(ii) Subsequent costs

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Group. Ongoing repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

(iii) Depreciation

Items of property, plant and equipment are depreciated from the date that they are installed and are ready for use, or in respect of internally constructed assets, from the date that the asset is completed and ready for use.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of property, plant and equipment less their estimated residual values using the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Depreciation is generally recognised in profit or loss, unless the amount is included in the carrying amount of another asset.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative years are as follows:

- fixtures, fittings and equipment - 2.5 to 5 years
- leasehold improvements - over lease period

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

(i) Goodwill

Goodwill that arises upon the acquisition of subsidiaries is included in intangible assets.

(ii) Subsequent measurement

Goodwill is measured at cost less accumulated impairment losses. In respect of equity-accounted investees, the carrying amount of goodwill is included in the carrying amount of the investment, and an impairment loss is allocated to the carrying amount of the equity-accounted investee as a whole.

(iii) Brand names

A brand name, also called a trade name, is used to identify a commercial product or service which may or may not be registered as a trademark.

(iv) Software

Computer software comprises computer application system software and licenses. 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 computer software. Costs capitalised include external direct costs, direct payroll and payroll related costs.

Development costs include only those costs directly attributable to the development phase and are only recognised following completion of technical feasibility and where the Group has an intention and ability to use the asset.

Research expenditure is recognised as an expense as incurred. Costs incurred on development projects (relating to the design and testing of new or improved products) are recognised as intangible assets when it is probable that the project will, after considering its commercial and technical feasibility, be completed and generate future economic benefits and its costs can be measured reliably. The expenditure capitalised comprises all directly attributable costs, including costs of materials, services and direct labour. Other development expenditures that do not meet these criteria are recognised as an expense in profit and loss as incurred. Development costs are capitalised under computer software and amortised from the point at which the asset is ready for use.

(v) Databases

The Group capitalises costs incurred in acquiring intellectual property relating to databases that will contribute to future period financial benefits through revenue generation and/or cost reduction.

(vi) Data sets

The Group capitalises costs incurred relating to storable data purchases. Costs are capitalised when control over the data is maintained to obtain future economic benefits. The amount is amortised over the economic life of the data sets, which is determined based on the nature of the underlying data.

(vii) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates. All other expenditure, including expenditure on internally generated goodwill and brands, is recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

(viii) Amortisation

Amortisation is based on the cost of an asset less its residual value. Amortisation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets, other than goodwill and data sets, from the date that they are available for use. There is no amortisation of goodwill. Amortisation of data is determined using a diminishing value method, where approximately 50% of the cost is amortised in the first two years, consistent with the nature of the underlying data purchased.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative years are as follows:

- brand names : indefinite useful life
- software : 3 - 8 years
- databases : 1 - 6 years
- customer contracts and relationships : 3 - 10 years
- data sets : 8 years

(f) Impairment

(i) Non-derivative financial assets

A financial asset not carried at fair value through profit or loss is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is objective evidence that it is impaired. A financial asset is impaired if objective evidence indicates that a loss event has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset, and that the loss event had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset that can be estimated reliably.

Objective evidence that financial assets are impaired can include default or delinquency by a debtor, restructuring of an amount due to the Group on terms that the Group would not consider otherwise, indications that a debtor or issuer will enter bankruptcy, adverse changes in the payment status of borrowers or issuers in the Group or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

(ii) Financial assets measured at amortised cost

The Group considers evidence of impairment for financial assets measured at amortised cost at both a specific asset and collective level. All individually significant assets are assessed for specific impairment. Those found not to be specifically impaired are then collectively assessed for any impairment that has been incurred but not yet identified. Assets that are not individually significant are collectively assessed for impairment by grouping together assets with similar risk characteristics.

In assessing collective impairment the Group uses historical trends of the probability of default, timing of recoveries and the amount of loss incurred, adjusted for management's judgment as to whether current economic and credit conditions are such that the actual losses are likely to be greater or less than suggested by historical trends.

An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset measured at amortised cost is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. Losses are recognised in profit or loss and reflected in an allowance account against receivables. Interest on the impaired asset continues to be recognised through the unwinding of the discount. When an event occurring after the impairment was recognised causes the amount of impairment loss to decrease, the decrease in impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss.

(iii) Equity accounted investees

An impairment loss in respect of an equity accounted investee is measured by comparing the recoverable amount of the investment with its carrying amount in accordance with the policy. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a favourable change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount.

(iv) Non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's non-financial assets, other than deferred tax assets, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. For goodwill, and intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives or that are not yet available for use, the recoverable amount is estimated each year at the same time. An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its related cash-generating unit (CGU) exceeds its estimated recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset or CGU. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets that cannot be tested individually are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generate cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or CGU. Subject to an operating segment ceiling test, for the purposes of goodwill impairment testing, CGUs to which goodwill has been allocated are aggregated so that the level at which impairment testing is performed reflects the lowest level at which goodwill is monitored for internal reporting purposes. Goodwill acquired in a business combination is allocated to groups of CGUs that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination.

Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in respect of CGUs are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the CGU (group of CGUs), and then to reduce the carrying amounts of the other assets in the CGU (group of CGUs) on a pro rata basis.

An impairment loss in respect of goodwill is not reversed. For other assets, an impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

(g) Fair value estimation

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities must be estimated for recognition and measurement or for disclosure purposes.

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives, and trading and available-for-sale securities) is based on quoted market prices at the statement of financial position date.

The carrying value less impairment provision of trade receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature. The fair value of financial liabilities for disclosure purposes is estimated by discounting the future contractual cash flows at the current market interest rate that is available to the Group for similar financial instruments.

(h) Employee benefits

(i) Wages, salaries and annual leave

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits and annual leave expected to be settled within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the end of the reporting period and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. The liability for annual leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits.

(ii) Long-term service benefits

The Group's net obligation in respect of long term service benefits, other than superannuation but including long service leave, is the amount of future benefits that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. That benefit is calculated using expected future increases in wage and salary rates including related on-costs and expected settlement dates, and is discounted using the rates attached to corporate bonds at the reporting date that have maturity dates approximating to the terms of the Group's obligations.

Long service leave is classified as current where the leave has vested, or will vest within the next 12 months, in accordance with the relevant state legislation under which the employee is employed.

(iii) Superannuation contributions

Contributions are made on behalf of employees to various complying superannuation funds and are charged as expenses when incurred. The Group has no liability to defined contribution superannuation funds other than the payment of its share of the contributions in terms of applicable legislation.

(iv) Share-based payments

The grant-date fair value of share-based payment awards granted to employees is recognised as an employee expense, with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period that the employees unconditionally become entitled to the awards. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the number of awards for which the related service and non-market vesting conditions are expected to be met, such that the amount ultimately recognised as an expense is based on the number of awards that meet the related service and non-market performance conditions at the vesting date.

When the Group reimburses employees for personal taxes due related to the share-based payments awards, the payment is considered to be a cash-settled award because the tax is based on the value of the Company's equity instruments. The liability is expensed immediately in the profit or loss in the period of which it arises.

In the current financial year, the fair value at grant date is determined using a Black Scholes option pricing model and a Monte Carlo simulation that takes into account the exercise price, the term of the share plan, the vesting and performance criteria, the enterprise value, the discount due to lack of control and lack of marketability, the expected dividend yield, and the risk free interest rate for the term of the share award. In previous financial years, Monte Carlo simulations and Black Scholes valuations were used to value shares issued.

(i) Provisions

A provision is recognised if, as a result of a past event, the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Non-current provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost.

(i) Lease incentives

Office lease incentives are amortised over the term of the individual office leases. The amount in excess of 12 months is recorded as a non-current provision.

(ii) Occupancy 'make-good'

A provision for make good costs for leased property is recognised when a make good obligation exists in the lease contracts. The provision is the best estimate of the present value of the expenditure required to settle the make good obligation at the reporting date. Future make good costs are reviewed annually and any changes are reflected in the present value of the make good provision at the end of the reporting period.

(iii) Contingent consideration

Contingent consideration for Veda Group consists of future earn out payments in conjunction with business acquisitions. Future contingent consideration payments are reviewed annually and any changes are reflected in the present value of the earn out provision at the end of the reporting period.

(j) Revenue

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 described below.

(i) Credit and other enquiry revenue and product revenue

A sale is recorded at the time that an enquiry is made through the credit bureau, and at the time a product is delivered.

(ii) Service revenue

Contract revenue and expenses are recognised in accordance with the percentage of completion method unless the outcome of the contract cannot be reliably estimated. Where it is probable that a loss will arise from a contract, the excess of total expected contract costs over total expected contract revenue is recognised as an expense immediately.

Where the outcome of a contract cannot be reliably estimated, contract costs are recognised as an expense as incurred, and where it is probable that the costs will be recovered revenue is recognised to the extent of the costs incurred.

The stage of completion is measured by reference to services completed as a proportion of total services for the contract.

(iii) Income from software license fees

Revenue from software licenses is recognised upon delivery. Where a single arrangement comprises a number of individual elements which are capable of operating independently of one another the total revenues are allocated amongst the individual elements based on an estimate of the fair value of each element. Where the elements are not capable of operating independently, or reasonable measures of fair value for each element are not available, total revenues are recognised on a straight line basis over the contract period to reflect the timing of services performed.

(iv) Subscription revenue

Subscription fees are brought to account over the term of the subscription. Unearned subscription fees at the end of a period are deferred and recognised over the balance of the subscription period.

(k) Lease payments

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives received are recognised as an integral part of the total lease expense, over the term of the lease.

(l) Finance income and expense

Finance income is recognised for interest earned on cash and cash deposits using the effective interest rate method. Finance expense comprise interest expense on borrowings, and the unwinding of future values on provisions.

Foreign currency gains and losses on financial assets and financial liabilities are reported on a net basis as either finance income or finance cost depending on whether foreign currency movements are in a net gain or net loss position.

(m) Tax

Tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Current and deferred taxes are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to a business combination, or items recognised directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

(i) Current tax

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. Current tax payable also includes any tax liability arising from the declaration of dividends.

(ii) Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Deferred tax is not recognised for:

- temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss;
- temporary differences related to investments in subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities to the extent that it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future; and
- taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill.

The measurement of deferred tax reflects the tax consequences that would follow the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax liabilities and assets, and they relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority on the same taxable entity, or on different tax entities, but they intend to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis or their tax assets and liabilities will be realised simultaneously.

A deferred tax asset is recognised for unused tax losses, tax credits and deductible temporary differences, to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be utilised. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised.

(iii) Tax exposures

In determining the amount of current and deferred tax the Group takes into account the impact of uncertain tax positions and whether additional taxes and interest may be due. This assessment relies on estimates and assumptions and may involve a series of judgments about future events. New information may become available that causes the Group to change its judgment regarding the adequacy of existing tax liabilities; such changes to tax liabilities will impact tax expense in the period that such a determination is made.

(iv) Tax consolidation

The Group has implemented the tax consolidation legislation. There are two tax consolidated groups in Australia and one in New Zealand. The head entity for the primary Australian tax group is Veda Group Limited (previously VA Australia Holdings Pty Ltd).

(n) 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 consolidated balance sheet.

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.

(o) Earnings per share

The Group presents basic and diluted earnings per share data for its ordinary shares. Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year, adjusted for own shares held. Diluted earnings per share is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding, adjusted for own shares held, for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares, which comprise convertible notes and share options granted to employees.

(p) Segment reporting

A segment is a distinguishable component of the Group that participates in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses. The operating results of the segments are regularly reviewed by the Group's board (chief operating decision-maker) enabling decisions about the allocation of resources to the segments and assess their performance.

The Group comprises the following two operating segments:

- Australia
- International

Both segments primarily provide consumer and commercial credit enquiry information and decisioning software and a range of sophisticated credit risk management and decisioning solutions and data driven marketing solutions. Segment results are based on earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") and also excludes the Group's share of net profits and losses from associates. Segment assets and liabilities are not regularly provided to the Group's board.

There are no intersegment transactions.

4 New accounting standards and interpretations

(i) New accounting standards adopted

During the financial year ended 30 June 2015 the Group adopted the following standards:

- Amendments to IAS 32- Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities
- Amendments to IAS 136 - Recoverable Amount Disclosures for Non-Financial Assets
- Amendments to IAS 39 - Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting
- Annual Improvements to IFRS's 2010-2012 Cycle and Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2011-2013 Cycle
- Amendments to IAS 19 - Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions

As a result of adopting the new accounting standards and amendments the Group has made various changes to accounting policies which have had no material impact on the Group.

(ii) New accounting standards released but not yet adopted

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 30 June 2015 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.

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments (2013) is effective from 1 January 2018. The Group is not required to adopt this new standard until the annual reporting period ending 30 June 2019 and currently has no intention of early adopting this standard. The potential impact of the standard has been assessed at this stage as minimal.

IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017, with early adoption permitted. The Group has no intention of early adopting this standard. The Group has not yet completed its assessment of the potential impact on its consolidated financial statements resulting from the application of IFRS 15.

There are no other standards that are not yet effective and that are expected to have a material impact on the entity in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

5 Operating segments

Information about reportable segments

2015

	Australia \$'000	International \$'000	Total \$'000
Total segment revenue	300,514	38,253	338,767
EBITDA	125,919	18,533	144,452
Depreciation and amortisation	—	—	(27,863)
Net finance costs	—	—	(12,648)
Share of profit from associates	—	—	3,167
Profit before income tax			107,108

2014

	Australia \$'000	International \$'000	Total \$'000
Total segment revenue	266,455	35,594	302,049
EBITDA	110,308	18,044	128,352
Depreciation and amortisation	—	—	(23,049)
Net finance costs	—	—	(49,276)
IPO expenses/adjustments	—	—	(25,677)
Share of profit from associates	—	—	2,536
Profit before income tax	—	—	32,886

Information about similar products and services

In addition to the reportable segments of Australia and International, the Group provides revenues from external customers for groups of similar products and services as detailed in note 6.

Entity-wide disclosure

Revenue for New Zealand totalled \$37.5m for 2015 (2014: \$35.1m) and non-current assets totalled \$197.7m as of 30 June 2015 (30 June 2014: \$202.5m). Non-current assets exclude financial instruments, deferred tax assets and employee benefit assets.

6 Revenue

Sales Revenue

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Credit and other enquiry revenue	253,128	235,203
Marketing solutions (services and software)	28,733	19,348
Subscription and product revenue	56,906	47,498
	338,767	302,049

Segment revenue

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Consumer Risk and Identity	110,031	100,010
Commercial Risk and Information Services	134,414	125,718
B2C and Marketing	56,069	40,727
Australia	300,514	266,455
International	38,253	35,594
Total Revenue	338,767	302,049

7 IPO related costs

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Employee benefit expenses	—	15,224
Professional and legal fees	—	9,870
Finance costs, net	—	583
Total IPO related expenses	—	25,677

8 Finance expenses

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Bank interest and finance charges paid/payable	13,075	33,750
Net foreign exchange (gains)/losses	(224)	252
Write-off of capitalised borrowing costs	—	12,847
Amortisation of capitalised borrowing costs	475	3,546
Finance costs recognised in profit or loss, net	13,326	50,395

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
<i>Recognised directly in other comprehensive income</i>		
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	108	528
Tax on finance expenses recognised in other comprehensive income	(33)	(158)
Finance income recognised directly in other comprehensive income	75	370

9 Tax expense

Tax recognised in profit or loss

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Current tax expense	5,461	2,794
Deferred tax expense	23,897	8,100
(Over)/under provided in prior years	(669)	(666)
Total income tax expense	28,689	10,228

Numerical reconciliation between tax expense and pre-tax accounting profit

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Profit before tax	107,108	32,886
Income tax at 30%	32,132	9,866
Tax effect of amounts which are not deductible (taxable) in calculating taxable income		
R&D offset	(1,758)	(1,994)
Share-based payments	—	3,303
Business combination cost expensed	45	186
Share of net profit of associates	(957)	(762)
(Over)/under provided in prior years	(669)	(666)
Other items (net)	(104)	295
Tax expense recognised in the profit or loss	28,689	10,228
Tax recognised in other comprehensive income		
	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	(33)	(158)

10 Financial assets and financial liabilities

The Group holds the following financial instruments:

	Cash flow hedge - hedging instruments \$'000	Cash, loans and receivables \$'000	Other financial liabilities \$'000	Total \$'000	Fair value \$'000
30 June 2015					
Cash and cash equivalents	—	29,799	—	29,799	29,799
Trade and other receivables	—	50,304	—	50,304	50,304
Trade and other payables	—	—	(29,843)	(29,843)	(29,843)
Loans and borrowings	—	—	(226,615)	(226,615)	(220,198)
Deferred acquisition consideration	—	—	(7,705)	(7,705)	(7,705)
Derivative financial instruments	—	—	—	—	—
	—	80,103	(264,163)	(184,060)	(177,643)
30 June 2014					
Cash and cash equivalents	—	30,028	—	30,028	30,028
Trade and other receivables	—	43,170	—	43,170	43,170
Trade and other payables	—	—	(26,133)	(26,133)	(26,133)
Loans and borrowings	—	—	(267,931)	(267,931)	(251,079)
Deferred acquisition consideration	—	—	(3,076)	(3,076)	(3,076)
Derivative financial instruments	(108)	—	—	(108)	(108)
	—	73,198	(297,140)	(224,050)	(207,198)

The Group's exposure to various risks associated with the financial instruments is discussed in note 13. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of the reporting period is the carrying amount of each class of financial assets mentioned above.

(a) Cash and cash equivalents

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Current assets		
Bank balances	8,734	15,412
Deposits at call	21,065	14,616
Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated statement of cash flows	29,799	30,028

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk and a sensitivity analysis for financial assets are disclosed in note 13.

(b) Trade and other receivables

	Current \$'000	2015 Non- current \$'000	Total \$'000	Current \$'000	2014 Non-current \$'000	Total
Trade receivables	44,528	—	44,528	37,851	—	37,851
Allowance for impairment of receivables (see note 13(a))	(269)	—	(269)	(304)	—	(304)
	<u>44,259</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>44,259</u>	<u>37,547</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>37,547</u>
Management share plan loans	—	2,801	2,801	0	3,754	3,754
Other receivables	3,244	—	3,244	1,869	—	1,869
	<u>47,503</u>	<u>2,801</u>	<u>50,304</u>	<u>39,416</u>	<u>3,754</u>	<u>43,170</u>

Further information relating to loans to related parties and key management personnel is set out in notes 18.

(c) Trade and other payables

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Current Liabilities		
Trade payables	29,283	25,384
Accrued expenses	560	749
	<u>29,843</u>	<u>26,133</u>

The Group's exposure to currency and liquidity risk related to trade and other payables is disclosed in note 13.

(d) Loans and borrowings

On 10 December 2013, the Group established a three year unsecured revolving facilities agreement consisting of an AU\$240 million facility (of which up to NZ 40m can be drawn) and a NZ\$93 million facility. Funds raised from the new financing and equity raised from the IPO was used to repay all of the Group's existing mezzanine preference notes and senior debt.

Unamortised borrowing costs relating to existing debt that was repaid or refinanced were immediately written off and is included in finance expenses.

On 10 December 2013, the Group also established a \$10 million bank guarantee facility to support its standard business operational requirements for bank guarantees. This facility is drawn to \$7.6 million as at 30 June 2015 (30 June 2014: \$8.0 million).

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Unsecured		
Non-current		
Senior Australian debt	121,000	146,000
Senior New Zealand debt	106,317	123,115
Capitalised borrowing costs	(702)	(1,184)
Total unsecured non-current borrowings	<u>226,615</u>	<u>267,931</u>
Total interest-bearing liabilities	<u>226,615</u>	<u>267,931</u>

The following table provides details of the components of the bank facilities and available cash equivalents:

	Maturity	30 June 2015		30 June 2014	
		Facility \$'000	Utilised \$'000	Facility \$'000	Utilised \$'000
Revolving credit facility A	December 2016	240,000	144,229	240,000	182,375
Revolving credit facility B (Note1)	December 2016	83,088	83,088	86,740	86,740
Less: cash and cash equivalents			(29,799)		(30,028)
Less: capitalised borrowings costs			(702)		(1,184)
Net bank debt		323,088	196,816	326,740	237,903

Note1 - NZD denominated debt of NZD \$93 million converted to AUD at an exchange rate of 0.8934 (2014: 0.9327).

11 Non-financial assets and liabilities

(a) Property, plant and equipment

	Furniture, fittings and equipment \$'000	Leasehold improvements \$'000	Total \$'000
At 30 June 2015			
Cost	14,170	8,162	22,332
Accumulated depreciation	(11,388)	(6,172)	(17,560)
Net book amount	2,782	1,990	4,772
	Furniture, fittings and equipment \$'000	Leasehold improvements \$'000	Total \$'000
Opening net book amount	1,497	2,613	4,110
Additions	2,262	40	2,302
Business combinations	47	—	47
Depreciation charge	(1,005)	(655)	(1,660)
Exchange differences - Cost	(64)	(35)	(99)
Exchange differences - Accumulated depreciation	45	27	72
Balance as at 30 June 2015	2,782	1,990	4,772

At 30 June 2014

Cost	11,925	8,157	20,082
Accumulated depreciation	(10,428)	(5,544)	(15,972)
Net book amount	1,497	2,613	4,110
Opening net book amount	1,324	3,234	4,558
Additions	661	—	661
Business combinations	19	—	19
Depreciation charge	(531)	(657)	(1,188)
Disposals - Cost	(854)	(245)	(1,099)
Disposals - Accumulated depreciation	854	245	1,099
Exchange differences - Cost	175	83	258
Exchange differences - Accumulated depreciation	(151)	(47)	(198)
Balance as at 30 June 2014	1,497	2,613	4,110

(b) Deferred tax balances

(i) Deferred tax assets

	Note	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
The balance comprises temporary differences attributable to:			
Value of carry-forward tax losses recognised		22,303	37,594
Employee benefits		5,599	5,106
Cash flow hedges		—	33
Deferred revenue		1,769	751
Make good provision		312	338
Capital costs deductible over 5 years		4,658	6,236
Database subject to copyright		—	(1,486)
Lease incentives provision		619	714
Other items		113	262
Total deferred tax assets		35,373	49,548
Set-off of deferred tax liabilities pursuant to set-off provisions	11(b)(ii)	(20,433)	(11,089)
Net deferred tax assets		14,940	38,459

Movements	Tax losses \$'000	Capital costs deductible over 5 years \$'000	Employee benefits \$'000	Databases subject to copyright* \$'000	Deferred revenue \$'000	Lease incentives provision \$'000	Cash flow hedges \$'000	Other provisions \$'000	Total \$'000
2015									
At 1 July 2014	37,594	6,236	5,106	—	751	714	33	600	51,034
(Charged)/credited									
- to profit or loss	(16,528)	(1,592)	507	—	177	217	—	(496)	(17,715)
- directly to equity	—	—	—	—	—	—	(33)	—	(33)
Acquisition of subsidiary	—	—	21	—	—	—	—	—	21
Under provided in prior years	1,237	14	—	—	886	—	—	(3)	2,134
Exchange rate	—	—	(35)	—	(45)	—	—	12	(68)
Balance as at 30 June 2015	22,303	4,658	5,599	—	1,769	931	—	113	35,373
2014									
At 1 July 2013	37,303	(597)	4,929	2,574	—	806	225	605	45,845
(Charged)/credited									
- to profit or loss	(1,229)	(1,003)	158	(2,729)	387	(121)	—	294	(4,243)
- directly to equity	—	7,836	—	—	—	—	(255)	—	7,581
Acquisition of subsidiary	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	4
Under provided in prior years	1,531	—	31	(1,331)	447	23	63	(294)	470
Exchange rate	(11)	—	(16)	—	(83)	6	—	(5)	(109)
Balance as at 30 June 2014	37,594	6,236	5,106	(1,486)	751	714	33	600	49,548

- Closing balance from 30 June 2014 moved to deferred tax liability table.

(ii) *Deferred tax liabilities*

	Note	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
The balance comprises temporary differences attributable to:			
Customer relationships		1,131	770
Depreciation and amortisation		14,348	9,224
Brand Name		1,081	1,095
Databases subject to copyright		3,873	—
		20,433	11,089
Set-off of deferred tax liabilities pursuant to set-off provisions	11(b)(i)	(20,433)	(11,089)
Net deferred tax liabilities		—	—

Movements	Depreciation and amortisation \$'000	Other intangible assets \$'000	Customer relationships \$'000	Brand name \$'000	Databases subject to copyright* \$'000	Total \$'000
2015						
At 1 July 2014	9,224	—	770	1,095	1,486	12,575
Charged/(credited)						
- profit or loss	4,094	—	(219)	5	2,252	6,132
Acquired in business combinations	140	—	580	—	122	842
Over/(Under) prior year	913	—	—	(19)	11	905
Exchange rate	(23)	—	—	—	2	(21)
At 30 June 2015	14,348	—	1,131	1,081	3,873	20,433
2014						
At 1 July 2013	5,282	78	783	1,080	—	7,223
Charged/(credited)						
- profit or loss	3,983	—	(262)	28	—	3,749
Acquired in business combinations	—	—	243	—	—	243
Over/(Under) prior year	(41)	(78)	5	(13)	—	(127)
Exchange rate	—	—	1	—	—	1
At 30 June 2014	9,224	—	770	1,095	—	11,089

- 1 July 2014 opening balance moved from deferred tax assets table.

(c) Intangible assets

	Goodwill \$'000	Brand names \$'000	Computer software \$'000	Software development in progress \$'000	Databases \$'000	Data sets \$'000	Customer contracts and relationships \$'000	Total \$'000
At 30 June 2015								
Cost	816,287	5,137	201,653	26,557	17,757	33,891	87,515	1,188,797
Accumulated amortisation	—	—	(139,604)	—	(17,047)	(10,285)	(83,732)	(250,668)
Net book amount	816,287	5,137	62,049	26,557	710	23,606	3,783	938,129
Opening net book amount	817,990	4,644	53,746	17,422	269	13,585	2,581	910,237
Acquisition of business	6,328	493	951	-	679	—	1,944	10,395
Additions	—	—	2,684	32,799	—	16,251	—	51,734
Transfers to computer software	—	—	23,636	(23,636)	—	—	—	—
Amortisation charge	—	—	(18,955)	—	(245)	(6,230)	(772)	(26,202)
Exchange rate movement - Cost	(8,031)	—	(539)	(28)	(116)	—	(844)	(9,558)
Exchange rate movement - Accumulated amortisation	—	—	526	—	123	—	874	1,523
Balance as at 30 June 2015	816,287	5,137	62,049	26,557	710	23,606	3,783	938,129

	Goodwill \$'000	Brand names \$'000	Computer software \$'000	Software development in progress \$'000	Databases \$'000	Data sets \$'000	Customer contracts and relationships \$'000	Total \$'000
At 30 June 2014								
Cost	817,990	4,644	174,921	17,422	17,194	17,640	86,415	1,136,226
Accumulated amortisation	—	—	(121,175)	—	(16,925)	(4,055)	(83,834)	(225,989)
Net book amount	817,990	4,644	53,746	17,422	269	13,585	2,581	910,237
Opening net book amount	796,865	4,314	28,663	24,872	287	4,490	2,623	862,114
Acquisition of business	2,137	330	659	0	100	100	810	4,136
Additions	—	—	1,627	32,347	—	12,553	—	46,527
Transfers to computer software	—	—	39,953	(39,953)	—	—	0	—
Amortisation charge	—	—	(17,313)	—	(118)	(3,558)	(872)	(21,861)
Exchange rate movement - Cost	18,988	—	1,203	156	364	—	1,994	22,705
Exchange rate movement - Accumulated amortisation	—	—	(1,046)	—	(364)	—	(1,974)	(3,384)
Balance as at 30 June 2014	817,990	4,644	53,746	17,422	269	13,585	2,581	910,237

Impairment testing for cash-generating units

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill and other indefinite life intangible assets are allocated to the Group's CGU's as follows:

2015	\$'000
Australia	731,544
International	206,585
	938,129
2014	\$'000
Australia	708,230
International	202,007
	910,237

The recoverable amount of a CGU is determined based on value-in-use calculations.

Key assumptions used for value-in-use calculations

Key assumptions used in the calculation of recoverable amounts are discount rates, terminal value growth rates and cash flow growth rates. These assumptions are as follows:

	Pre-tax discount rate		Cash flow growth rate	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	%	%	%	%
Veda Australia	11.7	12.7	11.2	10.3
Veda International	12.2	11.9	11.9	10.6

Discount rate

Discount rates used are the pre-tax W ACC and include a premium for market risks appropriate to the relevant CGU.

Terminal value growth rate

Terminal values calculated after year five have been determined using the stable growth model, having regard to the W ACC terminal growth factor of 3% (2014: 3%) per annum which is considered appropriate to the industry in which each CGU operates.

Cash Flow Forecasts

Five years of cash flows are included in the impairment model. The first three years of cash flows are based on the Board approved FY16 budget and management three year plans. The cash flow forecast for the remaining two years have been extrapolated using a growth rate of 5%.

Growth rates

Growth rates used in the financial projections are based on management's expectations for the future performance for the business in which each CGU operates. The rates disclosed are the management approved three year compounded annual growth rates as different rates are used over the plan period. The New Zealand growth rates are slightly higher due to the Group's expectations of future growth.

Impact of possible changes in key assumptions

The value in use calculations are sensitive to changes in the key assumptions used in the impairment testing. As such, a sensitivity analysis was undertaken by management to examine the effect of changes in key assumptions which would cause the carrying amount to exceed the recoverable amount for each CGU. Management is satisfied that any reasonably likely changes in the key assumptions would not cause the carrying value of each CGU to materially exceed its recoverable amount.

(d) Customer contracts and relationships

Customer contracts and relationships acquired as part of a business combination are recognised separately from goodwill. The customer contracts and relationships are carried at their fair value at the date of acquisition less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses.

(e) Provisions

Movements in provisions

	Lease incentives	Deferred acquisition consideration	Other provisions	Total provisions
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2015				
Balance at start of the year	2,378	3,076	1,362	6,816
Provisions made	—	325	47	372
Provisions used	(343)	(653)	(235)	(1,231)
Acquired through business combination	—	4,957	—	4,957
Effect of movements in exchange rates	(3)	—	(6)	(9)
Carrying amount at end of year	2,032	7,705	1,168	10,905
Current	514	3,261	92	3,867
Non-current	1,518	4,444	1,076	7,038
	2,032	7,705	1,168	10,905
2014				
Balance at start of the year	2,763	7,255	1,062	11,080
Provisions made	218	678	287	1,183
Provisions used	(622)	(6,568)	—	(7,190)
Acquired through business combination	—	1,711	—	1,711
Effect of movements in exchange rates	19	—	13	32
Carrying amount at end of year	2,378	3,076	1,362	6,816
Current	533	621	323	1,477
Non-current	1,845	2,455	1,039	5,339
	2,378	3,076	1,362	6,816

(f) Employee benefit obligations

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Current		
Liability for annual leave	3,738	2,941
Liability for long service leave	1,845	1,684
Liability for bonus and other employment liabilities	10,929	11,678
	<u>16,512</u>	<u>16,303</u>
Non-current		
Liability for long service leave	1,458	1,105

12 Equity

(a) Capital and reserves

	2015 Shares '000	2014 Shares '000	2015 '000	2014 '000
Ordinary shares - fully paid	842,455	842,055	792,161	791,364

Movements in ordinary share capital

Date	Details	Number of shares '000	Issue price	\$'000
2015				
1 July 2014	Opening balance	842,055		791,364
31 March 2015	Options series 1 exercised	216	\$1.90	410
31 March 2015	Options series 2 exercised	184	\$2.10	387
	Closing balance	<u>842,455</u>		<u>792,161</u>

Date	Details	Number of shares '000	Issue price	'000
2014				
1 July 2013	Opening balance	513,029	—	512,911
15 November 2013	Capital reduction	—	—	(96,039)
10 December 2013	Share issue under IPO	272,841	\$1.25	341,051
10 December 2013	Reclassified MPS - modified	14,408	\$0.25	3,602
10 December 2013	Reclassified MPS - unmodified	299	\$1.00	299
10 December 2013	Reclassified MPS - transfer from share based payment reserve	—	—	8,360
10 December 2013	Warrants exercised	41,478	\$0.95	39,498
10 December 2013	Transaction costs arising from issue of shares (net of tax)	—	—	(18,318)
	Closing balance	842,055		791,364

On 15 November 2013 a resolution was passed by the Directors approving a share capital reduction of \$96.0 million. As a result the accumulated losses were reduced by \$96.0 million. There was no impact on the number of shares on issue.

Dividends

The following dividends were declared or paid by the Company during the year ended 30 June 2015.

	Cents per share	Total amount \$'000	Date of payment
Final ordinary 2015	6.0	50,547	8 October 2015
Final ordinary 2014	4.0	33,682	9 October 2014

(b) Other reserves

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Cash flow hedges	—	(75)
Share-based payments	8,458	7,551
Foreign currency translation	2,527	3,311
	10,985	10,787
	Note	2015 \$'000
		2014 \$'000

Movements:

<i>Cash flow hedges</i>			
Opening balance		(75)	(445)
Effective portion of changes in fair value - gross	8	108	528
Deferred tax	9, 11(b)(i)	(33)	(158)
Balance 30 June		—	(75)

	Note	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
<i>Share-based payments</i>			
Opening Balance		7,551	4,321
Employee share plan expense		907	3,230
Balance 30 June		8,458	7,551

<i>Foreign currency translation</i>			
Opening balance		3,311	(4,428)
Currency translation differences arising during the year		(784)	7,739
Balance 30 June		2,527	3,311

(c) Retained earnings

Movements in retained earnings were as follows:

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Balance 1 July	(76,605)	(195,047)
Profit after tax attributable to the owners of Veda Group Limited	77,919	22,403
Dividends	(33,869)	—
Capital reduction	—	96,039
Balance 30 June	(32,555)	(76,605)

(d) Nature and purpose of other reserves

(i) Cash flow hedges

The hedging reserve is used to record gains or losses on a hedging instrument in a cash flow hedge that are recognised in other comprehensive income, as described in note 3(c). Amounts are reclassified to profit or loss when the associated hedged transaction affects profit or loss.

(ii) Share-based payments

The share-based payments reserve is used to record the value of share-based payments provided to employees, as part of their remuneration.

The current balance relates to unexercised options issued to senior executives. A portion of this reserve will be reversed against contributed equity if the underlying options are exercised and result in shares being issued.

(iii) Foreign currency translation

Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign controlled entities are recognised in other comprehensive income as described in note 3(b) and accumulated in a separate reserve within equity. The cumulative amount is reclassified to profit or loss when the net investment is disposed of.

13 Financial risk management

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the Group. The Group uses derivative financial instruments such as foreign exchange contracts and interest rate swaps to hedge certain risk exposures. Derivatives are exclusively used for hedging purposes, i.e. not as trading or other speculative instruments. 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, foreign exchange and other price risks, aging analysis for credit risk and beta analysis in respect of investment portfolios to determine market risk.

Risk management is carried out by a central treasury function (Group treasury) under policies approved by the board of Directors. Group treasury identifies, evaluates and hedges financial risks in close co-operation with the Group's operating units. The board provides written principles for overall risk management, as well as policies covering specific areas, such as foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, use of derivative financial instruments and non-derivative financial instruments, and investment of excess liquidity.

(a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the financial loss to the Group if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the Group's receivables from customers and investment securities.

Management of credit risk

Credit risk is managed on a group basis. Credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents, derivative financial instruments and deposits with banks and financial institutions, as well as credit exposures to wholesale and retail customers, including outstanding receivables and committed transactions. For banks and financial institutions, only lenders in the syndicated senior term debt facility are used.

The Group has no significant concentrations of credit risk. The Group has policies in place to ensure that sales of services are made to customers with an appropriate credit history based on enquires through the Group's credit bureau. Ongoing customer credit performance is monitored on a regular basis.

Credit risk further arises in relation to financial guarantees given to certain parties. Such guarantees are only provided in exceptional circumstances under the Group's banking facilities.

Cash and cash equivalents

The Group held cash and cash equivalents of \$29.8 million at 30 June 2015 (30 June 2014: \$30.0 million). The cash and cash equivalents are held with creditworthy counterparties that are large banks and members of the Group's syndicated debt facility.

Interest rate swaps are subject to credit risk in relation to the relevant counterparties, which are large banks and members of the Group's syndicated debt facility. The credit risk on swap contracts is limited to the net amount to be received from counterparties on contracts that are favourable to the consolidated entity.

Exposure to credit risk

The carrying amount of financial assets represents the maximum credit exposure. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date was:

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	29,799	30,028
Trade and other receivables	50,304	43,170
	80,103	73,198

Impairment losses

The ageing of trade receivables at the end of the reporting date that were not impaired was as follows:

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Neither past due or nor impaired	34,870	31,299
Past due 0-30 days	5,630	3,903
Past due 31-90 days	2,573	1,939
Past due 91-120 days	324	333
Past due 121 days to 1 year	427	377
	<u>43,824</u>	<u>37,851</u>

The movement in the allowance for impairment in respect of trade receivables during the year was as follows:

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July	(304)	(85)
Impairment loss recognised	(203)	(224)
Amounts written off	238	5
Balance at 30 June	<u>(269)</u>	<u>(304)</u>

Other than those receivables specifically considered in the above allowance for impairment we do not believe there is a material credit quality issue with the remaining trade receivables balance.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Group's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's reputation.

Management of liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and marketable securities, the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities and the ability to close out market positions. The Group manages liquidity risk by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows and matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities. Surplus funds are generally only invested in instruments that are tradable in highly liquid markets.

Financing arrangements

The Group had access to following undrawn facilities at the end of the reporting date:

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Revolving Borrowing Facility	95,771	57,625
Bank Guarantee Facility	2,360	2,007
	<u>98,131</u>	<u>59,632</u>

Maturities of financial liabilities

The tables below analyses the Group's and the parent entity's financial liabilities, net and gross-settled derivative financial instruments into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. For interest rate swaps the cash flows have been estimated using forward interest rates applicable at the reporting date.

The following are the remaining contractual maturities at the end of the reporting period of financial liabilities, including estimated interest payments and excluding the impact on netting agreements:

Contractual maturities of financial liabilities	Carrying amount \$'000	Contractual cash flows \$'000	12 months or less \$'000	Between 1 and 5 years \$'000
At 30 June 2015				
Non-derivatives				
Senior Australian debt	121,000	(128,288)	(5,222)	(123,065)
Senior New Zealand debt	106,317	(114,311)	(5,345)	(108,966)
Trade payables	29,843	(29,843)	(29,843)	—
Deferred acquisition consideration	7,705	(8,169)	(2,965)	(5,204)
Total non-derivatives	264,865	(280,611)	(43,375)	(237,235)
Contractual maturities of financial liabilities				
	Carrying amount \$'000	Contractual cash flows \$'000	12 months or less \$'000	Between 1 and 5 years \$'000
At 30 June 2014				
Non-derivatives				
Senior Australian debt	146,000	(165,307)	(6,615)	(158,692)
Senior New Zealand debt	123,115	(140,176)	(6,330)	(133,846)
Trade payables	26,133	(26,133)	(26,133)	—
Deferred acquisition consideration	3,076	(3,493)	(992)	(2,501)
Total non-derivatives	298,324	(335,109)	(40,070)	(295,039)
Derivative financial liabilities				
Interest rate swaps used for hedging	108	(108)	(108)	—

Fair value hierarchy

(i) Fair value hierarchy

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities must be estimated for recognition and measurement or for disclosure purposes.

IFRS 7 *Financial Instruments: Disclosures* requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1)
- inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices) (level 2), and
- inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3).

The following table presents the Group's assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair value at 30 June 2015 and 30 June 2014:

<i>Recurring fair value measurements</i>	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Level 4 \$'000
At 30 June 2015				
Financial assets				
Total financial assets	—	—	—	—
Financial liabilities				
Contingent consideration	—	—	7,705	7,705
Total financial assets	—	—	7,705	7,705

Recurring fair value measurements	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
At 30 June 2014	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets				
Total financial assets	—	—	—	—
Financial Liabilities				
Derivatives used for hedging	—	108	—	108
Contingent consideration	—	—	3,076	3,076
Total financial liabilities	—	108	3,076	3,184

Reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements of financial instruments

The following table presents the changes in level 3 instruments for the years ended 30 June 2015 and 30 June 2014:

	Contingent consideration \$'000	Total \$'000
Opening balance 1 July 2013	7,255	7,255
Total gains and losses recognized in other expenses:		
Change in fair value of contingent consideration	678	678
Arising from business combination	1,711	1,711
Cash paid	(6,568)	(6,568)
Closing balance 30 June 2014	3,076	3,076
Total gains and losses recognized in other expenses:		
Change in fair value of contingent consideration	325	325
Arising from business combination	4,957	4,957
Cash paid	(653)	(653)
Closing balance 30 June 2015	7,705	7,705

Fair value is based on the net present value of the expected future cash flow determined in respect to the forecast earnings of the business acquired and the earn out formulas contained in the acquisition agreement.

Capital management

The Board's policy is to maintain a strong capital base so as to maintain investor and creditor confidence and to sustain future development of the business. Capital consists of share capital, retained earnings and non-controlling interests of the Group.

The Board seeks to maintain a balance between the higher returns that might be possible with higher levels of borrowings and the advantages and security afforded by a capital position.

The Group's net debt to adjusted equity ratio at the end of the reporting date was as follows:

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Total equity	773,180	727,592
Amounts accumulated in equity relating to cash flow hedges	—	75
Adjusted equity	773,180	727,667
Liabilities	301,169	331,805
Cash and cash equivalents	(29,799)	(30,028)
Net debt	271,370	301,777
Net debt to adjusted equity ratio at 30 June	35.1 %	41.5 %

There were no changes to the Group's approach to capital management during the year.

(c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices will affect the Group's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return.

Currency risk

Management of currency risk

The Group operates internationally and is exposed to foreign exchange transaction risks arising from various currency exposures, primarily with respect to the New Zealand and Singapore dollar.

Foreign exchange transaction risk arises when net investments in foreign operations, future commercial transactions and recognised assets and liabilities are denominated in a currency that is not the entity's functional currency. The risk is measured using cash flow forecasting.

The Group has an accounting exposure to movements in the AUD/NZD exchange rate in consolidating the NZD net assets of VA (NZ) Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries at each balance date. The current Australian accounting standards require that any such movements be booked to the Group's Foreign Currency Translation Reserve ("FCTR"). Historically, movements in the AUD/NZD cross rates have generally been within $\pm 10\%$.

No hedging of this exposure is undertaken for the following reasons:

- the exchange rate movements do not impact the Group's profit and loss;
- the movements in the FCTR are limited as the level of NZD assets is largely offset by the NZD borrowings (ie there is a natural hedge); and
- the NZ operations are core to the Group's business and it is not expected to be disposed of and any balance in the FCTR is not expected to be realised within the foreseeable future.

Exposure to currency risk

The summary of quantitative data about the Group's exposure to currency risk where it has entered into transactions denominated in foreign currencies is as follows:

	30 June 2015		30 June 2014	
	USD	SGD	USD	SGD
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade receivables	461	—	—	—
Trade payables	(146)	—	—	—
Cash and cash equivalents	563	84	341	85
Net statements of financial positions exposure	878	84	341	85
Forward exchange contracts				
-sell foreign currency (held for trading)	800	—	—	—

The following significant exchange rates applied during the year:

	Average rate		Reporting date spot rate	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
AUD:USD	0.8290	0.9140	0.7660	0.9420
AUD:SGD	1.0870	1.1520	1.0340	1.1770

Note: No currency sensitivity analysis is presented in respect of USD, SGD or NZD on the basis that any reasonably possible change in the currency rates would not have a material impact on the Group's profit or loss or equity having regard to the quantum of exposure as outlined in the table above.

Interest rate risk

The Group's main interest rate risk arises from long-term borrowings. Borrowings issued at variable interest rates expose the Group to cash flow interest rate risk. Borrowings issued at fixed rates expose the Group to fair value interest rate risk.

The Group's interest rate policy is to fix estimated interest rate risk exposure at a minimum of 75% for a period of at least 12 months or as otherwise determined by the board.

The Group manages its cash flow interest rate risk by using floating to fixed interest rate swaps. Such interest rate swaps have the economic effect of converting borrowings from floating rates to fixed rates. Generally, the Group raises long term borrowings at floating rates and swaps them into fixed rates. Under the interest rate swaps, the Group agrees with other parties to exchange, monthly or quarterly, the difference between fixed contract rates and floating rate interest amounts calculated by reference to the agreed notional principal amounts.

At the reporting date the interest rate profile of the Group's interest-bearing financial instruments as reported to the management of the Group was as follows:

Instruments used by the group

	2015	2014
Variable rate instruments	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets	29,799	30,028
Financial liabilities	226,615	269,115

Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed rate instruments

The Group does not account for any fixed rate financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit and loss, and the Group does not designate derivatives (interest rate swaps) as hedging instruments under a fair value hedge accounting model. Therefore a change in interest rates at the reporting date would not affect profit or loss.

Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments

A change of 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have increased/(decreased) equity and profit or loss by the amounts shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remain constant. The analysis is performed on the same basis for 2014.

2015	Profit or loss		Equity	
	100bp increase	100bp decrease	100bp increase	100bp decrease
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Variable rate instruments	(2,273)	2,273		
Interest rate swap			1,196	(1,196)
Cash flow sensitivity (net)	(2,273)	2,273	1,196	(1,196)

2014	Profit or loss		Equity	
	100bp increase	100bp decrease	100bp increase	100bp decrease
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Variable rate instruments	(2,691)	2,691		
Interest rate swap			2,018	(2,018)
Cash flow sensitivity (net)	(2,691)	2,691	2,018	(2,018)

Other market price risk

Accounting classification and fair values

The fair values of financial assets and liabilities, together with the carrying amounts shown in the statement of financial position are as follows:

Interest rates used for determining fair value

The interest rates used to discount estimated cash flows, where applicable, are based on the government yield curve at the reporting date plus an adequate credit spread, and were as follows:

	2015	2014
	%	%
Derivatives, loans and borrowings	2.14 - 3.13	2.81 - 4.30

14 Investments in equity-accounted investees

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Non-current assets		
Equity accounted investments	<u>33,920</u>	<u>30,790</u>

The Group's share of profit, after tax, in its equity-accounted investees for the year was \$3,167,000 (2014:\$2,536,000).

None of the company's equity-accounted investees are publicly listed entities and consequentially do not have published price quotations.

Summary financial information for equity-accounted investees, not adjusted for the percentage ownership held by the Group:

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Ownership	Revenue	Profit/(loss)
2015			
Infocredit Holdings Pte Ltd (Singapore)	49 %	27,297	5,017
Credit Bureau Cambodia	49 %	4,484	2,168
Veda@SIMAH Limited	50 %	1,578	53
		<u>33,359</u>	<u>7,238</u>

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Ownership	Total Assets	Total Liabilities
2015			
Infocredit Holdings Pte Ltd (Singapore)	49 %	46,217	14,447
Credit Bureau Cambodia	49 %	7,566	960
Veda@SIMAH Limited	50 %	726	459
		<u>54,509</u>	<u>15,866</u>

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Ownership	Revenue	Profit/(loss)
2014			
Infocredit Holdings Pte Ltd (Singapore)	49 %	23,730	3,959
Credit Bureau Cambodia	49 %	3,184	1,331
Veda@SIMAH Limited	50 %	1,146	(18)
		<u>28,060</u>	<u>5,272</u>

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Ownership	Total Assets	Total Liabilities
2014			
Infocredit Holdings Pte Ltd (Singapore)	49 %	40,550	13,314
Credit Bureau Cambodia	49 %	4,503	713
Veda@SIMAH Limited	50 %	703	296
		<u>45,756</u>	<u>14,323</u>

15 Contingent assets and contingent liabilities

(a) Contingent liabilities

Guarantees

Guarantees issued by VA Australia Finance Pty Limited:

- Property leases to \$4,757,920 (June 2014: \$4,757,920)
- Contractual obligations, performance and warranties in respect of certain controlled entities to \$2,881,627 (June 2014: \$3,234,854).

The Company has entered into a deed of cross guarantee with various subsidiaries.

These guarantees may give rise to liabilities in the parent entity if the subsidiaries do not meet their obligations under the terms of the overdraft, loans, leases or other liabilities subject to the guarantees.

No material losses are anticipated in respect of any of the above contingent liabilities.

Claims

The Company is involved in various legal matters in the ordinary course of business. None of these matters is expected to give rise to a material claim against the company.

Contingent consideration

- In acquiring the Corporate Scorecard business in 2013, additional consideration is payable on future earn-out hurdles. The fair value of the contingent consideration at 30 June 2015 is \$0.6 million.
- In acquiring the ITM business in 2014, additional consideration is payable on future earn-out hurdles. The fair value of the contingent consideration at 30 June 2015 is \$1.9 million.

Other matters

From time to time Veda also receives complaints from various parties such as consumer advocates in respect of compliance with the Privacy Act 1988 and Privacy Code. Veda takes its compliance obligations very seriously and believes it is compliant with all applicable laws and regulations. However, as is inherent in legal, regulatory and administrative proceedings, there is a risk the outcome may be unfavourable to the Group.

(b) Contingent assets

The Group had no contingent assets at 30 June 2015 (2014: nil).

16 Commitments

(a) Capital commitments

There are no significant capital commitments as at 30 June 2015 (2014: no commitments).

(b) Non-cancellable operating leases

The Group leases various offices under non-cancellable leases expiring within three to four years. The leases have varying terms, escalations and renewal rights.

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000

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

Within one year	2,337	3,888
Later than one year but not later than five years	3,536	2,399
Later than five years	—	—
Minimum lease payments	5,873	6,287

(c) Cancellable operating leases

The Group also leases office space under cancellable operating leases. The Group is required to give twelve months notice for termination of this lease.

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Commitments for minimum lease payments in relation to non-cancellable operating leases are payable as follows:		
Within one year	3,735	2,131
Later than one year but not later than five years	9,209	13,251
Later than five years	—	—
Minimum lease payments	12,944	15,382

17 Events occurring after the reporting period

Since the end of the financial year, the directors have determined to pay a final dividend of 6.0 cents per share, unfranked, payable 8 October 2015. The financial effect of this dividend has not been brought to account in the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2015 and will be recognised in subsequent financial statements.

The Group also acquired two businesses in July 2015. The details are provided in note 22.

On 25 February 2016, Equifax Australia Pty Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Equifax Inc. acquired all of the shares on issue in the capital of the Company (under a scheme of arrangement which became effective on 11 February 2016 and was implemented on 25 February 2016) together with all options on issue which had not otherwise been cancelled. The Company was delisted (i.e. quotation of its shares was terminated and it was removed from the official list) by the ASX on 26 February 2016.

18 Related party transactions

(a) Parent entity and ultimate controlling party

As at 30 June 2015, the parent entity and ultimate controlling party of the Group is Veda Group Limited. As at 30 June 2014, the parent entity of the Group was Veda Group Limited and the ultimate controlling party was Pacific Equity Partners Pty Limited (collectively "PEP") who held 63.5% of the ordinary shares of the company. PEP ceased being the ultimate controlling party of the Group in September 2014 and ceased to be a shareholder in February 2015.

(b) Subsidiaries

Interests in subsidiaries are set out in note 22.

(c) Transactions with key management personnel

(i) Key management personnel compensation

The key management personnel do not receive compensation in relation to the management of the company. The compensation disclosed below represents an allocation of the key management personnel's estimated compensation from the Group in relation to their services rendered to the company.

	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000
Short-term employee benefits	5,701	7,628
Post-employment benefits	99	89
Share-based payments - equity settled	379	8,362
	<u>6,179</u>	<u>16,079</u>

(ii) Loans to key management personnel

In respect of a loan agreement entered into prior to the Group's IPO, an unsecured loan to a member of key management personnel was issued during the year ended 30 June 2015 for \$131,817 to fund the payment of tax paid on Management Performance Shares issued in July 2013.

At 30 June 2015, the balance of loans outstanding to key management personnel was \$2,433,314 (2014: \$2,535,000). The loans are included in 'trade and other receivables' (see Note 10(b)).

(iii) Directors' related party transactions

During the year ended 30 June 2014 Anthony Kerwick and Geoff Hutchinson had an indirect interest in PEP Advisory III Pty Limited (PEP Advisory), which received management fees from the Group.

During the year ended 30 June 2014, the Group paid fees of \$14,820,000 to PEP Advisory relating to management fees, arrangement fees and recharges and as a result of the termination of its existing services agreement and for arranging services in respect to the IPO.

Anthony Kerwick ceased to be a Director of PEP Advisory effective May 2014.

PEP Advisory ceased being a related party of the Group in September 2014.

As at 30 June 2015 the Group had nil (2014: nil) owing to PEP Advisory.

Geoff Hutchinson retired from the Veda Board in March 2015.

(iv) Other key management personnel and director transactions

Transactions have been entered into during the year with key management personnel which are within normal employee, customer or supplier relationships on terms and conditions no more favourable than dealings in the same circumstances on an arm's length basis.

Certain directors of Veda are also directors of other companies which supply Veda with goods and services or acquire goods or services from Veda. Those transactions are approved by management within delegated limits of authority and the directors do not participate in the decisions to enter into such transactions. If the decision to enter into those transactions should require approval of the Board, the director concerned will not vote upon that decision nor take part in the consideration of it.

(d) Transactions with ultimate controlling party

(i) Loans to/from ultimate controlling party

During the year ended 30 June 2014 PEP was the ultimate controlling party of the Group. Movement in loans to

	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of the year	—	(123,407)
Loan repayments made	—	123,407
Interest charged	—	(7,554)
Interest paid	—	7,554
End of the year	—	—

PEP ceased being the ultimate controlling party of Veda in September 2014.

19 Share-based payments

(a) Executive Incentive Plan

During the period, the Company revised its Short Term Incentive (STI) plan to include a share based component and introduced a Long Term Incentive (LTI) plan. The nature of the plans is disclosed below:

(i) Short term incentive (STI) plan

(i) Share based component of STI plan

During the period, the Company revised the structure of its STI to enhance the existing system of cash rewards. The revised STI plan introduced a Deferred STI scheme for the members of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT), being the CEO and her direct reports, and designated members of the Extended Leadership Team (ELT), being other key senior managers reporting to the SLT. The participant's deferred STI is set At Target as a percentage of Fixed Remuneration and will be paid in Deferred Share Rights (DSRs).

(ii) Calculation of number of DSRs

The dollar value of DSRs will reflect actual performance, assessed against a variety of measures including Revenue, EBITDA, NPAT and Cash from Operation and Investment. Each SLT and ELT member is notified of their potential after the beginning of the fiscal year. The number of DSRs allocated for that dollar amount will reflect an average VW AP of Veda's share price for a 30 day period prior to the allocation, discounted to fair value to reflect the fact that DSRs do not attract dividends.

(iii) Vesting of DSRs

For SLT, DSRs will vest in three equal tranches one, two and three years after the date of grant. For designated ELT, DSRs will vest in two equal tranches, one and two years after the date of grant, unless the grant is de minimis, in which case it will vest one year after the date of grant.

Once issued, DSRs will vest in all cases provided the employee is still employed at the point of vesting, with Directors having discretion to waive this provision in the case of death, disability, genuine retirement, redundancy or in other exceptional circumstances.

There were no DSR's issued, forfeited, exercised or expired during the year ended 30 June 2015 (30 June 2014: nil).

There are no DSR's outstanding or exercisable as at 30 June 2015 (30 June 2014: nil).

The Company expects to issue DSRs in respect of the FY15 STI, in September 2015 after the Board has determined the At Target outcome.

Whilst the allocation of DSRs are not determined until finalisation of the financial year results and the board's approval, employees have begun rendering services in relation to FY15 DSRs from the date the plans were established. As the grant date of these awards have not been achieved at 30 June 2015 and will only occur after finalisation of financial year result, the Company has estimated the fair value of these awards at 30 June 2015 and recognised an expense for the year ended 30 June 2015 accordingly.

(ii) Long term incentive (LTI) plan

(i) Description of LTI

An LTI scheme has been established with effect from 1 September 2014 and is applicable to members of the SLT and key members of the ELT. It is envisaged that the potential for a grant will be made each year. Each relevant member of staff has been notified of their potential allocation for the first year of the Scheme, with their being informed that any grant at year end will reflect both their performance in the year just past and their potential to make an ongoing significant contribution to Veda's future.

Allocation of LTI is made in the form of options, which are the right to a fully paid share in the Company upon payment of an exercise price. The exercise price will be determined as the volume weighted average market price for the Company's shares traded on ASX in the 30 days ending immediately prior to the date of grant.

(ii) Vesting conditions and TSR hurdle of LTI

Options will vest in equal tranches at the end of 3 and 4 years from the date of grant, if the participant is still employed at that time, subject to specific exceptions.

The options will have a performance hurdle being TSR relative to the ASX-200 group of companies as comprised at the date of grant. Relative TSR is measured at the end of the third and fourth year after the grant is made. Performance hurdles are set out below:

- (a) If at the end of three or four years (as specified in the offer) after the Grant Date, the Company's Total Shareholder Return is at or above the 50th percentile of the ASX 200 companies, then 50% of the options become exercisable;
- (b) If at the end of three years or four years (as specified in the offer) after the Grant Date, the Company's Total Shareholder Return is at or above the 75th percentile of the ASX 200 companies, then 100% of the options become exercisable;
- (c) If at the end of three or four years (as specified in the offer) after the Grant Date, the Company's Total Shareholder Return is between the 50th percentile of the ASX 200 companies and the 75th percentile of the ASX 200 companies, then for each one percentile above the 50th percentile the number of options exercisable increases by 2%; and
- (d) If at the end of three years or four years (as specified in the offer) after the Grant Date, the Company's Total Shareholder Return is at or below the 50th percentile of the ASX 200 companies then no options are exercisable and the options lapse.

Prior to exercise, options carry no voting rights or entitlement to dividends.

In order to exercise vested options, the exercise price must be paid before the shares can be allotted.

There were no LTI Options issued, forfeited, exercised or expired during the year ended 30 June 2015 (30 June 2014: nil).

Whilst the allocation of LTI options are not determined until finalisation of the financial year results and the Board's approval, employees have begun rendering services in relation to FY15 LTIs from the date the plans were established. As the grant date of these awards have not been achieved at 30 June 2015 and will only occur after finalisation of financial year result, the Company has estimated the fair value of these awards at 30 June 2015 and recognised an expense for the year ended 30 June 2015 accordingly.

Total expense recognised for the year ended 30 June 2015 based on expected achievement of Veda's FY 2015 Targets and estimates of fair value in respect to DSR and LTI options is \$0.9 million (30 June 2014 : \$Nil).

(b) Management Performance Shares (MPS)

Historically, and as part of private equity ownership, various members of the SLT and ELT participated in an equity incentive scheme for the issue of Management Performance Shares (MPS). In the lead-up to the IPO, these arrangements were re-negotiated. Specifically, 53.3 million shares were forfeited, being 25% of Tranche A shares; and 100% of Tranches B and C and 14.4 million Shares (Tranche A) were reclassified and the re-classification price was varied from \$1.00 to \$0.25. The modification resulted in \$6.9 million of modification value being expensed immediately upon the IPO as no future service period attached to the shares. The vesting of the MPS also resulted in acceleration of the remaining unamortised share based payments expense in the amount of \$2.4 million. The expenses were included in "IPO related expenses" respectively in the statement of comprehensive income at 31 December 2013.

To fund the reclassification amount, executives were offered a full recourse loan at market rates ('Executive Loan'). Interest on the loan includes both a margin and a reference rate, which has to be paid semi-annually. The loans are repayable on the earlier of five years; sale of the Shares; or when the individual ceases to be an employee (subject to a period to enable the employee to trade the Shares). At 30 June 2015, the balance of loans outstanding to various members of the SLT and ELT was \$2.8 million. (30 June 2014: \$3.4 million).

(c) Share Options (equity-settled)

As part of the IPO in December 2013, the Company issued share options that entitle senior executives to purchase shares in the Company, subject to the payment of an exercise price.

There are two tranches of options with strike prices of \$1.90 and \$2.10 per option. The options were fully vested on issue and, subject to payment of the exercise price are exercisable at any time as fully paid ordinary shares in the ratio of one option per one share, subject to adjustments in accordance with the ASX listing rules for certain capital actions.

The aggregate number of all options as at 30 June 2015 at an exercise price of \$1.90 is 20,934,000 (30 June 2014: 21,150,000) and at an exercise price of \$2.10 is 17,832,667 (30 June 2014 : 18,016,667).

The options were valued as follows:

	Number of Options '000	Value per option	Total value \$'000
Series 1 options	20,934	\$ 0.07	1,465
Series 2 options	17,833	\$ 0.05	892
			<u>2,357</u>

The options were fully vested upon issue. Accordingly, the entire \$2.4 million total value above was expensed immediately in December 2013 and is included in the "IPO related expenses" in the statement of comprehensive income.

20 Earnings per share

The Group presents basic and diluted earnings per share data for its ordinary shares. Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares, which comprise of share options granted to senior executives.

The calculation of earnings per share was based on the information as follows:

Basic earnings per share

	2015	2014
<i>Parent basic earnings per share/(loss)(cents)</i>	9.3	3.2
<i>Parent diluted earnings per share/(loss)(cents)</i>	9.2	3.2
Profit for the period attributable to parent shareholders (\$'000)	77,919	22,403
	2015	2014

In thousands of shares

Issued ordinary shares at 1 July	842,055	513,029
Effect of allotment and issuances	100	182,591
Basic weighted average number of ordinary shares	842,155	695,620
	2015	2014

In thousands of shares

Basic weighted average number of ordinary shares	842,155	695,620
Effect of share options on issue	5,031	1,068
Diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares	847,186	696,688

At 30 June 2015, 38 million options were included in the diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares calculation. In 2014, 18 million options were excluded in the diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares as their effect would have been anti-dilutive.

21 Group entities

All significant operating subsidiaries listed below are 100% owned for all periods presented.

Significant subsidiaries	Country of incorporation
VA Australia Finance Pty Limited	Australia
Veda Advantage Information Services and Solutions Limited	Australia
Veda Advantage Solutions Group Pty Limited	Australia
Veda Advantage Decision Group Pty Limited	Australia
Veda Advantage (Australia) Pty Ltd	Australia VA
(NZ) Holdings Limited	New Zealand
Veda Advantage (NZ) Limited	New Zealand

22 Business combination

(a) Summary of acquisition - KMS Data Limited

Effective 31 July 2014, the Group acquired 100% of KMS Data Ltd, a business providing database resources primarily used for marketing, research and analytical purposes in New Zealand, for consideration of \$1,759,772, net of cash acquired.

In the 11 months to 30 June 2015, KMS contributed revenue of \$1,288,705 and net profit of \$367,366 to the Group results. If the acquisition had occurred on 1 July 2014, management estimates that consolidated revenue for the year would have been \$1,405,860 and consolidated profit for the year would have been \$400,763. In determining these amounts, management has assumed that the fair value adjustments, determined provisionally, that arose on the date of acquisition would have been the same if the acquisition had occurred on 1 July 2014,

Details of the purchase consideration, the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	\$'000
Purchase consideration	
Cash paid (net of cash acquired)	1,441
Deferred consideration	319
Total purchase consideration	1,760
	\$'000
Net intangible assets acquired	1,208
Deferred tax liabilities on intangible assets	(323)
Other net tangible assets acquired	(6)
Goodwill	881
Fair value of net assets acquired	1,760

(b) Summary of acquisition - Kingsway Financial Assessments Pty Ltd

Effective 31 August 2014, the Group acquired 100% of Kingsway Financial Assessments Pty Ltd, a business specialising in independent financial assessment reports for procurement professionals. The total consideration for the acquisition was \$3,154,912, net of cash acquired.

In the 10 months to 30 June 2015, Kingsway contributed revenue of \$1,134,124 and net profit of \$200,799 to the Group results. If the acquisition had occurred on 1 July 2014, management estimates that consolidated revenue for the year would have been \$1,360,948 and consolidated profit for the year would have been \$240,958. In determining these amounts, management has assumed that the fair value adjustments, determined provisionally, that arose on the date of acquisition would have been the same if the acquisition had occurred on 1 July 2014,

Details of the purchase consideration, the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	\$'000
Purchase consideration	
Cash paid (net of cash acquired)	812
Deferred consideration	2,343
Total purchase consideration	3,155

The assets and liabilities recognised as a result of the acquisition are as follows:

	\$'000
Net intangible assets acquired	1,570
Deferred tax liabilities on intangible assets	(236)
Other net tangible assets acquired	48
Goodwill	1,773
Fair value of net assets acquired	3,155

(c) Summary of acquisition - The Prospect Shop Pty Ltd

Effective 1 December 2014, the Group acquired 100% of The Prospect Shop Pty Limited (TPS), a business primarily providing direct marketing and data agency services to the not-for-profit sector. The total consideration for the acquisition was \$4,483,466, net of cash acquired.

In the 7 months to 30 June 2015, TPS contributed revenue of \$5,121,461 and net profit of \$559,904 to the Group results. If the acquisition had occurred on 1 July 2014, management estimates that consolidated revenue for the year would have been \$8,779,648 and consolidated profit for the year would have been \$959,836. In determining these amounts, management has assumed that the fair value adjustments, determined provisionally, that arose on the date of acquisition would have been the same if the acquisition had occurred on 1 July 2014,

Details of the purchase consideration, the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	\$'000
Purchase consideration	
Cash paid (net of cash acquired)	2,217
Deferred consideration	2,266
Total purchase consideration	4,483

The assets and liabilities recognised as a result of the acquisition are as follows:

	\$'000
Net intangible assets acquired	1,310
Deferred tax liabilities on intangible assets	(337)
Other net tangible assets acquired	(149)
Goodwill	3,659
Fair value of net assets acquired	4,483

(d) Summary of acquisition - Zip ID Pty Limited

Effective 1 July 2015, the Group acquired 100% of ZipID Holdings Pty Limited ("ZipID") a business providing face to face and mobile enabled identity verification services.

The consideration for the acquisition consists of a payment of \$500,000 on completion with further consideration contingent on the performance of the business as measured by gross profit of the business times an agreed profit multiple over the first three years from acquisition.

Due to the recent acquisition date and the early stage of operations of the ZipID business with its large and uncertain potential future gross profits, the purchase price accounting is still to be finalised.

(e) Summary of acquisition - GetCreditScore Pty Ltd

Effective 1 July 2015, the Group acquired 75% of GetCreditScore Pty Ltd ("GetCreditScore") a business providing a web portal to allow consumers to access their credit bureau score for free and to collect leads from those consumers to use for

marketing purposes. The consideration for the acquisition consists of a payment of \$75 on completion with further consideration contingent on the performance of the business as measured by the number of consumer leads generated in the first year after acquisition.

Due to the recent acquisition date and the start-up stage of operations of the GetCreditScore business with an untested market, the purchase price accounting is still to be finalised.

Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Directors
Veda Group Limited:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Veda Group Limited and its subsidiaries, which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements 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. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Veda Group Limited and its subsidiaries as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

KPMG

Sydney, NSW, Australia
12 April 2016

UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

On February 24, 2016, Equifax Inc. (“Equifax”) completed the acquisition of 100% of the ordinary voting shares of Veda Group Limited (“Veda”), for a cash consideration of approximately \$1.7 billion (2.4 billion Australian dollars), and debt assumed of \$189.5 million (261.9 million Australian dollars) of Veda’s corporate debt, resulting in an acquisition of estimated total enterprise value of approximately \$1.9 billion (2.6 billion Australian dollars). The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information and explanatory notes present how the combined balance sheets of Equifax and Veda may have appeared had the businesses actually been combined as of December 31, 2015 and how the combined income statement may have appeared for the year ended December 31, 2015, assuming the acquisition of Veda (the “Acquisition”) and related financing transactions were completed on January 1, 2015. Veda reports in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”), whereas Equifax reports in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“US GAAP”). Veda’s consolidated financial statements have been adjusted for purposes of these unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements to be presented on a US GAAP basis consistent with the financial statements of Equifax. In addition, certain financial information of Veda as presented in its consolidated financial statements has been reclassified to conform to the historical presentation of Equifax’s consolidated financial statements for purposes of preparation of the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information shows the impact of the Veda acquisition on the combined balance sheet and the combined income statement under the acquisition method of accounting with Equifax treated as the acquirer. Under this method of accounting, identifiable tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recorded by Equifax at their estimated fair values as of the date the acquisition is completed. Any excess of the purchase price over the fair value of identified assets acquired and liabilities assumed is recognized as goodwill. The unaudited pro forma preliminary business combination adjustments for the Acquisition include the business combination adjustments Equifax recorded in accounting for the Acquisition, which was completed on February 24, 2016, based upon the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. As of the issuance of this document, the purchase price allocation adjustments are estimates and may be further refined as additional information becomes available post-acquisition.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information has been prepared by management in accordance with the regulations of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is not necessarily indicative of the condensed consolidated financial position or results of operations that would have been realized had the Acquisition occurred as of the dates indicated above, nor is it meant to be indicative of any anticipated condensed consolidated financial position or future results of operations that the combined entity will experience after the Acquisition. As required, the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information includes adjustments which give effect to events that are directly attributable to the Acquisition and the related financing transactions and are factually supportable; as such, any planned adjustments affecting the balance sheet, income statement, or shares of common stock outstanding subsequent to the Acquisition completion date are not included. In addition, the pro forma condensed combined income statement includes adjustments which are expected to have a continuing impact. The accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statement also does not include any expected cost savings or other post-combination actions which may be achieved. Additionally, the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statement does not include the impact of any non-recurring charges that are directly related to the acquisition. There were no transactions between Equifax and Veda that need to be eliminated.

The unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial information is derived from and should be read in conjunction with the historical audited consolidated financial statements of Equifax (which are available in Equifax’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015), the audited consolidated financial statements of Veda for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements of Veda for the six months ended December 31, 2015 (which are found in Veda’s audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2015, included in Exhibit 99.1).

Equifax Inc.
Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Income Statement
For the Year Ended December 31, 2015
(Amounts in millions, except per share data)

	Historical Equifax	Historical Veda (Note 8)	IFRS to US GAAP Adjustments for Veda (Note 3)	Reclassification Adjustments (Note 4)	Adjustments for Acquisition Accounting (Note 7)	Adjustments for Financing Arrangement (Note 7)	Pro Forma Combined
Operating revenue	\$ 2,663.6	\$ 268.3	\$ (2.9)	3a \$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,929.0
Operating expenses:			—	—	—	—	—
Cost of services (exclusive of depreciation and amortization below)	887.4		—	126.1	—	—	1,013.5
Costs of external data and products used for resale		49.4	11.9	3a, 3b (61.3)	—	—	—
Selling, general and administrative expenses	884.3		—	39.8	(4.5)	7j —	919.6
Employee benefits expense		77.3	(0.7)	3d (76.6)	—	—	—
Software, technology and communication costs		8.7	—	(8.7)	—	—	—
Occupancy costs		4.4	—	(4.4)	—	—	—
Professional and legal fees		3.4	—	(3.4)	—	—	—
Travel and accommodation		2.6	—	(2.6)	—	—	—
Marketing and publications		3.4	—	(3.4)	—	—	—
Other operating expenses		5.1	—	(5.1)	—	—	—
Depreciation and amortization	198.0	23.6	(5.8)	3b —	51.8	7a —	267.6
Total operating expenses	1,969.7	177.9	5.4	0.4	47.3	—	2,200.7
Operating income	693.9	90.4	(8.3)	(0.4)	(47.3)	—	728.3
Interest expense	(63.8)		—	(9.2)	—	(25.9)	7c (98.9)
Finance income		0.4	—	(0.4)	—	—	—
Finance expenses		(9.2)	—	9.2	—	—	—
Share of net profit from associates		3.3	—	(3.3)	—	—	—
Equifax acquisition related expenses		(2.4)	1.5	3d 0.8	—	—	(0.1)
Other income (expense), net	6.5		—	2.9	(5.9)	7b, 7j —	3.5
Consolidated income before income taxes	636.6	82.5	(6.8)	(0.4)	(53.2)	(25.9)	632.8
Provision for income taxes	(201.8)	(22.4)	2.0	3c 0.1	16.0	9.4	7i (196.7)
Consolidated net income	434.8	60.1	(4.8)	(0.3)	(37.2)	(16.5)	436.1
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(5.7)	(0.5)	—	—	—	—	(6.2)
Net income attributable to Equifax	\$ 429.1	\$ 59.6	\$ (4.8)	\$ (0.3)	\$ (37.2)	\$ (16.5)	\$ 429.9
Amounts attributable to Equifax:							
Basic earnings per share attributable to Equifax	\$ 3.61						\$ 3.62
Weighted-average shares used in computing basic earnings per share	118.7						118.7
Diluted earnings per share attributable to Equifax	\$ 3.55						\$ 3.56
Weighted-average shares used in computing diluted earnings per share	120.9						120.9

Equifax Inc.
Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Balance Sheet
December 31, 2015
(Amounts in millions, except per share data)

	Historical Equifax	Historical Veda (Note 8)	IFRS to US GAAP Adjustments for Veda (Note 3)	Reclassification Adjustments (Note 4)	Adjustments for Acquisition Accounting (Note 7)	Adjustments for Financing Arrangement (Note 7)	Pro Forma Combined
ASSETS							
Current assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 93.3	\$ 21.7	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (46.0)	7j	\$ 69.0
Trade accounts receivable, net	349.8		—	34.0	—		383.8
Trade and other receivables		34.0	—	(34.0)	—		—
Prepaid expenses	39.3		—	2.3	—		41.6
Other current assets	79.2		—	3.1	1.3	7c	83.6
Other prepayments and deposits		2.3	2.9	3a	(5.2)		—
Total current assets	<u>561.6</u>	<u>58.0</u>	<u>2.9</u>	<u>0.2</u>	<u>(44.7)</u>		<u>578.0</u>
Receivables		2.0	—	(2.0)	—		—
Investments in equity-accounted investees		25.7	—	(25.7)	—		—
Property and equipment, net	366.8	4.5	—	—	—		371.3
Deferred tax assets			7.8	3c	(7.8)		—
Goodwill	2,571.0		—	607.1	805.6	7h	3,983.7
Intangible assets		707.9	(21.0)	3b	(686.9)		—
Indefinite-lived intangible assets	94.7		—	—	—		94.7
Purchased intangible assets, net	827.9		—	79.9	576.0	7a	1,483.8
Other assets, net	87.0		—	36.1	0.2	7b	123.3
Total assets	<u>\$ 4,509.0</u>	<u>\$ 798.1</u>	<u>\$ (10.3)</u>	<u>\$ 0.9</u>	<u>\$ 1,337.1</u>		<u>\$ 6,634.8</u>

	Historical Equifax	Historical Veda (Note 8)	IFRS to US GAAP Adjustments for Veda (Note 3)	Reclassification Adjustments (Note 4)	Adjustments for Acquisition Accounting (Note 7)	Adjustments for Financing Arrangement (Note 7)	Pro Forma Combined
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY							
Current liabilities:							
Short-term debt and current maturities	\$ 49.3		\$ —	\$ 0.4	\$ 180.1	7c \$ 994.1	7c \$ 1,223.9
Trade and other payables		21.1	—	(21.1)	—	—	—
Accounts payable	40.6		—	6.0	—	—	46.6
Accrued expenses	112.7		—	14.2	15.8	7e	142.7
Accrued salaries and bonuses	139.2		—	7.8	—	—	147.0
Deferred revenue	96.8	4.8	8.2	3a 1.2	(11.6)	7d	99.4
Derivative financial instruments		0.2	—	(0.2)	—	—	—
Current tax liabilities			0.7	3c (0.7)	—	—	—
Provisions		5.8	—	(5.8)	—	—	—
Employee benefit obligations		7.1	—	(7.1)	—	—	—
Other current liabilities	165.2		—	4.3	—	—	169.5
Total current liabilities	603.8	39.0	8.9	(1.0)	184.3	994.1	1,829.1
Long-term debt	1,145.9	180.1	—	1.5	(181.6)	7c	760.0
Provisions		9.9	—	(9.9)	—	—	—
Deferred income tax liabilities, net	205.5	0.7	—	(0.7)	138.4	7e	343.9
Employee benefit obligations		1.0	—	(1.0)	—	—	—
Long-term pension and other postretirement benefit liabilities	146.4		—	—	—	—	146.4
Other long-term liabilities	57.0	4.4	—	12.3	8.6	7f	82.3
Total liabilities	2,158.6	235.1	8.9	1.2	149.7	1,754.1	4,307.6
Equifax shareholders' equity:							
Preferred stock			—	—	—	—	—
Common stock	236.6		—	580.1	(580.1)	7g	236.6
Paid-in capital	1,260.5		—	7.0	(7.0)	7g	1,260.5
Contributed equity		580.1	—	(580.1)	—	—	—
Other reserves		12.4	2.2	3d (14.6)	—	—	—
Retained earnings	3,834.4		—	(19.8)	(10.1)	7g	3,804.5
Accumulated losses		(31.8)	(21.4)	3e 53.2	—	—	—
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(484.8)		—	(24.9)	24.9	7g	(484.8)
Treasury stock	(2,529.9)		—	(1.2)	1.2	7g	(2,529.9)
Stock held by employee benefits trusts	(5.9)		—	—	—	—	(5.9)
Total Equifax shareholders' equity	2,310.9	560.7	(19.2)	(0.3)	(571.1)	—	2,281.0
Noncontrolling interests	39.5	2.3	—	—	4.4	7g	46.2
Total equity	2,350.4	563.0	(19.2)	(0.3)	(566.7)	—	2,327.2
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 4,509.0	\$ 798.1	\$ (10.3)	\$ 0.9	\$ (417.0)	\$ 1,754.1	\$ 6,634.8

Note 1 - Description of Acquisition

On February 24, 2016, Equifax completed the purchase of 100% of the ordinary voting shares of Veda, for cash consideration of approximately \$1.7 billion, and Veda debt assumed of \$189.5 million, resulting in an estimated total enterprise value of approximately \$1.9 billion. In addition, Equifax paid approximately \$3.6 million (5.0 million Australian dollars) to holders of equity instruments that the Veda board approved for accelerated vesting as part of the acquisition. This portion of the accelerated vesting was considered a post-combination expense and excluded from the acquisition consideration. Equifax financed the transaction through a combination of new debt, including an \$800 million three-year delayed draw term loan facility (the "Term Loan"), an \$800 million 364-day revolving credit facility (the "364-day Revolver") and commercial paper. Our commercial paper program is supported by a \$900.0 million five-year unsecured revolving credit facility.

Note 2 - Basis of Pro Forma Presentation

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet related to the Acquisition is included as of December 31, 2015 and the unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statement is included for the year ended December 31, 2015. Veda reports in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB, whereas Equifax reports in accordance with US GAAP. Equifax's management has adjusted the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements to reflect Veda's financial statements on a consistent US GAAP basis with Equifax. The IFRS to US GAAP adjustments are unaudited. The adoption of new or changes to existing US GAAP subsequent to the unaudited condensed combined pro forma financial statement dates may result in changes to the presentation of the preliminary unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information, if material. The historical financial statements of Veda also have been adjusted to reflect reporting reclassifications necessary to conform to the presentation of the historical financial statements of Equifax.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information shows the impact of the Acquisition on the combined balance sheets and the combined income statement under the acquisition method of accounting with Equifax treated as the acquirer. The acquisition method of accounting, provided by ASC 805 *Business Combinations*, uses the fair value concepts defined in ASC 820 *Fair Value Measurement*. Under this method of accounting, the assets and liabilities of Veda are recorded by Equifax based on estimated fair values at the date of acquisition, where fair value is defined in ASC 820 as "the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date." The fair value of Veda's identifiable tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed are based on a fair value estimate as of February 24, 2016. Any excess of the purchase price over the fair value of identified assets acquired and liabilities assumed will be recognized as goodwill. Fair value measurements may require extensive use of significant estimates and management's judgment, and it is possible the application of reasonable judgment could produce varying results based on a range of alternative estimates using the same facts and circumstances. Because the Acquisition was recently consummated, our access to information to make such estimates was limited. As such, certain market based assumptions were used when data was not available; however, management believes the fair values recognized for the assets to be acquired and liabilities to be assumed are based on reasonable estimates and assumptions. Subsequent to the Acquisition completion dates, there may be further refinements of the business combination adjustments as additional information becomes available. Increases or decreases in fair value of certain balance sheet amounts and other items of Veda as compared to the information presented in this document may change the amount of the business combination adjustments to goodwill and other assets and liabilities and may impact the income statement due to adjustments in yield and/or amortization of adjusted assets and liabilities.

Note 3 - Adjustments from IFRS to US GAAP

The accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements were prepared based on the following historical financial information of Veda:

- The unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of December 31, 2015 includes information from the unaudited interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position of Veda as of December 31, 2015, prepared using IFRS as issued by the IASB, which Equifax management adjusted to reflect Veda's consolidated financial statements on a consistent US GAAP basis with Equifax. These adjustments to US GAAP are unaudited; and
- The unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statement for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 includes information from the audited consolidated statement of comprehensive income of Veda for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, and unaudited interim condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income of Veda for the six month period ended December 31, 2015, both prepared using IFRS as issued by the IASB, which Equifax management adjusted to reflect Veda's consolidated financial statements on a consistent US GAAP basis with Equifax. These adjustments to US GAAP are unaudited.

This footnote should be read in conjunction with “Note 1 - Description of Acquisition,” “Note 2 - Basis of Pro Forma Presentation,” and “Note 4 - Accounting Policies and Reclassifications.” Adjustments included in the column “IFRS to US GAAP Adjustments for Veda” to the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of December 31, 2015 and to the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 are represented by the following:

- a. Reflects the IFRS to US GAAP adjustments to revenue, costs of external data and products used for resale, other prepayments and deposits, and deferred revenue of \$2.9 million, \$2.1 million, \$2.9 million and \$8.2 million, respectively. The increase to deferred revenue is due to the differences in the determination of stand-alone value related to multi-element revenue contracts which results in a timing difference in revenue recognition. The increase to other prepayments and deposits and decrease to costs of external data and products used for resale are a result of the corresponding costs that would be deferred. The revenue decrease is a result of both the difference in the determination of stand-alone value related to multiple-element revenue contracts and certain contracts that require net presentation versus gross presentation under US GAAP.
- b. Reflects the IFRS to US GAAP adjustments to costs of external data and products used for resale of \$14.0 million. Data purchases were capitalized under IFRS and data purchases are expensed as period costs under US GAAP. Intangible assets decreased by \$21.0 million to eliminate the data purchases previously capitalized and depreciation and amortization decreased by \$5.8 million to eliminate amortization of the data purchases previously capitalized.
- c. Reflects the income tax impact of the IFRS to US GAAP adjustments discussed in 3(a) and 3(b).
- d. Reflects the IFRS to US GAAP adjustments in Employee benefits expense, Equifax acquisition related expenses and other reserves of \$0.7 million, \$1.5 million and \$2.2 million, respectively. The adjustment to Employee benefits expense relates to the change in the initial recognition date of share-based compensation from inception date to grant date under US GAAP. The adjustment to Equifax acquisition related expenses is due to acceleration of share based payment awards that did not meet the threshold to be recorded under US GAAP. The Other reserves included both adjustments discussed above.
- e. Reflects the impact on accumulated losses of the IFRS to US GAAP adjustments, net of tax, discussed in 3(a), (b) and (d).

At this time, Equifax is not aware of any other differences between Veda’s IFRS-based consolidated financial statements and financial statement requirements for US GAAP that would have a material impact on the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements.

Note 4 - Reclassification Adjustments

Equifax performed certain procedures for the purpose of identifying any material differences in significant accounting policies between Equifax and Veda, and any accounting adjustments that would be required in connection with adopting uniform policies. Procedures performed by Equifax involved a review of Veda’s publicly disclosed summary of significant accounting policies, including those disclosed in Veda’s Annual Report for the year ended June 30, 2015 and discussion with Veda management regarding Veda’s significant accounting policies to identify material adjustments. There were no adjustments required in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements.

Additionally, the consolidated financial statements of Veda presented herein have been adjusted by reclassifying certain line items in order to conform to Equifax’s financial statement presentation; these reclassifications are reflected in the column “Reclassification Adjustments.” The reclassification adjustments on the statements of operations pertain to the following: (1) reclassification of costs of external data and products used for resale into cost of services; (2) reclassification of employee benefits expense, software, technology and communication costs, occupancy costs, professional and legal fees, travel and accommodation, marketing and publications, and other operating expenses into cost of services and selling, general, and administrative expenses, as appropriate; (3) reclassification of finance income and share of net profit from associates into other income (expense), net; and (4) reclassification of finance expenses into interest expense.

The reclassification adjustments on the balance sheet pertain to the following: (1) reclassification of trade and other receivables into trade accounts receivable, net; (2) reclassification of other prepayments and deposits into prepaid expenses and other current assets; (3) reclassification of receivables and investments in equity-accounted investees into other assets, net; (4) reclassification of intangible assets into goodwill and purchased intangible assets, net; (5) reclassification of deferred tax assets

and deferred tax liabilities into other assets, net; (6) reclassification of trade and other payables into short term debt, accounts payable, accrued expenses, accrued salaries and bonuses, deferred revenue, and other current liabilities; (6) reclassification of current tax liabilities, provisions, and employee benefit obligations into other current liabilities, accrued salaries and bonuses, and accrued expenses, as appropriate; (7) reclassification of derivatives into long term debt; (8) reclassification of provisions and employee benefit obligations into other long-term liabilities; (9) reclassification of contributed equity into common stock; (10) reclassification of other reserves into accumulated other comprehensive loss, paid-in capital, and treasury; and (11) reclassification of accumulated losses into retained earnings.

Note 5 - Transaction Financing

As of the acquisition date, Equifax paid 2.825 Australian dollars per share for approximately 887 million shares for total purchase consideration of approximately \$1.7 billion, and Veda debt assumed of \$189.5 million, resulting in an estimated total enterprise value of approximately \$1.9 billion.

The following is a summary of the assumed financing transactions related to the acquisition (in millions):

Description	Amount
Commercial paper	\$ 635.0
Term Loan	800.0
364-day Revolver	319.1
Total	\$ 1,754.1

The debt structure and interest rates used for purposes of preparing the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements reflect the actual debt structure and interest rates incurred by Equifax at the date of acquisition, which may be different than the pro forma period presented.

Note 6 - Consideration Transferred and Preliminary Fair Value of Net Assets Acquired

The Acquisition has been accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting in accordance with ASC 805, which requires, among other things, that the assets acquired and liabilities assumed be recognized at their acquisition date fair values, with any excess of the consideration transferred over the estimated fair values of the identifiable net assets acquired recorded as goodwill.

Based on (1) the number of shares of Veda common stock outstanding as of February 24, 2016, and (2) the number of options to purchase Veda common stock, restricted stock, restricted stock units and deferred stock units outstanding at February 11, 2016 as required in the Merger Agreement, the total consideration was \$1.7 billion.

At the close of the Acquisition, certain Veda equity awards were accelerated and the awards were canceled. Equifax allocated purchase price consideration of \$3.6 million for the portion of the fair value of the shares related to post-combination services (awards for which vesting was accelerated as a result of the change in control, for which related services were not provided as of the date of the transaction). This post-combination compensation expense has been excluded from the unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statement as they reflect charges directly attributable to the Acquisition that will not have a continuing impact on Equifax's operations; however, it has been reflected as an adjustment to cash, deferred income tax liabilities, net and retained earnings, net of tax on the unaudited pro forma combined balance sheet.

The following is a summary of the preliminary estimated fair values of the net assets acquired and the debt assumed of \$180.5 million as of December 31, 2015:

Total consideration transferred	\$ 1,754.1
Cash and cash equivalents	21.7
Trade accounts receivable, net and other current assets	40.7
Intangible assets	655.9
Other assets	40.8
Total assets	759.1
Current liabilities	60.9
Deferred income taxes	154.3
Debt	180.5
Other long-term liabilities	18.8
Total liabilities	414.5
Noncontrolling interest	6.7
Net assets to be acquired	337.9
Goodwill	\$ 1,416.2

The primary areas of the purchase price that are not yet finalized are related to income taxes, provisions, unearned revenue, intangible assets, property and equipment, working capital, amortization and depreciation lives, and residual goodwill, including the allocation between reporting units. Accordingly, adjustments may be made to the values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as additional information is obtained about the facts and circumstances that existed at the valuation date. The valuations consists of discounted cash flow analyses, or other appropriate valuation techniques to determine the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

The final consideration, and amounts allocated to assets acquired and liabilities assumed in the Acquisition could differ materially from the preliminary amounts presented in these unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements. A decrease in the fair value of assets acquired or an increase in the fair value of liabilities assumed in the Acquisition from those preliminary valuations presented in these unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements would result in a dollar-for-dollar corresponding increase in the amount of goodwill that will result from the Acquisition. In addition, if the value of the acquired assets is higher than the preliminary indication, it may result in higher amortization and depreciation expense than is presented in these unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements.

Note 7 - Preliminary Pro Forma Adjustments Related to the Acquisition

The preliminary pro forma adjustments included in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements related to the Acquisition are as follows:

(a) *Intangible assets, net* – Adjustment reflects the preliminary fair market value of identifiable intangible assets acquired in relation to the Acquisition. The preliminary fair values assigned to the intangible assets acquired from Veda is as follows:

Estimated fair value	\$ 655.9
Less: Veda book value of intangible assets	(79.9)
Pro forma adjustment to intangible assets	\$ 576.0

Amortization of intangibles and other assets – Adjustment reflects the preliminary incremental amortization expense associated with the fair value of the identifiable intangible assets acquired in the Acquisition of \$655.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The preliminary amortization expense for the intangible assets acquired from Veda is as follows:

Intangible assets, net	Estimated useful life (years)	Preliminary fair value	Amortization expense for the year ended December 31, 2015
Customer relationships	15	\$ 163.9	\$ 10.9
Purchased data files	15	374.2	24.9
Software platforms	4.5	84.2	18.7
Trade names	1	9.8	9.8
Non-competition agreement	1	3.8	3.8
Total		\$ 635.9	68.1
Less: Veda historical amortization expense			(16.3)
Pro forma adjustment to amortization of intangibles and other assets			\$ 51.8

The estimated fair value of amortizable intangible assets is expected to be amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives. The amortizable lives reflect the periods over which the assets are expected to provide material economic benefit. With other assumptions held constant, a 10% increase in the fair value adjustment for amortizable intangible assets would increase annual pro forma amortization by approximately \$6.8 million. In addition, with other assumptions held constant, a one-year change in the estimated useful lives of the customer relationships, purchased data files, software platforms and trade names would change annual amortization expense by approximately \$12.4 million. Note that the software platforms exclude the in-process software projects of approximately \$20.0 million.

(b) *Other assets, net* – Adjustment reflects the preliminary change in fair value of the equity method investments acquired in relation to the Acquisition, as well as the \$2.0 million in receivables from employees that was settled upon the completion of the Acquisition and the reclassification of the deferred tax assets of \$7.1 million to deferred tax liabilities, net. The preliminary fair values assigned to the equity method investments acquired from Veda and the impact of settlement of receivables from employees is as follows:

Estimated fair value of equity method investments	\$ 36.3
Less: Veda book value of equity method investments	(25.7)
Less: Settlement of receivables from employees	(2.0)
Less: Deferred tax asset	(7.1)
Less: Debt issuance costs	(1.3)
Pro forma adjustment to equity method investments	\$ 0.2

The preliminary amortization related to the difference between the fair value and the cost basis of the intangibles related to the equity method investments was \$1.3 million and is reflected in other income (expense), net.

(c) *Debt* – To fund the Acquisition, Equifax incurred \$1,754.1 million of additional debt, as described in Note 5. Shortly after the acquisition we extinguished Veda's debt that we assumed. Due to the change in control provisions triggered by the Acquisition, we have reclassified the assumed Veda debt of \$180.1 million to short-term as of December 31, 2015. In addition, \$994.1 million of the transaction financing is in short-term debt and the remaining \$760.0 million is included in long-term debt. Additionally, debt issuance costs of \$1.3 million were reclassified to other current assets.

Interest expense – The pro forma adjustment to interest expense reflects the additional interest expense that would have been incurred during the historical periods presented assuming the Acquisition and the funding of the Term Loan, the 364-day Revolver and our \$900 million five-year revolving credit facility (collectively, the “Senior Credit Facilities”) had occurred as of January 1, 2015. In addition, the Company has extinguished the assumed debt of \$180.5 million from the Acquisition by drawing down on the 364-day Revolver, and as such has replaced the interest expense related to the assumed debt from the historical interest expense of Veda for 2015 with the additional interest on the 364-day Revolver.

Composition of new debt and related interest expense	Weighted Average Interest Rate	Debt	Interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2015
Total new debt (Note 5) and related interest expense	1.29%	\$ 1,754.1	\$ 23.6
Amortization of new debt issuance costs			2.3
Proforma adjustment to interest expense			\$ 25.9

The actual interest rates related to such borrowings may differ and, for every 0.125% variance in the interest rate, the interest expense would change by \$2.2 million.

Equifax incurred \$5.3 million in incremental capitalizable debt issuance costs in conjunction with the issuance of the Senior Credit Facilities. Debt issuance costs estimated to be incurred in conjunction with the Acquisition have been amortized over the term of the respective debt instrument for the purposes of calculating the net pro forma adjustment to interest expense.

(d) *Deferred revenue* – Adjustment reflects the effects of the pro forma adjustments made to decrease the assumed deferred revenue obligations to a fair value of \$2.6 million, a reduction of \$11.6 million from the carrying value. The calculation of the fair value is preliminary and subject to change. The fair value was determined based on the estimated costs to fulfill the remaining obligations plus the profit margin that a market participant would expect to receive. After the acquisition, this adjustment will not have a continuing impact on revenue as the obligations are expected to be completed within one year.

(e) *Deferred Tax* – Deferred tax liability increased \$138.4 million primarily due to the increased financial reporting basis of intangible assets without a corresponding increase to tax basis in most instances. The deferred tax liability also increased due to a valuation allowance being placed on research and development credit carryforwards that may be limited due to the change in control. This estimate is preliminary and is subject to change based upon the Company's final determination of the fair values of identified intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed in the transaction. Deferred tax assets were presented net with the deferred tax liabilities.

Accrued expenses - Income taxes payable increased by \$15.8 million to reflect the elimination of research and development credits due to the change in control.

(f) *Other long-term liabilities* – Adjustment reflects the fair value of deferred compensation liabilities of \$8.6 million.

(g) *Shareholders' equity* – Adjustment reflects the (i) elimination of the historical equity balances of Veda of common stock of \$580.1 million, paid-in capital of \$7.0 million, retained earnings of \$10.1 million, accumulated other comprehensive loss of \$24.9 million, treasury stock of \$1.2 million, and noncontrolling interest of \$4.4 million; (ii) the pro forma reduction to retained earnings consists of \$19.8 million to eliminate the historical accumulated losses of Veda, \$29.9 million, net of tax, to reflect the estimated Acquisition related fees and expenses incurred upon completion of the Acquisition and the pro forma reduction to retained earnings of \$3.6 million (\$2.3 million, net of tax), to reflect the post-combination compensation expense associated with the payment of unvested equity awards upon completion of the Acquisition.

The estimated fees and expenses and post-combination compensation expense associated with the payment of accelerated equity awards have been excluded from the unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statement as they reflect charges directly attributable to the Acquisition that will not have a continuing impact on Equifax's operations.

(h) *Goodwill* – Adjustment reflects the preliminary estimated adjustment to goodwill as a result of the Acquisition. Goodwill represents the excess of the consideration transferred over the preliminary fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as described in pro forma footnote Note 4. The goodwill will not be amortized, but instead will be tested for impairment at least annually and whenever events or circumstances have occurred that may indicate a possible impairment exists. In the event management determines that the value of goodwill has become impaired, Equifax will incur an impairment charge for the amount of the impairment during the period in which the determination is made. The goodwill is attributable to new growth opportunities and the acquired assembled and trained workforce of Veda. The goodwill is not expected to be deductible for tax purposes. The preliminary pro forma adjustment to goodwill is calculated as follows:

Preliminary purchase price	\$	1,754.1
Less: Fair value of net assets to be acquired		(341.4)
Total estimated goodwill		1,412.7
Less: Veda reported goodwill		(607.1)
Pro forma adjustment to goodwill	\$	805.6

(i) *Provision for income taxes* – Adjustment reflects the tax effects of the pro forma adjustments made to the pro forma income statement calculated at the Australian corporate tax rate of 30.0%. Those adjustments related to Equifax have been given tax effect at the blended federal and state statutory tax rate for Equifax of 37.5%. This rate does not reflect Equifax's effective tax rate, which includes other tax items, such as foreign taxes, as well as other tax charges or benefits, and does not take into account any historical or possible future tax events that may impact the combined company.

(j) *Cash and cash equivalents* – Adjustment reflects the preliminary net adjustment to cash in connection with the Acquisition:

Payment for the unvested equity awards	\$	3.6
Payment of transaction related expenses		42.4
Pro forma adjustment to cash and cash equivalents	\$	46.0

Components of the adjustment include (i) payment for the unvested equity awards upon completion of the Acquisition; and (ii) estimated transaction related expenses of \$42.4 million expected to be expensed as incurred in connection with the Acquisition.

Historical transaction related expenses of \$4.5 million and transaction related income of \$4.6 million, have been removed from selling, general and administrative expense and other income (expense), net, respectively.

Note 8 - Veda Historical Financial Statements (IFRS as issued by the IASB)

The following tables below present Veda's unaudited Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2015 and the historical unaudited Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015. The financial statements are adjusted to conform to Equifax's presentation format, and they have not been audited in this format. In addition, Veda's financial statements were presented using the Australian dollar as the reporting currency. For purposes of the pro forma financial statements, the Australian dollar denominated financial statements have been converted to the U.S. Dollar, consistent with Equifax's presentation. The tables below present the Australian dollar to U.S. Dollar conversion. The historical unaudited Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2015 has been converted from the Australian dollar to the U.S. Dollar at the spot rate of 0.7251. The historical unaudited Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended December 31, 2015 has been converted from the Australian dollar to the U.S. Dollar using the weighted average exchange rate during 2015 of 0.7529.

The unaudited consolidated statement of operations of Veda for the twelve months ended December 31, 2015 was determined by subtracting Veda's unaudited interim condensed consolidated statement of operations for the six months ended December 31, 2014 (its first half of fiscal 2015) and adding Veda's unaudited interim condensed consolidated statement of operations for the six months ended December 31, 2015 (its first half of fiscal 2016) from and to, respectively, Veda's audited consolidated statement of operations for the twelve months ended June 30, 2015.

Veda Group Limited
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2015 (In millions)	Historical Veda- AUD	Historical Veda- USD
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 29.9	\$ 21.7
Trade and other receivables	46.8	34.0
Other prepayments and deposits	3.2	2.3
Total current assets	79.9	58.0
Non-current assets		
Receivables	2.7	2.0
Investments in equity-accounted investees	35.4	25.7
Property, plant and equipment	6.3	4.5
Deferred tax assets	—	—
Intangible assets	976.3	707.9
Total non-current assets	1,020.7	740.1
Total assets	1,100.6	798.1
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	29.1	21.1
Deferred revenue	6.7	4.8
Derivative financial instruments	0.3	0.2
Current tax liabilities	—	—
Provisions	8.0	5.8
Employee benefits	9.8	7.1
Total current liabilities	53.9	39.0
Non-current liabilities		
Borrowings	248.4	180.1
Deferred tax liabilities	0.9	0.7
Provisions	13.7	9.9
Other non-current payables	6.1	4.4
Employee benefits	1.3	1.0
Total non-current liabilities	270.4	196.1
Total liabilities	324.3	235.1
EQUITY		
Contributed equity	800.1	580.1

Other reserves	17.0	12.4
Accumulated losses	(44.0)	(31.8)
Capital and reserves attributable to owners of Veda Group Limited	773.1	560.7
Non-controlling interests	3.2	2.3
Total equity	\$ 776.3	\$ 563.0

Veda Group Limited
Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

(Unaudited)

(In millions, except per share data)	For the Year Ended December 31, 2015	
	Historical Veda - AUD	Historical Veda - USD
Revenue	356.4	268.3
Costs of external data and products used for resale	(65.6)	(49.4)
Employee benefits expense	(102.6)	(77.3)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(31.3)	(23.6)
Software, technology and communication costs	(11.6)	(8.7)
Occupancy costs	(5.9)	(4.4)
Professional and legal fees	(4.6)	(3.4)
Travel and accommodation	(3.4)	(2.6)
Marketing and publications	(4.5)	(3.4)
Other expenses	(6.8)	(5.1)
Equifax acquisition related expenses	(3.2)	(2.4)
Finance income	0.6	0.4
Finance expenses	(12.2)	(9.2)
Share of profit from associates	4.4	3.3
Profit before income tax	109.7	82.5
Income tax expense	(29.8)	(22.4)
Profit for the period	\$ 79.9	\$ 60.1
Profit is attributable to:		
Owners of Veda Group Limited	\$ 79.3	\$ 59.6
Non-controlling interests	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.5