

TRUSTCO GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED
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Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Results for the 6 months ended 30 September 2009

Nature of Business

Trustco Group Holdings Ltd ("Trustco") has always been proud of its array of social justice enabling products. With core business units focusing on micro-insurance, micro finance and education, Trustco is a pioneer in making high quality financial services accessible to that segment of the world that remains largely unserved. Trustco listed on the Namibian Stock Exchange (symbol: TUC) on 27 September 2006, and supplemented that listing with a dual primary listing on the new Africa Board of the JSE Limited (symbol: TTO) on 19 February 2009. Trustco is proud of its Namibian roots. With the initial African expansion plans now in motion, Trustco is pleased to present its interim results for the six months ending 30 September 2009.

Financial Highlights

With approximately 70% of the Group's profits customarily attributable during the second half of the financial year, Trustco reports significant growth compared to the previous comparative period. Profit after tax increased by 43.8% to NAD 30.2M. Group revenue grew by 24% to NAD 275M, due to the outstanding performance by all units. Earnings per share rose by 37.2% to 8.93c per share and headline earnings per share grew by 43.3% to 9.13c per share.

Review of Operations

Micro Insurance

Micro short-term and micro life insurance are consolidated into this segment. With revenue increasing 28.5% to NAD 55.7M, and profit after tax growing by 27.6% to NAD 27.4M compared to last year, Trustco's commitment to its policyholders in Namibia remains sound. This sector's performance in challenging market conditions, with its claims expenses as a percentage of revenue remaining stable, is testimony to the effectiveness of expense controls.

Micro Finance and Education

With education being the "greatest equalizer", this segment managed to achieve 35.1% growth in net profit after tax compared to the previous year. Given the interest rate declines during the past year, it nevertheless reported revenues of NAD 46.9M, a 24% increase compared to the previous year. Given the aforementioned interest rate

drops, Trustco reports that the educational loan book grew by 47.1% to NAD 167.9M.

Private Equity

The Group increased its focus on its core units which saw the disposal of the printing press and related equipment in Printas (Pty) Ltd to DMH Holdings Ltd. Trustco's former segments of Property, Development & Media and Investment Related Services are internally reported on as one component and have thus been consolidated and renamed as "Private Equity" as part of the adoption of IFRS 8: *Operating Segments*. This segment encompasses Trustco's strategic development projects which promise to yield significant returns over the short to medium term, such as the property development project. Of the 3.5 million square meters the Group initially bought, 0.4% have been sold to date. While this segment recorded a 8% reduction in revenue (mainly due to the loss of revenue after the sale of the printing press), loss after tax was only 2.1% more than the comparative period.

Trustco Mobile

A large segment of individuals in Trustco's target market possess no form of life cover although more than half owns a mobile phone. Trustco Mobile's innovative concept of providing free life cover to mobile phone subscribers upon the purchase of airtime from selected mobile operators uniquely caters for this sector. A test phase agreement was entered into with PowerCom (Pty) Ltd (trading as leo, a subsidiary of Telecel Globe Ltd). It was subsequently replaced by a new agreement to cover prepaid leo subscribers in Namibia. Trustco Mobile is now poised to roll out the concept in the rest of the world. Strategies with various mobile operators and insurers are ongoing. Management believes that this product will form the new core of Trustco's expansion.

Financial Services outside Namibia (South Africa)

Trustco Financial Services (Pty) Ltd ("TFS") recorded a net profit after tax of NAD 7.2M, and revenue increased by 32.4%, to NAD 149.9M. Continuing strategies are underway in various countries for the roll-out of the highly successful underwriting software that is TFS's backbone. Profit before tax in this division increased by 42% to NAD 5.5M compared to the previous period.

Dividends Paid

Given Trustco's policy of four to five times dividend cover, the board recommended a dividend of 2c per share to be approved by the shareholders during the Annual General Meeting of 4 September 2009. This dividend was approved at the meeting, and was paid out on 2 October 2009. No interim dividend has been declared for the period.

Subsequent events

SABC Legal Action

Trustco Group International (Pty) Ltd ("TGI"), a subsidiary in the Group is currently in an arbitration process with the South African Broadcasting Corporation ("SABC") because of a breach of contract by the SABC. A ruling was made on 2 April 2007 in favour of TGI by an independent arbitrator. The arbitration is scheduled to continue during the week commencing 25 January 2010, to determine the amount of damages payable by the SABC. The amount claimed is NAD 140M. The amount to be awarded is in the discretion of the arbitrator.

Micro Finance Government Deduction Code

The government deduction code has been extended to 31 March 2010. Trustco has a written undertaking from government that the current deduction code will remain effective on all existing government loans. The deduction code grants Trustco the right to collect monthly loan instalments directly from government payroll for all government employees.

Future outlook

With signs that the world wide economic recovery is underway, Trustco expects the growth path maintained during the past five years to continue. Given that the Groups tax assets will be fully utilised during this financial year, it is the Boards opinion that most of this growth will be realised via Trustco Mobile's expansion, as well as continued growth from Trustco's resilient Namibian operations and the property division.

Basis of preparation and presentation of interim financial statements **Statement of compliance**

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement criteria of IFRS, its interpretations adopted by the IASB, the presentation and the disclosure requirements of IAS 34: Interim Financial Reporting, the Listing Requirements of the NSX and JSE, and the Companies Act of Namibia, 1973.

Basis of preparation

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements are prepared in thousands of Namibian Dollar ("N\$ '000") on the historical cost basis, except for the measurement of investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The Group's functional and presentation currency is Namibian Dollar. At 30 September 2009, NAD 1 was equal to ZAR 1. These interim results are unaudited and have not been reviewed by the auditors.

Other than IAS 1 and IFRS 8, the accounting policies are those presented in the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009 and have been applied consistently to the periods presented in these unaudited condensed consolidated financial

statements and by all Group entities. Consequently the comparative information has been restated for the new disclosures as required in IAS 1 and IFRS 8.

Adoption of IFRS 8

The Group has adopted IFRS 8: Operating Segments with effect from 1 April 2009. IFRS 8 requires operating segments to be identified on the basis of internal reports about components of the Group that are regularly reviewed by the chief operating decision maker in order to allocate resources to the segments and to assess their performance. In contrast, the predecessor Standard (IAS 14: Segment Reporting) required an entity to identify two sets of segments (business and geographical). In prior years, segment information reported externally was analysed on the basis of operating divisions. However, information reported to the Group's Executive Committee, its chief operating decision maker, for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance is more specifically focused on type of industry and business risk. The Group's reportable segments under IFRS 8 are therefore as follows: Micro Insurance; Micro Finance and Education; Financial Services outside Namibia; and Private Equity.

Appreciation

With all the success enjoyed by the Group during the year, the Board expresses its gratitude for the tremendous effort from all Trustco staff in order to achieve these results. The Board would also like to extend its thanks to the service providers and clients without whom this Company would not have prospered as it did.

By order of the Board

PJ Miller
Company Secretary
Windhoek, 18 November 2009

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INCOME STATEMENT				
		Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September	Reviewed 6 months ended 30 September	Audited year ended 31 March
N\$ '000	% Change	2009	2008	2009
Insurance premium revenue	25	54 246	43 416	93 847
Revenue	24	221 225	178 783	390 667
Total revenue	24	275 471	222 199	484 514
Cost of sales	(30)	(146 883)	(113 211)	(257 172)
Gross profit	18	128 588	108 988	227 342
Investment income	25	1 943	1 550	4 500
Fair value gains and losses	(63)	382	1 024	2 730
Other income	(50)	752	1 511	33 521
Insurance benefits and claims	7	(9 385)	(10 053)	(21 760)
Transfer to policyholder liabilities	(1 151)	(3 391)	(271)	(471)
Change in unearned premium provision	(222)	(121)	99	(165)
Administrative expenses	(6)	(82 290)	(77 457)	(153 796)
Finance costs	12	(9 904)	(11 278)	(25 375)
Profit before taxation	88	26 574	14 113	66 526
Taxation	(47)	3 674	6 923	26 852
Profit for the period	44	30 248	21 036	93 378
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the parent	48	30 248	20 474	92 423
Non-controlling interest	(100)	-	562	955
	44	30 248	21 036	93 378

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME				
	%	Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September	Reviewed 6 months ended 30 September	Audited year ended 31 March
N\$ '000	Change	2009	2008	2009
Profit for the period	44	30 248	21 036	93 378
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	2 660	128	(5)	4 234
Revaluation of property, plant and equipment, net of deferred tax and release of depreciation	2 660	128	(5)	4 050
Share of other comprehensive income of non-controlling interest	-	-	-	184
Total comprehensive income for the period	44	30 376	21 031	97 612
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the parent	48	30 376	20 469	96 473
Non-controlling interest	(100)	-	562	1 139
	44	30 376	21 031	97 612
EARNINGS AND HEADLINE EARNINGS PER SHARE				
	%	Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September	Reviewed 6 months ended 30 September	Audited year ended 31 March
N\$ '000	Change	2009	2008	2009
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	48	30 248	20 474	92 423
Adjustments net of taxation:	255	671	(434)	(21 059)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	419	892	172	131

Fair value adjustments on investment properties	64	(221)	(606)	(1 682)
Gain on loan written off	-	-	-	(7 216)
Profit on disposal of non-core divisions	-	-	-	(12 292)
Headline Earnings	54	30 919	20 040	71 364
Earnings per share:				
Basic earnings per share (cents)	37	8.93	6.51	14.00
Diluted earnings per share (cents)	37	8.93	6.51	13.49
Headline earnings per share (cents)	43	9.13	6.37	10.81
Weighted number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	8	677 240	629 408	660 197

SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS				
		Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September	Reviewed 6 months ended 30 September	Audited year ended 31 March
N\$ '000	% Change	2009	2008	2009
Total revenue				
Micro Insurance	29	55 792	43 415	93 847
Micro Finance and Education	24	46 958	37 883	71 197
Financial services outside Namibia	32	149 921	113 264	267 843
"Private Equity"	(8)	55 248	60 027	141 458
Elimination of intersegment revenue	-	(32 448)	(32 390)	(89 831)
	24	275 471	222 199	484 514
Net profit / (loss) after tax				
Micro Insurance	28	27 482	21 541	36 227
Micro Finance and Education	35	23 171	17 151	30 015

Financial services outside Namibia	(18)	7 166	8 780	19 561
"Private Equity"	(2)	(27 571)	(26 998)	6 620
	48	30 248	20 474	92 423
Total assets				
Micro Insurance	11	31 158	28 070	29 688
Micro Finance and Education	42	183 980	129 166	150 795
Financial services outside Namibia	17	211 899	180 405	195 822
"Private Equity"	13	372 720	330 439	386 019
	20	799 757	668 080	762 324
Total liabilities				
Micro Insurance	31	25 755	19 699	21 174
Micro Finance and Education	120	32 404	14 750	31 977
Financial services outside Namibia	21	141 318	116 315	130 209
"Private Equity"	(5)	212 571	223 846	208 487
	10	412 048	374 610	391 847

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION				
		Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September	Reviewed 6 months ended 30 September	Audited year ended 31 March
N\$ '000	% Change	2009	2008	2009
ASSETS				
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment	1	144 321	143 283	154 210
Investment properties	(10)	34 192	37 794	33 753
Intangible assets	4	189 104	181 859	186 942
Deferred income tax assets	107	47 938	23 133	45 147
Educational loans advanced	53	106 708	69 878	79 003
Other loans advanced	100	24 284	-	24 188

Finance lease receivables	(20)	1 276	1 598	1 276
Total non-current assets	20	547 823	457 545	524 519
Current assets				
Available-for-sale financial assets	45	12 981	8 970	10 035
Short-term portion of educational loans advanced	38	61 277	44 300	54 024
Short-term portion of other loans advanced	100	1 104	-	386
Short-term portion of finance lease receivables	-	337	337	337
Amounts due by related parties	(13)	2 973	3 434	3 002
Inventories	2	31 232	30 766	30 244
Trade and other receivables	40	36 210	25 915	31 018
Current income tax assets	499	539	90	263
Cash and cash equivalents	9	105 281	96 723	108 496
Total current assets	20	251 934	210 535	237 805
Total Assets	20	799 757	668 080	762 324
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES				
Capital and reserves				
Share capital	100	162 645	-	162 645
Stated capital	(100)	-	161 035	-
Deemed treasury shares	5	(18 137)	(19 137)	(19 137)
Vendor shares	-	14 976	14 976	14 976
Contingency reserve	544	1 346	(303)	726
Revaluation reserves	33	16 979	12 796	16 851
Retained earnings	68	209 900	124 680	194 416
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	32	387 709	294 047	370 477
Non-controlling interest	100	-	(577)	-
Total capital and reserves	32	387 709	293 470	370 477

Non-current liabilities				
Long term liabilities	(11)	107 505	120 529	117 832
Other liabilities	221	2 615	815	1 590
Deferred income tax liabilities	15	26 690	23 123	27 062
Policy holders' liability under insurance contracts	150	5 691	2 272	2 472
Amounts due to related parties	(35)	12 037	18 588	15 786
Total non-current liabilities	(7)	154 538	165 327	164 742
Current liabilities				
Current portion of long-term liabilities	42	14 524	10 208	15 700
Current portion of other liabilities	39	2 178	1 571	1 128
Trade and other payables	22	192 128	157 689	179 368
Technical provisions	16	17 140	14 820	15 834
Provision for share appreciation rights	(100)	-	2 272	-
Current income tax liabilities	135	385	164	128
Bank overdraft	38	31 155	22 559	14 947
Total current liabilities	23	257 510	209 283	227 105
Total equity and liabilities	20	799 757	668 080	762 324

CASH FLOW STATEMENT				
		Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September	Reviewed 6 months ended 30 September	Audited year ended 31 March
N\$ '000	Change	2009	2008	2009
Cash flow from operating activities				
Cash generated from	56	60 715	38 971	95 744

operations				
Interest received	25	1 943	1 550	4 500
Finance costs	12	(9 904)	(11 278)	(25 375)
Net educational loans advanced	(58)	(34 958)	(22 130)	(40 979)
Dividends paid	(111)	(14 144)	(6 698)	(6 698)
Taxation paid	338	441	(185)	(137)
Net cash flow from operating activities	1 680	4 093	230	27 055
Cash flow from investing activities				
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(51)	(8 761)	(5 816)	(13 694)
Additions to investment properties	(98)	(99)	(50)	(72)
Additions to intangible assets	24	(5 889)	(7 729)	(13 434)
Additions to available-for-sale financial assets	(10)	(2 946)	(2 679)	(3 744)
Acquisition of non-controlling interest in entity under common control	-	-	-	(1 000)
Proceeds on sale of property, plant and equipment	766	3 108	359	1 324
Net cash flow from investing activities	8	(14 587)	(15 915)	(30 620)
Cash flow from financing activities				
Costs of share issue	-	-	-	(49)
Redemption of vendor shares in cash	100	-	(1 157)	(1 157)
Sale of deemed treasury shares	(95)	1 000	19 266	19 264
(Repayment of) / proceeds from long term liabilities	(280)	(11 503)	6 380	9 175
Proceeds from / (repayment of) other liabilities	428	2 075	(633)	(301)
Repayment of related party loans	79	(3 720)	(17 694)	(13 705)

Decrease in policy holder under insurance contracts	1 088	3 219	271	471
Net cash flow from financing activities	(239)	(8 929)	6 433	13 698
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(110)	(19 423)	(9 252)	10 133
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	12	93 549	83 416	83 416
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	-	74 126	74 164	93 549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY				
		Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September	Reviewed 6 months ended 30 September	Audited year ended 31 March
	%			
N\$ '000	Change	2009	2008	2009
Balance at beginning the period	42	370 477	260 836	260 836
Vendor shares repaid in cash	100	-	(914)	(914)
Cost of share issue	100	-	(49)	(49)
Sale of deemed treasury shares by Trustco Staff Share Incentive Scheme Trust	(94)	1 000	16 222	16 222
Gain on sale of deemed treasury shares	(100)	-	3 042	3 042
Dividends for the period	(111)	(14 144)	(6 698)	(6 698)
Share issue	-	-	-	4 971
Listing costs	-	-	-	(3 361)
Acquisition of non-controlling interest in entity under common control	-	-	-	(1 184)
Total comprehensive income for the period	44	30 376	21 031	97 612
Balance at end of the	32	387 709	293 470	370 477

period				
Comprising of:				
Stated capital	(100)	-	161 035	-
Share capital	100	162 645	-	162 645
Deemed treasury shares	(5)	(18 137)	(19 137)	(19 137)
Vendor shares	-	14 976	14 976	14 976
Contingency reserve	544	1 346	(303)	726
Revaluation reserve	33	16 979	12 796	16 851
Retained earnings	68	209 900	124 680	194 416
Minority interest	100	-	(577)	-
	32	387 709	293 470	370 477