

RESULTS PRESENTATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

CHALLENGES DURING THE PAST YEAR

Strikes:

April/ May, August/ September, November – January 2019
Total production days lost 239 days (18%) combined

Impact:

EBITDA loss of ca. R130 million

Board changes:

Four resignations

Three independent non-executive directors appointed

Investigations:

Accusations of impropriety

Conspired effort to disrupt



Revenue

↓12%

to R1 601 million

(2018: R1 812 million)

EBITDA

√28%

to R205 million

(2018: R284 million)

Core earnings per share

↓70%

to 8 cents

(2018: 26 cents)

Total debt

↓15%

to R683 million (2018: R805 million)

Cost excluding log purchases

√13%

to R1 237 million

(2018: R1 415 million)

Strike (reduction) R1 411 million Cost at 77% of revenue maintained

Other salient features

- EBITDA for the six months ended
 30 June 2019 at R201 million
- Investment in supply chain logistics fleet
- Sale of outlier plantation at R54 million
- Re-finance of original purchase loan of R337 million



EIGHT-YEAR HISTORICAL FINANCIAL RESULTS

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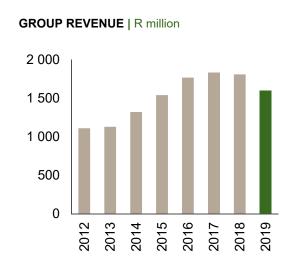
	(CAGR % 2012- 2019	Audited 2019	% change	Restated Audited 2018	Audited 2017	Audited 2016	Audited 2015	Audited 2014	Audited 2013	Audited 2012
Group revenue	R'000	5%	1 600 522	(12%)	1 812 350	1 832 805	1 771 049	1 543 149	1 323 976	1 131 994	1 112 843
Gross profit	R'000	1%	460 355	(17%)	552 631	497 502	500 566	404 415	377 945	410 298	421 519
Gross profit margin	%	(4%)	28.8%	(6%)	30.5%	27.1%	28.3%	26.2%	28.5%	36.0%	38.0%
Operating (loss)/profit	R'000	(194%)	(106 314)	(154%)	196 045	151 369	182 933	144 021	116 811	161 365	166 068
Operating margin	%	(189%)	(6.6%)	(161%)	10.8%	8.3%	10.3%	9.3%	8.8%	14.0%	15.0%
EBITDA	R'000	1%	204 668	(28%)	283 666	246 101	240 048	199 390	156 262	187 153	194 726
EBITDA to revenue	%	(4%)	12.8%	(18%)	15.7%	13.4%	13.6%	12.9%	11.8%	16.5%	17.5%
Net profit before finance costs	R'000	(14%)	106 856	(61%)	272 271	599 038	390 032	196 272	123 531	192 834	303 395
Finance costs	R'000	(2%)	77 537	(8%)	84 325	88 595	56 632	58 385	56 440	54 672	87 308
Cash flow from operations	R'000	2%	223 822	(21%)	283 173	169 979	284 963	182 574	151 461	106 486	197 088
Biological assets	R'000	6%	3 154 557	8%	2 918 550	2 828 518	2 334 327	2 140 067	2 103 092	2 100 870	2 070 222
Interest bearing borrowings	R'000	3%	683 436	(15%)	804 595	912 302	894 145	743 360	562 616	597 173	558 400
Investment in property, plant and equipment	R'000	12%	81 170	25%	64 680	154 258	283 241	203 288	66 169	51 958	36 340
Net working capital	R'000	4%	161 517	(30%)	230 155	245 991	162 685	219 485	213 182	180 446	119 372

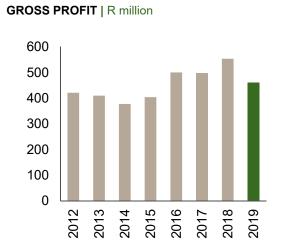


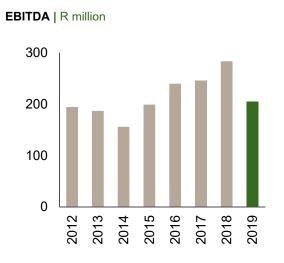
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Basic (loss)/earnings	R'000	(183%)	(36 268)	(126%)	138 280	367 286	238 212	101 468	50 994	106 864	137 818
Weighted average number of shares	Number	(1%)	317 439	0%	316 874	317 209	325 286	331 032	331 241	331 241	331 241
(Loss)/earnings Per Share	Cents	(183%)	(11)	(126%)	44	116	73	31	15	32	42
Core Earnings Per Share	Cents	(7%)	8	(70%)	26	17	31	21	16	26	13
Headline Earnings Per Share	Cents	3%	50	9%	45	116	73	29	14	33	42
EBITDA Per Share	Cents	1%	64	(29%)	90	78	74	60	47	57	59
Net Asset Value Per Share	Cents	6%	980	(1%)	990	943	809	731	703	688	655
Tangible Net Asset Value Per Share	Cents	9%	862	6%	809	765	635	559	531	516	484
Underlying TNAV	Cents	8%	1134	7%	1061	1007	834	739	708	692	657
Return on equity	%	(179%)	(1.2%)	(127%)	4.4%	12.3%	9.0%	4.2%	2.2%	4.7%	6.4%
Total Cost	R'000	7%	1 499 024	(7%)	1 616 305	1 681 436	1 588 116	1 399 128	1 207 165	970 629	946 775
External Log purchases	R'000	11%	261 728	30%	201 723	269 982	140 887	210 886	182 086	146 305	122 203
Cost excluding log purchases	R'000	6%	1 237 296	(13%)	1 414 582	1 411 454	1 447 229	1 188 242	1 025 079	824 324	824 572
Cost as % of revenue	%	1%	77.3%	(1%)	78.1%	77.0%	81.7%	77.0%	77.4%	72.8%	74.1%

^{*} Underlying TNAV represents the tangible net asset value adjusted for the deferred tax related to the biological asset, which will only become payable after York ceases re-establishment or sale of plantations.

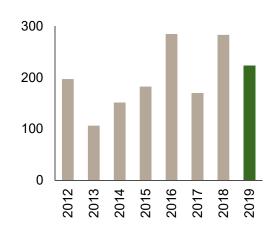




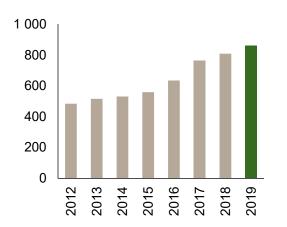




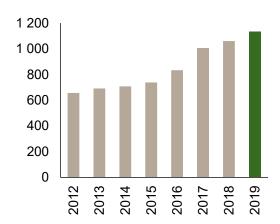
CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS | R million



TANGIBLE NET ASSET VALUE (TNAV) | Cents



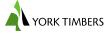
UNDERLYING (TNAV) | Cents





FINANCIAL OVERVIEW | CONTINUED

Statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019		2019 R'000	% change	2018 R'000
	EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
	Equity	3 096 717	(1%)	3 130 276
	Share capital	1 480 232	0%	1 480 232
	Reserves	2 356	(767%)	(353)
	Retained income	1 614 129	(2%)	1 650 397
	Liabilities			
The reduction in borrowings is due to the debt repayment profile. A refinance	Non-current liabilities	1 514 237	(3%)	1 555 021
agreement was reached on the Land Bank	Borrowings	530 865	(17%)	636 836
term loan.	Retirement benefit obligation	26 764	1%	26 430
	Deferred tax	930 875	8%	862 148
	Provisions	15 738	8%	14 623
	Lease liability	9 995	(33%)	14 984
The increase in trade and other payables is	Current liabilities	595 081	18%	504 130
due to standing timber purchased from	Trade and other payables	434 279	32%	328 932
SAFCOL of R146 million as at 30 June 2019, payable monthly until March 2020.	Borrowings	152 571	(9%)	167 759
	Lease liability	8 152	10%	7 415
	Current tax payable	17	13%	15
	Bank overdraft	62	589%	9
	Total liabilities	2 109 318	2%	2 059 151
	Total equity and liabilities	5 206 035	0%	5 189 427



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW | CONTINUED

Statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019		2019 R'000	% change	2018 R'000
The net increase in biological assets is the result of a decrease in the weighted average	ASSETS			
volume adjustment factor from 10% in 2018	Non-current assets	3 994 693	(1%)	4 054 470
to 2% in 2019 based on the most recent actual vield reconciliation data.	Biological assets	2 639 014	6%	2 498 082
Goodwill decreased due to an impairment	Investment property	30 740	15%	26 731
loss recognised. The present value of the	Property, plant and equipment	893 891	(3%)	920 265
segment was impacted by the following factors:	Goodwill	357 630	(37%)	565 442
Decrease in long-term revenue inflation	Intangible assets	3 616	681%	463
forecast;	Other financial assets	61 903	56%	39 707
Increase in volume accuracy adjustment;	Deferred tax	7 899	109%	3 780
Change in referenced risk-free rate; and	Current assets	1 211 342	7%	1 134 957
Increase in biological asset value included in carrying value of segment.	Biological assets	515 543	23%	420 468
Inventories increased due to slow-down in	Inventories	374 553	25%	300 356
local and international plywood sales. Lumber	 Trade and other receivables 	221 243	(14%)	258 731
stock increased in preparation for the traditional high demand period.	Current tax receivable	11 000	227%	3 363
·	Cash and cash equivalents	89 003	(41%)	152 039
Debtor collections over year-end increased. Included in the 2018 financial year is an				
insurance receivable raised.	Total assets	5 206 035	0%	5 189 427



Fair value adjustment:

↑ R204 million (2018: R77 million)

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Factors	R'000	Reasons
Net growth	(R61 687)	TUP increase
Revenue and Price	(R6 452)	Weak market
Operating costs	(R79 685)	Wage rates/Timing
Discount rate	R78 293	β Change / R186 – Bootstrap rate
Volume adjustment estimate	R273 203	10% to 2%
Net movement – fair value adjustment	R203 672	



Volume adjustment factor

Step 1. Standard adjusted 8% (2018:8%) on harvestable volume

- » acknowledgment of enumeration errors and data corrections
- » No change to this assumption

Step 2. Reduced further by weighted average of 2% (2018:10%), based on <u>actual yield</u> reconciliation data through Log Trace

- » Recorded yields per compartment delivered to mill versus projected yield
- » Impacted by deviations such as impact from pests and diseases and tree deformity
- » Major improvements on control of stock, mitigating pests and responding to diseases timeously

Impact of change in volume on value:

Upward adjustment of R273 million



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GOODWILL AND BIOLOGICAL ASSET VALUATION CHANGES

GOODWILL allocated to forestry segment only

Impairment:

◆ R208 million (2018: no impairment)

Due to:

Decrease in present value of segment

- Decrease in long-term revenue inflation forecast
- · Increase in volume accuracy adjustment
- Change in referenced risk-free rate
- Increase in biological asset value included in the carrying value of the segment assets



DEBT FACILITIES 2019

Description	Balance R'000	Originated	Repayment terms
Land Bank term loan	337 966	 Original 2007 purchase loan for GFP assets were repaid through capital raise R600 million re-financed with Land Bank 	 Re-financed June 2019 – equal monthly instalments over 7 years at prime less 0.5%
Land Bank plywood expansion loan	208 751	Upgrade of plywood plant.EBITDA accretive investment	• 3 years remaining of this debt at prime less 0.5%
Land Bank press loan	27 562	48 daylight press installation financedEBITDA accretive investment	 4 years and 5 months remaining of this debt at prime less 0.5%
Instalment sale agreements	99 001	Mobile equipment and vehicle fleet	• 7.88% - 10.25%, ranging from 36 to 60 months
Loan raising fee	(1 210)		
Absa capital fund loan	8 861	Mortgage loan over fixed property	 Prime less 0.75% over 10 years of which 8 are remaining
Fulcrum group	2 505	Finance of annual insurance premium payable over 10 months	Interest at 8.74%Last payment was July 2019
Total borrowings	683 436		
Total asset base of	5 206 035		



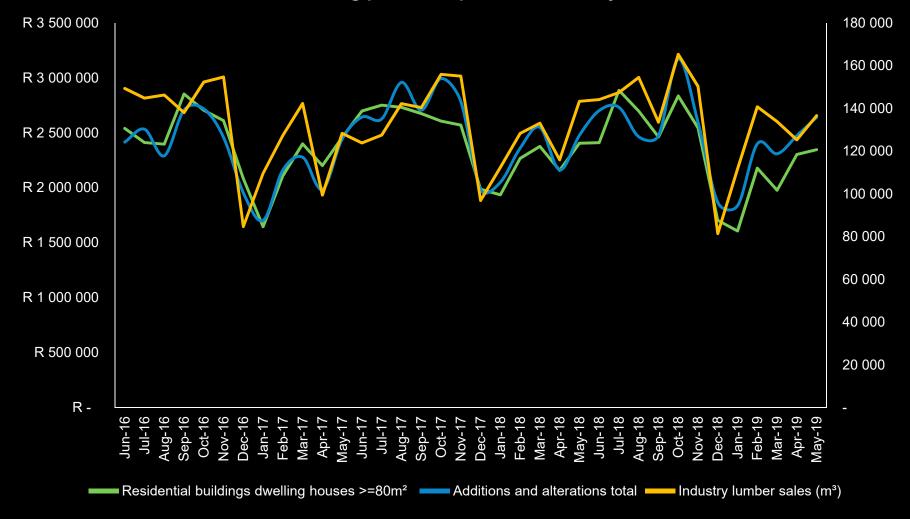
LOG PRICES

- ±50% External log purchases
- Log prices have increased by CAGR 7.2% since 2014
- Price difference to industry average of 26%
- National lumber price but regional log prices
- Efficiencies
- Cost optimisation
- Capital investment
- Veneer logs MPU ca R1 090 m³

		%	
	Q2 2019	change	Q2 2018
YORK SAWLOG PRICES IN RELATION TO INDUSTRY			
Average York price	R871.06	8.4%	R803.45
Industry average	R689.71	4.4%	R660.43
Price variance – industry	R181.35		R143.02
York to industry	26%		22%
KZN average	R619.86	6.9%	R580.00
Price variance – KZN	R251.20		R223.45
York to KZN	41%		39%
Cape average	R557.29	1.6%	R548.43
Price variance – Cape	R313.27		R255.02
York to Cape	56%		47%
MPU average	R820.43	6.4%	R771.00
Price variance – MPU	R50.63		R32.45
York to MPU	6%		4%



Building plans completed vs Industry Sales





Market size:

Strong international demand

• USA 4.8 mil m³ pa, Japan 3 mil m³ pa, UK and Ger 1,7 mil m³ pa each, Canada 939 000 m³ pa, NED 875 000 m³ pa

Local

- Low grade and low quality imports dumped in domestic market Brazilian producers
- · Plywood predominantly used for shuttering New applications being explored

Advantage of York:

Quality board of solid and consistent core construction, phenol glue use and product finish

Grading and sustainability certifications: FSC, SANS, TP and CE certifications for European Union and North American markets

Superior quality product at competitive prices

Explore export markets with value added products



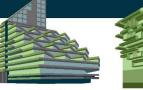
TIMBER IS LOOKING UP

BUILDINGS ARE

UNDERWAY OR

IN THE PAST

YEARS



TERRACE HOUSE Vancouver, Canada 19 stories | 2020



MJØSTÅRNET Brumundbal, Norway 18 stories | 2018



T3 WEST MIDTOWN
At anta, United States



CARBON 12 Portland, United States



MOHOLT 50/50 Transheim, Norway Sistories | 2016



TRAFALGAR PLACE I enden, United Kingdom 10 stories | 2015



HYPÉRION Bordeaux, France 18 stories I 2000



Joansuu, Finland 14 stolles I 2019



SUURSTOFFI 22 Risch-Rotkreuz, Switzerlai 10 stories 2018



ORIGINE CONDOS Quebec City, Canada 17 storios 2017



T3 Minneapolis, United States 7 storios | 2016



CURTAIN PLACE London, United Kingdon 6 stories | 2015



JACK LONDON SQUARE PARCEL F2 Oakland, United States 8 stones | 2020



SUURSTOFFI BF1 Risch-Rotkreuz, Switzerlar 10 stories | 2018



LOT BOIS ET BIOSOURC Island of Stresbourg, France 11 stories | 2018



BROCK COMMONS TALLWOOD HOUSE
Vancouver, Canada



HOTEL NAUTILUS PESARO Pasaro, Italy



CUBE London, United Kingdom



SKAIO I leitaronn, German 8 stories | 2019



25 KING Brisbane, Australi 10 stories 2018



DALSTON LANE London, United Kingdon 10 stories | 2017



TREET Bergen, Norway 14 stones | 2015



WOOD INNOVATION & DESIGN CENTRE Pance George, Canada

PUUKUOKKA



WOOD IS UNIQUE

Wood is unique and highly beneficial for the production of wood-based products and components for construction purposes. Some of the properties would be almost impossible to replicate in any other building materials. Some of these properties include:



Thermal: Wood does not change its form when exposed to heat. Rather, it will lose moisture and gain strength. In addition, it is a very bad conductor of heat. Specific heat values of timber are high. Therefore greater amounts of energy are needed to increase and decrease the temperature per volumetric unit of wood. Wood conduction of heat energy is comparable to stones and concrete and up to three times the amount of heat energy is needed for the heating or cooling compared to steel.

Acoustic: Wood is ideal for sound absorption as it prevents echo and noise due to the absorption of sound.

Therefore wood is extensively used in concert halls and musical instruments.





Electrical: Wood has greater resistance to electrical currency and therefore acts as an exceptional insulator compared to steel. Static electricity, potentially hazardous to human health, is also not stored in wood, making it a healthy material.

Mechanical: Wood and laminated wood are used in wide-gap constructions due to their ability to sustain their own weight over long distances. This is due to the light weight of wood, together with exceptional strength properties per unit mass.





Aesthetic: Wood is unique in colour and grain appearance. Therefore it is considered as an aesthetic building material. Wood of unique appearances can be used for designated building projects or transformed with coatings and paint.

Oxidation: Although wood can be subject to oxidation, it is different to rust. Therefore wood can be used in building projects where steel construction might prove to be problematic due to rust.





Variation: Up to 5 000 different types of wood exist with variable wood properties, which can be used for specific applications. Therefore the right type of wood can be matched with the customers' specific needs.

Working: Wood is highly workable and can easily be repaired when needed, whereas other building materials or components might have to be discarded.





INNOVATION

Lifecycle assessment comparison of wood vs other building materials:

Engineered wood	Cement	Steel	Aluminium
ABSORBS	EMITS	EMITS	EMITS
1.7 tons of CO ₂	927kg of CO₂	1,83 tons of CO ₂	9,3 tons of CO ₂
per ton of wood	per ton of cement produced	per ton of steel produced	per ton of aluminium produced



Wooden skyscrapers are

estimated to be around a

quarter of the weight of an

equivalent reinforced concrete

structure as well as the building

carbon footprint by 60% to 75%

Buildings have been designed

using cross-laminated timber

(CLT) which gives a higher

rigidity and strength to wooden

structures. CLT panels are

prefabricated and can therefore

speed up building time

Height 58m

Floors above ground

18

Number of apartments

305 Country Canada City Vancouver

Building function

Residential Timber used

2 233m³ CO₂ captured

2 432 tons

BROCK COMMONS TALLWOOD HOUSE

Height

73m

Floors above ground

22

Number of apartments

55 Country Netherlands City Amsterdam

Building function

Residential
Timber used
3 800m³

CO₂ captured

3 000 tons

HAUT

Height

84m Floors above ground

Country
Austria
City
Vienna

Building function

Residential Hotel Office Timber use

Timber used 3 600m³

CO₂ captured 2 800 tons

HOHO

Height 300m

Floors above ground

80

Number of apartments

1 000 Country United Kingdom

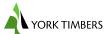
City London

Building function

Residential
Timber used
65 000m³
CO₂ captured

50 000 tons

OAKWOOD TOWER



Strategic partnership with the University of Pretoria to establish a multidisciplinary research programme:

Focused on structural engineering of advanced wood products in South Africa's bioeconomy

Sponsor a multidisciplinary chair position in wood structural engineering with an associated laboratory



Bioeconomy Africa

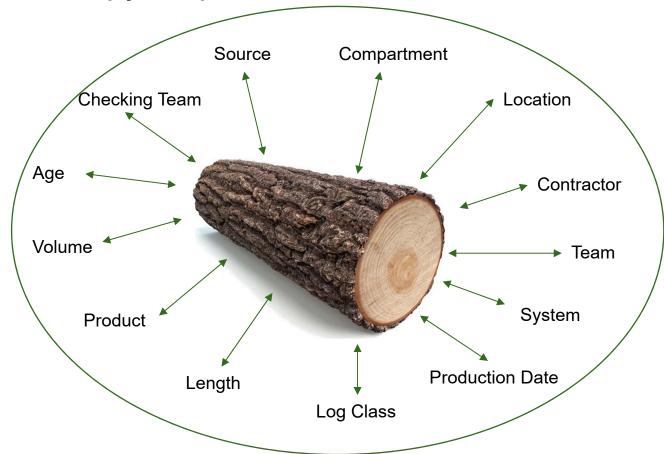


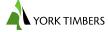
Engineering 4



PhD study at University of British Columbia:

Impact of altitude, soil geology and soil depth on *P.patula* solid wood properties for structural timber and plywood production





WOOD PROPERTIES

Project co-ordinated by Camcore and the Forest Molecular Genetics group at the University of Pretoria

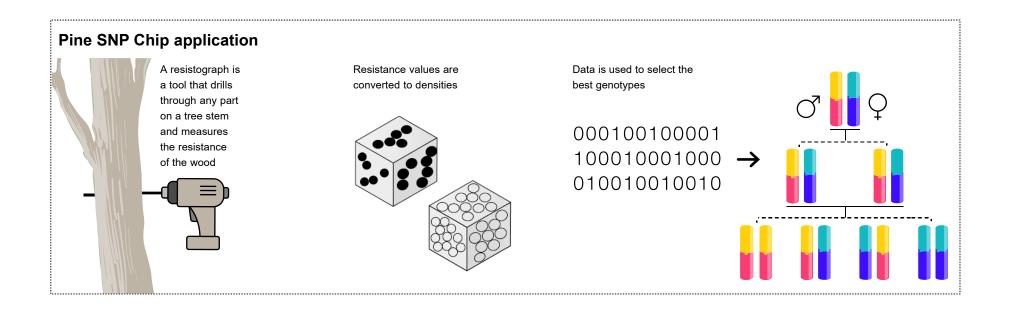
Development of a molecular tool:

The Pine Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP) Chip

- Link pine genes to economically important traits
- Predict how a specific trait will be expressed in a tree at seedling stage
- Eliminates the period between tree establishment and trait assessment (8 years for pine)
- Modelling of how traits will manifest over time

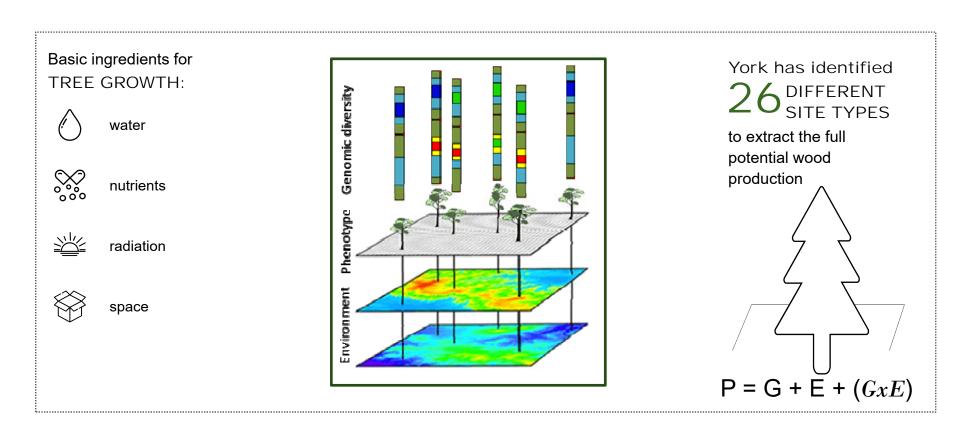


Anticipate that the commercial pine SNP chip will be available end of 2019





York has completed a full stratification of its landholdings in terms of climate, soil and risk factors









LUMBER Cost optimisation



PLYWOOD Perform at capacity



FORESTRY
Optimising operations



Progress in 2019

Finger jointing capacity was consolidated to optimally utilise resources, reduce lead times and reduce inventory

Overall equipment effectiveness was improved to increase productivity

The Jessievale warehouse was completed and consequently product flow was improved

Upgrades on critical machinery were completed

Effective production management plans were implemented to balance customer orders with raw material properties and plant capacities

Overall equipment effectiveness was achieved through improved maintenance planning and short interval control

Log transport was insourced to leverage economies of scale

Mulching and mechanical pitting were implemented in the Highveld to reduce fire risk and improve tree growth

LogTrace reporting was improved to increase transparency, responsiveness and log scaling flexibility

The finger jointing capacity of the Roodekop drymill was increased to improve market flexibility

Supply chain co-ordination was improved to ensure that the optimal mix of products were stored at the warehouses

Opportunities in 2020

Increase Jessievale capacity by ca. 40% to fully utilise the available raw material

Integrate the sawmilling operations in the Escarpment with a focus on customer demands

The target is to consolidate processing into a more flexible and productive unit while not increasing unit cost of production

Balance plant capacity to more efficiently supply specific market segments

Reduce supply chain costs for exports

Invest in tree breeding, focusing on improved wood properties, increase yield response to site-specie matching

Integrate forest engineering processes with product optimisation for specific mills aimed at target market segments

Improve the customer experience when dealing with York operations to enable successful businesses

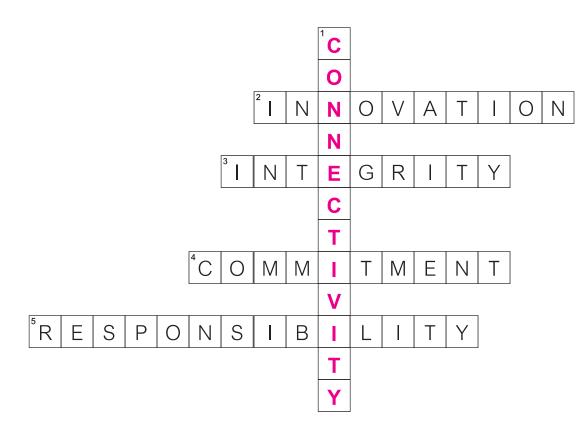


STRATEGIC UPDATE – INVESTORS

	Challenges	Response
BALANCE SHEET	2007 acquisition debt of R338 million negatively impact earnings and cash generation Market cap of ca R540 million: Total debt R660 million Investor expectations of dividend flow	Debt to be repaid with capital raising Input costs offset gains from strategic capital investments
INVESTOR PROFILE	Investor profile should have a time horizon of at least ten years Appreciate the requirement of socio-economic development in rural areas Have a strong environmental agenda Support the product development and understand the capital-intensive nature of forestry companies Underlying value is not reflected in the share price Timing of cash flows from biological assets does not meet shareholder expectations in listed environment	Actively engaging with potential shareholders that fit the profile outlined. Profit margins proven but timing over five-year period Capital intensive – barrier to entry Underlying TNAV growth 9% CAGR since 2012 Consider taking York private as thinly traded share does not reflect the underlying value Remain listed with recapitalised York to exploit the multitude of growth opportunities TNAV R8.62 versus VWAP R1.60
SHARE PRICE STRATEGIC DISCUSSIONS	The disconnect between the share price and the underlying value of York is constantly targeted with opportunistic approaches	The Board is exploring all options and have the best interest of shareholders at heart Market capitalisation creates negative perception of the real value of York



YORK'S CORE VALUES



DOWN

 York employees are excited about teamwork and being part of the York team, value client relationships and communication with all stakeholders. Collaboration between business units is vital.

ACROSS

- York seeks employees that are enthusiastic, creative, dynamic, inspiring, energetic, adaptive thinkers and have growth mindset. This will ensure that the Company is competitive, solution driven and has the ability to evolve and unlock opportunities.
- York employees are trustworthy, honest, self-disciplined and respectful. The qualities contribute to organisational loyalty and dedication which filter throughout the business.
- 4. York employees are committed to York, they are hardworking, dedicated, believe in the Company strategy and share business goals. The Company aims at excellence, introducing and delivering quality products, a high-achieving work environment and excellent customer service.
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