

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

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#### Section 1: Introduction

#### Background

- On 29 September 2011, Investec appointed the Liquidators as joint and several administrators of the Company pursuant to Section 436C of the Act.
- On 4 November 2011 at the Second Meeting of Creditors, the Creditors of the Company resolved that the Company enter into a DOCA subject to the terms outlined in the Report to Creditors dated 28 October 2011. The terms of the DOCA required, amongst other things:
  - 2.1 The incorporation of the Subsidiary;
  - 2.2 The issue of the Shares to the Company; and
  - 2.3 The transfer of the Shopping Centre to the Subsidiary.
- 3. On 9 March 2012, the Liquidators (in their capacity as administrators of the DOCA) certified that the conditions provided for in clause 7.1 of the DOCA were satisfied and as a consequence:
  - 3.1 The Company was wound up; and
  - 3.2 The Liquidators became the liquidators of the Company.
- 4. On 25 September 2013, Peter Bernard Allen retired as a joint and several liquidator of the Company.

#### Purpose of this Report

- 5. This report is prepared pursuant to Section 508 of the Act to provide, amongst other things, the following information to Creditors:
  - An account of the acts and dealings of the Liquidator and the conduct of the winding up of the Company during the year commencing 9 March 2015;
  - 5.2 A description of the acts and dealings that remain to be carried out in order to complete the winding up; and
  - 5.3 An estimate of when the winding up is likely to be complete.

#### Glossary

6. A glossary of the defined terms used in this report appears as Schedule 1.

#### Disclaimer

- 7. This report is based on information sourced from the Company's books and documents and information provided to the Liquidator. The Liquidator has reviewed the books, documents and information and whilst limited independent verification of the information has been conducted, no audit has been undertaken.
- 8. The Liquidator has no reason to doubt the information contained in this report. The statements and opinions given in this report are given in good faith and in the belief that such statements and opinions are not false or misleading. The Liquidator reserves the right to alter any conclusions reached on the basis of any changed or additional information which may become available to him.
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- 12. Each Creditor must seek their own independent legal advice as to their rights and the options available to them with respect to the Liquidation of the Company.

## Section 2: Conduct of winding up

- 13. In the 12 months commencing 9 March 2015, the Liquidator attended to his statutory reporting obligations.
- 14. The Liquidator also held a meeting of creditors on 8 October 2015 at which Creditors approved the Company executing a lease in proper form in favour of Coles Supermarkets Australia Pty Ltd over part of the Northgate Shopping Centre at Tamworth which it had previously owned. During the time that it owned the shopping centre, the Company had executed an agreement to lease on similar terms but that document was not in proper form and could not be registered at the NSW Land Titles Office (LPI).
- 15. Creditors also approved the Liquidator drawing additional remuneration for work performed during the winding up as and when funds became available. Investec continues to provide annual funding to the Liquidator on account of the Liquidator's fees associated with his statutory reporting obligations, as per the arrangement between the Liquidator and Investec on 1 April 2014. Investec also provided administration funding for part payment of the costs incurred by the Liquidator in convening and holding the meeting of creditors.
- 16. The Liquidator has been unable to perform further actions as:
  - 16.1 The Company has insufficient available property to cover the expenses of the Liquidator undertaking a more expansive role in the winding up of the Company; and
  - 16.2 No Creditor has expressed an interest in providing funds to the Liquidator to allow him to undertake such a role in the winding up.
- 17. For further information about a liquidator's obligation when a company has insufficient available property to cover the expenses of the liquidator, please refer to section 545 of the Act.

## Section 3: Acts and dealings that remain to be carried out

18. The winding up will be completed when the Liquidator has disclaimed or otherwise dealt satisfactorily with the Shares. During the period until which the Liquidator completes the winding up, the Liquidator will attend to his statutory reporting obligations.

# Section 3: Estimate of when the winding up is likely to be complete

- 19. The Liquidator cannot forecast when he will complete the winding up as their right to disclaim or otherwise deal with the Shares is the subject of third party rights including those of Investec.
- 20. Investec has advised (but without providing a firm commitment) that it may consent to the Liquidator disclaiming the Shares prior to 31 December 2016.

## Section 4: Forecast return to ordinary unsecured creditors

21. In the Report to Creditors issued prior to the Second Meeting of Creditors, the Liquidators forecasted a return to Ordinary Unsecured Creditors of \$NIL cents in the dollar. During the second year of the liquidation no matters have arisen which have caused the Liquidator to change that forecast.

## Section 5: Receipts and payments

22. A list of amounts received and paid by the Liquidator during the fourth year of winding up appears in Table 1 below.

# Table 1: Summary of Receipts and Payments from the Liquidator's Account for the period 9 March 2015 to 8 March 2016

	Amount
	\$
Opening Balance	318.00
Receipts	
Administration Funding	6,500.00
GST refund	381.00
Total Receipts	6,881.00
Payments	
Liquidator's fees	(6,127.83)
Liquidator's disbursements	(1,050.08)
Bank fees	(20.00)
Total Payments	(7,197.91)
Closing Balance	1.09

# Section 6: Questions

23. Please contact Jonathan Chee of this office if you have any questions concerning this report or the Liquidation generally.

Yours faithfully Novak International Pty Limited (In Liquidation)

Q J Olde Liquidator

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# Schedule 1: Glossary

Abbreviation	Definition	
Act	Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)	
Administrators	Quentin James Olde and Peter Bernard Allen	
ASIC	Australian Securities and Investments Commission	
ATO	Australian Taxation Office	
Company	Novak International Pty Ltd (In Liquidation) ACN 107 025 114	
Creditors	Creditors of the Company who have a claim admissible to proof in the Liquidation of the Company	
DOCA	Deed of Company Arrangement	
Investec	Investec Bank (Australia) Limited ACN 071 292 594	
Liquidator	Quentin James Olde	
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Report to Creditors	Administrators' Report dated 28 October 2011 prepared for Creditors in accordance with Section 439A of the Act	
Second Meeting of Creditors	The Second Meeting of Creditors convened in accordance with Section 439A of the Act	
Shares	100 ordinary shares held by the Company in the Subsidiary	
Shopping Centre	Northgate Shopping Centre located at Piper Street, Tamworth	
Subsidiary	Northgate Shopping Centre Property Holdings Pty Limited ACN 154 539 956	



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