## **PGG Wrightson Limited**

Annual Shareholders' Meeting 30 October 2008



# Craig Norgate Chairman



## **Financial Results**

	2008	2007	Change %
Reported NPAT	\$73.2m	\$40.6m	+80
NOPAT *	\$39.2m	\$29.0	+35
EPS	\$0.25	\$0.14	+79



<sup>\*</sup> Excludes performance fee, share appreciation, capital gains and other one-offs

## **Dividend**

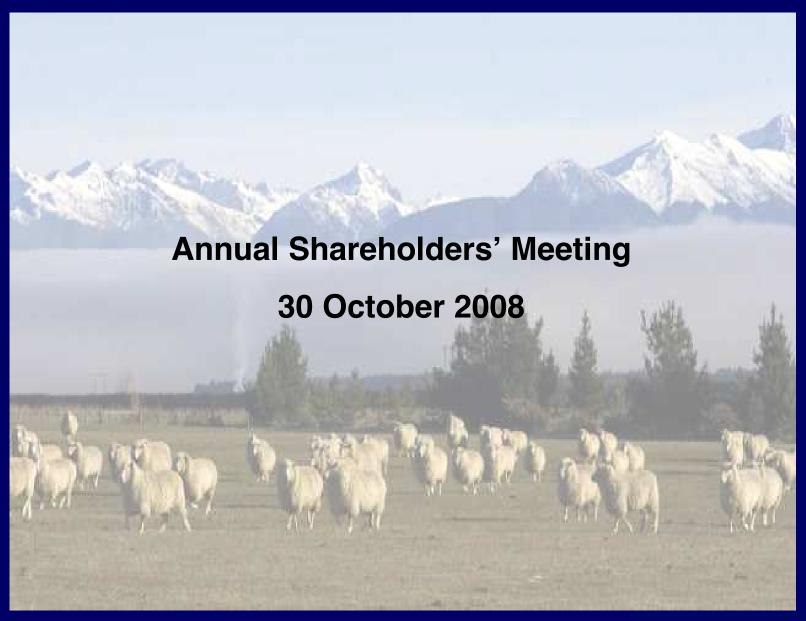
	2008	2007	Change
	cps	cps	%
Interim	5	4	
Final	11	8	
TOTAL	16	12	+33



## Leadership changes

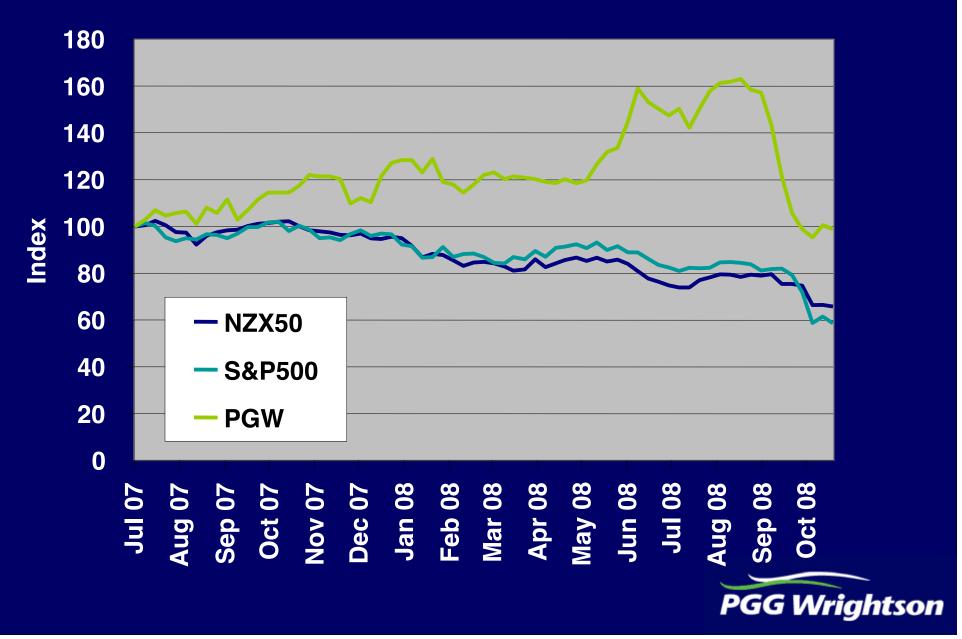
- Tim Miles Managing Director
- Barry Brook GGM South America
- Michael Thomas GGM Financial Services
- Director retirements Bill Baylis and Richard Elworthy
- New Chairman Craig Norgate







## **Equity market volatility**







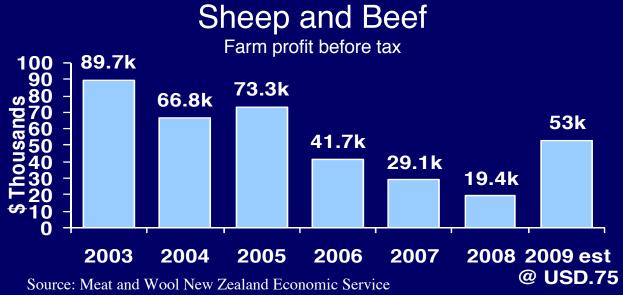
# Tim Miles Managing Director



## **Market Overview**

### Mixed operating conditions

- Adverse NZ\$ and interest rates for much of the year
- Long periods of dry weather in NZ, Australia, Uruguay
- Poor returns to sheep and beef producers
- Increasing costs eg. fertiliser, fuel, agricultural chemicals

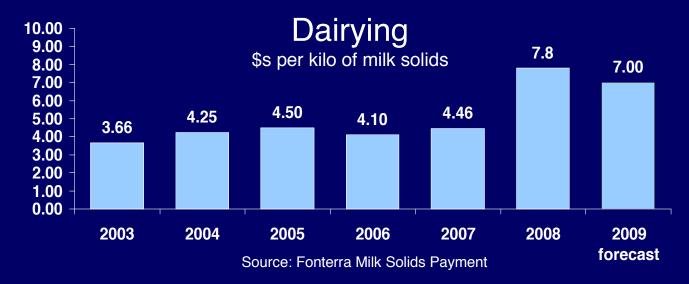




## **Market Overview**

### Mixed operating conditions

- Dairy boom ongoing
- Strong grain prices
- Strong expansion in viticulture and vegetables
- Growth in Finance and Funds Management





## **Rural Services**

\$millions	FY08	FY07	$\Delta$ %
Sales	818	716	+14
EBIT	40.1	26.7	+50

#### **Rural Supplies**

- Superior operational performance
- Assisted by personnel and operational changes

### Fruitfed Supplies

Held market share and margin against vigorous competition

#### Livestock

Solid performance in mixed market conditions

#### Wool

Performed well despite NZ\$ and lower throughput

#### Irrigation and pumping

Dairy upsurge and investment in horticulture and viticulture



## **Financial Services**

\$millions	FY08	FY07	$\Delta \%$
Sales	135	85	+59
EBIT	40.3	17.6	+129

#### PGG Wrightson Finance

- Maintained growth and improved performance
  - Loan book grew 27% to \$503m
  - Retail deposits increased by \$31m total now \$264m

#### Real Estate

Growth driven by dairy and increased market share

#### Insurance

Continued growth through new products and broker network expansion

#### **Funds Management**

- Reflected rapid progress of NZS
- Performance fee \$17.8m plus benefit from shareholding



## **Technology Services**

\$millions	FY08	FY07	Δ%
Sales	299	210	+42
EBIT	35.5	30.9	+15

#### Seeds and Grain

- Continuing sales growth despite lower rainfall in Australia
- Significant increase in sales of proprietary cereals
- Strong performances in grain trading and maize

#### Animal Nutrition (Agri-feeds)

- Demand increase driven by
  - Higher milk prices
  - Supplementary feed for drought conditions

#### Training and Consultancy

FarmSafe programme highly successful



## **South America**

\$millions	FY08	FY07	$\Delta\%$
Sales	56	18	+211
EBIT	2.5	1.9	+32

## Operations centred in Uruguay

- Significant investment in infrastructure and resources to support growth and NZS
- Ongoing strong sales growth including to NZS
- Further development towards a full service business with recent acquisitions







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## Outlook – 2009 year

- Effect of slower economies yet to be seen, but...
- Food market fundamentals remain in place
- Significant falls in NZ\$ and interest rates helpful for agriculture
- Strong first quarter performance
- NPAT expectations remain in range from \$46m to \$51m, excluding any performance fee



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