

Chairman's Address

The 2011 year is a significant one for the Group as it marked the anniversary of 50 years of trading for Structural Systems and 25 years for its subsidiary ROCK Australia. Structural Systems history began in 1961. At this time the Snowy Mountains scheme was underway and their Engineers were looking at the newly developed system of prestressed rock anchors which had been developed on mountain projects in Switzerland. They contacted the Swiss company BBRV – and so – BBR Australia, now Structural Systems began.

In 1986 ROCK WA began as a joint venture to provide ground support systems for underground stabilisation utilising post-tensioning technologies from the concrete industry. ROCK has continued to grow steadily over the years and now provides 35% of the Group's annual revenue. The future prospects for ROCK remain very positive with unprecedented levels of activity in the resource sector of Australia.

We are pleased to have declared a final dividend of 2.5 cents per share which brings the total dividends for the 2011 year to 4.0 cents per share which is a 60% increase on the prior year. As part of our Capital Management Plan the Directors resolved today to put in place a share buy back plan which will run for 12 months.

While there is continuing uncertainty in the global economy, we believe Structural have a bright and exciting future in the construction and mining sectors and we look forward to providing our shareholders with increased returns in the coming year.

I thank my fellow Directors and our staff for their continuing efforts during the period.