

APPENDIX 4E
RESULTS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MARKET
FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

CARDNO LIMITED
ABN 70 108 112 303

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				<u>Pro Forma Annual</u>
Revenue from ordinary activities	up	43.8%	to	64,869
Profit from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members	up	28.1%	to	4,448
Net profit for the period attributable to members	up	27.4%	to	4,446

Dividends

	<u>Ordinary</u>
Final fully franked payable 15 November 2004	4.5 cents

The record date for determining entitlements to the final dividend: 1 November 2004.

Brief explanation of the figures reported above

Cardno Limited was formed in February 2004 and on 19 March 2004 acquired the Cardno group of companies which have operated as consulting engineers for a number of years. Our Statutory Accounts for the June 2004 year are for the period 19 March 2004 to 30 June 2004 and so we have also prepared annual figures on a pro forma basis as if the Cardno group were part of Cardno Limited for the full June 2004 year.

Details of any dividend or distribution reinvestment plans in operation

The company does not operate a dividend reinvestment plan.

Net tangible assets per security

Net tangible assets per security as at 30 June 2004 is 33.2 cents per share. This is an increase of 2.5 cents per share from the pro forma balance sheet that was included in the prospectus.

Details of entities over which control has been gained or lost during the period

Control has been gained over the following entities:

- Geoffrey K Welsh Pty Ltd trading as Taylors Engineering
Completion date - 7 November 2003

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- Young Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd, RA Young Services Pty Ltd as trustee for the RA Young Services Unit Trust
Completion date – 17 February 2004

- Alexander Browne Cambridge & Partners Pty Ltd
Completion date – 30 March 2004

- Cardno Holdings Pty Ltd
Completion date – 19th March 2004

Commentary on results

For the full year, the Cardno Group achieved a pro forma net profit after tax of \$4.5m for June 2004. The result is 4.1% above the prospectus forecast and 27.4% above the June 2003 financial year profit.

Revenue for the group for the pro forma full year totalled \$64.8M which was 6.4% above the prospectus forecast and 43.8% above the group's June 2003 financial year revenue.

Pro forma earnings per share were 14.44 cents for the June 2004 year. This compares with the prospectus forecast of 13.9 cents per share. The increases in profit and revenue over the previous financial year reflect the strong market conditions for consulting engineering in the domestic market for both private and public sector infrastructure development and the three acquisitions completed by the Cardno group during the year.

The three acquisitions were:-

- Cardno Taylors formed by adding Taylors Engineers in Melbourne.
- Cardno Young formed by adding Young Consulting in Canberra and Sydney.
- Cardno Alexander Browne formed by adding Alexander Browne Cambridge in Brisbane.

The report is based on the audited Statutory Accounts and the Pro Forma Annual Accounts which have been reviewed by the auditors.