MER in my store

Half Year Results

for the six months to 26 January 2008 After 22 months of Myer's 50 month Turnaround Phase

Our Vision is to be an International Class Retail Business providing Inspiration to Everyone

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First half highlights

- Earnings before interest and tax up 23.5% to \$152m
- Net profit after tax up 52% to \$79m
- Balance Sheet stronger, with Net debt reduced by 34% since acquisition to \$643m
- 9 new stores signed to support expansion of chain to 80 stores during Growth Phase



Good progress after 22 months of Myer's 50 month Turnaround Phase

Achieved		In progress
101 business improvements 81% complete (FY07: 65%)	✓	101 business improvements on track for completion by late 2008
World Class Supply Chain established and operating ahead of design metrics – Distribution Centre costs down 40% (12 months ahead of schedule)	✓	New Point-of-Sale System and closed circuit TV
Commenced expansion program from 60 to 80 stores with 9 additional new full-sized stores signed and Eastgardens opened in March 2008	✓	9 new full sized stores to be signed in next 12 months to take chain to 80, 2 new stores to be opened (Bankstown and Northlakes)
Refurbishment program underway with Chermside successfully completed	✓	Refurbish 6 stores including Melbourne (underway) and Sydney (starting soon)
Launched Myer For Me staff rewards and training program, signed multi-year Enterprise Bargaining Agreements, first major Australian retailer to announce paid parental leave	✓	Focus on culture, improving customer service and productivity
		Continue to refine and add to brand portfolio
Mymerch IT platform successfully rolled out	√	Improve IT capability and separate from Coles (April 2008)



Halfway through Turnaround Phase, building blocks for Growth Phase coming into place

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	Turnaround Phase 50 months to July 2010			
FY	06	07	08	09
Net new stores		1	4	0
Chain	60	61	65	65
Sales (\$bil)	3.17	3.29		
EBIT (\$mil)	73	180	215*	
EBIT to Sales	2.3%	5.5%		
	Fix the financial metrics • Business improvement projects			

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Growth Phase 48 months to July 2014

11	12	13	14
6	4		
76	80		

Grow the business

- Focus on top line growth
- New store openings take chain to 80
- Complete refurbishment cycle
- Grow brands
- Operational refinement
- Service culture well accepted
- Achieve International Retail standards

performance

World class supply chain

Begin store expansion and

Promote culture of service and

refurbishment program

Separate from Coles

Overhaul IT systems (myMerch,



^{*} Mid-point of guidance for FY08

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Earnings before interest and tax up 32%

	H1 FY08	H1 FY07	% change	% change like-for-like
Sales including concessions	\$1,829m	\$1,796m	1.8%*	3.7%
EBIT	\$152m**	\$123m	23.5%	32.2%
EBIT/Sales (%)	8.3%	6.8%		
Net profit after tax	\$79m	\$52m	52.0%	

^{*}Sales growth below like-for-like growth due to store closures at Burwood and Strathpine, Hobart fire and major refurbishments and will remain so until Q4 FY08



^{**}H1 FY08 Earnings include additional \$8m rental costs following the sale and lease back of the Melbourne store.

Like-for-like Sales up 3.7%

- Sales up 1.8% to \$1.829 billion and like-for-like Sales up 3.7%, in line with expectations
- Sales growth below like-for-like growth due to store closures,
 Hobart fire and refurbishments
- Sales of Private Brands* remain constant at circa 15%
- Transfer of some brands in FY08 from wholesale to concession lowers Gross profit percentage and Cost percentage

Turnaround Phase priority is on Return on Sales



^{*} Proprietary Designer Brands and Myer Fashion Labels

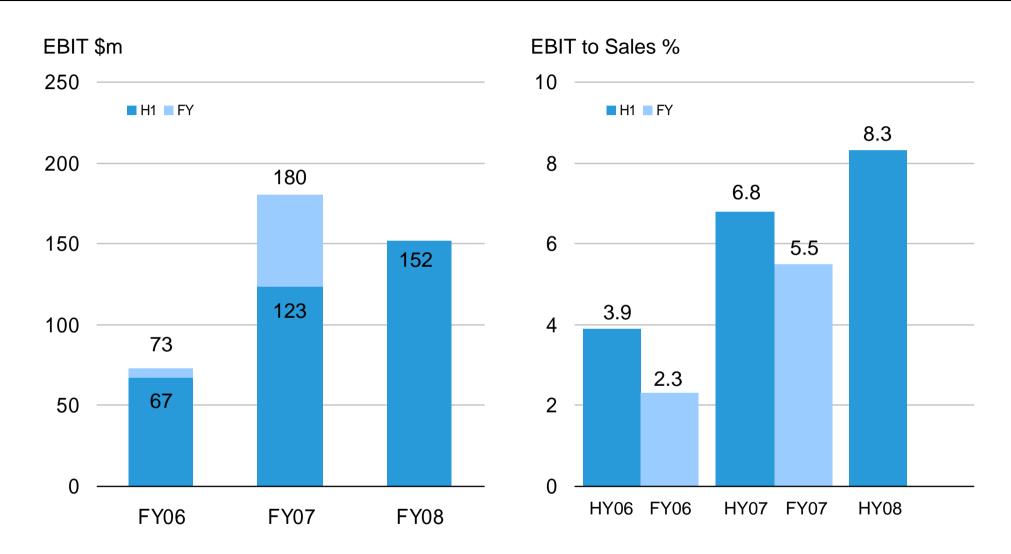
Financial summary

	H1 FY08 \$m	H1 FY07 \$m	⁰ / change	Like-for-like
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Sales including concessions	1,829	1,796	1.8%	3.7%
Operating gross profit	715	705		
	39.1%	39.2%		
Costs	536	561		
	29.3%	31.2%		
EBITDA	179	144	24.3%	
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation & amortisation	9.8%	8.0%		
Depreciation	27	21		
Earnings before interest and tax	152	123	23.5%	32.2%*
	8.3%	6.8%		
Interest	37	49		
Net profit before tax	115	74	55.4%	
Tax	36	22		
Net profit after tax	79	52	52.0%	

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Positive EBIT trends

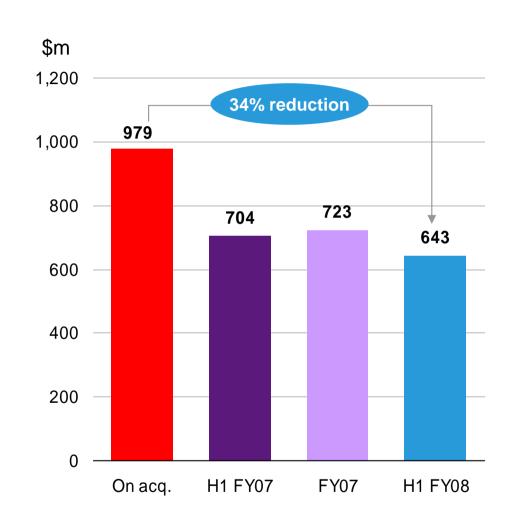


Significant opportunity to further improve EBIT to Sales margin during Turnaround Phase



Net debt reduced by 34% since acquisition

- Net debt reduced to \$643m after sale of Melbourne store in August 2007 (\$605m) and capital return in September 2007 (\$560m)
- Dubbo, Bendigo and Ballarat properties to be sold and leased back (approximately \$50m)
- Net debt likely to remain in the \$450m - \$750m range as annual EBITDA grows towards \$300m
- Excess cash held for flexibility rather than early debt repayments





Balance Sheet remains strong

		\$ Mil		
	H1 FY08	H1 FY07	FY07	
Fixed Assets	247	203	238	
Properties	29	373	372	
Inventory	366	367	367	
Other Assets	137	27	138	
Creditors / Provisions	-716	-616	-739	
Funds Employed	63	354	376	
Intangibles	869	833	863	
Total Business Capital	932	1187	1239	
Debt	-624	-519	-521	
Cash	226	230	220	
Property Debt	0	-171	-177	
Convertible Equity Notes	-245	-244	-245	
Equity Investment	289	483	516	
Net debt	643	704	723	
Ratios				Banking Covenants
Interest Cover (EBITDA to Interest)	6.56		6.50	More than 2.45
Debt To EBITDA	1.98		2.10	Less than 4
Debt Service Ratio *	2.82		4.20	More than 1

^{*}EBITDA less Capex, less Tax, less working capital increase to interest plus debt amortisation





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World class supply chain fully operational

- Major Turnaround Phase initiative operating ahead of design metrics
- Four stand alone Regional Distribution Centres opened, on time and ahead of budget with DC costs down more than 40% – 12 months ahead of schedule
- Improved speed to market for overseas merchandise, reducing transportation lead time from 42 to 26 days and increasing flexibility
- Improved visibility of the flow of overseas merchandise, providing better planning opportunity for freshness, fashionability and flexibility
- Implemented roll cages in WA and commenced roll-out in Queensland and Victoria to provide 'Store Friendly' service and improve efficiencies in store logistics
- Achieved significant improvements in Merchandise Logistics support by suppliers
- Commenced work on improving business performance in sales, margin, operating costs and working capital, through improving the flow of merchandise at every stage from supplier to customer
- Further IT enhancements underway will increase productivity efficiencies





Growing collaboration with suppliers

- Strategic objective plans with major trading partners being introduced
- Commenced roll-out of stock forecast to suppliers
- Category plans under development by buyers in liaison with major trading partners
- Myer now providing visibility on marketing plans to suppliers
- Commencement of supplier secondees located in buying team
- Collaborating with suppliers on e-commerce initiatives in supply chain
- Product knowledge training days run for store teams by trading partners
- Continuous review of supplier trading terms

Greater efficiency and communication beginning to yield benefits for both parties



Investing in information technology to support growth of business

- Mymerch IT platform rolled out and majority of legacy systems have been decommissioned
- New IT systems in place for all Distribution Centres
- Operational issues with new ordering system fine tune
- New point-of-sale system underway
- Stand alone separation from Coles near complete (April 2008)
- IT enabled interim Hobart Store to re-open for trade in 54 days after devastating store fire



Improving people practices

- Signed multi-year enterprise bargaining agreements for all stores and concluded new employment agreements for all distribution centre staff
- Extended next stage of incentive plan to benefit 300 managers
- Over 80 participants in the second Graduate Program of 2008 and expanded Stores Management Development Program
- Delivered HR requirements for recruitment and training in new stores (Eastgardens, Bankstown and Northlakes)
- Merchandise Development Training Programs underway
- Employed additional 2,500 team members for Christmas and January Sales
- Lost time injury down 17%

Laying the foundations for a strong culture, improved productivity and service









Improving people practices: Myer for Me

- Significantly expanded program to reward our team of over 19,000 around the country. New benefits to commence 1 April 2008
- Focused on attracting and retaining talent and enhancing customer service and selling skills
- As part of this program, we are the first major Australian retailer to introduce paid parental leave
- Four key elements of program are:
 - My rewards
 - My development
 - My lifestyle
 - My benefits
- Aim is to provide an inspirational environment for our team members to work in and ensure the recognition of their important contributions

Supports Myer's Vision of becoming an International Class Retail Business providing Inspiration to Everyone





Building a sustainable business

- Plan to invest \$2m as part of commitment to reducing energy costs across the business through the installation of improved lighting systems in stores
- Signatory to National Packaging Covenant obligation to continually review packaging standards and usage
- Stronger focus on waste reduction via implementation of a more comprehensive recycling program in stores
- Water Map Plan in place for Myer Melbourne site which will deliver reductions in water usage
- Water reduction initiatives being introduced into most Queensland stores
- Store refurbishment program to include installation of water saving devices in restrooms
- New Myer Support Office in Melbourne's Docklands designed to 5 Star Green Star rating and 4 ½ Star Australian Building Greenhouse Rating (ABGR).

Implementing responsible and sustainable business practices



Loyalty and marketing

- Myer One loyalty card members accounting for over 55% of company sales
- Continued enhancement of Myer Black Store Card and roll-out of Myer Visa credit card
- Increased exposure of Jennifer Hawkins as the face of Myer
- Expanded commitment to fashion at thoroughbred racing
 - Rebecca Twigley signed as Myer Racing ambassador
 - VRC contract extended to 2013 to include Autumn/Winter Racing
 - Secured principal sponsorship of Sydney Turf Club
 - Sponsored more than 30 regional and metro race meets
- New focus on sponsorships of fashion events at major tennis and golf tournaments

Improved loyalty and marketing programs build customer relationships



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Local community marketing

- Individual store budgets for local community marketing doubled to over \$3m
- Regular in-store theatre and events to drive customer traffic, enhance shopping experience and drive brand awareness
- Extensive local community involvement including:
 - Ballarat Home Show
 - Geelong Fashion Parade
 - Brisbane Kids Concerts
 - Myer Hobart Christmas Carols sponsorship
 - Santa in 50 stores over Christmas
 - Fremantle Festival Sponsorship
 - Orange Ladies Beauty Night
 - Blacktown Australia Day sponsorships







Bringing Myer to more people through local community marketing



New York, New York

- Transforming five downtown stores into 'Mini-Manhattans' during the last three weeks of May
- First retail concept in Australia designed to drive foot traffic and sales through innovative PR and events based marketing
- Launched with Myer designers during New York Fashion Week in February
- To include celebrity in-store appearances from famous New Yorkers including Carson Kressley, 'The Naked Cowboy' and a tie in with the Australian premiere of 'Sex and the City' movie

Positioning Myer as an International Class Retail Business



In-store innovation and theatre

- Continued roll-out of new brands and concepts across the business
- Launch of two 'Intimately Beckham' fragrances
- Opened exciting "store-within-store" concepts
 - first Nespresso concept store in Brisbane City
 - first 20 Vodafone concept shops
 - 5 Laubman & Pank Optical Stores
 - continued roll-out of Gloria Jeans, now in 6 stores
 - extended partnership with Apple in-store concept shops
- Extended Bridal Registry to Gift Registry supported by significant marketing campaign and scanning technology







Continue to attract high profile international and national brands

- Strong category performances as clearer brand architecture took effect, for example in Womenswear and Intimates
- Secured several key new and exclusive international brands – Paule Ka, Moschino Cheap&Chic, Vivienne Westwood Red Label, Mad Cortes
- Highly successful launches of Wayne by Wayne Cooper and Hi-there by Karen Walker
- Good turnaround in childrenswear with focus on profitable growth

Great brands and great fashion for every Australian



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Brand positioning to support our vision for Myer

Vision

Our Vision is to be an International Class Retail Business providing Inspiration to Everyone

Brand Proposition

To excite, inspire and reward our customers

Suppliers

Real brands
New products

Customers

Brand logic
Broader choice

Staff

Elevated role
New confidence in
satisfying our
customers



Jennifer personifies the Myer brand



Myer has a strong portfolio of international and national brands

Donna Karan Cacharel Hugo Boss Camilla & Marc Yeojin Bae TL Wood Bettina Liano Carla Zampatti Arabella Ramsay Mad Cortes Nevenka Charlie Brown Nicola Finetti Jayson Brunsdon Karen Walker Wayne Cooper Josh Goot Leona Edmiston Kate Sylvester Viktor and Rolf Dior Emilio Pucci Sonia by Sonia Rykiel Narcisco Rodriguez Pleasure State Elle McPherson Country Road Sportscraft Review TS14+ Jag Sheridan Jeff Banks Yarra Trail Politix David Lawrence Feathers Jigsaw Levis CK Jeans Rhodes & Beckett Rodd & Gunn Esprit Tommy Hilfiger Paige Premium Denim Polo Ralph Lauren Maxwell & Williams G-Star True Religion 7 For All Mankind Cooper Street Wish Callaway Maticevski Jane Lamerton Emporio Armani Wayne by Wayne Cooper Wayne Jnr Hi-there by Karen Walker Basque blaq YSL Kit Urbane Piper Maddox Regatta Tokito Lost Highway Vue Reserve Soho Miss Shop Biotherm Kenji Chloe & Lola Intimates Heritage Sprout Angelic by C&LI Miss Pink Jack & Milly Milkshake Mossimo Stussy Freshjive French Kitty Golf Punk Industrie M-One-II Redsand Bobbi Brown Bardot Mermaid Sister Chanel Estee Lauder MAC Ed Hardy Pilgrim Anya Hindmarch Marc Jacobs Cult Juicy Couture Riders by Lee Aesop Jets Bonds Tara Jarmon Rebecca Taylor Givenchy Georgina Goodman Rupert Sanderson Guess Michael Kors Paule Ka Moschino Cheap&Chic Benefit Cue Vivienne Westwood Red Label



Brand architecture to appeal to every customer

Designer Brands

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Josh Goot Leona Edmiston Kate Sylvester Viktor and Rolf

Sonia by Sonia Rykiel Narcisco Rodriguez Pleasure State Elle McPherson

International/National Brands

Cue Country Road Sportscraft Review TS14+ Jag Sheridan Jeff Banks Yarra Trail Politix David Lawrence Feathers Jigsaw Levis CK Jeans Rhodes & Beckett Rodd & Gunn Esprit Tommy Hilfiger Paige Premium Denim

Polo Ralph Lauren Maxwell & Williams G-Star True Religion 7 For All Mankind Cooper Street Wish Callaway

Proprietary Designer Brands

Maticevski

Jane Lamerton

Wayne by Wayne Cooper Wayne Jnr

Hi-there by Karen Walker

Myer Fashion Labels

Basque Blaq Piper Urbane Maddox Regatta Tokito Lost Highway Vue Reserve Soho Miss Shop Kenji Chloe & Lola Intimates Heritage Sprout Angelic by C&LI Miss Pink Jack & Milly Milkshake

Youth

Mossimo Stussy Freshjive Industrie M-One-II Redsand

Bardot Mermaid Sister Ed Hardy Pilgrim

Cult Riders by Lee French Kitty Golf Punk

Clear architecture of brands covering full range from luxury to entry price points



Offering quality and value at different price points

My Style

Designer Brand



Mad Cortes

National Brand



Cue

Proprietary Designer Brand



Wayne by Wayne Cooper

Myer Fashion Label



Basque

Freshness and fashionability at different price points



Offering quality and value at different price points

Designer Brand



Hugo Boss

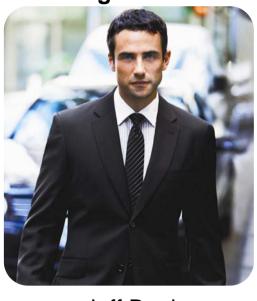
National Brand



Dom Bagnato

My Style

Proprietary Designer Brand



Jeff Banks

Myer Fashion Label



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Freshness and fashionability at different price points



Offering quality and value at different price points

Designer Brand



Missoni Home

National Brand



Sheridan Premier

My Home

Proprietary Designer Brand



Marie Claire

Myer Fashion Label

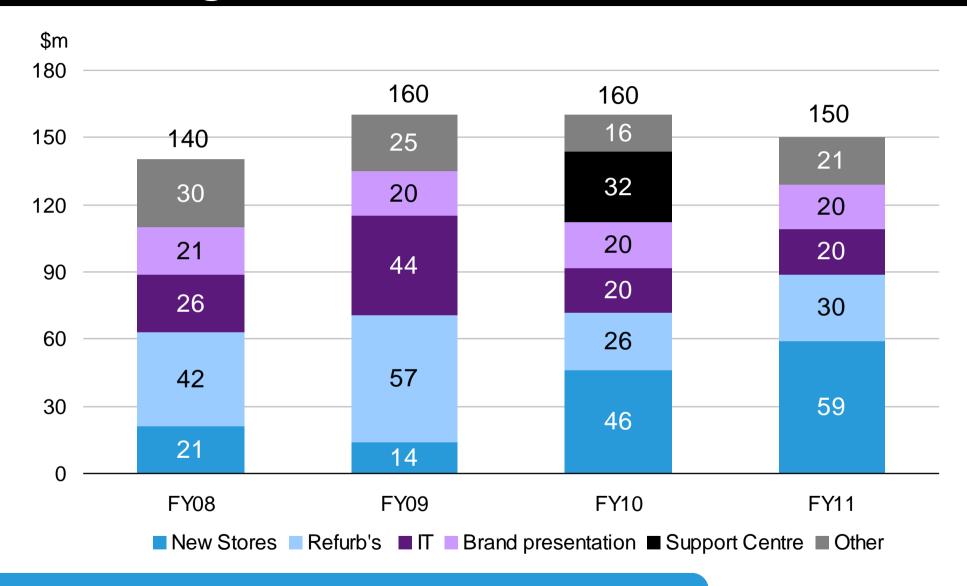


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Freshness and fashionability at different price points



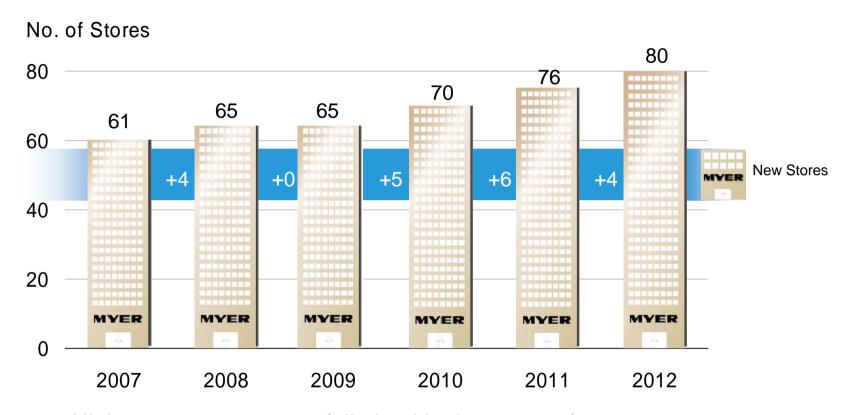
Capital expenditure twice depreciation to accelerate growth



Annual capital expenditure since acquisition more than doubled



Signed lease agreements on 9 new full-sized stores to support chain expansion to 80 stores

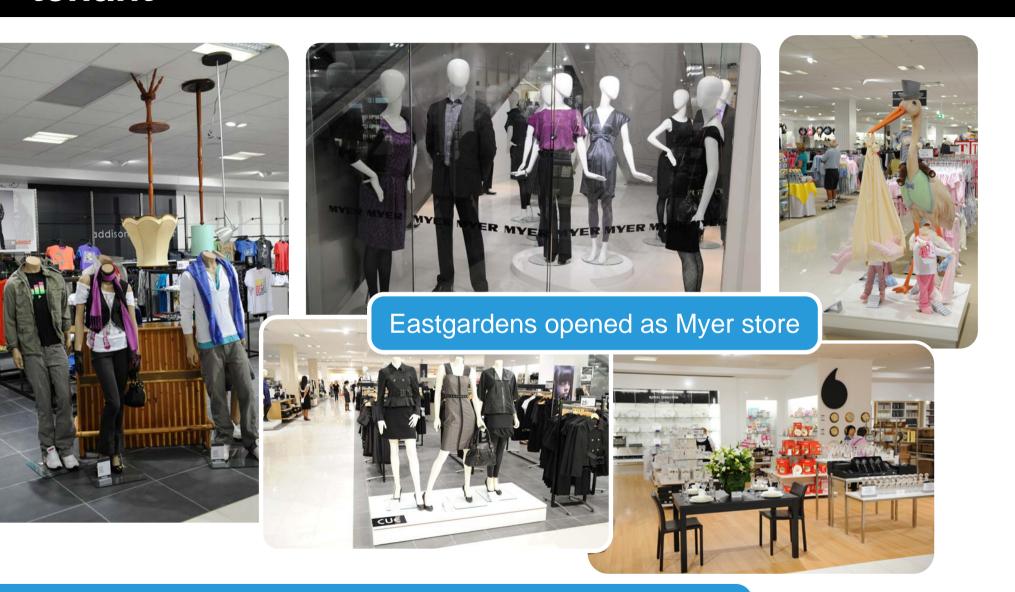


- All these new stores are full-sized in the range of 9,000 12,000 square metres
- Greater certainty with 9 of 18 leases now signed balance over next 12 months
- Some planning and landlord delays
- Details to be announced progressively over next 6 months

Hurdle rates for new stores more than twice WACC



New Eastgardens store trading 30% above previous tenant



Excellent customer response

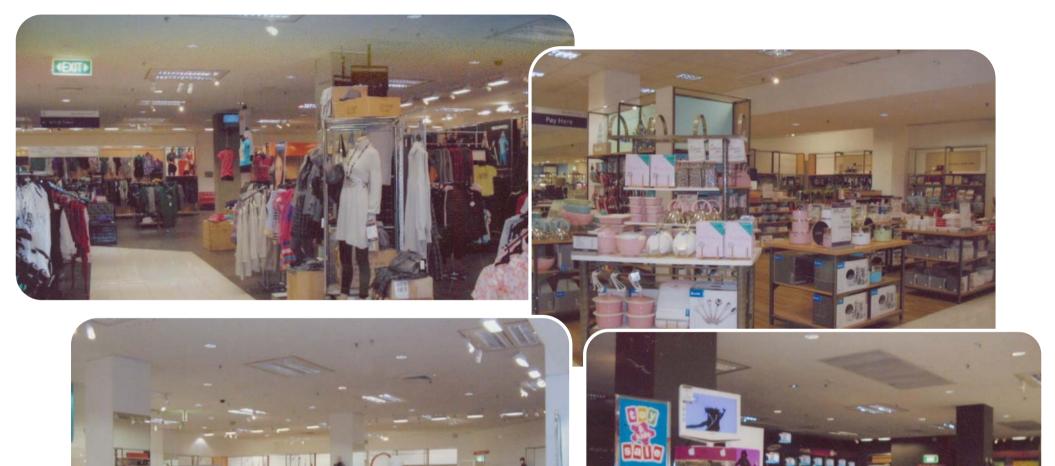
Store refurbishment program to delight customers and grow sales

- Major commitment to store refurbishment program to better reflect Myer's market position
- 6 stores due for refurbishment in calendar 2008 including:
 - Melbourne
 - Sydney
 - Doncaster
 - Geelong
 - Northland
 - Canberra
- Chermside refurbishment delivering strong increase in sales, despite new department store entrant
- Specific New South Wales improvement project progressing ahead of plan

Where we are investing, we are achieving good growth to justify expenditure



Chermside refurbishment - before





Chermside refurbishment - after



Significantly ahead of last year and expectations

Chatswood refurbishment



Customers responding well to introduction of 70 additional brands

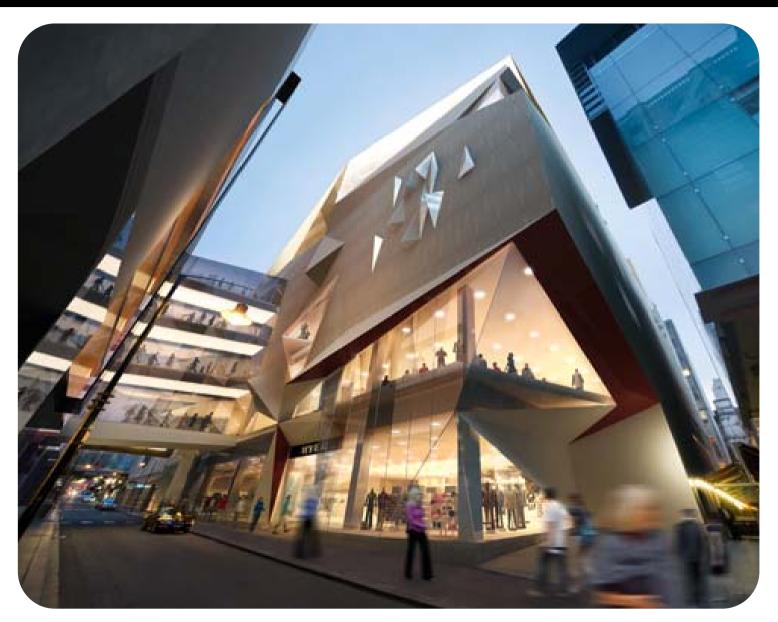
Myer Melbourne re-development

- Visited every Major Department Store in the world as well as Specialty, to determine world's best in concepts, design and Customer Service initiatives
- Working with our Trade Partners to create a world class department store
- Receiving customer feedback and ideas via a special purpose website
- Building a team of dedicated resources to manage the Myer Melbourne project over the next 2 years
- Phase 1 complete

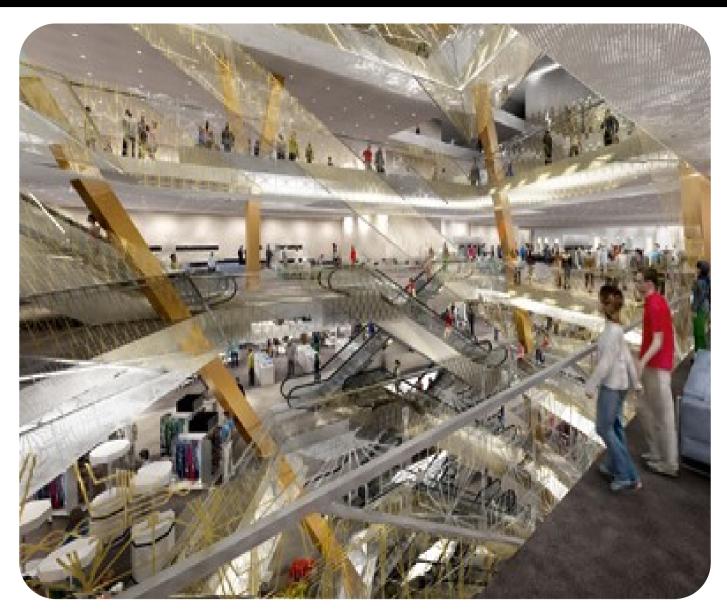
Making Myer Melbourne "the retail destination" in Australia



Myer Melbourne re-development



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Turnaround Phase focused on delivering permanent positive change

Turnaround Phase (2006 – 2010) Priorities for the next 6-12 months	Growth Phase (2010 – 2014) Ongoing priorities
Separate from Coles (April 2008) and progressive development of IT capabilities	Focus on top-line growth and operational fine tuning to continuously improve efficiency and productivity
Continue refurbishment program with 6 store refurbishments	Complete 60 store refurbishment cycle
Complete 101 business improvement projects	Consolidate permanent culture of service and performance
Install New Point-of-Sale system and closed circuit TV system	Grow chain to 80 stores to consolidate position as the biggest Australian department store retailer with a full national footprint
Progress store expansion programme with 2 new store openings and signing of 9 additional full sized stores	Strive to become an International Class Retail Business

Building blocks for Growth Phase coming into place



Current trading and guidance

- Following strong sales in January, February sales were less buoyant but like-for-like sales were positive. March to date has deteriorated into negative like-for-like territory, and the consumer is clearly cautious particularly in Victoria, New South Wales, Tasmania and South Australia
- Part way through the Turnaround Phase, we are not solely dependent on sales growth to deliver improved financial performance
- At this stage, we see no reason to change our full year guidance of Earnings before interest and tax of \$205m to \$225m, up 14% to 25%
- We will maintain our strong cost controls and flexible inventory stance and watch events carefully as they unfold



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