Highlights

Financial

- **Revenue:** $747.4 million
- **EBIT:** $29.0 million
- **NPAT:** $16.8 million
- **Net cash:** $30.6 million
- **Interim dividend:** 2.0 cents per share fully franked

Operational

- **Maturing major programs:** stable performance on EPF and HSSV programmes helped offset anticipated margin pressure on LCS
- **Order book:** $2.8 billion, securing work through CY2020
- **Strategy:** Sustain, Strengthen, Diversify and Scale the business

Outlook

- **Pipeline:** Extension of US Navy programs, variant defence vessels to Middle East, defence vessels under Australian Government's continuous shipbuilding program.
- **Cash:** Strong cash generation and further debt reduction
Revenue and underlying earnings

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- Revenue growth reflected favourable foreign exchange translation and underlying USD revenue growth in USA
- EBITDA and NPAT results reflect margin pressure from LCS 6 impacting LCS 8 & 10 due to concurrent construction

1. Excludes $(10.2) m write down of stock vessel and $3.3 m on sale of shipyard ($4.9 m after tax)
2. Excludes $11.3 m non-cash gain on revaluation of USD inter-company loan ($7.9 m after tax)
Objectives for sustained growth

Strengthen operations and balance sheet

- Shipbuilding margin achieved
- Focus on applying learning from first-in-class vessels
- Won new programs by leveraging existing vessels
- Strong cash generation used to strengthen the balance sheet

Delivered

Ongoing objectives

- Maintain cash generation to support programs and dividends
- Reduce debt
- Deliver on maturing programs and exploit lessons from first in class vessels
- Extend existing program pipeline

Priority

Target opportunities

- Invest in R&D to grow intellectual property base
- Refresh product range to deliver increased capability
- Grow long term support and engineering services business
- Invest in business development initiatives

Focus

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Earnings summary

- Revenue grew 10% over the Prior Corresponding Period (PCP) driven by favourable foreign exchange translation of USA and Philippines results
- US shipbuilding margin in line with guidance
- Key drivers of the reduction were:
  - $11.3 million (pre-tax) of non cash foreign exchange gains in FY2015 H1
  - Non recurring costs from LCS 6 impacting LCS 8 & 10 because of concurrent construction
  - Reduction in throughput following completion of the Cape Class Patrol Boat Program in Australia

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Cash and debt

- Strong Operating cash flow
- FY2015 H1 was enhanced by the sale of the stock trimaran ($54.1 million)
- Continued discipline in capital expenditure
- Balanced approach to delivering returns to shareholders through dividends and continued debt reduction

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- Strong net cash position at December 2015
Discipline in long-term debt reduction

Gross debt ($millions)

AUD Denominated (AUD)  USD Denominated (USD)
Positive trend in net cash / (debt)
### Segment breakdown

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- **USA**: Shipbuilding margin in the middle of the guidance range (4.5% - 6.5%)
- **Australia**: Margins have normalised following completion of CCPB 1-8
- **Philippines**: Completion of crew vessels for Abu Dhabi and commencement of new contracts

¹ unallocated overhead targeting growth
Operations update
Overview – shipbuilding programs

- Order book of $2.8 billion at 31 December 2015 secures revenue through CY2020, including:
  - **10 Littoral Combat Ships for US Navy**
    10 funded, with 1 delivered, funding for eleventh vessel expected in FY2016
  - **10 Expeditionary Fast Transports (formerly Joint High Speed Vessel) for US Navy**
    Fully funded, with 6 delivered, EPF 11 & 12 have been appropriated but not contracted
  - **10 Cape Class Patrol Boats for Australian Government**
    8 vessels delivered, plus through-life support
    2 vessels in construction for National Australia Bank for lease to Royal Australian Navy (RAN)
  - **2 High Speed Support Vessels for Royal Navy of Oman**
    Fully funded
  - **Commercial vessels**
    2 high speed crew boats
Progress across the business

- Delivery of USS *Jackson* (LCS 6)
- Delivery of both high speed catamaran ferries to Abu Dhabi National Oil Company
- Delivery of *Cape York* (CCPB 8) officially named
- Awarded LCS support contract
- USS *Omaha* (LCS 12) christened
- Expansion of Cape Class Patrol Boat Program

**June**
- Contracts for high speed crew boats
- Keel laid on USS *Manchester* (LCS 14)
- USS *Gabrielle Giffords* (LCS 10) christened
- Awarded LCS in service support contracts

**July**
- Delivery of *Cape Wessel* (CCPB 7)
- USS *Jackson* (LCS 6) completes acceptance trials
- Awarded LCS post delivery support contract

**August**
- USS *Jackson* (LCS 6) completes acceptance trials
- Awarded EPF procurement contract
- HSSV Hull 390 launched

**September**
- Delivery of *Cape York* (CCPB 8)
- USS *Omaha* (LCS 12) launched
- USNS *Brunswick* (EPF 6) completes acceptance trials

**October**
- USS *Omaha* (LCS 12) christened
- Awarded EPF procurement contract

**November**
- Delivery of both high speed catamaran ferries to Abu Dhabi National Oil Company
- Expansion of Cape Class Patrol Boat Program
- Keel laid on USS *Tulsa* (LCS 16)

**December**
- Delivery of USNS *Brunswick* (EPF 6)
- Keel laid on USS *Tulsa* (LCS 16)
- Expansion of Cape Class Patrol Boat Program
US Navy – Littoral Combat Ship

- 10 ship contract awarded as prime contractor, worth US$3.5 billion and additional 1 ship option
- 2 LCS constructed and delivered by Austal for GD (LCS 2 and LCS 4)
- Margin and schedule pressure on LCS 6, 8 and 10. Austal implementing experience from LCS 6 to improve financial performance
  - LCS 6 delivered
  - LCS 8, 10 & 12 launched and christened
  - LCS 14, 16 & 18 under construction
- US Navy supportive of 52 ship program
  - Later ships (LCS 33 – 52) will be “upgunned” as future frigate, Austal’s participating in the process
  - Department of Defense questioning fleet size
  - LCS 26 option expected to be funded in 2016
Formerly Joint High Speed Vessel (JHSV), renamed by US Navy to Expeditionary Fast Transport (EPF)

10 ship award to Austal valued at US$1.6 billion (fully funded), securing work through to CY2017

Program progressing well – matured into a phase of efficient production and predictable delivery
- EPF 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 – delivered
- EPF 7 – christened
- EPF 8 & 9 – under construction

US Navy interested in growing size and role of EPF fleet (strong potential for program expansion), while variants are gaining traction in the Middle East

Confident of extension to program beyond existing block buy – EPF 11 and 12 funded by Congress (not yet contracted)
Austal strongly positioned in US

- Austal-built vessels have continued to be funded and programs are maturing.
- US Navy committed to upgrading final 20 LCS as future frigates and meet 52 vessel target – rate of acquisition to be decided by Congress.
- Option awarded to Austal on LCS 26 (to be exercised in CY2016), while EPF 11 & 12 approved by Congress (yet to be contracted).
- US Foreign Policy remains focused on Asia-Pacific defence strategy.
- Winning service contracts on LCS and investing in support business to best position Austal for additional work.
- LCS variants attractive to international market through US Foreign Military Sales.

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Australia – Cape Class Patrol Boats

- $330 million contract for the design, construction and through-life support of 8 Cape Class Patrol Boats for the Australian Border Force
- Final vessel delivered in August 2015
- Austal now performing through-life support on 8 completed vessels
- Further two ships contracted in December 2015 worth $63 million (to National Australia Bank) for lease to Royal Australian Navy (RAN)
Australia – High Speed Support Vessels

- US$124.9 million contract for the design, construction and integrated logistics support of two 72 metre High Speed Support Vessels for the Royal Navy of Oman
- Construction is progressing well at the Henderson shipyard
  - Sea trials HSSV 1 commenced January 2016
  - HSSV 2 expected to deliver late CY2016
- Deployed with a similar mission to the EPF program
- Demonstrated strategy of leveraging Austal’s intellectual property and technology to new defence markets
The Federal Government’s plan for a strong and sustainable naval shipbuilding industry was announced 4 August 2015 and remains a firm priority for the Turnbull Government.

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| The Government will invest over $89 billion in ships and submarines for the Navy over the next 20 years. | A large, long-term order book of work available to naval shipbuilders in Australia.  
Austal in a competitive position to win a large portion as Australia’s only global, prime defence contractor. |
| The Government will implement a continuous build of surface warships in Australia. | Replacement of project-based orders with continuous build program offers long-term operational and revenue stability and efficiencies. |
| The Government plans to acquire 21 Pacific Patrol Boats (PPB) for Pacific Island nations in addition to the continuous shipbuilding plan. | Austal is well positioned to secure the PPB contract and further demonstrate capability whilst reducing cost and risk for the future continuous shipbuilding plan for the Royal Australian Navy. |
## Australian defence shipbuilding

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<td>Variant of Austal’s LCS is a potential platform for future frigate. (Upgunned LCS soon to be classed as a frigate by US Navy) Other potential roles Austal is exploring include Australian shipbuilder where a foreign designer is selected; Advancement of programme creates earlier revenue potential if successful. Possible expansion to South Australia to utilise Common User Facility at Techport, South Australia, in response to Government’s geographic requirement for the vessels’ construction.</td>
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| Advancing construction of Offshore Patrol Vessels (SEA1180) to replace the Armidale class patrol boats by two years, with a continuous onshore build commencing in CY2018 following a Competitive Evaluation Process which began in late CY2015. | Early CEP provides early revenue potential if successful plus revenue stability through continuous build. Austal will submit a competitive proposal:  
• It has built all of the patrol boats for Australian Navy and Customs for the past 17 years  
• Company’s export competitiveness demonstrates cost competitiveness  
• Strength of Henderson, WA as Australia’s largest and most strategic shipbuilding and sustainment hub Capability requirements of Offshore Patrol Vessel expected in Government Defence White Paper to be released later this year. |
Philippines

- Delivered two 45 metre high speed catamaran ferries to Abu Dhabi National Oil Company in August 2015 under a $30 million design and construct contract.

- Commenced construction of two crew boats, to be delivered in Q3 CY2016:
  - 70 metre catamaran under US$34 million contract
  - 58 metre catamaran under US$20 million contract

- Targeting new commercial vessel contracts, including fielding growing interest from the European ferry market.
Systems and Support

- Austal is steadily adding experience and capability to deliver a growing portfolio of Naval sustainment contracts

- US expanding activity beyond own vessels:
  - Prime contractor for Post Shakedown Availability (PSA) and other post delivery test and trial programs on all Independence Class LCS
  - New US$52 million class services contract for LCS in December 2015, potentially worth US$198 million if options are exercised

- Australia transitioned Cape Class from construction phase to support phase, demonstrating value of Austal’s integrated design, build and sustainment products

- Footprint spanning Darwin, Henderson, Oman and Philippines well positioned to support increasing regional forward deployment of LCS and EPF
Strategy and Outlook
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Growth strategy to be supported by maturing vessel programs, significant order book, strong financial position and effective risk management
Pipeline for vessel programs

- Pursuing opportunities to deliver on strategy by growing Austal’s order book and securing additional long-term revenue

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<td><strong>Europe and Asia Pacific</strong>: commercial vessels, patrol boats, support vessels, work boats and O&amp;G fast crew transfer</td>
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- Future frigate evolved from modified Littoral Combat Ship
- EPF platform for US Navy
- Patrol boats in steel and aluminium developed from experience with Bay, Armidale and Cape Class vessels
- Variant high speed support vessels developed from Westpac Express and EPF
- Commercial vessels: potential new market for LNG-powered ferries and Oil & Gas crew transfer vessels
## Outlook

| LCS program to stabilise and mature – greatest effect to be on vessels at early stage construction |
| Good opportunity for award of additional LCS and EPF in addition to existing block buy contracts |
| Best position Austal for Pacific Patrol Boat replacement, Future Frigate, and OPV programs |
| Target export opportunities from Australian and Philippines shipyards |
| Pursue organic and acquisition opportunities to grow support business in US, with sustainment on vessels reaching critical mass |
| Maintain a net cash position to support growth opportunities, underpin dividends and further reduce debt |
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