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## WAM CAPITAL LTD (WAM) - MARCH 2008 INVESTMENT UPDATE & NTA

WAM is an investment company whose mission is to provide superior returns to its investors over the medium to long term. WAM is managed by Wilson Asset Management (International) Pty Limited.

Since inception in August 1999 WAM Capital Ltd (WAM) has outperformed the overall sharemarket. WAM's portfolio (before all fees, costs, taxes and dividends) has increased by 444.6% compared to a 157.6% increase in the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index.

In March WAM's gross portfolio (before all fees, costs and taxes) fell by 5.28%, while the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index fell by 4.11%.

NTA before tax	147.49c
NTA after tax and before tax on unrealised gains	147.49c
NTA after tax	145.20c

The above figures are after the payment of the interim dividend of 8.00 cents a share fully franked, paid on the 11 March 2008.

## MARKET OUTLOOK

March proved to be a difficult month for equities with the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index falling 4.1% after being down 7% earlier in the month. From the market top on 1 November 2007 to the lowest point on 17 March 2008, the All Ordinaries Index fell approximately 26%. The burning question now being asked by the investment community is whether the March low was the low for this bear market? Unfortunately, a turning point in a market can only be confirmed in hindsight. However, there are several strong arguments in favour of the market being at or near a bottom. The most obvious one was the decision by the US Central Bank to orchestrate, by guaranteeing \$30 billion of liabilities, the sale of the investment bank Bear Stearns to JP Morgan. This action signalled to the US market that the Federal Reserve would do everything in its power to prevent a collapse of the country's financial system. This gave great comfort to equity investors.

On the local front, the All Industrials market has fallen more than 30% while the much maligned Financial Index has fallen 38%. Effectively, the market has seen price to earnings multiples contract among industrial and financial stocks at a rapid rate and present the best value since early 2003.

Do these factors mean the sharemarket is ready for a sustained rally? While we believe a market bottom is being formed and the worst is behind us, the chances of a strong and sustained rally are still doubtful. The US is already in a recession, the world economy is slowing and the Australian economy is about to feel the impact of several interest rate rises. As a consequence company earnings will be under pressure. In these circumstances we believe the market will trade in a range before moving higher in the second half of the calendar year.

# **DIVIDEND**

On the 11 March the Directors paid an interim dividend of 8.00 cents a share fully franked.

#### PERFORMANCE

- The gross portfolio has decreased 19.65% for the 9 months to 31 March 2008.
- The gross portfolio has decreased 10.81% for the 12 months to 31 March 2008.

Set out below is the performance of WAM Capital Limited since listing to 31 December 2007:

		All Ords.	
		Accumulation	
	Gross Portfolio*	Index	Outperformance
1999/2000	+33.3%	+11.3%	+22.0%
2000/2001	+30.2%	+8.9%	+21.3%
2001/2002	+32.7%	-4.5%	+37.2%
2002/2003	+12.3%	-1.1%	+13.4%
2003/2004	+27.3%	+22.4%	+4.9%
2004/2005	+13.9%	+24.8%	-10.9%
2005/2006	+27.4%	+24.2%	+3.2%
2006/2007	+44.1%	+30.3%	+13.8%
Half year 2008	-5.1%	+3.7%	-8.8%

Annualised performance	Gross Portfolio*	All Ords. Accumulation Index	Outperformance
1 year	+11.8%	+18.0%	-6.1%
3 years	+20.4%	+21.3%	-0.9%
5 years	+22.3%	+21.4%	+0.9%
7 years	+23.2%	+15.1%	+8.1%
Since inception	+24.8%	+14.0%	+10.7%

\*The change in the portfolio before all expenses, fees and taxes.

#### **PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE & STRATEGY**

As at 31 March 2008, listed securities made up approximately 52.8% of the portfolio, while fixed interest and cash made up the remaining 47.2%. We continue to focus on companies with strong earnings per share growth, trading on attractive earnings multiples, are well positioned in growth industries and have proven management. We continue to research heavily to find companies that meet this profile.

	As at 29 February 2008		As at 31 March 2008		
Investment Type	\$m	\$m %		%	
Listed Equities	98.85	58.4%	81.08	52.8%	
Fixed Interest and Cash	70.40	41.6%	72.44	47.2%	
Long Portfolio	169.25	100.0%	153.52	100.0%	
Short Portfolio	0.56	100.0%	-	-	
	No.		No.		
Total no. of ord shares on issue	105,052,558		106,158,940		

# **PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE & STRATEGY (CONTINUED)**

At 31 March 2008 the major securities held in the portfolio were:

COMPANY	MARKET VALUE \$			
Adtrans Group Ltd (ADG)	2,117,580			
Aevum Ltd (AVE)	927,086			
ASX Ltd (ASX)	1,068,368			
Australia & New Zealand Banking Group Ltd (ANZ)	1,431,474			
Bank of Queensland Reset Prefs (BOQPB)	1,592,640			
Chandler MacLeod Ltd (CHD)	826,235			
Clime Investment Ltd (CIW)	1,522,795			
Coote Industrial Ltd (CXG)	1,078,000			
Devine Ltd (DVN)	1,316,700			
Dyno Nobel Ltd (DXL)	1,393,974			
Dyno Nobel SPS Trust (DYNPA)	1,875,018			
Eservglobal Ltd (ESV)	1,759,756			
Everest Babcock & Brown Alternative Inv Trust (EBI)	1,725,000			
HFA Accelerator Plus Ltd (HAP)	966,985			
HFA Holdings Ltd (HFA)	1,977,875			
Imdex Ltd (IMD)	1,414,560			
Industrial Minerals Ltd (IDM)	1,256,000			
ITX Group Ltd (ITX)	1,691,024			
Keybridge Capital Ltd (KBC)	973,785			
Ludowici Ltd (LDW)	972,623			
McMillan Shakespeare Ltd (MMS)	2,622,165			
Melbourne IT Ltd (MLB)	4,021,860			
Mitchell Communications Group Ltd (MCU)	2,051,723			
National Australia Bank Ltd (NAB)	1,716,289			
NewSat Ltd (NWT)	738,189			
Nomad Building Solutions Ltd (NOD)	1,403,396			
Photon Group Ltd (PGA)	2,593,452			
Premier Investments Ltd (PMV)	2,388,992			
Proto Resources Ltd (PRW)	829,421			
Rattoon Holdings Ltd (RTN)	2,197,114			
Reckon Ltd (RKN)	6,595,624			
Reef Casino Trust (RCT)	961,272			
Reverse Corp Ltd (REF)	1,992,579			
RR Australia Ltd (RRA)	1,489,272			
Service Stream Ltd (SSM)	3,590,598			
SP Telemedia Ltd (SOT)	791,558			
Sydney Gas Ltd (SGL)	837,009			
Tower Ltd (TWR)	1,110,266			
Watpac Ltd (WTP)	1,348,685			

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# PERFORMANCE TABLE

	Aug 99	Sep 99	Oct 99	Nov 99	Dec 99	Jan 00	Feb 00	Mar 00
Gross Portfolio *	+1.4%	+5.1%	+4.1%	+11.0%	+4.9%	-2.0%	+5.4%	+5.3%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-1.9%	-1.7%	+0.5%	+5.9%	+3.7%	-1.8%	+1.6%	+0.5%
	Apr 00	May 00	Jun 00	Jul 00	Aug 00	Sep 00	Oct 00	Nov 00
Gross Portfolio *	-5.7%	-2.9%	+3.6%	+2.9%	+5.2%	-0.7%	+2.5%	+1.9%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-1.5%	-1.3%	+7.7%	-1.3%	+1.7%	+0.2%	-1.1%	+1.1%
Gross Portfolio *	Dec 00	Jan 01	Feb 01	Mar 01	Apr 01	May 01	Jun 01	July 01
All Ordinaries Accum.	+0.1%	+1.7%	-0.2%	- 3.7%	+3.9%	+6.7%	+6.9%	-1.0%
	-2.0%	+4.4%	-0.2%	- 4.8%	+5.7%	+1.6%	+3.8%	-4.5%
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Gross Portfolio *	Aug 01 +4.6%	Sep 01 -2.9%	Oct 01 +8.6%	<b>Nov 01</b> +3.8%	<b>Dec 01</b> +3.3%	Jan 02 +7.0%	<b>Feb 02</b> +3.1%	Mar 02 +4.9%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-1.3%	-2.9%	+6.8%	+3.8%	+3.3%	+1.3%	-1.1%	+4.9%
All Orullaries Accult.	-1.376	-0.778	+0.076	+ 3.470	+2.770	+1.576	-1.170	+0.078
	Apr 02	May 02	Jun 02	Jul 02	Aug 02	Sep 02	Oct 02	Nov 02
Gross Portfolio *	-0.4%	+0.7%	-2.2%	-3.0%	+3.9%	-1.1%	+1.1%	+1.6%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-1.8%	+0.9%	-4.4%	-4.1%	+1.8%	-4.1%	+2.6%	+1.5%
	Dec 02	Jan 03	Feb 03	Mar 03	Apr 03	May 03	Jun 03	Jul 03
Gross Portfolio *	+1.5%	+1.3%	-1.7%	-0.4%	+3.8%	+1.5%	+3.5%	+3.6%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-1.5%	-1.3%	-5.1%	+3.4%	+4.4%	+0.5%	+1.3%	+3.6%
	Aug 03	Sept 03	Oct 03	Nov 03	Dec 03	Jan 04	Feb 04	Mar 04
Gross Portfolio *	+5.2%	+3.7%	+5.4%	-0.7%	+3.6%	+2.5%	+2.7%	+0.1%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+3.5%	-0.1%	+3.5%	-2.1%	+3.7%	-0.7%	+3.1%	+2.0%
	Apr 04	May 04	Jun 04	Jul 04	Aug 04	Sep 04	Oct 04	Nov 04
Gross Portfolio *	-1.3%	-0.8%	+1.0%	+2.4%	+1.2%	+2.5%	+2.9%	+3.3%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-0.1%	+1.6%	+2.7%	+0.6%	+1.1%	+3.8%	+3.1%	+4.6%
	Dec 04	Jan 05	Feb 05	Mar 05	Apr 05	May 05	Jun 05	Jul 05
Gross Portfolio *	+0.7%	+2.7%	-0.2%	-0.8%	-4.2%	+0.0%	+2.8%	+2.2%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+3.0%	+1.3%	+1.8%	-0.7%	-3.8%	+3.4%	+4.5%	+2.8%
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Gross Portfolio *	Aug 05 +4.0%	<b>Sep 05</b> +2.7%	<b>Oct 05</b> +0.1%	<b>Nov 05</b> +3.1%	<b>Dec 05</b> +0.8%	Jan 06 +1.6%	<b>Feb 06</b> +4.9%	Mar 06 +5.3%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+4.0%	+2.7%	-3.8%	+3.1%	+0.8%	+1.0%	+4.9%	+4.8%
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	Apr 06	May 06	Jun 06	Jul 06	Aug 06	Sep 06	Oct 06	Nov 06
Gross Portfolio *	+2.1%	-2.3%	+0.5%	+0.4%	+3.4%	+2.4%	+4.7%	+3.6%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+2.4%	-4.3%	+1.9%	-1.5%	+3.2%	+1.3%	+4.8%	+2.5%
	Dec 06	Jan 07	Feb 07	Mar 07	Apr 07	May 07	Jun 07	Jul 07
Gross Portfolio *	+6.1%	+3.8%	+0.4%	+1.9%	+2.6%	+4.7%	+3.3%	+0.3%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+3.6%	+2.0%	+1.6%	+3.3%	+3.0%	+3.2%	-0.1%	-1.9%
	Aug 07	Sep 07	Oct 07	Nov 07	Dec 07	Jan 08	Feb 08	Mar 08
Gross Portfolio *	-4.2%	+1.7%	+3.1%	-4.8%	-1.1%	-9.5%	-1.3%	-5.3%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+1.7%	+5.8%	+3.1%	-2.4%	-2.4%	-11.2%	+0.3%	-4.1%
								Since
								Inception
Gross Portfolio *								+444.6%
All Ordinaries Accum.	1	1						+157.6%

\*The change in the portfolio before all expenses, fees and taxes.