



# **AGENDA**

- General business environment and overview
- Hudaco in the general business environment
- Exchange rates
- Business model
- Reporting segments
- Operating profit and margins
- Financial review
- Outlook



# **GENERAL BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT**

- □ Pleasing set of results in another challenging year
- South Africa's economic environment is dire
  - 11th year of economic growth below population growth
  - steady degradation of South Africa's national and municipal infrastructure
  - load-shedding hours in 2023 more than double in 2022
- Supply chain disruptions
  - particularly at SA's inefficient ports
  - Russia-Ukraine war, Israel-Hamas war and terrorist attacks in the Red Sea



### **OVERVIEW**

- □ Hudaco has once again shown its resilience
- Benefit of a defensive, robust portfolio of diverse businesses
- Management focused on
  - day-to-day basis: margins, expenses and working capital
  - medium term: capital allocation
  - long term: finding new growth areas
- □ Return on equity 20%
- Cash generated from operations R902m
- R402m back to shareholders dividends and repurchases
- □ Hudaco has a track record of delivering commendable results in tough times

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# **HUDACO IN THIS ENVIRONMENT**

- □ Stuck to our strategy and core business model
- Managed the elements within our control
- □ Made sure we did the basics right
- Defensive balance within our portfolio of businesses
  - Consumer-related products v engineering consumables
- Capital allocation
  - Invested in our alternative energy businesses (R300m)
  - Acquired Brigit Fire and paid CADAC earnout
  - Repurchased shares
  - Purchased the FHS building
  - Paid dividends



# **RESULTS SUMMARY 2023 VS 2022**

Total dividend per share

Cash generated from operations

Turnover	•	7,1% to Ro,9011
Operating profit		5,1% to R1,1bn
Attributable earnings	0	2,4% to R611m
Comparable earnings per share	0	10,1% to 2148 cents
Headline earnings per share	0	7,0% to 2148 cents

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10,8% to 1025 cents

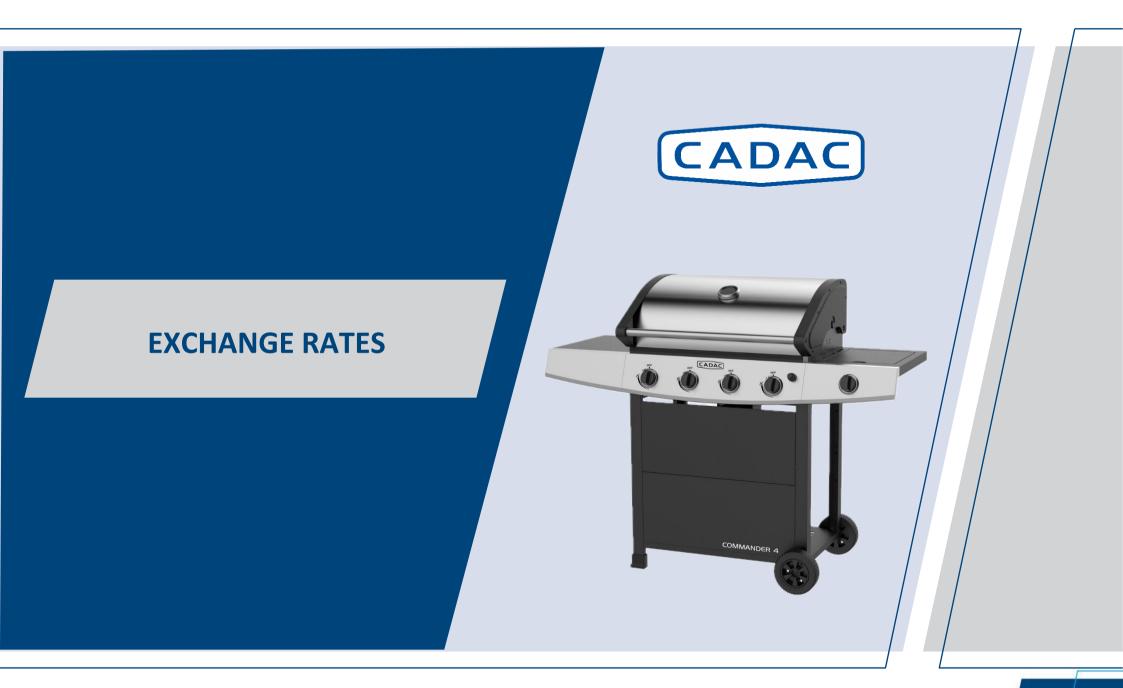
1% to R902m



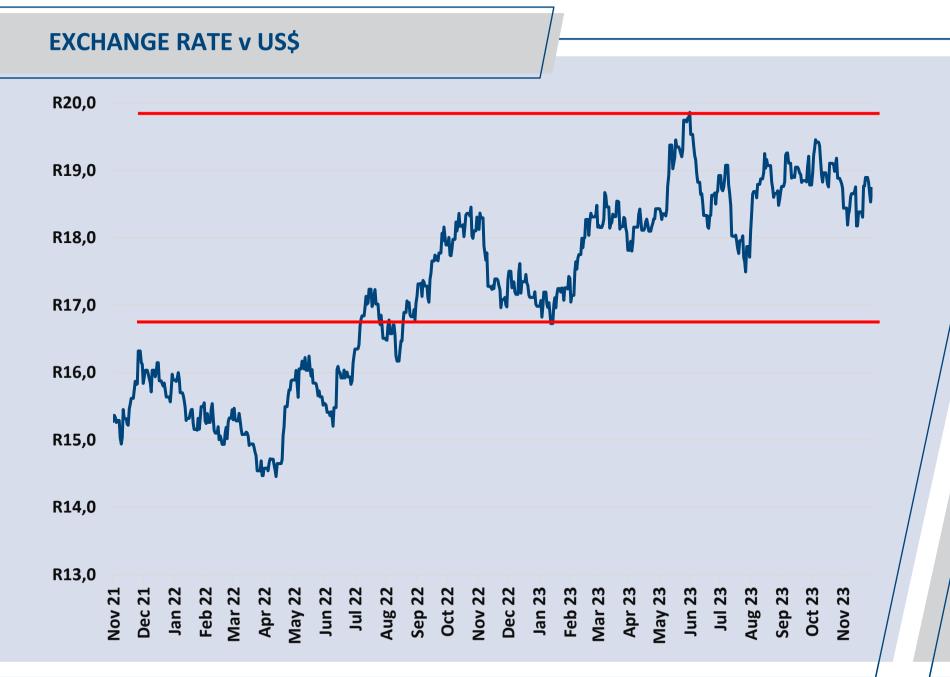
# MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS / FUND MANAGERS

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	53%
Sanlam Investments	3%
Bateleur Capital	4%
Abax Investments	5%
Invesco Advisers	6%
Aylett	7%
Ninety-One	8%
Government Employees Pension Fund	10%
PSG Asset Management	10%

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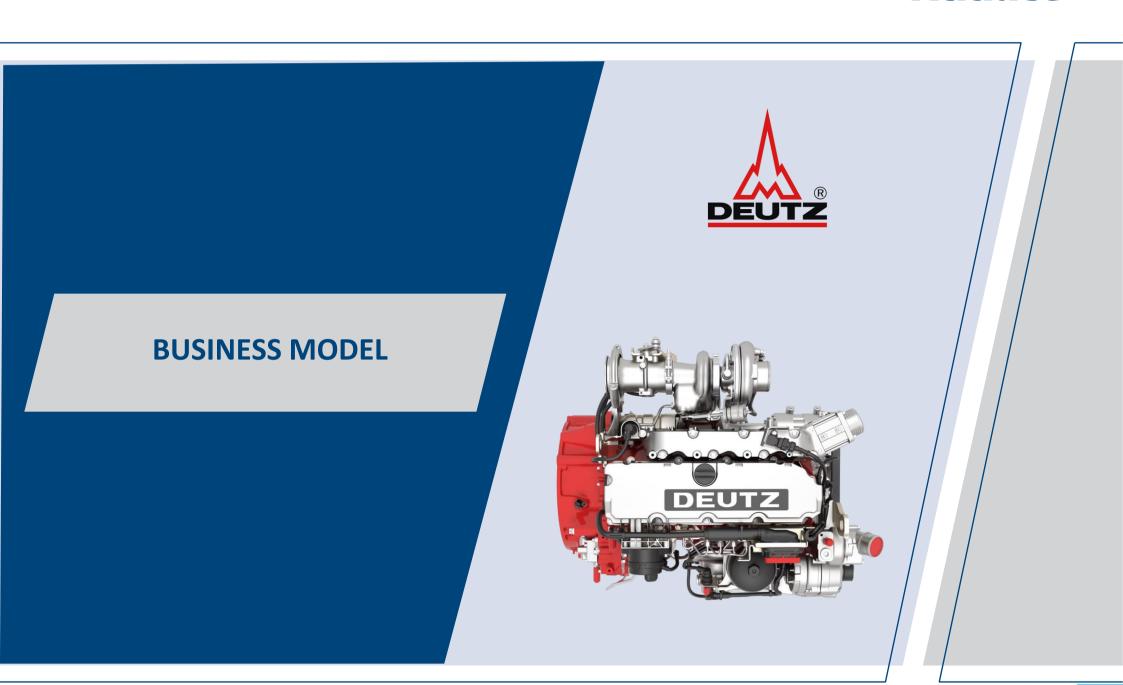
# **EXCHANGE RATE ENVIRONMENT**

- We import directly 70% of the group cost of sales
- □ On average, these cost 13% more in 2023 than in 2022
- □ We don't take a house view on exchange rates
- We hedge all liabilities and on average, 30% of orders

# **Import currencies**

- □ USD\* 60% EUR 31% YEN 4% CNY 3% GBP 1%
- \*Imports from China, Korea, etc. are paid in USD

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# THE HUDACO BUSINESS MODEL

- Hudaco's main business is the importation and distribution of high-quality branded automotive, industrial and electronic consumable products
- ☐ The concept of "value-added distribution" is key to our business model
- Agency agreements generally restrict our activities to Africa, south of the equator
- Our diversified portfolio of businesses limits our risk and makes us resilient
- Many businesses across many sectors
- Many products in many industries
- Decentralised focused management teams industry-specific specialists
- Quick decision-making, control and accountability



# **FEATURES OF VALUE-ADDED DISTRIBUTION**

- Focused business units with application advice
- Technical specification and product knowledge
- Training
- Credit provision
- Drives customer retention and supplier loyalty
- □ Level 3 B-BBEE credentials (110% procurement recognition)

### Inventories R2 693m

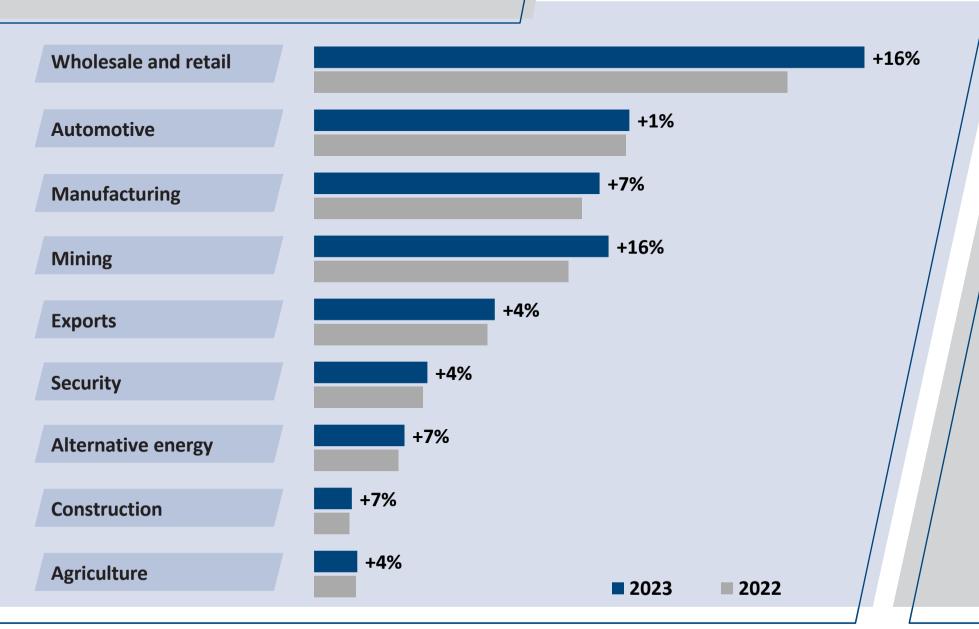
- Instant availability
- 29 warehouses
- 800 international suppliers
- Over 230 000 line items
- Over 130 branches

### Receivables R1 490m

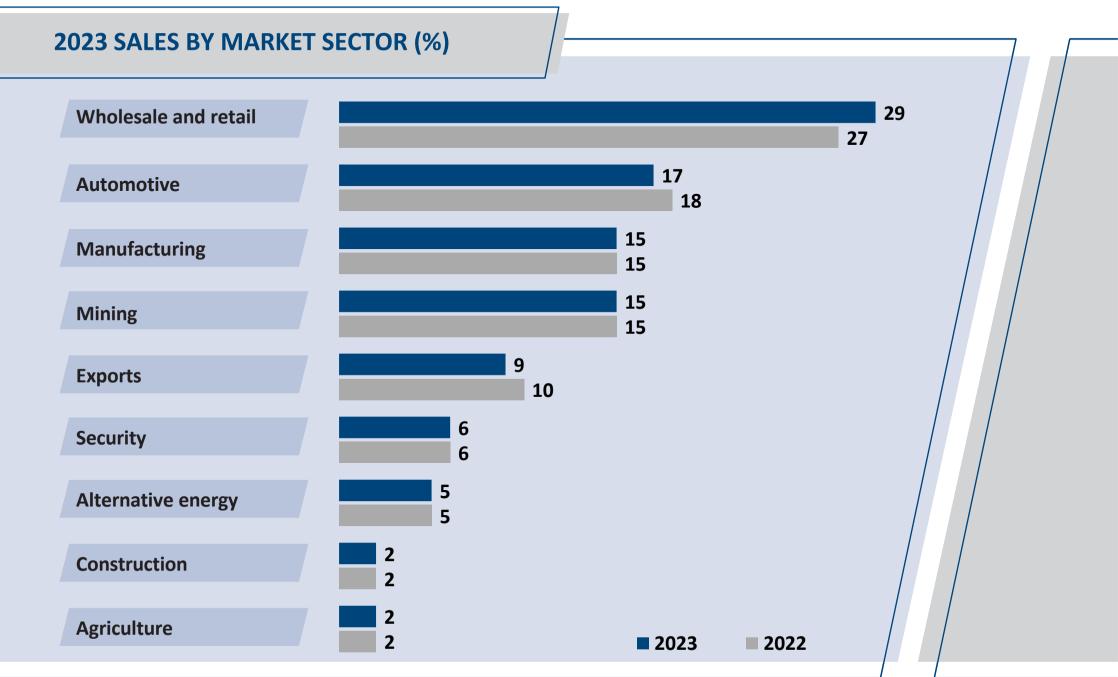
- □ 30 000 active customers
- Generally low-value transactions – low concentration or risk
- Low level of tender or contract business



# **2023 SALES BY MARKET SECTOR (RANDS)**







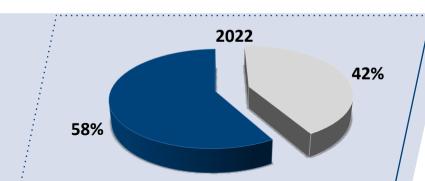
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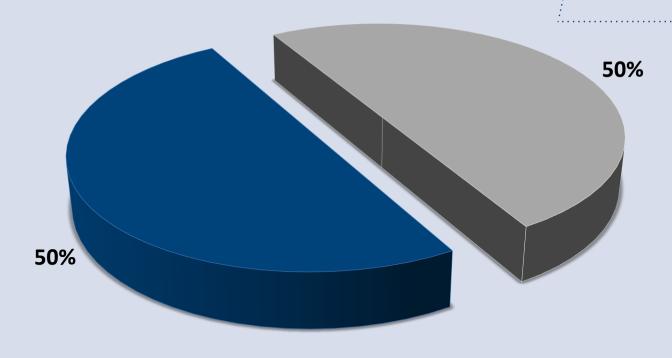




# **CONTRIBUTION BY SEGMENT**

Contribution to 2023 operating profit (before shared services and head office)





■ Consumer-related products

■ Engineering consumables



# **CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS**

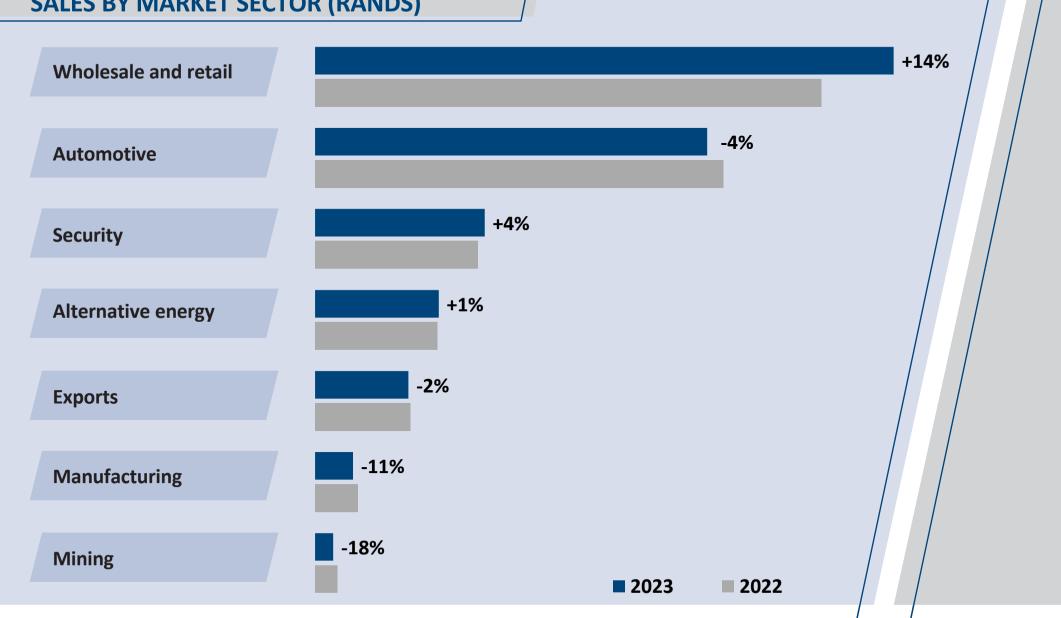
□ The consumer-related products segment imports and distributes branded products driven by consumer spending and generally sold to installers.

# **Consumer-related products (12 businesses)**

- Automotive aftermarket products
- Power tools and fasteners
- Data networking equipment
- Batteries and alternative energy products
- Security and communication equipment
- Gas and outdoor products

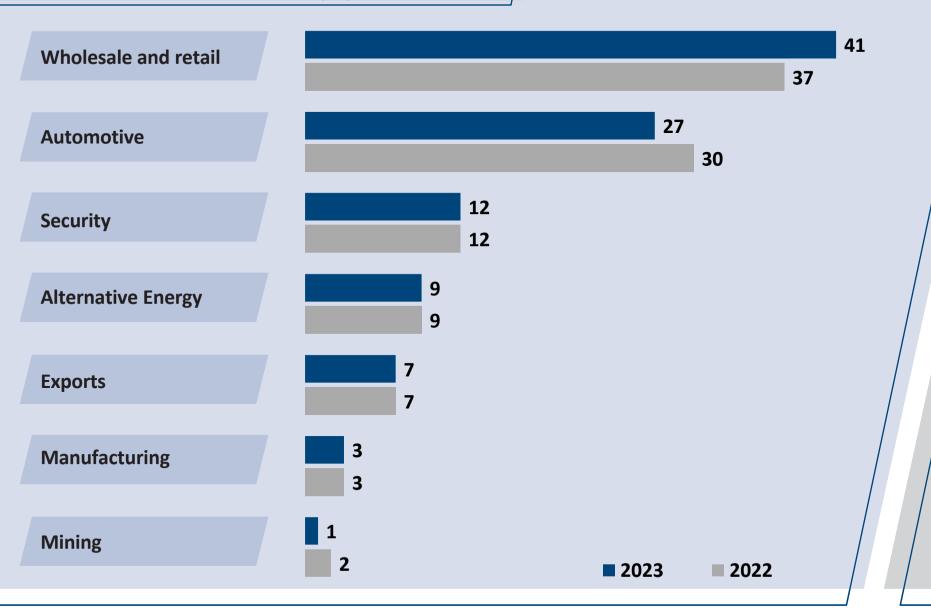


# **2023 CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS SALES BY MARKET SECTOR (RANDS)**





# 2023 CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS SALES BY MARKET SECTOR (%)





# CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS AUTOMOTIVE AFTERMARKET

# **Principal businesses**









#### **Main markets**

- ☐ Automotive aftermarket
- Automotive alloy and steel wheels
- ☐ Automotive parts and accessories
- Construction machinery
- □ Spares shops
- □ Wheel and tyre fitment centres
- □ 4x4 recreation

# **Principal brands**













- Automotive oil seals
- □ Ignition leads
- □ Light duty clutch kits
- □ Truck clutch components
- Underbody spares replacement
- □ 4x4 suspension and accessories



# **CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS POWER TOOLS AND FASTENERS**

**Principal businesses** 

# **Principal brands**

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**XUDE** 

HANDY



#### Main markets

- Agriculture
- D.I.Y.
- Commercial marine
- Construction
- Manufacturing
- Mining
- Recreational boating



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- **Building**
- D.I.Y.
- Fastening in all industries
- Installations
- Propulsions of boats
- □ Surveying





# CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS DATA NETWORKING EQUIPMENT

# **Principal businesses**

# **Principal brands**













#### **Main markets**

- → Security
- □ Technology resellers
- □ Telecommunications operations
- Transport
- □ Wireless, internet, fibre service providers

- Data solutions
- □ Fibre optic networks
- Network infrastructure
- Outdoor wireless network
- □ Wi-Fi access networks
- □ Residential/commercial telephony



# CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS BATTERIES AND ALTERNATIVE ENERGY

## **Principal businesses**





### **Main markets**

- Alternative energy
- □ Battery bays
- Mining
- Motor industry
- Security
- Surface motive power
- □ Solar system installations
- □ UPS/standby batteries

# **Principal brands**

































- Back-up power (UPS, inverters, alarms)
- Distribution centres
- Energy load shifting
- Generator starting
- Materials handling
- Motor vehicles
- □ Solar system
- □ Underground locomotive traction





# CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS SECURITY & COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT

## **Principal businesses**







#### **Main markets**

- Commercial security
- Military and police
- Mining
- Municipal
- Residential security
- Project consultants
- □ Systems integrators
- □ Transport

# **Principal brands**

# **KENWOOD**













**BOSCH** 







- Access control
- Control centres
- □ Fire detection
- Intrusion detection
- Mobile communication
- Perimeter detection
- Personal communication
- □ Video surveillance and analysis



# CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS GAS AND OUTDOOR

# **Principal businesses**



# **Principal brands**





#### **Main markets**

- Camping and outdoor living
- ☐ Alternative energy
- ☐ Household and residential
- □ Catering
- ☐ Hiking and outdoor recreation

- □ Cooking
- □ Lighting
- ☐ Heating
- Braaiing
- Coolers
- □ Camping



# SEGMENT RESULTS FOR CONSUMER-RELATED PRODUCTS

	Turnover			Op Margin		<b>Operating Profit</b>		
Rm	2023	% ch	2022	2023	2022	2023	% ch	2022
Ongoing operations	4 055	0,5	4 034	13,4	15,7	544	(14,1)	634
Acquisitions	371		235	12,9	11,6	48		27
Segment total	4 426	3,7	4 269	13,4	15,5	592	(10,4)	661

- Security division and CADAC had another good year
- Traction battery business had a strong turnaround
- Consumer spending and disposable income under pressure
- □ Remaining businesses in the segment had a difficult year



# **ENGINEERING CONSUMABLES**

Engineering consumables segment imports and distributes branded products generally used to repair and maintain machines.

## **Engineering consumables (19 businesses)**

- Bearings, belting and power transmission
- Diesel engines and spares
- Electrical power transmission
- Filtration
- Fire detection, containment and suppression
- Hydraulics and pneumatics
- Specialised steel
- □ Thermoplastic pipes, fittings and equipment



# **ACQUISITION**

BRIGIT

- Brigit Fire was acquired on 1 September 2023
- Distributor of fire detection, containment and suppression systems
- Brigit distributes several products that it has developed itself, along with leading international products
- Focused on fire security and safety disciplines, specifically required for commercial and industrial applications
- Opportunity for growth and synergies with Elvey Security







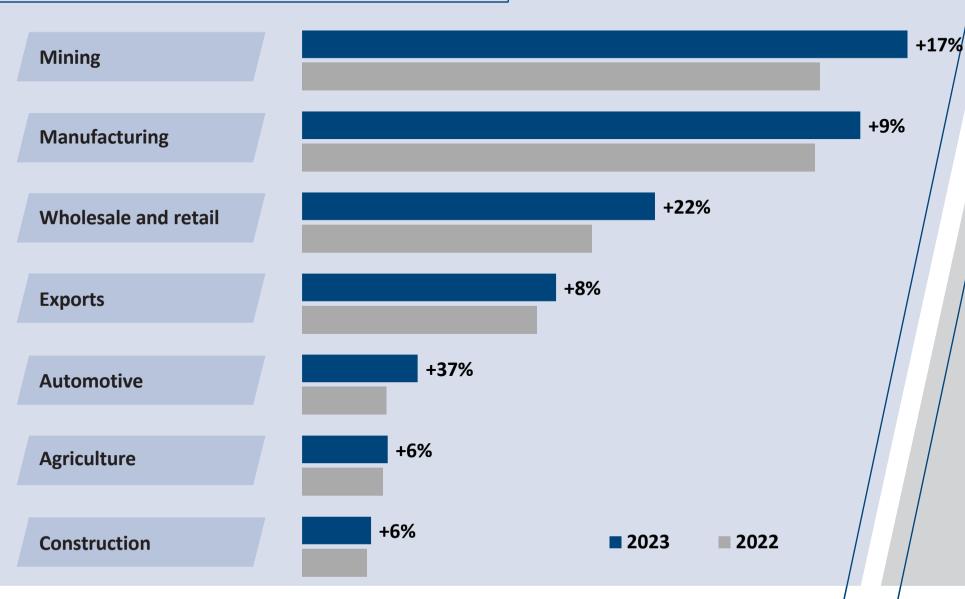
# **ACQUISITION**

- Plasti-Weld was acquired on 1 December 2023
- Importer and distributor of plastic welding equipment, hot-air tools, specialised test and inspection equipment and thermo cutters
- Also manufactures plastic welding rods
- Estimated price R52 million
- Opportunity for growth and synergies with Astore Keymak

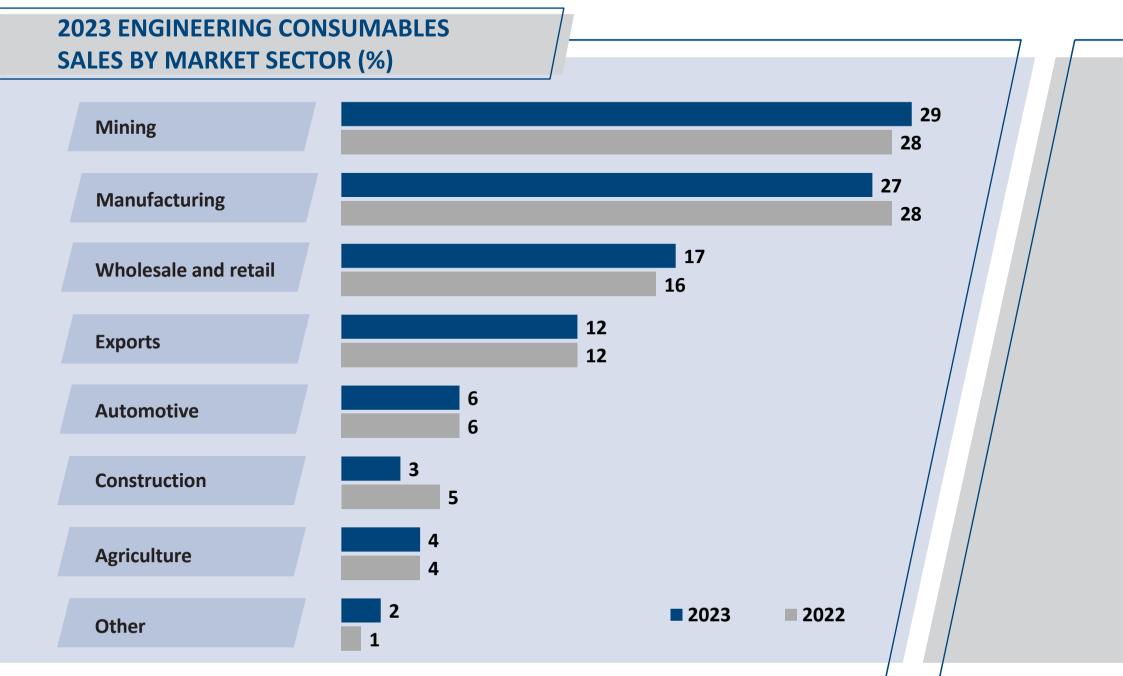














# **FNGINFFRING CONSUMABLES BEARINGS, BELTING & POWER TRANSMISSION**

# **Principal businesses**







# Main markets

- Automotive OFM's
- Construction
- Food processing
- General industry
- Manufacturing and mining
- Power generation
- Sugar industry
- □ Tobacco industry

# **Principal brands**

























- **Automotive OE supply**
- Conveyor systems
- General machinery and equipment
- Maintenance
- Mining equipment
- Process control and measurement



# ENGINEERING CONSUMABLES ELECTRICAL POWER TRANSMISSION

# **Principal businesses**







#### **Main markets**

- ☐ Automation
- → Manufacturing
- Materials handling
- Mining
- □ Ports
- Power generation
- Wholesale and retail

# **Principal brands**

# **YASKAWA**

















- Automation and control of electric motors
- Connection of electrical power in industry
- □ Electrical panel building
- ☐ Electrification of mobile machinery
- Maintenance and repairs
- Power stations



# ENGINEERING CONSUMABLES HYDRAULICS AND PNEUMATICS

# **Principal businesses**















**Principal brands** 

Powering your potential







### **Main markets**

- Food processing plants
- □ Industrial
- Manufacturing
- □ Mining

- Breweries
- Fluid conveyance and control
- Industrial automation
- □ Mining equipment
- Process automation
- □ Trackless mining machines





# ENGINEERING CONSUMABLES SPECIALISED STEEL

#### **Principal businesses**













#### **Principal brands**





#### **Main markets**

- □ General industry
- Manufacturing
- Mining
- Pressure vessels
- □ Road tankers
- Sugar industry

#### **Used for**

- Aerators and mixing
- Conveyor systems
- □ Fabrication
- ☐ General steel applications
- □ Mining equipment
- □ Petro-chemical plants
- Pressure vessel ends
- Sugar processing



# ENGINEERING CONSUMABLES FIRE SUPPRESSION, DETECTION & CONTAINMENT

#### **Principal businesses**

### **Principal brands**













#### **Main markets**

- □ Mining
- Data centres
- Commercial properties
- □ Industrial
- Warehouses

#### **Used for**

- ☐ Fire detection
- ☐ Fire suppression
- □ Fire containment
- □ Fire education



# **ENGINEERING CONSUMABLES OTHER**

#### **Principal businesses**

# DEUTZ DIESELPOWER FILTREC Technical Filtration

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**Principal brands** 















### Main markets

- ☐ Agri equipment
- Construction and mining
- ☐ Earthmoving equipment
- □ Irrigation
- On and off-road trucks
- Opencast mining
- Plastic moulding
- □ Sewage reticulation

#### **Used for**

- ☐ Condensate drain management
- □ Industrial air filtration
- Generator sets
- Materials handling
- Mining equipment
- □ OEM supply
- □ Oil, air, fuel and hydraulic filtration
- Plastic moulds



# SEGMENT RESULTS FOR ENGINEERING CONSUMABLES

	-	Turnover		Ор М	argin	Ope	rating Pr	ofit
Rm	2023	% ch	2022	2023	2022	2023	% ch	2022
Ongoing operations	4 434	13,5	3 907	12,8	12,0	569	21,0	470
Acquisitions	54			22,9		12		
Segment total	4 488	14,9	3 907	12,9	12,0	581	23,7	470

- Most businesses performed well, with growth in the mining and manufacturing sectors
- Outstanding performance from business supplying diesel engines, gear pumps, filtration, bearings and power transmission, modular belting and electrical products
- Brigit Fire has integrated well into Hudaco



## **COMBINED SEGMENT RESULTS**

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Head office, shared services and eliminations	(17)		(25)			(102)		(112)
Total group	8 897	9,1	8 151	12,0	12,5	1 071	5,1	1 019



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OPERATING PROFIT AND MARGINS





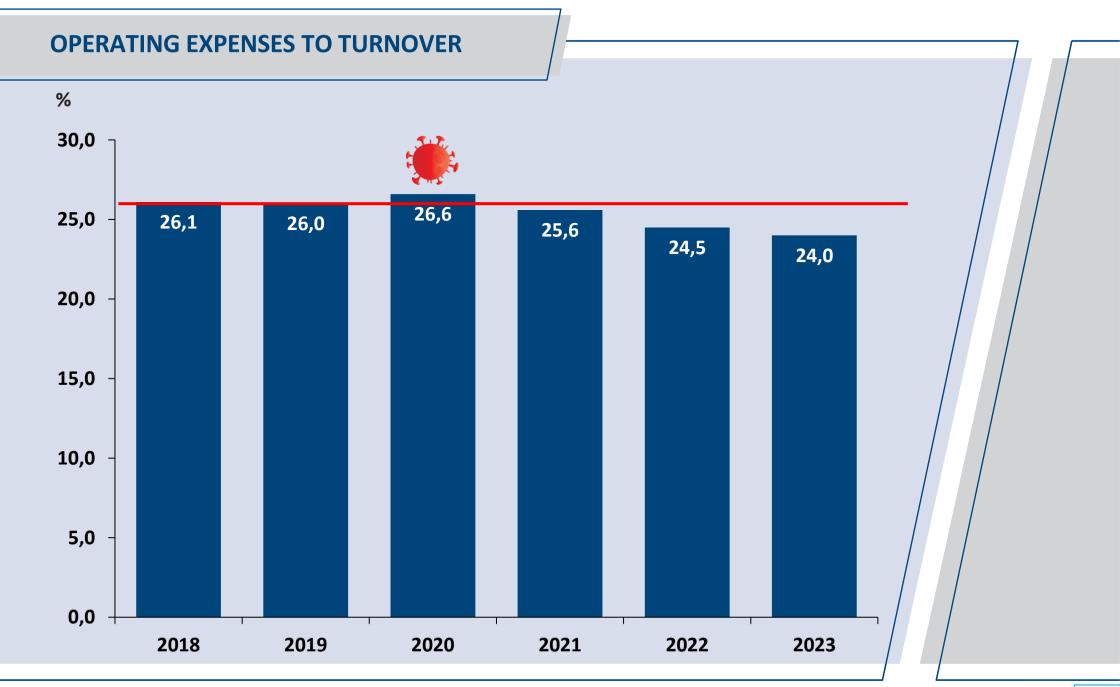




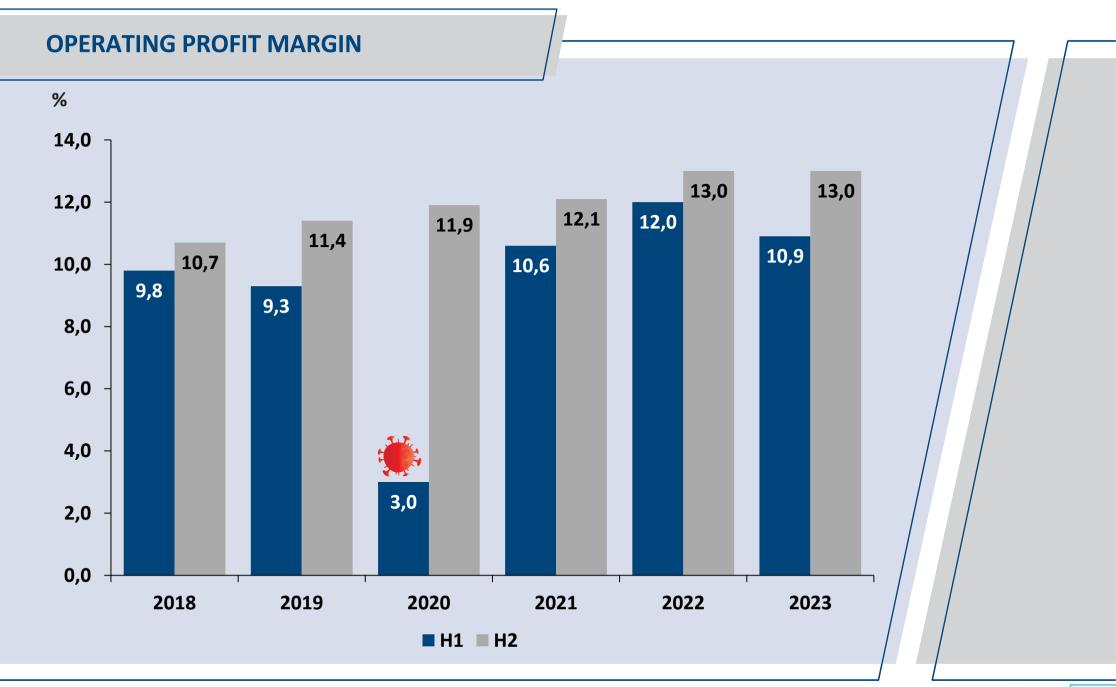
## **OPERATING PROFIT MARGIN**

	2023	2022
Margin (%)		
Turnover	100%	100%
Gross profit	36,0%	36,7%
Sundry income		0,3%
Operating expenses	(24,0%)	(24,5%)
Operating profit	12,0%	12,5%









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# **PROFIT**

Rm	2023	% ch	2022
Turnover	8 897	9,1	8 151
Ongoing operations	8 472	7,0	7 916
Acquisitions	425		235
Gross profit	3 203	7,1	2 992
Sundry income – insurance proceeds			27
Operating expenses	(2 132)	6,6	(2 000)
Ongoing operations	(2 043)	4,5	(1 954)
Acquisitions	(89)		(46)
Operating profit	1 071	5,1	1 019
Ongoing operations	1 011	1,9	992
Acquisitions	60		27



# **PROFIT**

Rm	2023	% ch	2022
Operating profit	1 071	5,1	1 019
Fair value adjustments	(4)		(1)
Loss on disposal of business	(3)		
Net interest on funding	(112)		(58)
Imputed interest on leases	(38)		(29)
Profit before taxation	914	(1,8)	931
Taxation (Rate 2023: 26,8 % 2022: 27,6%)	(245)		(256)
Profit after taxation	669	(0,8)	675
Non-controlling interest	(58)		(79)
Attributable earnings	611	2,4	596



## **COMPARABLE EARNINGS**

Rm	2023	% ch	2022
Attributable earnings	611	2,4	596
Net loss on disposal of PPE and business	2		
Headline earnings	613	2,8	596
Insurance proceeds			(27)
Non-controlling interest and tax			10
Comparable earnings	613	5,7	579







## **EARNINGS PER SHARE AND DIVIDENDS**

Cents	2023	% ch	2022
Earnings per share			
Comparable	2 148	10,1	1 951
Basic	2 142	6,7	2 007
Headline	2 148	7,0	2 007
Dividends per share			
- Interim	325	8,3	300
- Final	700	12,0	625
Total	1 025	10,8	925
Dividend cover (times)	2,1		2,1



# SHARE REPURCHASE PROGRAMME (EXCLUDES TREASURY SHARES)

	No. of shares	%	Weighted avg shares	Cost Rm
30 Nov 2019	31 645 703	100%	31 645 703	
2020 Repurchases	1 024 600			82
30 Nov 2020	30 621 103	96,8%	31 529 399	
2021 Repurchases	609 211			69
30 Nov 2021	30 011 892	94,8%	30 356 525	
2022 Repurchases	928 740			133
30 Nov 2022	29 083 152	91,9%	29 701 990	
2023 Repurchases	695 000			112
30 Nov 2023	28 388 152	89,7%	28 518 810	396



## **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

Rm	2023	2022
Working capital	2 904	2 399
- Inventories	2 693	2 355
- Receivables	1 490	1 366
- Payables	(1 279)	(1 322)
Property, plant and equipment	363	309
Right-of-use assets	406	382
Goodwill and intangibles	1 417	1 221
Tax	43	83
Net assets	5 133	4 394

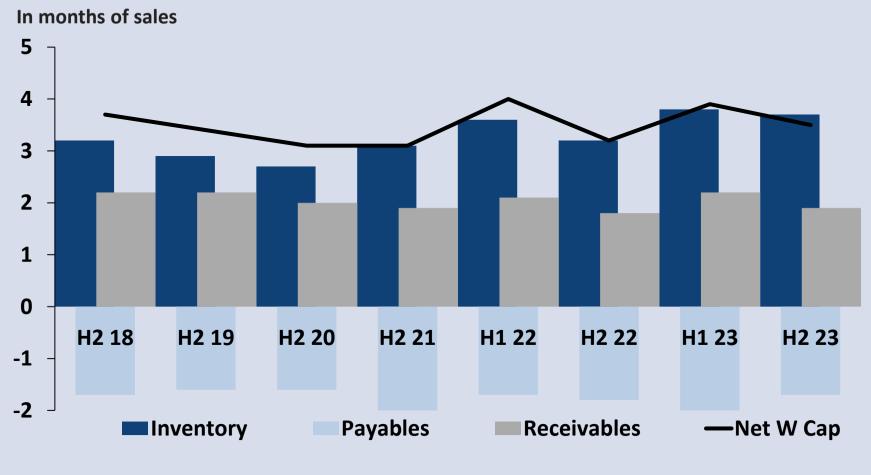


## **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

Rm	2023	2022
Equity	3 481	3 254
Net borrowings	1 013	621
Lease liabilities	470	440
Due to vendors	136	24
Tax	33	55
Total equity and liabilities	5 133	4 394

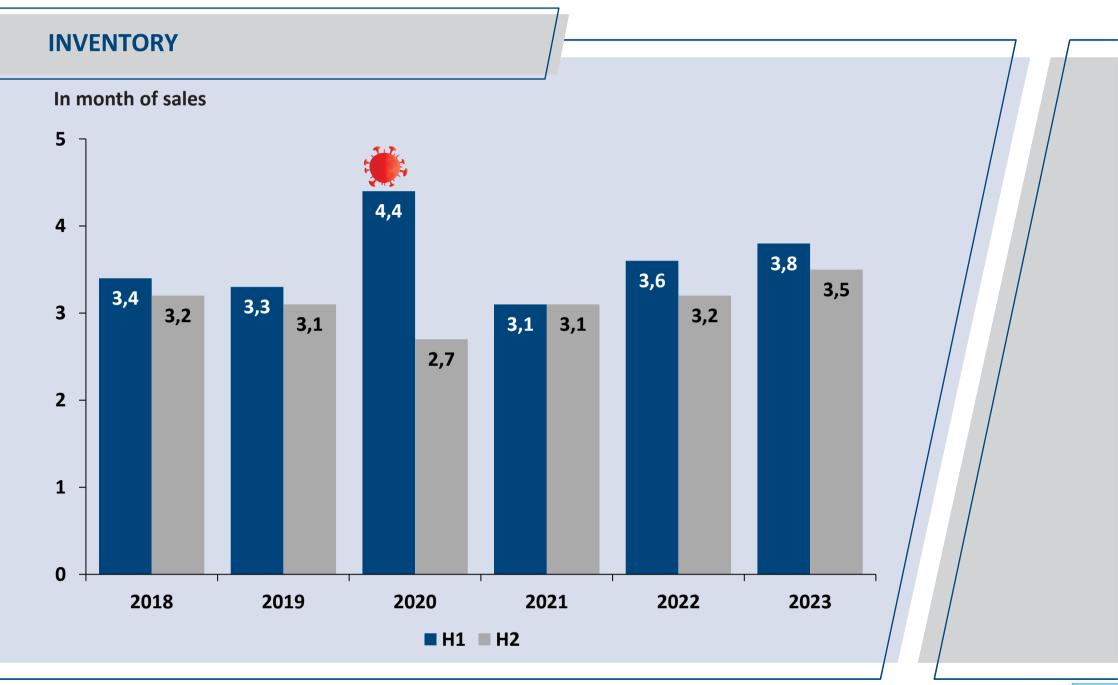






#### One month of sales







# **CASH FLOW**

Rm	2023	2022
Cash from trading	1 294	1 249
Increase in working capital	(392)	(356)
Cash from operations	902	893
Tax paid	(260)	(244)
Cash from operating activities	642	649
Invested in new businesses	(171)	(81)
Invested in software and ppe	(104)	(76)
Cash flow after investing activities	367	492



# **CASH FLOW**

Rm	2023	2022
Cash flow after investing activities	367	492
Share-based payments	(101)	(36)
Repurchase of shares	(112)	(133)
Lease payments	(144)	(143)
Finance costs paid	(112)	(58)
Dividends paid	(290)	(276)
Net movement	(392)	(154)
Foreign exchange translation gain		2
Opening borrowings	(621)	(469)
Closing borrowings	(1 013)	(621)



#### **KEY FINANCIAL POINTS**

- Operating margin healthy
- Expenses tightly managed
- □ Strategic increase in inventories
- Businesses remain cash-generative
- Borrowings well within capacity and covenants
- Capital allocation likely to focus on debt repayment but maintain dividend policy and good acquisitions are still a priority

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#### **OUTLOOK FOR 2024**

- Expect much of the same up to the elections, and then much of the same
- Interest rates coming down in H2 (CRP historically perform better)
- □ Drop in commodity prices likely to impact mining (EC)
- Reduced load-shedding
- Full-year Brigit Fire
- □ Growth in alternative energy



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