

## **Progressing Boral's** Fix, Execute, Transform Program

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## Boral's Fix, Execute, Transform program



Our goal is to transform Boral into a global building and construction materials company that is known for its world-leading safety performance, innovative product platform and superior returns on shareholders' funds







2 years

4 years

6 years +

Fixing things that are holding us back

Improving the way we operate to be more efficient, disciplined and profitable

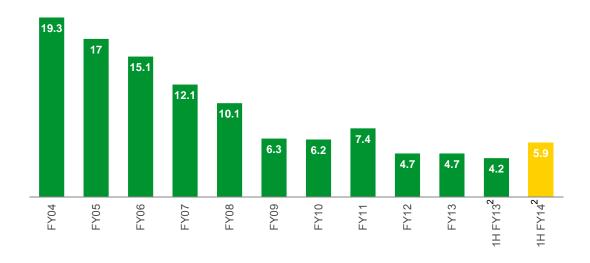
**Transforming Boral for** performance excellence and sustainable growth through innovation

## Focus is on improving ROFE to 15%



#### EBIT to average funds employed (ROFE1)

%



- Excludes significant items
   HFY2013 and 1H FY2014 on a moving annual total (MAT) basis

## Solid progress has been made

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- √ Streamlined organisation
- ✓ \$150m costs out
- ✓ Cash up and capex down
- ✓ Net debt from ~\$1.5b to ~\$0.9m
- ✓ Portfolio realignment
- ✓ People engagement and safety first
- ✓ Levers of change LEAN, Sales & marketing, Innovation
- ✓ Capacity utilisation up
- ✓ Responding to external challenges

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- ✓ Product innovation
- ✓ Gypsum technology platform secured
- ✓ Lowering fixed cost exposures

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# Solid progress made in delivering immediate **FIX** priorities





	OBJECTIVES	PROGRESS
Manage costs down	<ul> <li>In FY2014 reduce costs by:         <ul> <li>\$105m through prior period headcount reductions &amp; rationalisation initiatives</li> <li>further \$25m through new initiatives largely in contractor spend</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Realised \$60m in cost reductions from cost down programs in 1H FY2014</li> <li>✓ Expect to deliver \$130m in savings in FY2014 (annualised to \$150m in FY2015)</li> </ul>
Maximise cash generation	<ul> <li>Generate \$200-\$300m from divestments and land sales in FY2013 &amp; FY2014</li> <li>Apply disciplined approach to capex and manage capital assets to improve returns</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ \$212m in cash proceeds from divestments &amp; land sales in 18 months to Dec-13</li> <li>✓ US\$500m upfront payment from USG in Feb-14</li> <li>✓ Capex down 31% in 1H FY2014</li> </ul>
Reshape the portfolio	<ul> <li>Simplify structures &amp; reduce overheads</li> <li>Rationalise portfolio to core essentials</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Sold Windows business</li> <li>✓ Ceased production at Berrima Colliery</li> <li>✓ Proposed JV with CSR aims to achieve sustainable returns for East Coast Bricks business</li> </ul>

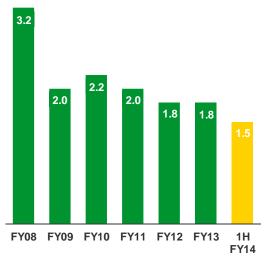
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# **Execute**: Safety continues to be a key lever of change to improve the way we operate



## **EXECUTE**

#### **Employee and Contractor LTIFR\***





- Continued drive to change behaviours and increase use of Boral Production System tools
- Intervention programs implemented at sites with unsatisfactory safety performance
  - executives visit sites and engage each employee individually
  - complemented by health and safety experts addressing issues with site managers

<sup>\*</sup> Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate per million hours worked

# **Execute**: Improving the way we operate... to help respond to external challenges



## **O** EXECUTE



#### **External challenges**

#### Australia

- · Low economies of scale
- High costs labour, energy, transport
- Immature energy markets
- High land costs & housing affordability leading to trend away from detached housing
- Level and type of government intervention
- High A\$
- · Industrial relations

#### **USA**

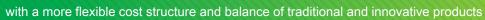
· Shape and pace of recovery

#### Asia

- Exchange rate impacts
- In-country volatility

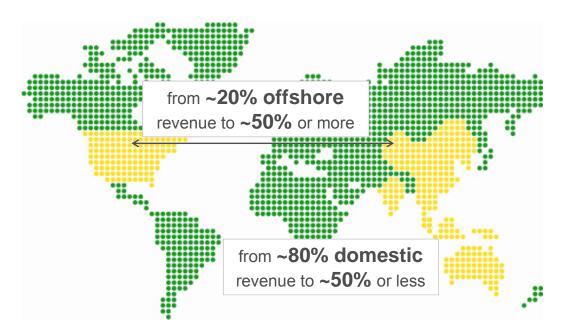
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# **Transform**: Longer term Boral will be more geographically balanced



# BORAL

## **TRANSFORM**





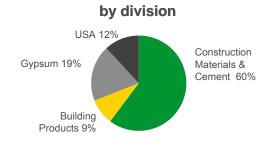
## Case Studies & Supporting Slides

## **Business overview**

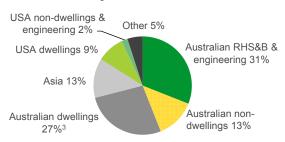


- Boral is an international building and construction materials group with operations in Australia, the **USA** and Asia
- A\$4.5b market cap¹
- S&P/ASX 100 company
- Operations across 13 countries<sup>2</sup>
- ~12,000 employees<sup>2</sup>

#### 1H FY20144 Revenue



#### by end-market



<sup>2.</sup> Includes USG Boral joint venture operations. As at 28 February 2014
3. Comprised of ~12% from detached housing, ~6% from multi-dwellings and ~9% from alterations and additions
4. For the half year ended 31 December 2013; revenue of A\$2.8b for continuing operations only

### Boral's divisional structure





1. Through a 50% interest in USG Boral Building Products effective 28 February 2014

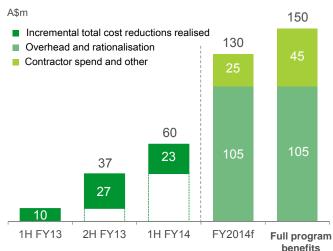
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# Fix: Cost reduction programs essential to offsetting inflationary cost pressures





#### **Cost reduction benefits**



- Jan-13 announced rationalisation and overhead cost reductions with expected full year benefit of \$105m from FY2014
- Oct-13 announced second phase of cost reductions focused on contractor spend with expected benefit of \$25m in FY2014 and \$45m from FY2015
- \$60m cost reductions realised in 1H FY2014
  - \$52.5m from overhead & rationalisation
  - \$7.5m from contractor spend and other

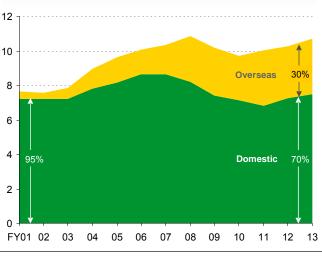
to be realised from FY2015

Each year, Boral faces inflationary cost pressures of \$100m in Australia alone

## Fix & Transform: A combination of cost factors led Boral to cease clinker manufacturing in Vic







- Manufacturing of clinker Waurn Ponds, Victoria ceased in April 2013
- Decision driven by high A\$, low shipping costs from Asia, high production costs and sub-scale plant size
- Moved to importing clinker from Port of Geelong
- Boral now importing in line with industry at around 30% of demand
- Asian spare capacity likely to be available at marginal cost over the long-term

0.53 0.52 0.59 0.71 0.75 0.75 0.79 0.91 0.74 0.88 1.00 1.03 1.02 Average exchange rates each year

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## Transform: Boral Gypsum through strategic joint venture with USG



#### Delivering Boral Gypsum an enhanced future growth platform

**Immediate** access to gypsum technology

- Deliver customers stronger and lighter board
- Exclusive royalty-free rights to current USG IP, including improvements to current technology

Future access to innovation

- ✓ Strengthens industry leading position
- Exclusive option to licence future "breakthrough IP" developed by USG

Significant synergies

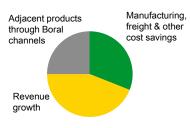
- Synergies expected to exceed US\$50m p.a. within 3 years of technology roll-out (roll-out to be completed within 2 years)
- Exclusive distribution rights to USG's complementary products

Upfront cash payment

- Boral received upfront cash payment of US\$500m & will reduce debt up to A\$450m
- ✓ Further potential earn out of up to US\$75m



#### Targeted synergy breakdown



Total = US\$50m

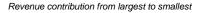
<sup>1.</sup> Imports include cement, clinker and slag (GBFS). Domestic includes clinker manufactured in domestic kilns and slag ex-Port Kembla. Assumes 1 t clinker = 1.1 t cement

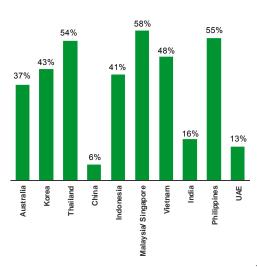
## Boral USG JV provides an enhanced platform to leverage growth across Asia



- Asia expected to become world's largest plasterboard market by 20151
- Size of plasterboard market in JV region is >2.250m m<sup>2</sup>
  - Asia market size ~2,100m m²
  - Excluding China, Asia market size ~500m m<sup>2</sup>
- · Strong economic growth forecast across most Asian markets
  - real GDP growth of 4 to 7%<sup>2</sup>
- · Increasing commercial projects expected to drive growth in non-residential construction
- Increasing urbanisation will drive growth in residential new build







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- Based on management estimates
   Source: IMF data at October 2013

### Fix: Proposed East Coast Bricks JV with CSR

Provides structural solution for Boral's bricks business



#### Rationale

- Substantial reduction in industry brick capacity made in recent years to reflect reduced demand for bricks
- Profitability of Boral's Australian brick business remains unacceptably low
- JV with CSR positions business to recover cost of capital from East Coast brick business through the cycle

#### Brick Industry challenged

- Brick industry impacted by sustained structural decline in demand over past 30 years
- Bricks becoming an increasingly smaller component of broader cladding market
- Brick production has declined by 46% since 1981
  - decline more pronounced on East Coast of Australia
- Structural decline compounded by high input costs, including high energy costs

## East Coast Bricks JV aims to create a sustainable competitive bricks business



## **East Coast Bricks JV**





- Owned 60% by CSR, 40% by Boral
- Combines brick operations in NSW, Vic, Qld, SA, TAS & ACT¹
- Ownership based on relative valuations of the businesses
- Transaction subject to ACCC review

## Combined business

- ~\$230m annualised revenue
- 12 manufacturing operations (including mothballed plants)
- 606m SBE brick manufacturing capacity



#### **Benefits**

- Cost synergies
  - Initial overhead savings of \$7 - \$10m p.a.
  - Longer term consolidation of selected manufacturing sites
- Optimise operations
- Reinvestment opportunities
  - Release high value land assets without impacting product range and operational capability

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1. Excludes certain land assets owned by CSR and Boral; Schofields, NSW and Scoresby, Vic sites used for the term of an agreed lease period