
Dear Ms Beer

I refer to my telephone discussion earlier today with Senator Heffernan and advise the following;

1. The Receiver at McGrathNicol is Mr Simon Read and his direct line is 08 6363 7630 and email his email address is sread@mcgrathnicol.com
2. I wrote a comprehensive letter to Mr Steven Cole, The Independent Chairman of Great Southern Managers Limited on 6 November 2008 and emailed it to him on that date.
3. I wrote a comprehensive letter dated 5 November 2008 to Mr Duncan Calder, Partner of KPMG and author of the Independent Expert Report forming part of the documentation provided to investors to assist them in their decision making process on Project Transform. That letter was emailed to him on 6 November 2009.
4. Mr Cole was provided with a copy of the letter to Mr Calder and Mr Calder was provided with a copy of the letter to Mr Cole. They were the addressees of the same email of 6 November 2009. The letters raised a number of concerns that I, as a grower, had in connection with Project Transform and my perceived concerns about the disclosures or lack of disclosures in the scheme documentation, expert's report and the prospectus.
5. As a consequence of a somewhat supercilious email received from Mr Cole dated 11 November 2008, in response to my earlier correspondence, I then decided and on 12 November 2008 sent copies of the letters to Messrs Cole and Calder and various other relevant documents via email to Ms Korpi of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission in Sydney. I was concerned about Project Transform proceeding on the back of documentation that could be argued to be deficient or potentially misleading and considered the regulator should consider my views and potentially issue stop orders or take some other action. I subsequently provided to Ms Korpi via email copies of the replies received from Messrs Cole and Calder and various other documents that I considered relevant and of possible interest and relevance to the ASIC.
6. You will note from the attached letter that I sent to 579 growers in the 1998 Scheme that reference is made to the fact that I wrote to Mr Cole and Mr Calder seeking additional information. As such the existence of the letters to Messrs Cole and Calder is a matter of public record and as such someone with the necessary authority could possibly ask them for copies.

As discussed with Senator Heffernan the foregoing is now in many respects ancient history and what is important in the short term is that the growers' interests are not further eroded by the excessive management fees implicit in the Pulpwood Plantation's proposal. It is important that the Receiver advises Growers on what the alternatives are and in many respects the Receiver should be commenting on the fairness and reasonableness of the Pulpwood Plantations offer and what his own intentions are in relation to the woodlots effectively owned by him that were acquired as part of Project Transform.

As you will note from the attached summary of investor voting, the Receiver now controls a substantial number of woodlots and I would expect he would not wish to see them pass to the management of Pulpwood Plantations. The Receiver has an inherent conflict of interest in purportedly acting for the banks and growers at the same. Someone needs to be looking after the interests of what are a disparate group of many small growers.

Yours sincerely

John Hassen

11 November 2008

Dear Fellow Great Southern Project Investor

**PROPOSED MAJOR RESTRUCTURE OF GREAT SOUTHERN
THE PROPOSALS MAKE NO SENSE TO THIS 1998 & 1999
SCHEME GROWER – I WILL BE VOTING NO**

You will recently have been provided with extensive documentation in respect of a series of proposed transactions whereby project investors in Great Southern's 1998 pulpwood project and other projects are being offered shares in Great Southern Limited ("GSL") in exchange for their project interests.

I will be attending the Project Investor meetings and voting NO because I do not consider the proposals to be either fair or reasonable insofar as they relate to my interests in the 1998 and 1999 pulpwood projects. I hold 70 woodlots in the 1998 pulpwood project (being the third largest holder in that project) and 6 woodlots in the 1999 pulpwood project. I also note I was a director of various Great Southern companies from May 1997 to February 1999, which was a period prior to listing of the group on the ASX. I signed the prospectus for the 1998 forestry scheme in November 1997.

I also note I was a partner in the international accounting firm, Price Waterhouse for approximately 11 years and in that capacity wrote numerous independent expert reports on the fairness and reasonableness of take over bids and other transactions. As such I have more than a reasonable knowledge of the issues involved in the proposals that are being put before us and believe I am reasonably qualified to raise questions about the proposals. I have written to the Independent Chairman of Great Southern Managers Australia Limited and the Independent Expert raising a number of questions concerning the proposals but have yet to receive a reply.

I am not in a position to and do not offer you financial advice in relation to the offer. I have reviewed publicly available information on GSL and the detailed, complex and technical documentation forwarded to Project Investors in respect of the 1998 and 1999 pulpwood projects. I have concluded for a number of reasons, insofar as the proposals impact my interests, that they are neither fair nor reasonable to me and accordingly I will be voting NO. A review of the complex documentation provided to us as investors raises many questions about the proposals.

In formulating my vote NO position I considered my position in relation to the following questions;

- Why would I exchange my Project Interests for shares in GSL at a deemed value of 50 cents when the shares have been trading well below this amount? The closing price on 10 November 2008 was only 32 cents and the shares have recently traded as low as 26.5 cents.
- Why would I want shares in a company where there is no guarantee of capital preservation, growth or dividend returns when my trees are currently being harvested and in the absence of the offer, after waiting 10 years, I should be receiving cash for my interests relatively shortly?
- Where will I get the cash to pay tax on the sale of my project interests in exchange for shares?
- Will everyone else needing cash to pay their tax bill be selling their shares at the same time force the GSL share price down even lower than it already is?

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- As GSL is already harvesting my project, why should they keep the cash and give me shares that are currently worth less than assessed value of my project interests?
- Will GSL be profitable in 2009 and pay dividends?
- Why is there no earnings based valuation of GSL shares in the Scheme documentation sent to us?
- Is GSL a company that is too highly geared with a market capitalisation of \$105.4 million as at 10 November 2008 and interest bearing debts in excess of \$750 million?
- Will GSL be able to refinance its debts when they become due?
- Will GSL be able to borrow even more money in the current market when it has been necessary for them to raise \$723.3 million in debt and equity over the five years to 30 June 2008 because they have not been generating enough profits to fund their business model?
- Will GSL need to issue even more shares and if so will that force the share price down further?
- Is GSL a company that meets my long term investment criteria?
- Why did GSL subsidise returns to 1994, 1995 and 1996 growers, offer us such poor returns and not tell us about the poor returns we were going to get before now?
- Will people invest in GSL products in the future given we have lost money on our investments after 10 years and will this effect their business, profitability, dividend paying capacity and share price prospects?
- Given GSL's performance in generating such a poor return on my investment, its debt levels and poor share market performance why would I want to own shares in the company?

My position in relation to the foregoing questions is simple. I feel very uncomfortable about my responses to those questions and accordingly I will be voting NO to both resolutions.

Before voting you should read the Explanatory Memorandum in full and consult with your accountant or investment advisor and discuss the proposals insofar as they impact on your interests. If you are of the opinion the proposals are not fair and reasonable to you then I urge you to vote NO at the Project Investor meetings scheduled for 1 December 2008. If you are unable to attend the Project Investor meetings please appoint either the Chairman of the meeting or me your proxy and instruct either of us to vote NO by completing the appropriate boxes on the green form and returning it to GSL in the envelope provided before 9.00am WDT on 28 November 2008.

If you fail to vote NO either in person or by proxy you run the risk of having your Project Interests compulsorily acquired and will end up owning shares in GSL regardless of your wishes. In my opinion the proposals are more about GSL and its shareholders rather than the interests of the 1998 and 1999 Project Investors. I am extremely concerned about what is being put before us and I have major concerns about the proposals and being involved with GSL as a shareholder.

I do not have the resources of GSL behind me but I am so concerned about the prospect of being forced to own shares in GSL, if there is not a NO vote, that I have personally incurred considerable costs in writing to you and a number of other fellow 1998 project investors highlighting a number of important questions, the answers to which in my opinion are compelling reasons for me to vote No and to canvas your support to consider doing likewise.

Please consider the issues involved and how the proposals are likely to impact your interests and if you are of the view, after seeking appropriate professional advice, that the proposals are not in your best interests then please instruct your proxy to vote NO to both resolutions. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Yours sincerely



John Hassen



GREAT SOUTHERN
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COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

Tuesday, 20 January 2009

PROJECT TRANSFORM - INVESTOR MEETING FINAL RESULTS

Great Southern Limited (GSL) (ASX Code: GTP) is pleased to announce receipt from the Independent Directors of the Responsible Entity Great Southern Managers Australia Limited (GSMAL) of the Project Transform Investor Meeting final Scheme Proposal results, together with the level of Individual Offer Acceptances received as at Friday 16 January 2009:

Project	Implementation Resolution (By Number)		Implementation Resolution (By Value)		Individual Offer Acceptances (% of total interests)
	% For	% Against	% For*	% Against	
1998 Plantations Project	30	70	18.7	81.3	15.29
1999 Plantations Project	38	62	30.5	69.5	15.47
2000 Plantations Project	36	64	30.9	69.1	14.27
2001 Plantations Project	46	54	45.0	55.0	17.16
2002 Plantations Project	52	48	53.2	46.8	23.65
2003 Plantations Project	52	48	50.4	49.6	24.20
2006 Beef Cattle Project	68	32	75.8	24.2	33.79
2007 Beef Cattle Project	72	28	77.3	22.7	38.75

* Votes for include open usable votes directed to the Chair, other than the 1998 Project where such votes were abstained

The numbers above refer only to the Implementation Resolution. The numbers in respect of the Constitutional Amendment Resolution are also available but are broadly in line with the relevant percentages shown above.

Based on the final voting outcomes, the special resolutions have been accepted by the requisite majorities for both Beef Cattle projects and accordingly approximately \$88 million of cattle assets of the MIS projects will now, subject to Shareholder approval on Thursday 22 January 2009, be exchanged for 176 million shares in the company. None of the Plantation projects reached the requisite majority however individual offers to exchange MIS interests for shares in the company remain open for acceptance or withdrawal until 29 January 2009.

Commenting on the final Scheme Proposal Results positions, Managing Director Cameron Rhodes said "we are delighted to have achieved the necessary yes votes that have been cast for the two Beef Cattle projects. More than 70% of project investors voted in respect of those projects and clearly the majority of investors see the benefit of the proposal.

The acceptance of the proposal and the ability to accept individual offers in the Plantation projects is now subject to Shareholder approval this Thursday 22 January 2009, however I believe the proposal is a compelling one for Shareholders. We would regard the issue of 299 million shares, based on the two Beef Cattle projects and the current level of acceptances for the individual offers for the Plantation projects, to be a major achievement in the prevailing environment and will significantly enhance the level of transformation for the company. Importantly, the success of the Beef Cattle projects will provide the company with cattle (including the company's existing holdings) valued at \$131.5 million, which combined with the company's cattle land holdings which were independently valued at \$160.6 million as at 30 September 2008, provides significant opportunity and flexibility for the company.

Whilst we were disappointed not to be successful in the Plantation schemes, we respect the choice made by the Plantation project investors and remain committed to delivering the services required to those investors. However, we remain hopeful that many of those investors will see the success of the Beef Cattle projects as an endorsement and strengthening of Great Southern and will still support the individual offer to exchange their individual interest in the Plantation projects for shares in the company."

A further announcement regarding the outcome of the Shareholder vote and the implication to the company will be made on Thursday, 22 January 2009.

Individual Offers to investors under the Prospectus dated 23 October 2008 **remain open to 5pm WDT on Thursday 29 January 2009 by facsimile to 1800 783 447 or mail to Computershare Investor Services GPO Box 242 Melbourne VIC 3001.**

The adjourned GSL shareholder meeting is scheduled for **22 January 2009**. GSL shareholder proxies must be received by **9.00am (WDT), 20 January 2009**. The Company will advise the outcome of the Shareholder meeting following the meeting this week.

If you would like further information, please contact the Project Investor and Shareholder Information Line on 1300 652 672 from within Australia or +61 3 9415 4884 from outside Australia.