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Six months ended 31 December 2005 Dividend up 100% to 3.0 cents fully franked

The directors of MMC Contrarian announce the results for the half year to 31 December 2005. In summary:

- Profit from ordinary activities of \$16.6 million after tax (2004: \$1.9 million), equal to 7.7 cents per share (2004: 0.9 cents per share)
- Decrease in revaluation reserve of \$5.5 million after tax (2004: increase \$10.7 million), which represents a deficit of 2.6 cents per share (2004: surplus 5.3 cents per share)
- Increase in capital profits reserve of \$nil after tax (2004: \$5.4 million) equal to nil cents per share (2004: 2.7 cents per share)

This gives a combined performance of \$11.1 million after tax (2004: \$18.0 million), equal to 5.2 cents per share (2004: 9.0 cents per share). Before tax, the combined performance of the portfolio was an increase of \$16.2 million (2004: \$25.7 million), or 7.5 cents per share (2004: 12.8 cents per share).

Following the introduction of the Australian Equivalent International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS), ordinary activities include profits and losses from sale of investments as well as income from dividends and interest. In previous years, profits from sale of investments were treated as capital profits and separately reported.

The principal objectives of the company are:

- Exceed the return of the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index over the medium term to long term;
- Preserve the capital of the company; and
- Pay regular franked dividends.

In this six month period the portfolio has achieved an increase of 6.7% (2004: 12.1%) before tax and dividend payments. The All Ordinaries Accumulation Index increased by 13.8% (2004: 17.2%) in the same period. Since inception in December 2003 the portfolio has increased by 26.9% and the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index has increased 58.3%. The Manager does not place undue emphasis on short term performance especially when investing in contrarian opportunities. An equally important criterion for the Manager is the preservation of capital; this is likely to result in the Manager being under invested in a market it considers to be overvalued.

At 31 December 2005 the capital of the company after provision for all taxes and the payment of a 2.0 cent fully franked dividend in September 2005 had increased to 111.1 cents per share from 108.1 cents per share at 30 June 2005. This meets the objective of preserving the capital of the company.

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The directors have declared a 3.0 cents fully franked (2004: 1.5 cents fully franked) interim dividend to be paid on 23 March 2006. The record date will be 10 March 2006.

The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) has issued a tax ruling in respect of Listed Investment Companies which prima facie seeks to deny shareholders in LICs such as MMC Contrarian the benefit of the tax concessions arising from Subdivision 115-D of the Income Tax Act, contrary to the declared intention of S115-D which is to “ensure that investors in listed investment companies are placed in a similar tax position to investors in managed funds” (source – ATO website). It is important to note that MMC Contrarian will not incur any additional tax liabilities even if the ATO’s tax ruling is unable to be successfully amended or clarified. However, it may not be possible to pay to shareholders the special “LIC dividends” which have beneficial treatment for tax to certain shareholders. Because of the current uncertainty arising from this tax ruling the directors of MMC Contrarian have decided not to distribute any “LIC dividends” to shareholders in order to protect shareholders from lodging tax returns which may subsequently be challenged by the ATO. MMC Contrarian is currently obtaining advice on the most appropriate means of seeking to protect shareholders’ interests in respect of this matter.

The investment portfolio at 31 December 2005 and 30 June 2005 is summarised as follows:

	31 December 2005		30 June 2005	
	\$m	%	\$m	%
Listed equities	85	34%	98	41%
Hybrids	6	3%	8	3%
Fixed interest and cash	155	63%	134	56%
Total investments	246	100%	240	100%

At 31 December 2005 66% (2004: 62%) of investments were cash, fixed interest and hybrid securities. The assets of the company are managed by the Manager with a strong philosophy of capital preservation; consequently the company has large cash holdings when suitable investments cannot be found. At 31 December 2005 fixed interest deposits all mature within 30 days and are placed with Australian trading banks.

Quarterly updates prepared by the Manager have been mailed to shareholders and are also available on our website www.mmccontrarian.com.au.

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The Board has an objective of active capital management to benefit shareholders. This included buying back and cancelling shares in a structured way when they are trading at a significant discount to net tangible assets. During the half year 2,351,149 (2004: 1,056,553) shares were bought back on-market and cancelled. The shares were acquired for an average price of 95.0 cents (2004: 100.7 cents).

Simon Rowell
Chairman
21 February 2006

MMC Contrarian Limited
Half Year Financial Statements
as at
31 December 2005

MMC Contrarian Limited
ABN 83 106 248 248
Financial Statements
Directors' Report

The Directors submit the financial report of the company for the half year ended 31 December 2005.

Directors

The names of directors who held office during the half year and until the date of this report are:

Simon A. Rowell - Chairman
Erik L. Metanovski - Non-executive (Alternate: Peter C. Constable)
Kevin J. Eley - Non-executive

The company and the manager

The company is a listed investment company with ASX code MMA. The company's investments are managed by MMC Asset Management Limited (MMC) (AFS Licence No. 230920). HGL Limited (ASX code: HNG) has made available the services of several of its key executives to assist MMC with providing these management services. Both HGL, in its own right, and MMC, on behalf of its clients, are experienced investors with excellent long term records in selecting investments. The company's investment philosophy is aimed at preserving and growing shareholders' capital over the long term. This is achieved by acquiring a concentrated portfolio of companies primarily listed on the Australian Stock Exchange that are trading at a discount to their fair value (value investing), by thinking independently and not following the herd (Contrarianism), and by having a structured and methodical approach to investing (discipline).

Review and results of operations

The company has achieved the following results in the half year:

Profit from ordinary activities of \$16.6 million after tax (2004: \$1.9 million)
Capital profits of \$nil after tax (2004: \$5.4 million)
Decrease in revaluation reserve of \$5.5 million (2004: Increase of \$10.7 million)

The company adopted Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards ("AIFRS") on 1 July 2005. Now, upon the sale of listed securities the difference between the assets' carrying amount and sale proceeds received and any cumulative gain which has been recognised directly in equity is recognised in the income statement. Previously the company had recognised realised gains resulting from the disposal of listed investments in the capital profits reserve. This half year net realised gains after tax were \$14.9 million (2004: \$5.4 million).

Dividends

The directors have declared a 3.0 cents fully franked interim dividend (2004: 1.5 cents fully franked interim dividend) to be paid on 23 March 2006. The record date will be 10 March 2006.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The auditor's independence declaration is included on page 4.

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Rounding of amounts

The company is of a kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/0100 dated 10 July 1998 and in accordance with that Class Order amounts in this report, and the financial report, have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.

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Simon Rowell, Chairman
Sydney, 21 February 2006

The Board of Directors
MMC Contrarian Limited
Level 5, 34 Hunter Street
Sydney, NSW 2000

21 February 2006

Dear Board Members

MMC Contrarian Limited

In accordance with section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the directors of MMC Contrarian Limited ("the Company").

As lead audit partner for the review of the financial statements of the Company for the half-year ended 31 December 2005, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the review; and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

Yours sincerely



DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU



Sarah Woodhouse
Partner
Chartered Accountants

MMC Contrarian Limited
Income Statement
for the six months ended 31 December 2005

	Note	2005	2004
		\$'000	\$'000
Revenue		4,836	4,571
Realised capital gains	2(c)	21,251	-
Expenses	6	<u>(2,019)</u>	<u>(1,833)</u>
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax expense		24,068	2,738
Income tax expense		(7,423)	(852)
Net profit from ordinary activities after income tax expense		<u>16,645</u>	<u>1,886</u>
		Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share		<u>7.71</u>	0.94
Diluted earnings per share - after allowing for options	9	<u>7.71</u>	0.47
Basic earnings per share including revaluation of listed securities and the capital profits on the sale of listed securities		<u>5.15</u>	8.96
Diluted earnings per share including revaluation of listed securities and the capital profits on the sale of listed securities	9	<u>5.15</u>	4.49

MMC Contrarian Limited
Statement of Recognised Income and Expense
for the six months ended 31 December 2005

	Note	2005	2004
		\$'000	\$'000
(Decrease) / increase in asset revaluation reserves, net of tax	8	(5,530)	10,691
Increase in capital profits reserve, net of tax	2(c)	-	5,364
Total revenue and valuation adjustments recognised directly in equity		<u>(5,530)</u>	16,055
Net profit from ordinary activities after income tax expense	8	16,645	1,886
Total changes in equity other than those resulting from transactions with owners as owners		<u>11,115</u>	<u>17,941</u>

To be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

MMC Contrarian Limited
Balance Sheet
As at 31 December 2005

	Note	31 December 2005 \$'000	30 June 2005 \$'000	31 December 2004 \$'000
Assets				
Cash assets		26,492	48,515	38,402
Receivables		1,698	1,166	935
Fixed interest deposits		127,993	85,526	83,182
Listed securities		90,963	106,530	116,728
Total Assets		<u>247,146</u>	<u>241,737</u>	<u>239,247</u>
Liabilities				
Payables		1,003	1,414	341
Current tax liabilities		6,116	2,842	4,082
Deferred tax liabilities		1,508	3,950	7,188
Total Liabilities		<u>8,627</u>	<u>8,206</u>	<u>11,611</u>
Net Assets		<u>238,519</u>	<u>233,531</u>	<u>227,636</u>
Equity				
Contributed equity		211,827	213,166	200,423
Retained profits	8	22,635	1,504	2,366
Asset revaluation reserve	8	4,057	10,054	18,222
Capital profits reserve	8	-	8,807	6,625
Total Equity		<u>238,519</u>	<u>233,531</u>	<u>227,636</u>

To be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

MMC Contrarian Limited
Statement of Cash Flows
for the six months ended 31 December 2005

	2005	2004
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Dividends and trust distributions received	897	1,077
Interest received	3,927	3,253
Payments to suppliers	(2,025)	(1,844)
Income taxes	(4,020)	-
Net operating cash flows	(1,221)	2,486
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Acquisitions of listed securities	(57,440)	(35,596)
Fixed interest deposits	(42,466)	(12,026)
Proceeds from sale of listed securities	84,641	31,216
Net investing cash flows	(15,265)	(16,406)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Proceeds from issue of equity securities	-	4,165
Payment for share buy back	(2,113)	(1,072)
Dividends paid	(3,424)	(1,704)
Net financing cash flows	(5,537)	1,389
Net decrease in cash held	(22,023)	(12,531)
Cash at the beginning of the financial period	48,515	50,933
Cash at the end of the financial period	26,492	38,402

To be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

MMC Contrarian Limited
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the six months ending 31 December 2005

1 Basis of preparation of the Half-Year Financial Statements

The half year condensed financial statements are a general purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with AIFRS, the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001, applicable Accounting Standards including AASB 134 "Interim Financial Reporting" and other mandatory professional reporting requirements (Urgent Issues Group Interpretations).

The half year financial report does not include all notes of the type normally included within the annual financial report and therefore cannot be expected to provide as full an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and financing and investing activities of the entity as the full financial report.

The half year financial report should be read in conjunction with the annual financial report of MMC Contrarian Limited as at 30 June 2005 and any public announcements made by MMC Contrarian Limited during the half year in accordance with any continuous disclosure obligations arising under the Corporations Act 2001.

Australian Accounting Standards include AIFRS. Compliance with AIFRS ensures that the financial report of the company, comprising the financial statements and notes thereto, complies with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

The company changed its accounting policies on 1 July 2005 to comply with AIFRS. The transition to AIFRS is accounted for in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 1 First-time adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards. The accounting policies set out below have been applied in preparing the financial statements for the half-year ended 31 December 2005 and the comparative information presented in these financial statements.

For the purpose of preparing the half year financial statements the half year has been treated as a discrete reporting period.

2 Significant Accounting Policies

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the half-year financial report:

(a). Financial assets

Investments are recognised and derecognised on trade date where purchase or sale of an investment is under a contract whose terms require delivery of the investment within the timeframe established by the market concerned, and are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs.

The company's listed securities are classified as available for sale (AFS) under AASB 139. Under AASB 139 financial instruments classified as AFS are recorded at fair value with movements in their fair value being recorded directly in equity.

As at 31 December 2005, the market value of listed securities was determined using bid prices in accordance with AASB 139 "Financial Instruments : Recognition and Measurement". Under the transitional provisions of AASB 1, the company has not restated comparatives for financial instruments. Accordingly, listed securities in comparative periods have not been revalued using bid prices but are valued using last sale prices in accordance with superseded policies under AGAAP. Had bid prices been used, the adjustment to the value of listed securities as at 30 June 2005 and at 31 December 2004 would not have been material.

On adoption of AASB 139 on 1 July 2005 the carrying value of investments was reduced by \$667,323 in order to reflect the change in measurement basis from last sale price to bid price.

Upon the sale of listed securities the difference between the assets' carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and any cumulative gain which has been recognised directly in equity shall be recognised in profit or loss. Previously the company has recognised realised gains resulting from the disposal of listed investments in the capital profits reserve. As at 1 July 2005 the balance of the capital profits reserve of \$8.807 million was transferred to retained profits.

(b). Income tax

Current tax

Current tax is calculated by reference to the amount of income taxes payable or recoverable in respect of the taxable profit or tax loss for the period. It is calculated using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date. Current tax for current and prior periods is recognised as a liability to the extent that is unpaid.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is accounted for using the comprehensive balance sheet liability method in respect of temporary differences arising from differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax base of those items.

2 Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(c). Revenue Recognition

Realised capital gains

Proceeds from the sale of listed securities and the disposal of listed securities at cost are recognised net as realised capital gains in the income statement. Previously, proceeds from the sale of listed securities were included in revenue, disposals of listed securities were included in expenses and the resulting capital gain or loss was recorded in the capital profits reserve.

Dividend and Distribution Income

Dividend income is recognised on a receivable basis on the date the shares are quoted ex-dividend.

Distribution Income

Distribution income is recognised on a receivable basis as the date of unit value is quoted ex-distribution

Interest Income

Interest from fixed interest and discount securities is recognised as income on the basis of the accumulated entitlement that would be received on the disposal of the security according to the trading practices accepted by the market for the relevant security. Interest on cash on deposit is recognised in accordance with the terms and conditions which apply to the deposit.

3 Events subsequent to Reporting Date

The Directors declared on 24 January 2006 a fully franked interim dividend of 3.0 cents per share payable on 23 March 2006. There have been no other events subsequent to reporting date that would materially affect the financial statements at the reporting date.

4 Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There are no contingent assets or liabilities at the date of this report that affect the financial statements.

5 Segment Reporting

The company operates in the financial investment industry. The economic entity operates in one geographic area being Australia.

6 Expenses

	31 December 2005 \$'000	31 December 2004 \$'000
Management fees	1,589	1,454
Share registry and mailing costs	103	91
Custody and Accounting fees	78	106
Directors fees	38	38
Other costs	211	144
	<u>2,019</u>	<u>1,833</u>

7 Dividends Paid

	31 December 2005 \$'000	31 December 2004 \$'000
Final fully franked dividends of 2.0 cents (2004: 1.0 cents) per share franked at the rate of 30%	4,321	2,000

\$896,982 (2004:\$295,165) of this dividend paid was reinvested under the dividend reinvestment plan.

8 Movements in reserves

	6 months to 31 December 2005 \$'000	12 months to 30 June 2005 \$'000
Retained profits		
Balance at the beginning of the period	1,504	2,479
Net profit attributable to members of the entity	16,645	4,332
Dividends provided for or paid	(4,321)	(5,307)
Transfer from capital profits reserve	8,807	-
Balance at the end of the period	<u>22,635</u>	<u>1,504</u>
Asset revaluation reserve		
Balance at beginning of period	10,054	7,531
Adjustment in respect of AASB 139	(467)	-
Restated balance at beginning of period	9,587	7,531
Revaluation of listed securities, net of tax	(5,530)	10,069
Transfer to capital profits reserve	-	(7,546)
Balance at end of period	<u>4,057</u>	<u>10,054</u>
Capital profits reserve		
Balance at beginning of period	8,807	1,261
Transfer from asset revaluation reserve, net of tax	-	7,546
Transfer to retained profits	(8,807)	-
Balance at end of period	<u>-</u>	<u>8,807</u>

9 Earnings per Share

Diluted earnings per share for the half-year ended 31 December 2005 are equal to basic earnings per share as all options expired on 30 June 2005.

10 Impacts of the adoption of Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards

(a). Effect of AIFRS on the balance sheet as at 30 June 2005, 31 December 2004 and 1 July 2004

	30/06/2005	Effects of transition to AIFRS	30/06/2005
	\$'000		\$'000
Assets			
Cash assets	48,515		48,515
Receivables	1,166		1,166
Fixed interest deposits	85,526		85,526
Listed securities	106,530		106,530
Total Assets	<u>241,737</u>		<u>241,737</u>
Liabilities			
Payables	1,414		1,414
Current tax liabilities	2,842		2,842
Deferred tax liabilities	(i) 4,699	(749)	3,950
Total Liabilities	<u>8,955</u>	<u>(749)</u>	<u>8,206</u>
Net Assets	<u>232,782</u>	<u>749</u>	<u>233,531</u>
Equity			
Contributed equity	(i) 211,915	1,251	213,166
Retained profits	(i) 2,006	(502)	1,504
Asset revaluation reserve	10,054		10,054
Capital profits reserve	8,807		8,807
Total Equity	<u>232,782</u>	<u>749</u>	<u>233,531</u>

	31/12/2004	Effects of transition to AIFRS	31/12/2004
	\$'000		\$'000
Assets			
Cash assets	38,402		38,402
Receivables	935		935
Fixed interest deposits	83,182		83,182
Listed securities	116,728		116,728
Total Assets	<u>239,247</u>		<u>239,247</u>
Liabilities			
Payables	341		341
Current tax liabilities	4,082		4,082
Deferred tax liabilities	(i) 8,062	(874)	7,188
Total Liabilities	<u>12,485</u>	<u>(874)</u>	<u>11,611</u>
Net Assets	<u>226,762</u>	<u>874</u>	<u>227,636</u>
Equity			
Contributed equity	(i) 199,172	1,251	200,423
Retained profits	(i) 2,743	(377)	2,366
Asset revaluation reserve	18,222		18,222
Capital profits reserve	6,625		6,625
Total Equity	<u>226,762</u>	<u>874</u>	<u>227,636</u>

10 Impacts of the adoption of Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (continued)

	1/07/2004	Effects of transition to AIFRS	1/07/2004
	\$'000		\$'000
Assets			
Cash assets	50,933		50,933
Receivables	986		986
Fixed interest deposits	71,156		71,156
Listed securities	89,078		89,078
Total Assets	212,153		212,153
Liabilities			
Payables	310		310
Current tax liabilities	1,309		1,309
Deferred tax liabilities	(i) 3,228	(1,000)	2,228
Total Liabilities	4,847	(1,000)	3,847
Net Assets	207,306	1,000	208,306
Equity			
Contributed equity	(i) 195,784	1,251	197,035
Retained profits	(i) 2,730	(251)	2,479
Asset revaluation reserve	7,531		7,531
Capital profits reserve	1,261		1,261
Total Equity	207,306	1,000	208,306

(b). Effect of AIFRS on the income statement for the year ended 30 June 2005 and 31 December 2004

	30/06/2005	31/12/2004
	\$'000	\$'000
Net profit as reported under AGAAP	4,583	2,012
Adjustments to income tax expense	(i) (251)	(126)
Net profit as reported under AIFRS	4,332	1,886

Footnote:

(i) Under AASB 112 the Company determines its deferred tax position using the balance sheet liability method rather than the previous income statement method. This has resulted in the recognition of a deferred tax asset in respect of share issue expenses which will give rise to future income tax benefits over the next three years.

(c). Restated AIFRS Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2005

There are no material differences between the cash flows presented under AGAAP and the cash flows presented under AIFRS.

**MMC CONTRARIAN LIMITED
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DIRECTORS' DECLARATION**

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of MMC Contrarian Limited, I state that:

In the opinion of the directors:

- (a) the financial statements and notes of the company:
 - (i) give a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2005 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) comply with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Act 2001; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors made pursuant to S303(5) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the Board

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Simon Rowell, Chairman
Sydney, 21 February 2006

Independent review report to the members of MMC Contrarian Limited

Scope

The financial report and directors' responsibility

The financial report comprises the balance sheet, income statement, cash flow statement, statement of recognised income and expense, selected explanatory notes and the directors' declaration for MMC Contrarian Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2005 as set out on pages 5 to 12.

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Corporations Act 2001. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate financial records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

Review Approach

We have performed an independent review of the financial report in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, anything has come to our attention that would indicate that the financial report is not presented fairly in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and Accounting Standards AASB 134 "Interim Financial Reporting" and AASB 1 "First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards", so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations, its changes in equity and its cash flows, and in order for the company to lodge the financial report with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

Our review was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards applicable to review engagements. A review is limited primarily to inquiries of the entity's personnel and analytical procedures applied to the financial data. These procedures do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, thus the level of assurance provided is less than given in an audit. We have not performed an audit and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Statement

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of MMC Contrarian Limited is not in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2005 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Accounting Standards AASB 134 "Interim Financial Reporting" and AASB 1 "First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards" and the Corporations Regulations 2001.



DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU



Sarah Woodhouse
Partner
Chartered Accountants
Sydney, 21 February 2006

Member of
Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

**Appendix 4D
Half Year Report
Period Ended 31 December 2005**

1. Name of Entity:	MMC CONTRARIAN LIMITED
ACN:	106 248 248
Half year ended ("reporting period")	31 December 2005
Half year ended ("previous corresponding period")	31 December 2004

2. Results for announcement to the market

(Amount and percentage change up or down from the previous corresponding period)

		% change	\$ 000
2.1 Revenues from ordinary activities		6%	4,836
2.2 Profit from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members		783%	16,645
2.3 Net profit for the reporting period attributable to members		783%	16,645

2.4 Dividends

	Amount per security	Franked amount per security
Final dividend - record date 8 September 2005, paid 22 September 2005	2.0 cents	2.0 cents
Interim dividend - record date 10 March 2006, payable 23 March 2006	3.0 cents	3.0 cents
Previous corresponding period - record date 15 March 2005, paid 24 March 2005	1.5 cents	1.5 cents

2.5 Record date for determining entitlements to the dividends	10-Mar-06
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2.6 Explanation of the results for the current half year period

See directors' report and Chairman's statement.

3. Net tangible assets per security

	Reporting period	Previous corresponding period
Net tangible asset backing per ordinary security	1.111	1.119

4. Control gained over entities having a material effect

There was no gain or loss of control of entities during the current period.

5. Dividends

An interim dividend of 3.0 cents a share will be paid on 23 March 2006.

Appendix 4D
Half Year Report
Period Ended 31 December 2005

6. Details of dividend reinvestment plan in operation and the last date for the receipt of an election notice for participation in any dividend reinvestment plan.

The Directors have established the dividend reinvestment plan to provide shareholders with the opportunity of reinvesting their dividends in ordinary shares of the company. The shares will be issued at the weighted average market price of shares sold on the ASX on the record date and the 3 trading days preceeding that date. There is no discount. Notices for the dividend reinvestment plan must be received by the share registry by no later than 5:00pm on the record date for a forthcoming dividend in order to take effect for that dividend.

7. Details of associates and joint venture entities

There were no associates or joint venture entity holdings in the current period.

Compliance Statement

8. The information provided in this report has been prepared in accordance with AASB standards, other AASB authoritative pronouncements and Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views or other standards acceptable to ASX.
9. The MMC Contrarian Limited Financial Report for the financial half year ended 31 December 2005 has been subject to review. A copy of the independent review report to the members of MMC Contrarian Limited is attached.