

# 2024 Financial Statements

# Entrust Trustees Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

The year in review to 30 June 2024 was another busy one for Entrust, with distribution of our \$334 dividend plus \$30 from Vector being paid to 359,000 beneficiaries in September 2023.

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

For the year ended 30 June 2024 the overall income of Entrust was \$178.1 million, compared to income of \$127.9 million in the previous year. Income was made up of \$174.6 million in dividends from Vector and \$3.5 million from interest on funds.

The total expenditure incurred by Entrust for the year was \$4.0 million compared to \$4.2 million last financial year, a reduction of \$200,000.

## BALANCE SHEET

Entrust holds 751 million shares in Vector on behalf of beneficiaries. The value of these shares at 30 June 2024 was \$2.8 billion.

## ANNUAL DIVIDEND

The September 2023 dividend was \$334 with an additional \$30 from Vector which is due to an electricity industry credit the company received known as loss rental rebates, making a total payment to beneficiaries of \$364. We pay the dividend as soon as we can after Vector pays its dividend to ensure beneficiaries receive their dividend promptly. In 2023 the Vector final dividend was paid on 14 September 2023 and Entrust paid its dividend on 20 September 2023. The dividend was paid to 359,000 beneficiaries, families and businesses in the Entrust district of south, east and central Auckland who are connected to the Vector network, making the 2023 distribution the biggest to date, and injecting \$119.9 million into the Auckland economy at a time when many families are finding things tough due to the current cost of living crisis.

The dividend continues to be impacted by the tax imputation decision made by Vector in 2020, to reduce imputation credits on their dividend from 28% to 10.5%. The reduction in the amount of imputation credits Vector pays on the dividend results in Entrust having to pay significantly more tax before the dividend is distributed to beneficiaries.

## PAYING THE DIVIDEND

The Entrust dividend is paid by direct credit to a bank account or as a credit on a power account to eligible beneficiaries, depending on their preference. Where no preference is known, the beneficiary receives a notification to provide their banking details so the payment can be completed. This adds a layer of complexity to the dividend distribution that arose with the removal of cheques by all banks in 2021. Without cheques, Entrust now needs to confirm or gather payment instructions and bank account details from every beneficiary every year. This adds a good deal of time, checking, and cost to the process, to ensure we are paying the dividend into the bank account of only eligible beneficiaries.

It is further complicated by the fact that the entire process has to be repeated annually because around 40% of all beneficiaries move or change their personal details in some way every year. We must check we have the correct details for every beneficiary, every year.

We start that process in June, with a payment preference campaign to gather those details. The campaign makes high use of email correspondence to inform people that they need to check or update their details in order for payment to be made on dividend day later in the year. For ease of use, people are able to return their preferences by email or via the secure web which was introduced in 2023, as noted below. Reminder emails are sent to people where we have not received payment preference information. Even so, we don't get details from everyone ahead of time. In those circumstances where we can't make payment on dividend day, people are notified and have up to two years to provide their details so they can receive their payment.

We made it easier for people to complete their payments in 2023, with the introduction of a secure web platform where people can input their payment details online. This has been highly successful with 12,500 people going online to provide their payment details on the first day of the 2023 dividend distribution. In total more than 80% of 2023 dividend payments were requested via the online service.

## DIVIDEND ADVERTISING

Two brief but efficient advertising campaigns are conducted to help ensure the dividend reaches everyone who is entitled to it.

The first campaign in June alerts people that they need to check, update or complete their payment details. The advertising in this campaign is vital in getting as many people paid on dividend day as possible.

The second campaign is in September at dividend time, and it lets people know that the dividend has been paid. This is particularly important for people who couldn't be paid on dividend day because they moved or their details had changed, or they hadn't given us their bank details.



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Check your details and get back to us **ASAP**, no later than Friday 4 August 2023

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**Entrust**  
Majority shareholder of Vector

*Advertising from the June 2023 campaign.*

**GREAT NEWS**

We've just paid \$119.9 million to over 359,000 households and businesses

Enjoy your \$334 Entrust dividend, Auckland.  
Plus \$30 from Vector!  
entrustnz.co.nz

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You're eligible for the Entrust dividend if you were a customer on the Vector electricity network in the Entrust District at midnight on Wednesday 9 August 2023. The Entrust District includes central, east and south Auckland.

For more information visit [entrustnz.co.nz](http://entrustnz.co.nz)  
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## UNDERGROUNDING

As majority owner of Vector we have an agreement that requires Vector to spend \$10.5 million every year on projects in the Entrust district via the Energy Solutions Programme. In June 2024, the contractual requirements between Entrust and Vector known as the NDREOR (new Deed Recording Essential Operating Requirements) which includes detail of Vector's commitment to Entrust regarding undergrounding was renegotiated, with an increased spend of \$12.5 million on undergrounding and new technologies being agreed.

So far more than 300 undergrounding projects have been completed and around 72.3% of overhead power lines are underground in communities all over central, east and south Auckland.

In the 2023/2024 financial year Vector invested \$10.6 million in the undergrounding of overhead lines. Pleasingly, all works received complimentary customer feedback on completion and were delivered without lost time injury.

The most significant undergrounding project this year has been the continuation and completion of the large project in St Heliers. Vector's ability to develop projects of this scale brings significant efficiencies to the programme and enables Vector to optimise the length of the network undergrounded.

Other undergrounding projects this year included Ruru Street and Nikau Street in Newton, Parau Street in Mount Roskill, Ranfurly Road in Epsom, and Newell Street in Pt Chevalier, as well as a Right of Way located in the middle of Bassett Road in Remuera. In addition, there were four resident

initiated projects: a Right of Way at the upper end of Portland Road in Remuera, Glenfell Place in Epsom, Lawrence Street in Herne Bay, and Campbell Rd in Maraetai.

*Examples of undergrounding projects completed during 2023/24.*



Waimarie Street/Riddell Road, St Heliers (before).



Waimarie Street/Riddell Road, St Heliers (after).



Parau Street, Mt Roskill (before).



Parau Street, Mt Roskill (after).

## **OVER-TAXATION**

We took our petition for a fairer tax deal for Entrust beneficiaries all the way to Parliament this year. More than 13,000 people signed the petition, which was officially tabled and presented in Parliament.

Many people receiving the annual Entrust dividend pay more tax than they need to on the dividend amount. That's because tax rules say that the Entrust dividend must be taxed at the top tax rate of 33%, when the majority of people receiving the dividend are on a lower tax rate than this, and claiming back the over-taxation is difficult.

The over-taxation can be refunded if dividend recipients file a tax return and include details of their dividend together with the various tax credits they are entitled to, but it is complicated because the dividend is split over two tax years, and it requires detailed knowledge of tax regulations. We know that the overwhelming majority of Entrust dividend recipients (especially low-income earners) have not done this in the past.

This situation means that every year Aucklanders miss out on around \$14 million from the dividend due to it being over-taxed by the government. For Aucklanders earning the least, that's up to \$90 a year of their dividend gone from their back pocket.

## **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS**

At last year's Annual Meeting of Beneficiaries, Moore Markhams Auckland Audit was appointed as the Entrust auditor for the 2023/2024 financial year.

## **REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS**

The audit fees for the 2023/2024 financial year were \$55,000.

In accordance with section 101(3)(a) of the Electricity Industry Act 2010, a motion will be put to the next Annual Meeting of beneficiaries authorising the Trustees of Entrust to fix the fees and expenses of the auditors for the ensuing year.

### **Entrust Trustees**

**8 October 2024**

Denise Lee, Chair

William Cairns, Deputy Chair

Rachel Adams Langton (appointed 26 July 2024)

Alastair Bell

Paul Hutchison

# Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2024

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## 2024 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 are dated 27 August 2024, and signed for and on behalf of the Trustees by:



Chair



Chair of the Finance and Risk Committee

# Directory

## Principal Business

To act as Trustees and distribute the surplus from the Trust Fund to the income beneficiaries under its Deed of Trust. The income beneficiaries are customers on the Vector electricity network within the boundaries defined in the Trust Deed. The Trust Fund comprises primarily the Trustees' shareholding in Vector Limited.

## Date Settled

27 August 1993

## Trustees

The following Trustees of the Trust held office as at, during the period ended, and since 30 June 2024:

D A Lee (Chair effective 13 August 2024, Deputy Chair effective 11 June 2024 until 12 August 2024)

W A Cairns (Deputy Chair effective 13 August 2024, Chair until 12 August 2024)

C P T Hutchison

A P Bell

R Adams Langton (appointed 26 July 2024)

M Buczkowski (resigned 31 May 2024)

## Termination Date

27 August 2073

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## Independent auditor's report

### To the Beneficiaries of Entrust

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Entrust (the Trust or Parent) and the consolidated financial statements of Entrust and its controlled subsidiaries (the Group) which comprise:

- the consolidated financial statements set out on pages 7 to 44, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, and the consolidated statement of comprehensive revenue and expense, statement of other comprehensive revenue and expense, statement of changes in net assets, and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies; and
- the statement of service performance on pages 5 to 6.

In our opinion the accompanying consolidated financial statements presents fairly, in all material respects:

- the consolidated financial position of the Trust as at 30 June 2024 and its consolidated financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the service performance for the year ended 30 June 2024 in accordance with the Trust's service performance criteria in accordance with the Public Benefit Entity Standards (Not-for-profit) issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit of the statement of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISAs (NZ)), and the audit of the service performance information in accordance with the ISAs (NZ) and New Zealand Auditing Standard (NZ AS) 1 (Revised) The Audit of Service Performance Information issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements' section of our report.

We are independent of the Trust and Group in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standard) (New Zealand) as issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other than our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with, or interests in, the Trust or Group.

#### Other information

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Directory on page 2. Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of opinion of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above, and in doing so consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on our work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this audit report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Governing body's responsibilities for the performance report

The Trustees are responsible for:

- the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements, and statement of service performance in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Standards (Not-for-profit) issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board;
- service performance criteria that are suitable in order to prepare service performance information in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Standards (Not-for-profit); and

- such internal control as those charged with governance determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the consolidated financial statements and statement of service performance that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the performance report, the governing body are responsible on behalf of the Trust for assessing the Trust or Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustee's either intend to liquidate the Trust or Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether consolidated financial statements, as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (NZ) and NZ AS 1 (Revised), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements and the service performance information, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of the Trust or Group's internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Trust or Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis of accounting by those charged with governance and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Trust or Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Trust or Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements and the service performance information, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements and the service performance information represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Perform procedures to obtain evidence about and evaluate whether the reported outcomes and outputs, and quantification of the outputs to the extent practicable, are relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

### Who we report to

This report is made solely to the Trust Beneficiaries, as a body. Our audit has been undertaken so that we might state to the Trust Beneficiaries those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trust Beneficiaries, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**Moore Markhams Auckland Audit** | Qualified Auditors, Auckland, New Zealand  
27 August 2024

# Statement of Service Performance

for the year ended 30 June 2024

Entrust is a private electricity consumer trust that was established in 1993 as part of reforms to the electricity sector. The trustees of Entrust are subject to the Trusts Act 2019 and relevant provisions of the Electricity Industry Act 2010. They are required to act in the best interests of Entrust beneficiaries, who comprise over 364,000 consumers of electricity in the Entrust district (which broadly encompasses central, east and south Auckland). A core responsibility of Entrust trustees is, each year, to identify beneficiaries and pay to them their share of dividends received by Entrust from Vector Limited, of which Entrust is the 75.1% shareholder.

Entrust is required to comply with PBE FRS 48 *Service Performance Reporting*, and has made several judgements in preparing its service performance information. The judgements exercised do not have a significant effect on the selection, measurement, aggregation, and presentation of the Trust's service performance information.

## Outcomes

The primary functions of Entrust are to:

1. Receive dividends from its shareholding in Vector and set and distribute dividends to Entrust beneficiaries.
2. Manage Entrust's majority ownership of Vector on behalf of beneficiaries.
3. Monitor and address regulatory issues affecting Vector, Entrust and its beneficiaries, including dealing with government bodies on regulatory issues.
4. Provide strategic input to Vector at board level.
5. Propose, and with other shareholders of Vector, appoint Vector's board of directors.
6. Consider and, if thought appropriate, approve all major transactions and other transactions requiring the prior consent of Entrust that are undertaken by Vector.
7. Monitor the prices of Vector electricity services in the Entrust district.
8. Manage Entrust's funds.

## Outputs and measurement of service performance

The levels of service reported in the table below reflect some of Entrust's key responsibilities as set out in the Entrust Trust Deed and the New Deed Recording Essential Operating Requirements between Entrust and Vector dated 7 August 2015 (NDREOR), which details certain binding contractual agreements between Vector and Entrust.

Level of Service	Measure	Result FY2024	Result FY2023
Pay a dividend to Entrust beneficiaries each year in line with the requirements of the Trust Deed.	Dividend is paid on an annual basis.	In the year to 30 June 2024, the dividend was paid on 20 September 2023	In the year to 30 June 2023, the dividend was paid on 21 September 2022.
	Make payments by direct credit to beneficiary bank accounts on the dividend distribution date with an accuracy rate of above 99%.	In the year to 30 June 2024, the accuracy rate of direct credits to beneficiary bank accounts was 99.998%	In the year to 30 June 2023, the accuracy rate of direct credits to beneficiary bank accounts was 99.997%.
Ensure Vector delivers undergrounding and/or new technology projects in the Trust district each year as required by the NDREOR.	Expenditure of \$10.5 million per year or if less than that in any given year, then a spend in that year which, when aggregated with the spend in the immediately preceding 4 financial years, equates to an average annual spend of at least \$10.5 million per year, on undergrounding and/or new technology projects as detailed in the NDREOR.	In the financial year to 30 June 2024, Vector invested \$10.6 million in the undergrounding of overhead lines in 12 locations, and has met its obligation under NDREOR.  A new NDREOR was negotiated, and was signed on 27 June 2024	In the financial year to 30 June 2023, Vector's expenditure was \$11.6 million, spent entirely on overhead improvement projects.

# Statement of Service Performance (continued)

for the year ended 30 June 2024

## Outputs and measurement of service performance (continued)

Level of Service	Measure	Result FY2024	Result FY2023
Ensure Vector provides an independent review of the state of the electricity network every two years to assist with security of supply for beneficiaries.	State of the Network review is completed every two years.	<p>The next report is due for completion in October 2024, therefore there is no update for the year to 30 June 2024.</p> <p>The most recent State of the Network Review was completed in October 2022 and is available on the Entrust website.</p>	In the year to 30 June 2023, a State of the Network review was completed in October 2022, with details available on the Entrust website. The prior report was completed in September 2020 as per the two yearly cycle and is also available on the website.
Monitor and address regulatory issues impacting Entrust, Vector and our beneficiaries by submitting to the relevant regulator on key issues.	Entrust submits on regulatory matters impacting Entrust beneficiaries and Vector.	<p>In the year to 30 June 2024, Entrust submitted to regulators, ministries and select and parliamentary committees on six different matters including: 2023 Input Methodologies, Consumer Care Guideline Options, Consumer Price Plan Comparison and Switching, Energy Transition, The Taxation Bill, and over taxation of beneficiaries.</p> <p>Copies of all submissions are available on our website.</p> <p>In the prior year, Entrust submitted on six matters.</p>	In the year to 30 June 2023, Entrust submitted to regulators on six different matters including: Misuse of Market Power Guidelines, Residual Allocation Methodology, Inefficient Price Discrimination, Review of Competition in the Wholesale Market, Future Renewable Power Supply and Electricity (Hazards from Trees) Regulations 2003. Copies of all submissions are available on our website.

### Summary

Trustees were satisfied with progress in the year to 30 June 2024, with the dividend being distributed as planned with a very high percentage of beneficiaries who opted to receive their dividend by direct credit receiving it on distribution day.

The undergrounding target was exceeded in the period under review with a spend of \$10.6 million, above the required \$10.5 million. Progress continues on undergrounding with new projects underway.

The October 2022 State of the Network report advised that the network continues to be in good health and Entrust continued to advocate on beneficiaries behalf by submitting to the regulators on key consultation topics during the period under review.

# Comprehensive Revenue and Expense

for the year ended 30 June

		GROUP		PARENT	
	NOTE	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Continuing operations<sup>1</sup>:</b>					
Revenue from exchange transactions	6	<b>1,141.2</b>	1,082.7	<b>174.6</b>	125.8
Operating expenses	7	<b>(597.7)</b>	(590.7)	<b>(4.0)</b>	(4.2)
Depreciation and amortisation		<b>(221.3)</b>	(194.0)	-	-
Interest income	8	<b>55.5</b>	13.9	<b>3.5</b>	2.1
Interest costs	9	<b>(100.6)</b>	(155.9)	-	-
Impairment of goodwill	13.1	<b>(60.0)</b>	-	-	-
Fair value change on financial instruments	25.2	<b>(12.0)</b>	(13.2)	-	-
Share of net profit/(loss) in joint ventures		<b>(24.9)</b>	-	-	-
<b>Surplus before income tax</b>		<b>180.2</b>	142.9	<b>174.1</b>	123.7
Tax benefit/(expense)	17	<b>(100.7)</b>	(45.2)	<b>(0.5)</b>	(2.5)
<b>Net surplus for the period from continuing operations</b>		<b>79.5</b>	97.7	<b>173.6</b>	121.2
Net surplus for the period from discontinued operations	4,5	<b>11.1</b>	1,613.9	-	-
<b>Net surplus for the period</b>		<b>90.6</b>	1,711.6	<b>173.6</b>	121.2
<b>Net surplus/(deficit) for the period attributable to</b>					
Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries		<b>24.6</b>	428.5	-	-
Beneficiaries of the Parent – continuing operations		<b>57.7</b>	71.0	<b>173.6</b>	121.2
Beneficiaries of the Parent – discontinued operations		<b>8.3</b>	1,212.1	-	-
		<b>90.6</b>	1,711.6	<b>173.6</b>	121.2

<sup>1</sup>The comparative information is restated due to a discontinued operation. Refer to note 5.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the accompanying accounting policies.

## Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense

for the year ended 30 June

	NOTE	GROUP		PARENT	
		2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Net surplus/(deficit) for the period</b>		<b>90.6</b>	1,711.6	<b>173.6</b>	121.2
<b>Other comprehensive revenue and expense net of tax</b>					
<i>Items that may be re-classified subsequently to surplus or deficit:</i>					
Net change in fair value of hedge reserves	25.3	<b>(29.5)</b>	(3.0)	-	-
Translation of foreign operations		<b>(1.5)</b>	(8.2)	-	-
<i>Items that will not be re-classified to surplus or deficit:</i>					
Share of other comprehensive income of joint ventures		<b>1.9</b>	-	-	-
Fair value change on investment	16.2	<b>(8.3)</b>	(3.4)	-	-
<b>Other comprehensive revenue and expense for the period net of tax</b>		<b>(37.4)</b>	(14.6)	-	-
Translation of foreign operations- discontinued operations		-	(3.4)	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the period net of tax</b>		<b>53.2</b>	1,693.6	<b>173.6</b>	121.2
<b>Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the period attributable to</b>					
Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries		<b>15.3</b>	424.0	-	-
Beneficiaries of the Parent – continuing operations		<b>29.6</b>	60.0	<b>173.6</b>	121.2
Beneficiaries of the Parent – discontinued operations		<b>8.3</b>	1,209.6	-	-

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# Financial Position

as at 30 June

		GROUP		PARENT	
	NOTE	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	10	91.4	95.5	14.0	5.6
Deposits	10	107.2	522.1	80.0	75.0
Trade and other receivables from exchange transactions	12	101.2	125.3	1.2	1.0
Contract assets		97.7	85.2	-	-
Derivatives	25	3.2	4.3	-	-
Inventories		26.4	21.1	-	-
Contingent consideration	11	12.4	11.5	-	-
Intangible assets		7.6	8.7	-	-
Income tax	17	18.1	36.0	-	-
Disposal group held for sale	5	9.7	-	-	-
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>474.9</b>	<b>909.7</b>	<b>95.2</b>	<b>81.6</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Receivables from exchange transactions	12	1.0	67.4	-	-
Derivatives	25	83.2	107.8	-	-
Contingent consideration	11	29.9	49.4	-	-
Investments in subsidiaries		-	-	300.0	300.0
Investment in joint venture	16.1	684.2	727.4	-	-
Investment in private equity	16.2	0.5	8.8	-	-
Intangibles	13	1,132.1	1,208.1	-	-
Property, plant and equipment (PPE)	14	4,668.0	4,385.8	-	-
Income tax	17	85.0	82.4	-	-
Deferred tax	18	2.1	2.9	-	-
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>6,686.0</b>	<b>6,640.0</b>	<b>300.0</b>	<b>300.0</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>7,160.9</b>	<b>7,549.7</b>	<b>395.5</b>	<b>381.6</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Distributions payable	20	75.3	63.2	75.3	63.2
Trade and other payables from exchange transactions	19	231.5	280.1	0.6	0.6
Provisions	21	2.3	20.6	-	-
Provision for unclaimed distributions	22	19.2	15.7	19.2	15.7
Borrowings	24	249.5	240.6	-	-
Contract liabilities		73.9	72.7	-	-
Derivatives	25	0.5	0.5	-	-
Income tax		0.8	3.6	0.1	2.1
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>653.0</b>	<b>697.0</b>	<b>95.2</b>	<b>81.6</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Payables from exchange transactions	19	0.5	0.2	-	-
Provisions	21	7.1	5.9	-	-
Borrowings	24	1,789.0	2,028.2	-	-
Contract liabilities		6.8	11.0	-	-
Derivatives	25	165.7	160.3	-	-
Deferred tax	18	759.7	687.3	-	-
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>2,728.8</b>	<b>2,892.9</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>3,381.8</b>	<b>3,589.9</b>	<b>95.2</b>	<b>81.6</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
Net Assets attributable to beneficiaries of the Parent		2,832.5	2,966.4	300.0	300.0
Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries		946.6	993.4	-	-
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>3,779.1</b>	<b>3,959.8</b>	<b>300.0</b>	<b>300.0</b>
<b>Total net assets and liabilities</b>		<b>7,160.9</b>	<b>7,549.7</b>	<b>395.2</b>	<b>381.6</b>

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the accompanying accounting policies.

# Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June

	NOTE	GROUP		PARENT	
		2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>					
Receipts from customers		1,232.4	1,409.8	-	-
Interest received		36.8	7.3	3.3	1.5
Dividends received		-	-	174.6	125.8
Payments to suppliers and employees		(708.6)	(717.8)	(3.9)	(4.2)
Lease payments		(13.6)	(12.5)	-	-
Distribution to beneficiaries		(108.2)	(90.5)	(108.3)	(90.5)
Dividend withholding tax paid		(49.8)	(30.1)	(49.8)	(30.1)
Interest paid		(107.4)	(164.4)	-	-
Income tax paid		(7.3)	(20.9)	(2.5)	(0.9)
<b>Net cash flows from/(used in) operating activities</b>	27.1	<b>274.3</b>	380.9	<b>13.4</b>	1.6
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>					
Proceeds from sale PPE and software intangibles		2.7	0.9	-	-
Purchase and construction of PPE		(464.7)	(601.5)	-	-
Purchase and development of software intangibles		(24.0)	(37.5)	-	-
Proceeds from contingent consideration	11	11.4	14.2	-	-
Repayments of loans advanced		95.6	-	-	-
Proceeds from sale of discontinued operations		-	1,690.7	-	-
Cash balance disposed in sale of discontinued operations		-	(3.0)	-	-
Proceeds from sale of investment in associate		1.4	1.7	-	-
Other investments		(15.4)	0.3	-	-
<b>Net cash flows from/(used in) investing activities</b>		<b>(393.0)</b>	1,065.8	-	-
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>					
Proceeds from borrowings		15.0	539.0	-	-
Repayment of borrowings		(255.0)	(1,425.5)	-	-
Dividends paid		(60.3)	(44.1)	-	-
<b>Net cash flows from/(used in) financing activities</b>		<b>(300.3)</b>	(930.6)	-	-
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>(419.0)</b>	516.1	<b>13.4</b>	1.6
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period		617.6	101.5	80.6	79.0
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period</b>		<b>198.6</b>	617.6	<b>94.0</b>	80.6
<b>Cash and cash equivalents comprise:</b>					
Bank balances and on-call deposits	10	91.4	95.5	14.0	5.6
Short term deposits	10	107.2	522.1	80.0	75.0
		<b>198.6</b>	617.6	<b>94.0</b>	80.6

## Discontinued operations

The cash flows above reflect the entire Vector group cash flows for the year ended 30 June 2024. Refer to note 5 for separately disclosed cash flows from discontinued operations.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the accompanying accounting policies.



# Changes in Net Assets

for the year ended 30 June

GROUP	NOTE	HEDGE RESERVE \$M	OTHER RESERVES \$M	RETAINED EARNINGS \$M	NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS \$M	TOTAL NET ASSETS \$M
<b>Balance at 30 June 2022</b>		43.9	6.5	1,766.3	614.7	2,431.4
Net surplus/(deficit) for the period		-	-	1,284.3	427.3	1,711.6
Other comprehensive revenue and expense		(2.3)	(11.2)	-	(4.5)	(18.0)
<b>Total comprehensive revenue and expense</b>		(2.3)	(11.2)	1,284.3	422.8	1,693.6
Dividends and distributions	3	-	-	(122.0)	(44.1)	(166.1)
Distribution payable		-	-	0.9	-	0.9
<b>Total transactions with beneficiaries</b>		-	-	(121.1)	(44.1)	(165.2)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2023</b>		<b>41.6</b>	<b>(4.7)</b>	<b>2,929.5</b>	<b>993.4</b>	<b>3,959.8</b>
Net surplus/(deficit) for the period		-	-	67.8	22.8	90.6
Other comprehensive revenue and expense		(22.2)	(5.9)	-	(9.3)	(37.4)
<b>Total comprehensive revenue and expense</b>		<b>(22.2)</b>	<b>(5.9)</b>	<b>67.8</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>53.2</b>
Dividends and distributions	3	-	-	(185.7)	(60.3)	(246.0)
Distribution payable		-	-	12.1	-	12.1
<b>Total transactions with beneficiaries</b>		-	-	<b>(173.6)</b>	<b>(60.3)</b>	<b>(233.9)</b>
<b>Balance at 30 June 2024</b>		<b>19.4</b>	<b>(10.6)</b>	<b>2,823.7</b>	<b>946.6</b>	<b>3,779.1</b>

PARENT	NOTE	TRUSTEE FUNDS \$M	RETAINED EARNINGS \$M	TOTAL NET ASSETS \$M
<b>Balance at 30 June 2022</b>		300.0	-	300.0
Net surplus/(deficit) for the period		-	121.2	121.2
Other comprehensive revenue and expense		-	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive revenue and expense</b>		-	121.2	121.2
Dividends and distributions	28	-	(122.1)	(122.1)
Distribution payable		-	0.9	0.9
<b>Total transactions with beneficiaries</b>		-	(121.2)	(121.2)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2023</b>		<b>300.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>300.0</b>
Net surplus/(deficit) for the period		-	173.6	173.6
Other comprehensive revenue and expense		-	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive revenue and expense</b>		-	<b>173.6</b>	<b>173.6</b>
Dividends and distributions	28	-	(185.7)	(185.7)
Distribution payable		-	12.1	12.1
<b>Total transactions with beneficiaries</b>		-	<b>(173.6)</b>	<b>(173.6)</b>
<b>Balance at 30 June 2024</b>		<b>300.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>300.0</b>

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## 1. Trust information

### Reporting entity

Entrust (the "Trust" or "Parent") was settled on 27 August 1993 and is domiciled in New Zealand. The Trust is registered under the Trustee Act 1956. The Trust is a reporting entity for the purposes of the Financial Reporting Act 2013 and is considered a Public Benefit Entity. The financial statements of the Trust have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Act 2013.

Entrust is a Discretionary Trust under the Trustee Act 1956. It is in the business of acting as Trustees and distributing the surplus from the Trust Fund to the income beneficiaries under its Deed of Trust. The income beneficiaries are customers on the Vector electricity network within the boundaries defined in the Trust Deed.

The Trust Fund comprises primarily the Trustees' shareholding in Vector Limited.

## 2. Summary of material accounting policies

### Statement of compliance

These group financial statements have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand generally accepted accounting practice (NZ GAAP). They comply with Public Benefit Entity International Public Sector Accounting Standards ("PBE IPSAS") and other applicable Financial Reporting Standards as appropriate for Tier 1 not-for-profit public benefit entities.

The subsidiary accounts have been prepared under New Zealand equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (NZ IFRS), and other applicable Financial Reporting Standards, as appropriate for Tier 1 for-profit entities. We have determined that upon consolidation, subject to the adoption of NZ IFRS 16 *Leases* by the subsidiary, which has been eliminated from these consolidated financial statements, there are no significant changes when prepared under PBE IPSAS.

The financial statements of the Trust must comply with the Financial Reporting Act 2013 and the Electricity Industry Act 2010. Pursuant to accounting standards prepared by the External Reporting Board under the Financial Reporting Act 2013 (in particular "External Reporting Board Standard A1 – Accounting Standards Framework") the Trustees have determined that the Trust falls within the definition of "Public Benefit Entity" under that standard. The designation of "Public Benefit Entity" is one which exists only under accounting standards and for the purposes of compliance with the Financial Reporting Act 2013. That designation has no effect on the substance of the Trust Deed which provides that the surplus of the Trust is to be distributed to those people defined as income beneficiaries under the Trust Deed, and who are exclusively customers of Vector within the Trust district, being the old geographical district of the now defunct Auckland Electric Power Board.

### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (NZ GAAP) as appropriate to Tier 1 not-for-profit entities.

They are prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following items, which are measured at fair value:

- the identifiable assets and liabilities acquired in a business combination; and
- certain financial instruments, as disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

The presentation currency is New Zealand dollars (\$). All financial information has been rounded to the nearest 1,000,000, unless otherwise stated.

The statements of revenue and expense, other comprehensive revenue and expense, cash flows and changes in equity are stated exclusive of GST. All items in the balance sheet are stated exclusive of GST except for trade receivables and trade payables, which include GST.

### Material accounting estimates and judgements

Vector's management is required to make judgements, estimates, and apply assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. They have based these on historical experience and other factors they believe to be reasonable. The table below lists the key areas of judgements and estimates in preparing these financial statements:

Key areas	Judgements / Estimates	Note
Valuation of contingent consideration receivable	Estimates	11, 23
Intangible assets: valuation of goodwill	Estimates	13
Property, plant and equipment: classification of costs	Judgements	14
Valuation of derivative financial instruments	Estimates	23, 25

### New standards and interpretations adopted

A number of new standards and interpretations are effective from 1 July 2023, but they do not have a material effect on the group's financial statements.

A number of new standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2024 and earlier application is permitted, however the group has not early adopted the new or amended standards in preparing these consolidated financial statements. Vector has considered the impact of standards and interpretations not yet effective and do not expect any of these to have a material impact.

### 3. Material transactions and events

Material transactions and events that have impacted the financial year ended 30 June 2024:

#### Discontinued operations

In December 2023, Vector Gas Trading Limited signed a conditional agreement with Nova Energy Limited for the sale of the remaining contracts in the natural gas business. The sale was completed on 1 July 2024. Refer to note 5 for further details and required disclosures relating to the sale.

#### Loss rental rebates

Vector distributed loss rental rebates ("LRRs") of \$17.9 million to customers on the Vector electricity network in September and October 2023 at \$30 per customer.

The new transmission pricing methodology ("TCM") came into force on 1 April 2023. Under the new TCM, distributors are required to pass through settlement residue to their customers, being retailers or directly billed customers on a monthly basis. Therefore, Vector is no longer able to apply LRRs to offset volume shortfalls or distribute LRRs to end users.

#### Commerce commission decisions

On 13 December 2023, the Commerce Commission (the "Commission") released its final decision on the Input Methodologies Review (the "IM Review") which is relevant to Vector's electricity and gas distribution businesses. The final decision confirmed a reduction in the weighted average cost of capital ("WACC") percentile for gas distribution businesses from 67% to 50%.

On 29 May 2024, the Commission released the draft decision for Default Price-quality Path 4 ("DPP4"), which relates to the 5 years beginning 1 April 2025 for the electricity distribution business. The draft decision provides an expenditure allowance that aligns with Vector's submitted 2024 Asset Management Plan. These decisions impact the future cash flows we can expect to earn from the regulated electricity and gas distribution businesses and are reflected in the impairment testing of these cash generating units.

The Commission will release the final decision at the end of November 2024.

#### Debt programme

In March 2024, Vector repaid \$240.0 million of wholesale bonds.

During the year ended 30 June 2024, the group drew down \$15.0 million and repaid \$15.0 million of bank facilities for a net nil movement in facilities (year ended 30 June 2023: net repayment of \$636.0 million). Refer to note 24 for more details on borrowings.

#### Regulatory quality thresholds

For the regulatory year to 31 March 2023, Vector was in breach of SAIDI due to the network outages relating to cyclone Gabrielle and the Auckland floods of February and January 2023 respectively.

Vector and other electricity distribution businesses are in discussions with the Commission regarding treatment of these exceptional events from a regulatory perspective. We were tracking well below the regulatory SAIDI limits up to the 27 January 2023 floods. Our view is that given the exceptional nature of the flood and cyclone events there is sufficient uncertainty as to whether the Commission will take any action in relation to the 2023 technical breach of SAIDI, that the criteria for raising a provision has not been met.

For the regulatory year to 31 March 2024, Vector was not in breach of SAIDI.

The Default Price-quality Path ("DPP") for 2020-2025 requires electricity distribution businesses to comply with the Extreme Event Standard. This is specified as a SAIDI value exceeding 120 minutes in a 24 hour period or exceeding six million customer interruption minutes in a 24 hour period.

In June 2023, Vector exceeded this threshold with an interruption of around 6.6 million customer minutes following faults on the Wellsford-Warkworth sub-transmission circuit. Vector will report this as a contravention of the Extreme Event quality standard in its 2024 compliance statement which will be published in August 2024. As required by the DPP Determination, Vector will publish an additional Extreme Event Standard report along with its compliance statement. This report will set out reasons for exceeding the standard and analysis into the Extreme Event.

We have not recognised a provision in respect of this incident at 30 June 2024.

#### Dividends

Vector Limited's final dividend for the year ended 30 June 2023 of 14.00 cents per share was paid on 14 September 2023, comprising an ordinary unimputed dividend of 8.50 cents per share and a special unimputed dividend of 5.50 cents per share. The total dividend paid was \$140.0 million.

Vector Limited's interim dividend for the year ended 30 June 2024 of 9.25 cents per share was paid on 9 April 2024. The total dividend paid was \$92.5 million.

Liquigas Limited, a subsidiary of the group, paid dividends of \$2.4 million to the company's non-controlling interests during the year ended 30 June 2024.

#### 4. Discontinued operations- metering

On 30 June 2023, Vector completed the sale of a 50% interest in its New Zealand and Australian metering business to investment vehicles managed and advised by QIC Private Capital Pty Limited (QIC).

The disposal group was presented as discontinued operations in the 2023 Annual Report.

#### 5. Discontinued operations- natural gas

In December 2023, Vector Gas Trading Limited signed a conditional agreement with Nova Energy Limited for the sale of the remaining contracts in the natural gas business. Total consideration is \$9.7 million, with \$3.0 million paid on completion, and the remaining consideration due in four instalments on a quarterly basis from 31 October 2024 to 31 July 2025. The sale was completed on 1 July 2024.

At 30 June 2024, the natural gas business continued to meet the criteria to be classified as non-current assets held for sale, in line with classification made in December 2023. The assets of the natural gas business relating to the contracts sold are presented in the balance sheet of the financial statements as a disposal group held for sale.

The natural gas business was previously included in the group's gas trading segment. The result of the disposal group for the year to 30 June 2024 is presented in the profit or loss from discontinued operations in the financial statements. Comparatives have been restated to show the discontinued operations separately from continuing operations.

	2024	2023
	\$M	\$M
<b>Profit and loss of discontinued operations – natural gas</b>		
Revenue	<b>100.3</b>	109.6
Operating expenses	<b>(83.7)</b>	(94.7)
Depreciation and amortisation	-	(0.1)
Impairment	<b>(0.6)</b>	-
<b>Profit/(loss) before income tax</b>	<b>16.0</b>	14.8
Income tax benefit/(expense)	<b>(4.9)</b>	(4.4)
<b>Net profit/(loss) for the period attributable to owners of the parents</b>	<b>11.1</b>	10.4

The natural gas business did not have any capital expenditure in the year ended 30 June 2024 (year ended 30 June 2023: nil)

	2024	2023
	\$M	\$M
<b>Cash flows from discontinued operations – natural gas</b>		
Net cash flows from/(used) in operating activities	<b>11.6</b>	12.2
<b>Net cash inflow/(outflow)</b>	<b>11.6</b>	12.2

#### Revenue- natural gas

The group receives revenue from business customers for providing a supply of natural gas over a contracted time period. Revenue is recognised over time that corresponds with the customer's consumption of natural gas and measured at the transaction price of the contract.

The transaction price for a gas supply contract includes variable consideration in the form of indexed pricing, volume pricing, and take or pay arrangements. The group estimates the amount of variable consideration present in each contract using the expected value method. Customers are billed monthly. A contract asset is recognised to account for natural gas supplied but not billed to the customer at balance date.

## 5. Discontinued operations- natural gas (continued)

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### Disposal group held for sale

	\$M
<b>Assets</b>	
Intangible assets	<b>9.7</b>
<b>Total disposal group assets held for sale</b>	<b>9.7</b>

### Policies

Vector classifies a disposal group as held for sale if its carrying amount will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. The disposal group is measured at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.

The two criteria that must be met to classify a disposal group as held for sale are:

- The disposal group is available for immediate sale in its present condition; and
- The sale transaction is highly probable.

A disposal group that is sold or held for sale is also reported as discontinued operations if it meets the below criteria:

- It is a component of the groups' business, the operations and cash flows of which can be clearly distinguished from the rest of the group; and
- It represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations.

### Impairment on reclassification to held for sale

The goodwill allocated to the natural gas business has been reclassified as held for sale at 30 June 2024, resulting in an impairment of \$0.6 million.

## 6. Revenue

### 6.1 Revenue from contracts with customers

	GROUP		PARENT	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Regulated networks – sale of distribution service	<b>753.0</b>	718.1	-	-
Regulated networks - third party contributions	<b>193.8</b>	187.3	-	-
Gas Trading sales	<b>128.2</b>	118.8	-	-
Other	<b>66.2</b>	58.5	-	-
Dividends received	-	-	<b>174.6</b>	125.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,141.2</b>	1,082.7	<b>174.6</b>	125.8

### Revenue streams

### Satisfaction of performance obligation

#### Regulated networks – sale of distribution services

The group receives revenue from business customers and energy retailers who sell energy to end customers for electricity and gas distribution services in Auckland.

Revenue from electricity and gas distribution services is measured at the value of consideration received, or receivable, to the extent that pricing is determined by the regulator within a defined revenue path.

Revenue is recognised over time on a basis that corresponds with end consumers' pattern of electricity and gas consumption. Customers are billed monthly in arrears for distribution services, including both a fixed portion, and variable pricing measured in units of electricity and gas distributed. Revenue from distribution services therefore includes an accrual for services provided but not billed at the end of the month.

The accrual is determined based on the group's estimate of volume distributed in the month using the most recent data available. A large portion of the contract assets at balance date consists of this accrual.

## 6. Revenue (continued)

### 6.1 Revenue from contracts with customers (continued)

#### Regulated networks – third party contributions

The group receives contributions from residential and commercial customers towards the construction of distribution system assets in the Auckland electricity or gas distribution networks.

Third party contributions are recognised as revenue over time, reflecting the percentage completion of the underlying construction activity. The group recognises a contract liability to account for consideration received from the customer but where the agreed construction activity is not completed; and conversely a contract asset is recognised to account for activities completed not billed.

The transaction price for third party contributions is netted against estimated rebates payable to commercial customers. A contract liability is recognised to account for payments received from customers for construction activities completed which are eligible for rebates in the future based on completion of developments.

In the event that a contract combines a contribution towards an agreed construction activity with sale of electricity or gas distribution services, the group unbundles the contract into two performance obligations and recognises revenue in accordance with each obligation's accounting policy.

#### Gas trading sales

Sale of LPG- comprises bulk LPG sales to commercial customers and bottled LPG sales to both commercial and residential customers.

Revenue is recognised at a point in time when LPG is delivered to a customer's site.

Billing to a customer occurs after completion of deliveries and at the end of each month with payment terms ranging from 60 days to 90 days.

Distribution of LPG- The group provides services in the areas of bulk LPG storage, distribution and management.

Revenue is recognised over time in line with a customer's consumption of monthly tolling and storage volumes and measured at the transaction price of the contract. The transaction price for a monthly tolling and storage contract includes variable consideration in the form of volume pricing and take or pay arrangements. The group estimates the amount of variable consideration present in each contract using the expected value method.

#### Other revenue streams

Other revenue includes telecommunications revenue and revenue from providing energy solution services.

Telecommunications revenue from commercial customers comprise the sale of fibre services. Revenue is recognised at the point in time of supply and customer consumption.

Energy solutions services comprise predominantly the sale of home and commercial ventilation and solar services. Revenue is recognised over time, reflecting the percentage completion of each ventilation and solar system install.

### 6.2 Revenue in relation to contract liabilities

The following table sets out the expected timing of future recognition of revenue relating to performance obligations not satisfied (or partially satisfied) at balance date:

<b>2024</b>	1 - 2 YEARS \$M	2 - 4 YEARS \$M	TOTAL \$M
Electricity distribution services	2.0	-	2.0
Telecommunication services	1.7	-	1.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>2023</b>	1 - 2 YEARS \$M	2 - 4 YEARS \$M	TOTAL \$M
Electricity distribution services	1.7	1.2	2.9
Telecommunication services	3.4	-	3.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>6.3</b>
<b>Policies</b>	No information is provided in relation to the remaining performance obligations at 30 June 2024 or 30 June 2023 that have an original duration of one year or less as permitted by NZ IFRS 15 <i>Revenue from Contracts with Customers</i> .		
<b>Revenue recognised</b>	Of the revenue recognised this year, \$54.6 million was included in the contract liability balance at the beginning of the reporting period. (2023: \$51.7 million).		

## 7. Operating expenses

	NOTE	GROUP		PARENT	
		2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Electricity transmission		188.9	184.2	-	-
Gas purchases and production		63.5	67.1	-	-
Energy solutions cost of sales		15.1	17.9	-	-
Network and asset maintenance		89.7	81.7	-	-
Other direct expenses		65.6	76.7	-	-
Employee benefit expenses		93.8	91.6	0.4	0.4
Administration expenses		16.6	17.6	1.1	1.0
Distribution expenses		1.3	1.5	1.3	1.5
Trustee Remuneration	29	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Professional fees		9.4	8.7	0.6	0.6
IT expenses		32.0	23.7	-	-
Lease expenses		12.9	12.3	-	-
Other indirect expenses		8.5	7.3	0.2	0.3
<b>Total</b>		<b>597.7</b>	<b>590.7</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.2</b>

### Fees paid to auditors of Entrust

Moore Markhams Auckland Audit are the auditors of Entrust. Fees paid to Moore Markhams Auckland Audit are as follows:

- audit of financial statements: \$55,000 (2023: \$50,000);
- other services: \$Nil (2023: \$33,891).

2023 comparative amounts were paid to the predecessor auditor Grant Thornton.

### Fees paid to auditors

Fees were paid to KPMG as follows:

- audit or review of financial statements: \$664,000 (2023: \$643,250);
- regulatory assurance: \$401,000 (2023: \$385,000);
- other assurance fees: \$80,500 (2023: \$89,000);
- non-audit fees: \$284,200 (2023: 143,738).

Other assurance fees include fees for the audit of guaranteeing group financial statements, bond registers, and assurance over greenhouse gas calculations. Non-audit fees related to advisory services for R&D tax credits and climate related disclosures.

## 8. Interest income

	NOTE	GROUP		PARENT	
		2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Interest income		49.5	7.9	3.5	2.1
Unwinding of discount of contingent consideration	11	6.0	6.0	-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>55.5</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>2.1</b>

### Policies

Interest income includes income from funds invested and shareholder loans, recognised using the effective interest rate method.



## 9. Interest costs

	NOTE	GROUP		PARENT	
		2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Interest expense		<b>101.3</b>	152.9	-	-
Amortisation of finance costs		<b>5.1</b>	9.4	-	-
Capitalised interest		<b>(5.6)</b>	(7.1)	-	-
Unwinding of discount of decommissioning provisions	21	<b>0.6</b>	0.7	-	-
Impact of change in discount rate on decommissioning provisions	21	<b>(0.8)</b>	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>100.6</b>	155.9	-	-

**Policies** Interest costs include interest expense on borrowings, recognised using the effective interest rate method.

**Capitalised interest** Vector has capitalised interest to PPE and software intangibles while under construction at an average rate of 4.2% per annum (2023: 4.2%).

## 10. Cash and cash equivalents and short-term deposits

	MATURITY DATES	GROUP		PARENT	
		2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Cash and cash equivalents		<b>91.4</b>	95.5	<b>14.0</b>	5.6
Short-term deposits	Sep 2024- Oct 2024	<b>107.2</b>	522.1	<b>80.0</b>	75.0

**Policies** Cash and cash equivalents and short-term deposits are carried at amortised cost.

Cash and cash equivalents includes deposits that are on call, short-term deposits includes deposits with a maturity date.

## 11. Contingent consideration

	NOTE	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Carrying value of contingent consideration</b>			
Opening balance		<b>60.9</b>	79.8
Unwinding of discount	8	<b>6.0</b>	6.0
Payments received		<b>(11.4)</b>	(14.2)
Fair value movement	25.2	<b>(13.2)</b>	(10.7)
<b>Closing balance at 30 June</b>		<b>42.3</b>	60.9
Comprising:			
Current		<b>12.4</b>	11.5
Non-current		<b>29.9</b>	49.4

### Key accounting estimate

The fair value of the contingent consideration was estimated by calculating the present value of the future expected cash flows payable by Todd Petroleum Mining Company Limited to Vector. The future period of payment is not fixed by the contract but is dependent on the remaining useful life of the Kapuni gas treatment plant (KGTP), which is directly correlated to the volume of gas available at the Kapuni gas field and the rate at which the gas is extracted. The values of future cash flows are highly dependent on the future sale prices of gas products (LPG and oil) in the market. Underpinning this all is the assumption that there is an active market for processed gas products in the future and government policy relating to the transition of New Zealand to a low carbon economy.

Management have re-estimated the same unobservable inputs when calculating the fair value of the contingent consideration at balance date. Refer to note 25 for details and sensitivity analysis around material unobservable inputs used in measuring fair values.

## 12. Trade and other receivables from exchange transactions

	GROUP		PARENT	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Current</b>				
Trade receivables from exchange transactions	69.7	91.5	-	-
Interest receivable	19.1	16.5	1.1	0.9
Prepayments	10.1	9.1	0.1	0.1
Deferred consideration	-	1.5	-	-
Other taxes and duties receivable	1.3	2.0	-	-
Other	1.0	4.7	-	-
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>	<b>101.2</b>	<b>125.3</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>Non-current</b>				
Other contract receivables	1.0	67.4	-	-
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>67.4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

At 30 June, the exposure to credit risk for trade and other receivables by type of counterparty was as follows.

	2024 \$M		2023 \$M	
	Not credit impaired	Credit impaired	Not credit impaired	Credit impaired
Business customers	44.2	3.6	75.2	1.5
Mass market customers (includes customer contributions)	17.0	-	13.0	0.9
Third party asset damages	-	8.3	-	6.0
Residential and other	3.0	0.3	4.4	-
<b>Total gross amount</b>	<b>64.2</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>92.6</b>	<b>8.4</b>
Loss allowance	-	(5.7)	-	(4.8)
<b>Total carrying amount</b>	<b>64.2</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>92.6</b>	<b>3.6</b>

The following table provides information about the exposure to credit risk and expected credit losses for trade and other receivables as at 30 June.

	2024 \$M		2023 \$M	
	Gross amount	Loss allowance	Gross amount	Loss allowance
Not past due	63.5	-	84.2	-
Past due 1-30 days	2.5	(0.2)	6.9	(0.2)
Past due 31-120 days	3.7	(0.5)	2.4	(0.3)
Past due more than 120 days	6.7	(5.0)	7.5	(4.3)
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>	<b>76.4</b>	<b>(5.7)</b>	<b>101.0</b>	<b>(4.8)</b>

### Policies

Trade receivables are predominantly billed receivables. Sales to business customers are billed monthly. Trade receivables from mass market, residential and other customers are recognised as they are originated.

Other receivables represent the amount of contractual cash flows that the group expects to collect from third parties but that did not arise from contracts with customers. Where contractual cash flows are expected or contracted to be received after 12 months, the balance is presented as non-current.

### Expected credit losses

In assessing credit losses for trade receivables, the group applies the simplified approach and records lifetime expected credit losses ("ECLs") on trade receivables. The group considers both quantitative and qualitative inputs. Quantitative data includes past collection rates, industry statistics, ageing of receivables, and trading outlook. Qualitative inputs include past trading history with the group.

Lifetime ECLs result from all possible default events over the expected life of a trade receivable. The group considers the probability of default upon initial recognition of the trade receivable, based on reasonable and available information on the group's customers and groups of customers. The group's trade receivables are monitored in two groups: business customers, and mass market residential customers.

The group's customer acceptance process includes a check on credit history, profitability, and the customer's external credit rating if available. Different levels of sale limits are also imposed on customer accounts by nature.

### 13. Intangible assets

	CUSTOMER INTANGIBLES \$M	EASEMENTS \$M	SOFTWARE \$M	GOODWILL \$M	CAPITAL WORK IN PROGRESS \$M	TOTAL \$M
<b>Carrying amount 30 June 2022</b>	1.3	18.5	62.3	1,123.9	56.1	1,262.1
Cost	13.1	18.5	396.1	1,275.2	56.1	1,759.0
Accumulated amortisation	(11.8)	-	(333.8)	-	-	(345.6)
Accumulated impairment	-	-	-	(151.3)	-	(151.3)
Additions	-	-	-	-	39.5	39.5
Transfers	-	0.4	72.4	-	(72.8)	-
Sale of discontinued operations	(0.6)	-	(32.3)	(22.9)	(6.9)	(62.7)
Amortisation for the period	(0.7)	-	(30.1)	-	-	(30.8)
<b>Carrying amount 30 June 2023</b>	-	18.9	72.3	1,101.0	15.9	1,208.1
Cost	-	18.9	289.5	1,252.3	15.9	1,576.6
Accumulated amortisation	-	-	(217.2)	-	-	(217.2)
Accumulated impairment	-	-	-	(151.3)	-	(151.3)
Additions	-	-	-	-	25.5	25.5
Transfers	-	0.2	16.3	-	(16.5)	-
Transferred to held for sale	-	-	-	(9.7)	-	(9.7)
Impairment	-	-	-	(60.6)	-	(60.6)
Amortisation for the period	-	-	(31.2)	-	-	(31.2)
<b>Carrying amount 30 June 2024</b>	-	19.1	57.4	1,030.7	24.9	1,132.1
Cost	-	19.1	305.7	1,242.6	24.9	1,592.3
Accumulated amortisation	-	-	(248.3)	-	-	(248.3)
Accumulated impairment	-	-	-	(211.9)	-	(211.9)

#### 13.1 Goodwill

Goodwill by cash generating unit	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Electricity	881.0	881.0
Gas Distribution	109.2	169.2
Natural Gas	-	10.3
Liquigas	40.5	40.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,030.7</b>	<b>1,101.0</b>

#### Policies

Goodwill represents the excess of the consideration transferred over the fair value of Vector's share of the net identifiable assets of an acquired subsidiary.

Goodwill is carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

#### Allocation

Goodwill is monitored internally at a group level. It is allocated to the group's cash generating units ("CGUs"), for impairment testing purposes.

This is the highest level permissible under NZ IFRS. The CGUs within the group are: electricity, gas distribution, natural gas, LPG, Liquigas, communications, technology solutions and E-Co Products. The natural gas CGU ceases to exist following sale of the business on 1 July 2024.

Goodwill is tested at least annually for impairment against the recoverable amount of the CGU to which it has been allocated.

## 13. Intangible assets (continued)

### 13.1 Goodwill (continued)

#### Key accounting judgements

To assess impairment, management must estimate the future cash flows of operating segments including the CGUs that make up those segments. This entails making judgements including:

- the expected rate of growth of revenues;
- margins expected to be achieved;
- the level of future maintenance expenditure required to support these outcomes; and
- the appropriate discount rate to apply when discounting future cash flows.

#### Assumptions

The recoverable amounts attributed to all of the group's CGUs are calculated on the basis of value-in-use using discounted cash flow models.

Future cash flows are forecast based on actual results and business plans.

For the electricity, and gas distribution CGUs, a ten-year period has been used due to the long-term nature of the group's capital investment in these businesses and the predictable nature of their cash flows. A five-year period has been used for the Liquigas, LPG, E-Co Products, technology solutions and communications CGUs.

Terminal growth rates in a range of 2.0% to 2.3% (2023: 0.0% to 2.0%) and pre-tax discount rates between 8.3% to 10.7% (2023: 7.5% to 9.9%) are applied. Rates vary for the specific CGU being valued.

Projected cash flows for regulated businesses are sensitive to regulatory uncertainty. Estimated future regulated network revenues and the related supportable levels of operating and capital expenditure are based on default price-quality path determinations issued by the Commerce Commission and are in line with estimates published in the asset management plans.

#### Risk of impairment of assets

We have previously disclosed the risks and uncertainty associated with the Government's Emissions Reduction Plan (ERP), possible implications for the gas industry and therefore the risk that Vector's gas assets may need to be impaired in the future. We are waiting for further information from the Government on the ERP so we can assess any implications on the carrying value of Vector's gas assets. Vector has \$149.7 million of goodwill allocated to its gas businesses at 30 June 2024.

### 13.2 Other intangible assets

#### Policies

Other intangible assets are initially measured at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated amortisation and impairment losses.

Software intangibles have been assessed as having a finite life greater than 12 months and are amortised from the date the asset is ready for use on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life. The estimated useful lives (years) are as follows:

Software	3 - 10
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Easements are not amortised but are tested for impairment at least annually as part of the assessment of the carrying values of assets against the recoverable amounts of the CGUs to which they have been allocated.

**14. Property, plant and equipment (PPE)**

	DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS \$M	ELECTRICITY AND GAS METERS \$M	LAND, BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS \$M	COMPUTER AND TELCO EQUIPMENT \$M	OTHER PLANT AND EQUIPMENT \$M	CAPITAL WORK IN PROGRESS \$M	TOTAL \$M
<b>Carrying amount 30 June 2022</b>	3,599.8	695.9	188.2	90.5	195.2	113.5	4,883.1
Cost	5,029.7	1,286.6	234.0	212.6	353.7	113.5	7,230.1
Accumulated depreciation	(1,429.9)	(590.7)	(45.8)	(122.1)	(158.5)	-	(2,347.0)
Additions	-	-	-	-	1.5	608.9	610.4
Transfers	365.8	171.4	4.8	12.5	8.5	(563.0)	-
Disposals	(7.5)	(0.9)	-	-	(0.2)	-	(8.6)
Sale of discontinued operations	-	(819.1)	(0.1)	(0.8)	(55.8)	(7.6)	(883.4)
Depreciation for the period	(143.9)	(47.3)	(3.4)	(7.9)	(13.2)	-	(215.7)
<b>Carrying amount 30 June 2023</b>	3,814.2	-	189.5	94.3	136.0	151.8	4,385.8
Cost	5,372.0	-	238.4	216.0	307.7	151.8	6,285.9
Accumulated depreciation	(1,557.8)	-	(48.9)	(121.7)	(171.7)	-	(1,900.1)
Additions	-	-	-	-	0.5	473.5	474.0
Transfers	399.9	-	22.7	5.1	5.4	(433.1)	-
Disposals	(10.1)	-	(0.1)	-	(0.9)	-	(11.1)
Depreciation for the period	(156.1)	-	(3.8)	(8.5)	(12.3)	-	(180.7)
<b>Carrying amount 30 June 2024</b>	4,047.9	-	208.3	90.9	128.7	192.2	4,668.0
Cost	5,743.1	-	252.6	219.2	312.7	192.2	6,719.8
Accumulated depreciation	(1,695.2)	-	(44.3)	(128.3)	(184.0)	-	(2,051.8)

## 14. Property, plant and equipment (PPE) (continued)

**Policies** PPE is initially measured at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less depreciation and any impairment losses. Cost may include:

- Consideration paid on acquisition
- Costs to bring the asset to working condition
- Materials used in construction
- Direct labour attributable to the item
- Interest costs attributable to the item
- A proportion of directly attributable overheads incurred
- If there is a future obligation to dismantle and/or remove the item, the costs of doing so

Capitalisation of costs stops when the asset is ready for use.  
Subsequent expenditure that increases the economic benefits derived from the asset is capitalised.  
Uninstalled assets are stated at the lower of cost and estimated recoverable amount.

Depreciation commences when an asset becomes available for use.

Depreciation of PPE, other than freehold land and capital work in progress, is calculated on a straight-line basis and expensed over the useful life of the asset. Useful lives are reviewed regularly and adjusted as appropriate for the revised expectations.

Estimated useful lives (years) are as follows:

Buildings	40 – 100		
Distribution systems	5 – 100	Computer and telco equipment	2 – 50
Leasehold improvements	5 – 20	Other plant and equipment	2 – 55

### Key accounting judgements

The group's property, plant and equipment, particularly the group's distribution assets, are critical to the running of the group's business. In assessing whether the costs incurred in a project on the group's assets are capital in nature, management must apply the following judgements:

- Whether the costs incurred are directly attributable to bringing an asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management;
- Whether subsequent costs incurred represent an enhancement to existing assets or maintain the current operating capability of existing assets; and
- Whether overhead costs can be reasonably allocated to the construction or acquisition of an asset.

### Capital commitments

The estimated capital expenditure for PPE and software intangibles contracted for at balance date but not provided is \$138.1 million for the group (2023: \$138.4 million).

## 15. Operating leases

Aggregate minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases where the Group is the lessee	GROUP	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Within one year	<b>11.5</b>	5.7
One to five years	<b>34.4</b>	10.1
Beyond five years	<b>45.5</b>	16.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>91.4</b>	32.6

### Policies

Payments made under operating leases, where the lessors effectively retain the risks and benefits of ownership, are recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Lease incentives received are recognised as an integral part of the total lease expense over the term of the lease.

### Lease of premises

The majority of the operating lease commitments relate to the group's leases of premises. These, in the main, give the group the right to renew the lease at the end of the current lease term.

The Parent has no operating leases.

## 16. Investments

### 16.1 Investment in joint venture

Bluecurrent	PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY	COUNTRY OF INCORPORATION	EQUITY INTEREST HELD	
			2024	2023
Bluecurrent Holdings NZ Limited	Metering services	New Zealand	<b>37.6%</b>	37.6%
Bluecurrent Holdings (Australia) Pty Ltd	Metering services	Australia	<b>37.6%</b>	37.6%

<b>Movement in the carrying amount of joint venture</b>	NOTE	2024	2023
		\$M	\$M
Opening carrying value		<b>727.4</b>	-
Fair value recognised through sale of 50% interest in metering operations		-	498.4
Shareholder loans	29	<b>(20.2)</b>	229.0
Share of net profit/(loss) after tax		<b>(24.9)</b>	-
Share of other comprehensive income		<b>1.9</b>	-
<b>Closing carrying value</b>		<b>684.2</b>	727.4

<b>Summary financial information</b>	2024	2023
	\$M	\$M
Summary information for Bluecurrent is not adjusted for the percentage ownership held by the Group (unless stated)		
Current assets	<b>100.3</b>	86.7
Non-current assets	<b>2,678.8</b>	2,606.4
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>2,779.1</b>	2,693.1
Current liabilities	<b>50.5</b>	74.6
Non-current liabilities	<b>1,782.2</b>	1,625.9
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>1,832.7</b>	1,700.5
<b>Net assets (100%)</b>	<b>946.4</b>	992.6
<b>Group's share of net assets</b>	<b>473.2</b>	496.3
Revenue	<b>291.1</b>	-
Depreciation and amortisation	<b>(124.2)</b>	-
Interest expense	<b>(113.9)</b>	-
Income tax (expense)/benefit	<b>6.3</b>	2.5
Net profit/(loss) after tax	<b>(49.7)</b>	(20.1)
Other comprehensive income	<b>3.5</b>	(3.6)
Total other comprehensive income	<b>(46.2)</b>	(23.6)

Included in the summary financial information above, Bluecurrent held cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2024 of \$51.4 million (30 June 2023: \$4.5 million), and non-current financial liabilities excluding payables and provisions at 30 June 2024 of \$1,644.7 million (30 June 2023: \$1,481.9 million).

<b>Reconciliation of the carrying amount of the Group's investment in Bluecurrent:</b>	2024	2023
	\$M	\$M
Group's share of net assets	<b>473.2</b>	496.3
Add: Effect of translation on foreign operations	<b>2.1</b>	2.1
Add: Shareholder loans	<b>208.9</b>	229.0
<b>Carrying value of investment in joint venture</b>	<b>684.2</b>	727.4

#### Policies

A joint venture is where Vector shares joint control over an entity or group of entities and has rights to the net assets of the arrangement. Investments in joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method.

#### Bluecurrent

Vector's interest in Bluecurrent consists of a 50% ownership of Bluecurrent Holdings NZ Limited and Bluecurrent Holdings (Australia) Pty Limited respectively which is jointly controlled with QIC Private Capital Pty Limited (QIC).

Vector has assessed that the contractual arrangement governing Bluecurrent meets the criteria of a joint venture. Given the shares of Bluecurrent are stapled, disclosure has been consolidated.

#### Shareholder loans

The shareholder loans receivable from the joint venture are carried at amortised cost.

## 16. Investments (continued)

### 16.2 Investment in private equity

Investee	PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY	COUNTRY OF INCORPORATION	EQUITY INTEREST HELD	
			2024	2023
mPrest Systems (2003) Limited	Technology development	Israel	6.1%	6.1%
			2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Fair value of investment				
<b>Balance at 1 July</b>			<b>8.8</b>	12.2
Fair value movement recognised in OCI			<b>(8.3)</b>	(3.4)
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>			<b>0.5</b>	8.8

**Policies** The investment is accounted for as a financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income ("OCI") on the Balance Sheet.

### 16.3 Investments in subsidiaries

Material entities and holding companies in the group are listed below.

	Principal Activity	PERCENTAGE HELD	
		2024	2023
<b>Trading subsidiaries</b>			
Vector Investment Holdings Limited	Holding company	75.1%	75.1%
Vector MeterCo Limited	Holding company	75.1%	75.1%
Vector Gas Trading Limited	Natural gas trading and processing	75.1%	75.1%
Liquigas Limited	Bulk LPG storage, distribution, and management	45.1%	45.1%
On Gas Limited	LPG sales and distribution	75.1%	75.1%
Vector Communications Limited	Telecommunications	75.1%	75.1%
Vector ESPS Trustee Limited	Trustee company	75.1%	75.1%
Vector Energy Solutions Limited	Holding company	75.1%	75.1%
PowerSmart NZ Limited	Energy solutions services	75.1%	75.1%
Vector Energy Solutions (Australia) Pty Limited	Energy solutions services	75.1%	75.1%
E-Co Products Group Limited	Holding company	75.1%	75.1%
Cristal Air International Limited	Ventilation, heating and water systems sales and assembly	75.1%	75.1%
Vector Technology Solutions Limited	Technology services	75.1%	75.1%
Vector Auckland Property Limited	Assets holding company	75.1%	75.1%
Vector Northern Property Limited	Assets holding company	75.1%	75.1%
<b>Non-trading subsidiaries</b>			
Vector Advanced Metering Assets (Australia) Limited	Investment company	75.1%	75.1%
VPS Pacific Limited	Energy solutions services	75.1%	75.1%

**Policies** Subsidiaries are entities controlled directly or indirectly by the parent. The group holds over 50% of the voting rights in all entities reported as subsidiaries. The financial statements of subsidiaries are consolidated into the group's financial statements. Intra-group balances and transactions between group subsidiary companies are eliminated on consolidation.

**Overseas subsidiaries** All subsidiaries are incorporated in New Zealand, except for Vector Energy Solutions (Australia) Pty Limited which is incorporated in Australia.



**17. Income tax expense/(benefit)**

	GROUP		PARENT	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Reconciliation of income tax expense/(benefit) – continuing operations				
Surplus/(deficit)before income tax- continuing operations	<b>180.2</b>	142.9	<b>174.1</b>	123.7
<b>Tax at current rate</b>	<b>50.5</b>	40.0	<b>57.5</b>	40.8
<i>Current tax adjustments:</i>				
Share of net loss in joint ventures	<b>7.0</b>	-	-	-
Fair value movements	<b>3.7</b>	-	-	-
Impairment of goodwill	<b>16.8</b>	-	-	-
Other	<b>0.7</b>	6.3	<b>(57.0)</b>	(38.3)
(Over)/under provisions in prior periods	<b>2.2</b>	(0.7)	-	-
<i>Deferred tax adjustments:</i>				
Buildings depreciation adjustment	<b>20.5</b>	-	-	-
(Over)/under provisions in prior periods	<b>(0.7)</b>	(0.4)	-	-
<b>Income tax expense/(benefit)- continuing operations</b>	<b>100.7</b>	45.2	<b>0.5</b>	2.5
Comprising				
Current tax	<b>18.1</b>	(7.3)	<b>0.5</b>	2.5
Deferred tax	<b>82.6</b>	56.9	-	-

<b>Current tax rates</b>	The Parent is a discretionary trust and its undistributed profit (if any) is taxed at a rate of 33%. Vector Limited is a 75.1% owned subsidiary of the Parent. Its profit is taxed at the current corporate tax rate of 28%.
<b>Policies</b>	Income tax expense/(benefit) comprises current and deferred tax and is calculated using rates enacted or substantively enacted at balance date. Current and deferred tax is recognised in profit or loss unless the tax relates to items in other comprehensive income, in which case the tax is recognised as an adjustment in other comprehensive income against the item to which it relates. Income tax assets are not discounted, in line with the economic substance of the balance.
<b>Income tax asset</b>	The current tax asset has accumulated from the prepayment of the group's tax liability and the group's previous policy of paying fully imputed dividends. Vector expects to realise the current tax asset through meeting obligations from future taxable profits. Vector has a legally enforceable right to use the tax asset to offset current tax payable. As at 30 June 2024, the group recognised a current income tax asset of \$18.1 million (2023: \$36.0 million) and a non-current income tax asset of \$85.0 million (2023: \$82.4 million).
<b>Imputation credits</b>	There are no imputation credits available for use as at 30 June 2024 (2023: nil), as the imputation account has a debit balance as of that date.
<b>Pillar Two Model Rules</b>	Vector is within the scope of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development ("OECD") Pillar Two Model Rules ("Pillar Two"). Pillar Two legislation was enacted in New Zealand, the jurisdiction in which Vector Limited was incorporated, and will come into effect for the group from 1 July 2025. For some entities within the group, such as subsidiaries in Australia, the Pillar Two rules will come into effect from 1 July 2024. Since the Pillar Two legislation was not effective at the reporting date, the group has no related current tax exposure. The group applies the exception to recognising and disclosing information about deferred tax assets and liabilities related to Pillar Two income taxes, as provided in the amendments to IAS 12 <i>Income taxes</i> issued in May 2023. Under Pillar Two legislation, the group is liable to pay a top-up tax if the effective tax rate ("ETR") per jurisdiction is below the 15% minimum rate. The group is in the process of assessing its exposure to the Pillar Two legislation for when it comes into effect. This assessment indicates that for the period ended 30 June 2024, the group's operations would have satisfied the transitional safe harbour rules for all jurisdictions, and therefore no top-up tax exposure would have arisen.

## 18. Deferred tax

### Deferred tax liability/ (asset)

	PPE AND INTANGIBLES \$M	PROVISIONS AND ACCRUALS \$M	HEDGE RESERVES \$M	OTHER \$M	TOTAL \$M
<b>Balance at 30 June 2022</b>	624.0	(11.2)	22.8	11.2	646.8
Recognised in profit or loss- continuing operations	47.9	4.8	-	4.2	56.9
Recognised in other comprehensive income	-	-	(1.1)	-	(1.1)
Deferred tax associated with discontinued operations	(20.3)	1.5	-	0.6	(18.2)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2023</b>	651.6	(4.9)	21.7	16.0	684.4
Recognised in profit or loss- continuing operations	<b>83.5</b>	<b>1.0</b>	-	<b>(1.9)</b>	<b>82.6</b>
Recognised in other comprehensive income	-	-	<b>(11.5)</b>	-	<b>(11.5)</b>
Deferred tax associated with discontinued operations	-	<b>2.1</b>	-	-	<b>2.1</b>
<b>Balance at 30 June 2024</b>	<b>735.1</b>	<b>(1.8)</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>757.6</b>

The group's deferred tax position is presented in the balance sheet as follows:

	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Deferred tax asset	(2.1)	(2.9)
Deferred tax liability	<b>759.7</b>	687.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>757.6</b>	684.4

#### Policies

Deferred tax is:

- Recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes.
- Not recognised for the initial recognition of goodwill.
- Measured at tax rates that are expected to be applied to the temporary differences when they reverse.

#### Building depreciation change

In March 2024, the Government enacted the Taxation (Annual Rates for 2023-24, Multinational Tax, and Remedial Matters) Act 2024. This Act removes tax deductions for depreciation on commercial and industrial buildings with application from the 2025 income year.

While this has not impacted the group's 2024 income tax calculation, the denial of future tax depreciation deductions on the group's commercial and industrial buildings has resulted in a write-off of a \$20.5 million deferred tax asset as at 30 June 2024.

## 19. Trade and other payables from exchange transactions

	GROUP		PARENT	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Current</b>				
Trade payables from exchange transactions	<b>190.5</b>	235.1	<b>0.5</b>	0.5
Employee benefits	<b>18.2</b>	18.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1
Finance leases	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	-	-
Interest payable	<b>22.5</b>	26.0	-	-
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>	<b>231.5</b>	280.1	<b>0.6</b>	0.6
<b>Non-current</b>				
Finance leases	<b>0.5</b>	0.2	-	-
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>	<b>0.5</b>	0.2	-	-

#### Employee benefits

The group accrues employee benefits which remain unused at balance date, and amounts expected to be paid under short-term incentive plans.

## 20. Distributions payable

	GROUP		PARENT	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Current</b>				
Distributions payable	<b>75.3</b>	63.2	<b>75.3</b>	63.2

### Distribution payables

Distributions payable at reporting date is made up of the following:  
*Net surplus from the current year.*

In accordance with the Trust Deed, the Trustees shall distribute the Trust's net surplus to beneficiaries listed on the distribution roll at the time the roll is prepared.

*Trustee accumulations available for distribution.*

In accordance with the Trust Deed, accumulations not distributed to beneficiaries at reporting date is held by the Trust for no more than one year. This includes unclaimed distributions that remain unclaimed after two years (per note 22).

As at 30 June 2024 no distribution roll had been struck to determine the allocation of this surplus to the beneficiaries, therefore the funds are held as distributions payable.

## 21. Provisions

GROUP	NOTE	DISTRIBUTION TO CUSTOMERS \$M	DECOMMISSIONING \$M	PRODUCT WARRANTY \$M	OTHER \$M	TOTAL \$M
<b>Balance at 30 June 2023</b>		19.0	5.9	1.1	0.5	26.5
Additions		-	<b>1.4</b>	-	<b>1.6</b>	<b>3.0</b>
Impact of discounting	9	-	<b>(0.2)</b>	-	-	<b>(0.2)</b>
Payments	3	<b>(17.9)</b>	-	-	-	<b>(17.9)</b>
Reversed to profit or loss		<b>(1.1)</b>	-	<b>(0.4)</b>	<b>(0.5)</b>	<b>(2.0)</b>
<b>Balance at 30 June 2024</b>		-	<b>7.1</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>9.4</b>
Comprising:						
Current		-	-	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>2.3</b>
Non-current		-	<b>7.1</b>	-	-	<b>7.1</b>

### Policies

The group recognises a provision when the group has a present obligation – legal or constructive – as a result of a past event, it is more likely than not that the resulting liability will be required to be settled, and the amount required to settle can be reliably estimated.

### Provision for distribution to customers

The new transmission pricing methodology came into effect from 1 April 2023, which requires the group to pass through settlement residue to its customers, being retailers or directly billed customers on a monthly basis. Therefore at 30 June 2024, there is no further provision for distribution of loss rental rebates.

### Decommissioning

The decommissioning provisions represent the present value of the future expected costs for dismantling the depot assets situated at various regions in New Zealand. Timing of economic outflows represents management's best estimate of the end of the useful life of the plant and associated assets.

### Product warranty

The group provides for restatement costs and warranty claims on products sold or installed. Provisions are recognised when the product is sold, or the service is provided to the customer. Initial recognition is based on historical experience and subsequently revisited at each reporting date.

### Other provisions

These provisions comprise amounts that may be required to be utilised within one year or a longer period dependent on ongoing negotiations with third parties involved. There are currently no foreseeable uncertainties which would be reasonably expected to lead to material changes in the amounts provided.

## 22. Provision for unclaimed distributions

	GROUP		PARENT	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Balance at beginning of the reporting period	15.7	16.0	15.7	16.0
Additions	12.0	7.6	12.0	7.6
Claimed and paid	(0.5)	(1.8)	(0.5)	(1.8)
Cancelled	(8.0)	(6.1)	(8.0)	(6.1)
<b>Balance at end of the reporting period</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>15.7</b>

### Policies

Unclaimed distributions represent distributions made to beneficiaries that have not been claimed for payment. The amounts payable will remain a distribution payable up to two years after the distribution, where after it will be cancelled and written back to Accumulations in accordance with the Trust Deed.

## 23. Fair values

GROUP	NOTE	MATERIAL OBSERVABLE INPUTS (LEVEL 2 INPUTS) 2024 \$M	MATERIAL UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS (LEVEL 3 INPUTS) 2024 \$M	MATERIAL OBSERVABLE INPUTS (LEVEL 2 INPUTS) 2023 \$M	MATERIAL UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS (LEVEL 3 INPUTS) 2023 \$M
<b>Assets measured at fair value</b>					
Derivative financial instruments	25	86.4	-	112.1	-
Investment in private equity	16.2	0.5	-	-	8.8
Contingent consideration	11	-	42.3	-	60.9
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>		<b>86.9</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>112.1</b>	<b>69.7</b>
<b>Liabilities measured at fair value</b>					
Derivative financial instruments	25	166.2	-	160.8	-
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>		<b>166.2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>160.8</b>	<b>-</b>

### Policies

The table above provides the fair value measurement hierarchy of the group's assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value.

The group estimates all fair values using the discounted cash flows method. All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured and disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities; or

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (prices) or indirectly (derived from prices); or

Level 3: Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

### Derivative financial instruments

Fair value is calculated using the discounted cash flow method, estimated using observable interest yield curves and/or foreign exchange market prices. The carrying values of the financial instruments are the fair values excluding any interest receivable or payable, which is separately presented in the balance sheet in other receivables or other payables.

### Contingent consideration

Fair value is calculated using the discounted cash flow method. The group made assumptions on unobservable inputs including, amongst others, future raw gas volume from the Kapuni gas field, future LPG prices, future oil prices, foreign exchange rates, and an appropriate discount rate. Further details on the inputs are as follows:

- Future raw gas volume from the Kapuni gas field is based on published forecasts from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment;
- Future LPG prices are based on an independent financial institution's commodity price forecasts;
- Future oil prices are based on S&P Capital IQ forecast data;
- Future natural gas prices are based on an independent expert's commodity price forecast;
- Future foreign exchange rates are based on an independent financial institution's foreign exchange rate forecasts; and
- Discount rate of 11.0% (2023: 12.8%), representing market discount rates as applicable to the remaining life of the Kapuni gas field.

## 23. Fair values (continued)

### Description of material unobservable inputs

The table below summarises the material level 3 unobservable inputs used by the group in measuring fair values and related sensitivity analyses.

2024	MATERIAL UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS	RANGE AND ESTIMATES	SENSITIVITY OF VALUATION TO CHANGES IN INPUTS			
			Low	Valuation impact \$M	High	Valuation impact \$M
Contingent consideration	Discount rate	<b>11.0%</b>	-1.0%	<b>-1.3</b>	+1.0%	<b>+1.4</b>
	Future raw gas volume	<b>136PJ</b>	-2PJ per annum	<b>-7.3</b>	+2PJ per annum	<b>+6.7</b>
	LPG pricing (long-term)	<b>US\$485/tonne</b>	-US\$50/tonne	<b>-3.7</b>	+US\$50/tonne	<b>+3.7</b>
	Oil pricing (long-term)	<b>US\$83/barrel</b>	-US\$7/barrel	<b>-2.6</b>	+US\$7/barrel	<b>+2.6</b>
2023	MATERIAL UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS	RANGE AND ESTIMATES	SENSITIVITY OF VALUATION TO CHANGES IN INPUTS			
			Low	Valuation impact \$M	High	Valuation impact \$M
Investment in private equity	Enterprise forecast annual cashflows	-US\$8.5m to US\$12.0m	-10.0%	-0.8	+10.0%	+0.8
	Discount rate	11.7%	-1.0%	-1.1	+1.0%	+1.5
	Terminal growth rate	2.0%	-1.0%	-0.6	+1.0%	+0.8
Contingent consideration	Discount rate	12.8%	-1.0%	-2.1	+1.0%	+2.2
	Future raw gas volume	203 PJ	-2PJ per annum	-5.1	+2PJ per annum	+5.0
	LPG pricing (long-term)	US\$525/tonne	-US\$50/tonne	-5.7	+US\$50/tonne	+5.7
	Oil pricing (long-term)	US\$74/barrel	-US\$7/barrel	-3.7	+US\$7/barrel	+3.7

## 24. Borrowings

GROUP			FACE VALUE	UNAMORTISED COSTS	FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENT ON HEDGED RISK	CARRYING VALUE	FAIR VALUE
2024	CURRENCY	MATURITY DATE	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M
Bank facilities – floating rate	NZD	Jul 2024– Jul 2026	-	(0.3)	-	(0.3)	-
Capital bonds – fixed rate	NZD	-	307.2	(1.1)	-	306.1	316.5
Wholesale bonds - fixed rate	NZD	Oct 2026	170.0	(0.1)	-	169.9	157.0
Senior notes – fixed rate	USD	Oct 2027– Mar 2035	1,212.9	(2.7)	(118.7)	1,091.5	1,159.7
Senior bonds –fixed rate	NZD	May 2025 – Nov 2027	475.0	(1.0)	(2.7)	471.3	460.3
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>			<b>2,165.1</b>	<b>(5.2)</b>	<b>(121.4)</b>	<b>2,038.5</b>	<b>2,093.5</b>

GROUP			FACE VALUE	UNAMORTISED COSTS	FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENT ON HEDGED RISK	CARRYING VALUE	FAIR VALUE
2023	CURRENCY	MATURITY DATE	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M
Bank facilities – floating rate	NZD	Jul 2024– Jul 2026	-	(0.6)	-	(0.6)	-
Capital bonds – fixed rate	NZD	-	307.2	(1.5)	-	305.7	314.3
Wholesale bonds - fixed rate	NZD	Mar 2024 - Oct 2026	410.0	0.4	-	410.4	387.9
Senior notes – fixed rate	USD	Oct 2027 – Mar 2035	1,212.9	(3.1)	(126.1)	1,083.7	1,121.9
Senior bonds –fixed rate	NZD	May 2025 – Nov 2027	475.0	(1.6)	(3.8)	469.6	448.1
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>			<b>2,405.1</b>	<b>(6.4)</b>	<b>(129.9)</b>	<b>2,268.8</b>	<b>2,272.2</b>

### Policies

Borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. After initial recognition, borrowings are measured at amortised cost with any difference between the initial recognised amount and the redemption value being recognised in interest costs in profit or loss over the period of the borrowing using the effective interest rate method.

The carrying value of borrowings includes the principal converted at contract rates (face value), unamortised costs and a fair value adjustment for the component of the risk that is hedged. The fair value is calculated by discounting the future contractual cash flows at current market interest rates that are available for similar financial instruments. The fair value of all borrowings, calculated for disclosure purposes, are classified as level 2 on the fair value hierarchy.

### Bank facilities

The bank facilities are undrawn at 30 June 2024.

### Capital bonds

Capital bonds of \$307.2 million are perpetual subordinated bonds with the next election date set as 15 June 2027. The interest rate was fixed at 6.23% at the previous election date of 15 June 2022.

### Wholesale bonds

\$170.0 million of wholesale bonds with a fixed rate of 1.575% maturing in October 2026.  
In March 2024, the group repaid \$240.0 million of wholesale bonds.

### Senior bonds

\$250.0 million of senior bonds with a fixed rate of 3.45% maturing in May 2025.  
\$225.0 million of senior bonds with a fixed rate of 3.69% maturing in November 2027.

### Senior notes

The tranches of USD denominated senior notes and the corresponding NZD values are shown below:

Date issued	NZ \$M	US \$M	Date of Maturity
March 2020	573.9	360.0	October 2032
	223.2	140.0	October 2035
October 2017	277.2	200.0	October 2027
	138.6	100.0	October 2029

### Covenants

All borrowings are unsecured and are subject to negative pledge arrangements and various lending covenants. These have all been met for the years ended 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

## 25. Derivatives and hedge accounting

GROUP	CASH FLOW HEDGES		FAIR VALUE HEDGES		COST OF HEDGING		TOTAL	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Derivative assets</b>								
Cross currency swaps	-	-	39.6	31.2	(4.0)	(3.0)	35.6	28.2
Interest rate swaps	50.7	83.8	-	-	-	-	50.7	83.8
Forward exchange contracts	0.1	0.1	-	-	-	-	0.1	0.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>50.8</b>	<b>83.9</b>	<b>39.6</b>	<b>31.2</b>	<b>(4.0)</b>	<b>(3.0)</b>	<b>86.4</b>	<b>112.1</b>
<b>Derivative liabilities</b>								
Cross currency swaps	30.7	24.4	(183.1)	(177.7)	(8.6)	(2.9)	(161.0)	(156.2)
Interest rate swaps	(2.0)	-	(2.7)	(3.7)	-	-	(4.7)	(3.7)
Forward exchange contracts	(0.5)	(0.9)	-	-	-	-	(0.5)	(0.9)
<b>Total</b>	<b>28.2</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>(185.8)</b>	<b>(181.4)</b>	<b>(8.6)</b>	<b>(2.9)</b>	<b>(166.2)</b>	<b>(160.8)</b>

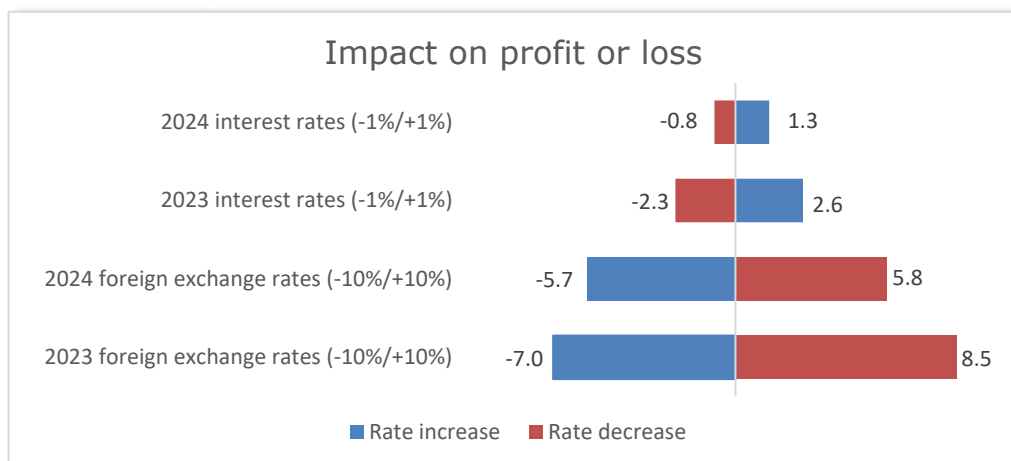
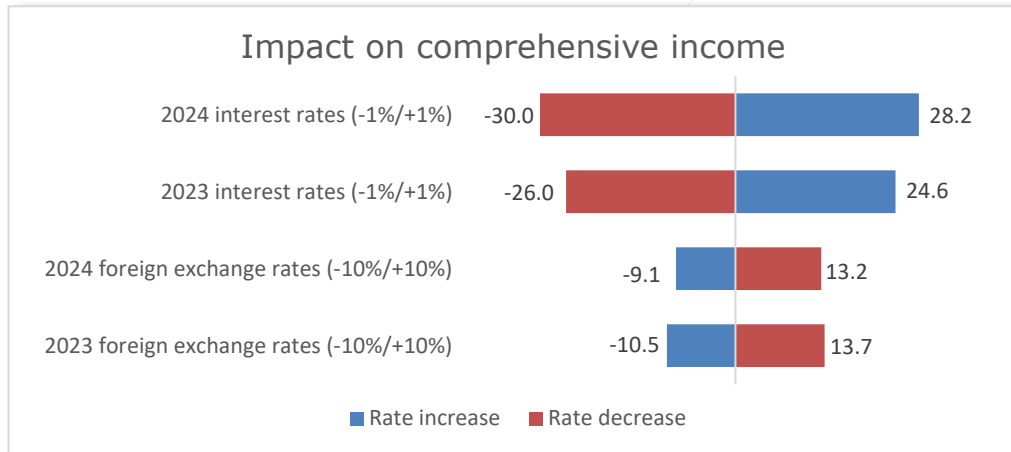
### Key observable market data for fair value measurement

#### Foreign currency exchange (FX) rates as at 30 June

	2024	2023
NZD-USD FX rate	0.6086	0.6126
<b>Interest rate swap rates</b>		
NZD	4.44% to 5.63%	4.51% to 5.82%
USD	3.96% to 5.33%	3.75% to 5.76%

### Sensitivity to changes in market rates

The graphs below illustrate the impact on derivative valuations of possible changes in interest rates and foreign exchange rates, assuming all other variables are held constant.



## 25. Derivatives and hedge accounting (continued)

### Policies

Vector initially recognises derivatives at fair value on the date the derivative contract is entered into, and subsequently they are re-measured to their fair value at each balance date. All derivatives are classified as level 2 on the fair value hierarchy explained in note 23.

Vector designates certain derivatives as either:

- Fair value hedges (of the fair value of recognised assets or liabilities or firm commitments); or
- Cash flow hedges (of highly probable forecast transactions).

At inception each transaction is documented, detailing:

- The economic relationship and the hedge ratio between hedging instruments and hedged items;
- The risk management objectives and strategy for undertaking the hedge transaction; and
- The assessment (initially and on an ongoing basis) of whether the derivatives that are used in the hedging transaction are highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of hedged items.

The underlying risk of the derivative contracts is identical to the hedged risk component (i.e. the interest rate risk and the foreign exchange risk) therefore the group has established a one-to-one hedge ratio. Effectiveness is assessed by comparing the changes of the hedged items and hedging instruments.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the hedge instrument expires or is sold, terminated, exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting.

### Fair value hedges

Vector has entered into cross currency interest rate swaps and interest rate swaps (the hedging instruments) to hedge the interest rate risk and foreign currency risk (the hedged risk) arising in relation to its USD senior notes and NZD senior bonds (the hedged items). These transactions have been designated into fair value hedges.

The following are recognised in profit or loss:

- The change in fair value of the hedging instruments; and
- The change in fair value of the underlying hedged items attributable to the hedged risk.

Once hedging is discontinued, the fair value adjustment to the carrying amount of the hedged item arising from the hedged risk is amortised through profit or loss from that date through to maturity of the hedged item.

### Cash flow hedges

Vector has entered into interest rate swaps and cross currency interest rate swaps (the hedging instruments) to hedge the variability in cash flows arising from interest rate and foreign currency exchange rate movements in relation to its NZD floating rate notes and USD senior notes.

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of the hedging instruments are recognised in other comprehensive income.

The following are recognised in profit or loss:

- any gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion of the hedging instrument; and
- fair value changes in the hedging instrument previously accumulated in other comprehensive income, in the periods when the hedged item is recognised in profit or loss.

Once hedging is discontinued, any cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income is recognised in profit or loss either:

- at the same time as the forecast transaction; or
- immediately if the transaction is no longer expected to occur.

### Market rate sensitivity

All derivatives are measured at fair value. A change in the market data used to determine fair value will have an impact on Vector's financial statements.

The graphs on the previous page show the sensitivity of the financial statements to a range of possible changes in market data at balance date.



## 25. Derivatives and hedge accounting (continued)

GROUP	2024	2023		
	\$M	\$M		
	DERIVATIVES POSITION AS PER BALANCE SHEET	AMOUNT AFTER APPLYING RIGHTS OF OFFSET UNDER ISDA AGREEMENTS	DERIVATIVES POSITION AS PER BALANCE SHEET	AMOUNT AFTER APPLYING RIGHTS OF OFFSET UNDER ISDA AGREEMENTS
Derivative assets	86.4	28.6	112.1	45.0
Derivative liabilities	(166.2)	(108.4)	(160.8)	(93.7)
<b>Net amount</b>	<b>(79.8)</b>	<b>(79.8)</b>	(48.7)	(48.7)

### Rights to offset

Vector enters into derivative transactions under International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA) master agreements. The ISDA agreements do not meet the criteria for offsetting in the balance sheet for accounting purposes. This is because Vector does not have any currently legally enforceable right to offset recognised amounts. Under the ISDA agreements the right to offset is enforceable only on the occurrence of future events such as a default on the bank loans or other credit events. The potential net impact of this offsetting is disclosed in column 'amount after applying rights of offset under ISDA agreements'. Vector does not hold and is not required to post collateral against its derivative positions.

### Managing interest rate benchmark reform

The group has no derivatives that were directly impacted by the interbank offered rates ("IBOR") reform as at 30 June 2024. However, the financial modelling of the fair values for cross currency interest rate swaps and certain hedge relationships was shifted from applying USD LIBOR to an alternative benchmark interest rate during the year. There was no material impact from the transition.

### 25.1 Effects of hedge accounting on the financial position and performance

The tables below demonstrate the impact of hedged items and the hedging instruments designated in hedging relationships:

- The NZD floating rate exposure includes \$910.0 million arising from hedging the USD senior bonds (2023: \$1,190.0 million) as allowable under NZ IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*;
- The fixed rate interest rate swaps include \$410.0 million of forward starting swaps (2023: \$50.0 million).

GROUP	2024	FACE VALUE \$M	WEIGHTED AVERAGE RATE	ACCUMU- LATED FAIR VALUE HEDGE ADJUST- MENTS \$M	CARRYING AMOUNT ASSETS/ (LIABILITIES) \$M	CHANGE IN FAIR VALUE USED FOR MEASURING INEFFECTIVE- NESS - CASHFLOW HEDGE \$M	CHANGE IN FAIR VALUE USED FOR MEASURING INEFFECTIVE- NESS - FAIR VALUE HEDGE \$M	HEDGING (GAIN) OR LOSS RECOGNISED IN CASH FLOW HEDGE RESERVE \$M	(GAIN) OR LOSS RECOGNISED IN COST OF HEDGING \$M
		(910.0)		-	-	48.7	-	-	-
		(1,320.0)	2.5%	-	48.7	48.7	-	35.1	-
<b>Cash flow and fair value hedge - Interest and exchange risks</b>									
		(1,212.9)		-	(1,091.5)	25.4	(2.1)	-	-
		(1,212.9)	floating	118.7	(125.4)	30.7	2.9	(0.6)	(6.6)
<b>Fair value hedge - Interest risk</b>									
		(50.0)		2.7	-	-	(1.0)	-	-
		(50.0)	floating	-	(2.7)	-	1.0	-	-
						<b>Ineffectiveness</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>0.8</b>	

## 25. Derivatives and hedge accounting (continued)

### 25.1 Effects of hedge accounting on the financial position and performance (continued)

GROUP	FACE VALUE	WEIGHTED AVERAGE RATE	ACCUMULATED FAIR VALUE HEDGE ADJUSTMENTS	CARRYING AMOUNT ASSETS/ (LIABILITIES)	CHANGE IN FAIR VALUE USED FOR MEASURING INEFFECTIVENESS – CASHFLOW HEDGE	CHANGE IN FAIR VALUE USED FOR MEASURING INEFFECTIVENESS – FAIR VALUE HEDGE	HEDGING (GAIN) OR LOSS RECOGNISED IN CASH FLOW HEDGE RESERVE	(GAIN) OR LOSS RECOGNISED IN COST OF HEDGING
2023	\$M		\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M	\$M
<b>Cash flow hedge - Interest risk</b>								
Hedged item: NZD floating rate exposure on borrowings	(1,190.0)		-	-	84.0	-	-	-
Hedging instrument: Fixed rate Interest rate swaps	(1,240.0)	2.1%	-	83.7	83.7	-	(6.0)	-
<b>Cash flow and fair value hedge - Interest and exchange risks</b>								
Hedged item: USD fixed rate exposure on borrowings	(1,212.9)		-	(1,083.7)	19.4	90.0	-	-
Hedging instrument: Cross currency swaps	(1,212.9)	floating	126.1	(127.9)	24.4	(89.5)	1.5	4.1
<b>Fair value hedge - Interest risk</b>								
Hedged item: NZD fixed rate exposure on borrowing	(50.0)		3.8	(46.1)	-	0.8	-	-
Hedging instrument: Interest rate swap	(50.0)	floating	-	(3.7)	-	(0.9)	-	-
					Ineffectiveness	5.0	0.4	

Hedging instruments and hedged items are included in the line items "Derivatives" and "Borrowings" respectively in the balance sheet. The source of ineffectiveness is largely due to counterparty credit risk on the derivative instruments. Hedge ineffectiveness is included in the "Fair value change on financial instruments" in the profit or loss. Please refer to the asset and liability positions of the hedging instruments in note 25 derivatives and hedge accounting table above.

### 25.2 Fair value changes on financial instruments

GROUP	NOTE	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Recognised in profit or loss</b>			
Fair value movement on hedging instruments		3.9	(90.4)
Fair value movement on hedged items		(3.1)	90.9
Fair value movement on unhedged items		-	(0.5)
Ineffectiveness from cash flow hedge relationships		0.4	(2.5)
Fair value change on contingent consideration	11	(13.2)	(10.7)
<b>Total gains/(losses)</b>		<b>(12.0)</b>	<b>(13.2)</b>

## 25. Derivatives and hedge accounting (continued)

### 25.3 Reconciliation of changes in hedge reserves

#### Hedge reserves

#### GROUP

2024

	CASH FLOW HEDGE RESERVE \$M	COST OF HEDGING \$M	TOTAL \$M
<b>Opening balance</b>	<b>(60.0)</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>(55.7)</b>
Hedging gains or losses recognised in OCI – Interest rate swaps	(6.3)	-	(6.3)
Hedging gains or losses recognised in OCI – Cross currency swaps	38.6	6.6	45.2
Hedging gains or losses recognised in OCI – Forward exchange contracts	0.4	-	0.4
Transferred to profit or loss – Interest rate swaps	41.5	-	41.5
Transferred to profit or loss – Cross currency swaps	(39.1)	-	(39.1)
Recognised as basis adjustment to non-financial assets	(0.7)	-	(0.7)
Deferred tax on change in reserves	(9.7)	(1.8)	(11.5)
<b>Closing balance</b>	<b>(35.3)</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>(26.2)</b>

#### Hedge reserves

#### GROUP

2023

	CASH FLOW HEDGE RESERVE \$M	COST OF HEDGING \$M	TOTAL \$M
<b>Opening balance</b>	(60.0)	1.3	(58.7)
Hedging gains or losses recognised in OCI – Interest rate swaps	(24.2)	-	(24.2)
Hedging gains or losses recognised in OCI – Cross currency swaps	27.4	4.1	31.5
Hedging gains or losses recognised in OCI – Forward exchange contracts	(1.0)	-	(1.0)
Transferred to profit or loss – Interest rate swaps	18.2	-	18.2
Transferred to profit or loss – Cross currency swaps	(25.9)	-	(25.9)
Recognised as basis adjustment to non-financial assets	5.5	-	5.5
Deferred tax on change in reserves	-	(1.1)	(1.1)
<b>Closing balance</b>	<b>(60.0)</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>(55.7)</b>

## 26. Financial risk management

### Risk management framework

Vector has a comprehensive treasury policy, approved by the board, to manage financial risks arising from business activity. The policy outlines the objectives and approach that the group applies to manage:

- Interest rate risk;
- Credit risk;
- Liquidity risk;
- Foreign exchange risk; and
- Funding risk.

For each risk type, any position outside the policy limits requires the prior approval of the board. Each risk is monitored on a regular basis and reported to the board.

### 26.1 Interest rate risk

#### Interest rate exposure

##### GROUP 2024

	< 1 YEAR \$M	1 – 2 YEARS \$M	2 – 5 YEARS \$M	> 5 YEARS \$M	TOTAL \$M
Interest rate exposure: borrowings	250.0	-	979.4	935.7	2,165.1
Derivative contracts:					
Interest rate swaps	(850.0)	300.0	170.0	380.0	-
Cross currency swaps	1,212.9	-	(277.2)	(935.7)	-
<b>Net interest rate exposure</b>	<b>612.9</b>	<b>300.0</b>	<b>872.2</b>	<b>380.0</b>	<b>2,165.1</b>

#### Interest rate exposure

##### GROUP 2023

	< 1 YEAR \$M	1 – 2 YEARS \$M	2 – 5 YEARS \$M	> 5 YEARS \$M	TOTAL \$M
Interest rate exposure: borrowings	240.0	250.0	979.4	935.7	2,405.1
Derivative contracts:					
Interest rate swaps	(860.0)	110.0	700.0	50.0	-
Cross currency swaps	1,212.9	-	(277.2)	(935.7)	-
<b>Net interest rate exposure</b>	<b>592.9</b>	<b>360.0</b>	<b>1,402.2</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>2,405.1</b>

### Policies

Vector is exposed to interest rate risk through its borrowing activities.

Interest rate exposures are managed primarily by entering into derivative contracts. The main objectives are to minimise the cost of total borrowings, control variations in the interest expense of the borrowings from year to year, and where practicable to match the interest rate risk profile of the borrowings with the risk profile of the group's assets.

The board has set and actively monitors maximum and minimum limits for the net interest rate exposure profile.

## 26. Financial risk management (continued)

### 26.2 Credit risk

#### Policies

Credit risk represents the risk of cash flow losses arising from counterparty defaults. Vector is exposed to credit risk in the normal course of business from:

- Trade receivable transactions with business and mass market residential customers; and
- Financial instruments transactions with financial institutions.

The carrying amounts of financial assets represent the group's maximum exposure to credit risk.

The group has credit policies in place to minimise the impact of exposure to credit risk and associated financial losses:

- The board must approve placement of cash, short-term cash deposits or derivatives with financial institutions whose credit rating is less than A+. As at 30 June 2024, all financial instruments are held with financial institutions with credit rating above A+;
- The board sets limits and monitors exposure to financial institutions; and
- Exposure is spread across a range of financial institutions. Where we deem there is credit exposure to energy retailers and customers, the group minimises its risk by performing credit evaluations and/or requiring a bond or other form of security.

### 26.3 Liquidity risk

#### Contractual cash flows maturity profile

<b>GROUP</b>	PAYABLE <1 YEAR \$M	PAYABLE 1-2 YEARS \$M	PAYABLE 2-5 YEARS \$M	PAYABLE >5 YEARS \$M	TOTAL CONTRACTUAL CASH FLOWS \$M
<b>2024</b>					
<b>Non-derivative financial liabilities</b>					
Distribution payable	75.3	-	-	-	75.3
Trade payables from exchange transactions and deferred payables	190.5	-	-	-	190.5
Unclaimed distributions	7.2	12.0	-	-	19.2
Contract liabilities	2.2	3.5	1.1	-	6.8
Borrowings: interest	77.9	69.4	133.5	87.6	368.4
Borrowings: principal	250.0	-	1,030.8	985.9	2,266.7
<b>Derivative financial (assets)/liabilities</b>					
Cross currency swaps: inflow	(39.4)	(39.3)	(429.2)	(1,073.5)	(1,581.4)
Cross currency swaps: outflow	89.5	79.1	471.3	1,126.6	1,766.5
Forward exchange contracts: inflow	(16.2)	-	-	-	(16.2)
Forward exchange contracts: outflow	16.7	-	-	-	16.7
<b>Net settled derivatives</b>					
Interest rate swaps	(29.6)	(17.5)	(4.9)	(0.6)	(52.6)
<b>Group contractual cash flows</b>	<b>624.1</b>	<b>107.2</b>	<b>1,202.6</b>	<b>1,126.0</b>	<b>3,059.9</b>

## 26. Financial risk management (continued)

### 26.3 Liquidity risk (continued)

#### Contractual cash flows maturity profile

<b>GROUP 2023</b>	PAYABLE <1 YEAR \$M	PAYABLE 1-2 YEARS \$M	PAYABLE 2-5 YEARS \$M	PAYABLE >5 YEARS \$M	TOTAL CONTRACTUAL CASH FLOWS \$M
<b>Non-derivative financial liabilities</b>					
Distribution payable	63.2	-	-	-	63.2
Trade payables from exchange transactions and deferred payables	235.1	-	-	-	235.1
Unclaimed distributions	8.1	7.6	-	-	15.7
Contract liabilities	3.7	3.6	3.7	-	11.0
Borrowings: interest	89.9	77.7	174.4	114.7	456.7
Borrowings: principal	240.0	250.0	1,028.7	979.4	2,498.1
<b>Derivative financial (assets)/liabilities</b>					
Cross currency swaps: inflow	(39.1)	(39.1)	(437.8)	(1,094.0)	(1,610.0)
Cross currency swaps: outflow	93.9	86.8	489.2	1,178.1	1,848.0
Forward exchange contracts: inflow	(18.9)	(6.0)	-	-	(24.9)
Forward exchange contracts: outflow	19.3	6.5	-	-	25.8
<b>Net settled derivatives</b>					
Interest rate swaps	(41.0)	(28.0)	(22.4)	(1.0)	(92.4)
<b>Group contractual cash flows</b>	<b>654.2</b>	<b>359.1</b>	<b>1,235.8</b>	<b>1,177.2</b>	<b>3,326.34</b>

#### Contractual cash flows

The above table shows the timing of non-discounted cash flows for all financial instrument liabilities and derivatives.

The cash flows for bank facilities, included in borrowings, are disclosed on the basis of their contractual repayment terms for the individual drawdowns.

The cash flows for capital bonds, included in borrowings, are disclosed as payable within 2-5 years year as the next election date set for the capital bonds is 15 June 2027 (2023: 2-5 year, with the election date of the last rollover as 15 June 2027) and the bonds have no contractual maturity date.

#### Policies

The group and Vector are exposed to liquidity risk where there is a risk that the group may encounter difficulty in meeting its day to day obligations due to the timing of cash receipts and payments.

The objective is to ensure that adequate liquid assets and funding sources are available at all times to meet both short-term and long-term commitments. The board has set a minimum headroom requirement for committed facilities over Vector's anticipated 18-month peak borrowing requirement.

At balance date, Vector has access to undrawn funds of \$575.0 million (2023: \$575.0 million).

### 26.4 Foreign exchange risk

#### Policies

The group and Vector are exposed to foreign exchange risk through its borrowing activities, and foreign currency denominated expenditure.

Foreign exchange exposure is primarily managed through entering into derivative contracts. The board requires that all material foreign currency borrowings and expenditure are hedged into NZD at the time of commitment to drawdown or when the exposure is highly probable. Hence, at balance date there is no material exposure to foreign currency risk.

### 26.5 Funding risk

#### Policies

Funding risk is the risk that Vector will have difficulty refinancing or raising new debt on comparable terms to existing facilities. The objective is to spread the concentration of risk so that if an event occurs the overall cost of funding is not unnecessarily increased. Details of borrowings are shown in note 24.

The group has set the maximum amount of debt that may mature in any one financial year.

## 27. Cash flows

### 27.1 Reconciliation of net profit/(loss) to net cash flows from/(used in) operating activities

	GROUP		PARENT	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
Reconciliation of net surplus/(deficit) to net cash flows from/(used in) operating activities including discontinued operations				
Net surplus/(deficit) for the period	<b>90.6</b>	1,711.6	<b>173.6</b>	121.2
<b>Transactions with beneficiaries</b>				
Distribution to beneficiaries	<b>(185.7)</b>	(122.1)	<b>(185.7)</b>	(122.1)
Distributions payable	<b>12.1</b>	0.9	<b>12.1</b>	0.9
	<b>(173.6)</b>	(121.2)	<b>(173.6)</b>	(121.2)
<b>Items not associated with operating activities</b>				
Gain on sale of discontinued operations classified as investing activities	-	(1,509.9)	-	-
Cost to sell of discontinued operations	-	(30.1)	-	-
Contingent consideration associated with investing activities	<b>(11.4)</b>	(14.2)	-	-
PPE items associated with investing activities	<b>(4.7)</b>	(19.2)	-	-
Movements in emission units associated with investing activities	<b>0.8</b>	1.8	-	-
Lease liabilities items associated with financing activities	<b>(0.3)</b>	-	-	-
	<b>(15.6)</b>	(1,571.6)	-	-
<b>Non-cash items</b>				
Depreciation and amortisation	<b>221.0</b>	246.3	-	-
Non-cash portion of interest costs (net)	<b>(13.0)</b>	(5.3)	-	-
Fair value change on financial instruments	<b>12.0</b>	13.2	-	-
Share of net profit/(loss) in joint ventures	<b>24.9</b>	-	-	-
Impairment of goodwill	<b>60.6</b>	-	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in deferred tax	<b>80.2</b>	56.9	-	-
Non-cash movements in provisions	<b>0.3</b>	19.1	-	-
Other non-cash items	<b>(1.0)</b>	2.7	-	-
	<b>385.0</b>	332.9	-	-
<b>Changes in assets and liabilities</b>				
Trade and other payables from exchange transactions	<b>(46.4)</b>	78.0	-	-
Provisions	<b>(17.1)</b>	(0.6)	-	-
Contract liabilities	<b>(3.0)</b>	(31.7)	-	-
Contract assets	<b>(12.4)</b>	(2.1)	-	-
Inventories	<b>(5.3)</b>	3.1	-	-
Trade and other receivables from exchange transactions	<b>42.4</b>	(28.1)	<b>(0.3)</b>	(0.6)
Income tax	<b>14.1</b>	10.0	<b>(1.9)</b>	1.6
Distributions payable	<b>12.1</b>	0.9	<b>12.1</b>	0.9
Provision for unclaimed distributions	<b>3.5</b>	(0.3)	<b>3.5</b>	(0.3)
	<b>(11.2)</b>	29.2	<b>13.4</b>	1.6
<b>Net cash flows from/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>274.3</b>	380.9	<b>13.4</b>	1.6

## 27. Cash flows (continued)

### 27.2 Reconciliation of movement of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities

Reconciliation of movement of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities	BORROWINGS	DERIVATIVES	TOTAL
<b>Balance at 1 July 2023</b>	2,268.8	48.7	2,317.5
Net repayments	<b>(240.0)</b>	-	<b>(240.0)</b>
<b>Financing cash flows</b>	<b>(240.0)</b>	-	<b>(240.0)</b>
Cost of debt raising	<b>(0.3)</b>		<b>(0.3)</b>
Fair value changes	<b>8.6</b>	<b>31.1</b>	<b>39.7</b>
Borrowing fees paid	<b>(3.7)</b>	-	<b>(3.7)</b>
Amortisation of debt raising costs	<b>5.3</b>	-	<b>5.3</b>
Premium released	<b>(0.2)</b>	-	<b>(0.2)</b>
<b>As at 30 June 2024</b>	<b>2,038.5</b>	<b>79.8</b>	<b>2,118.3</b>

## 28. Equity

### 28.1 Share Capital

#### Trust Distributions

The Trust's net distribution of \$350 per beneficiary will be paid in September 2024 (2023: \$334).

The Group recognises distributions as a payable in the financial statements on the date the dividend is declared and in accordance with note 20 – Distributions Payable.

#### Shares

Vector Limited's total number of authorised and issued shares is 1,000,000,000 (2023: 1,000,000,000).

All ordinary issued shares are fully paid, have no par value and carry equal voting rights and equal rights to a surplus on winding up of the parent.

At balance date 26,343 shares (2023: 26,343) are allocated to the employee share purchase scheme.

### 28.2 Capital Management

#### Policies

The Parent's objectives in managing capital are:

- To safeguard the ability of entities within the group to continue as a going concern;
- To provide an adequate return to shareholders by pricing products and services commensurate with the level of risk; and
- Maintain an investment grade credit rating.

Vector manages and may adjust its capital structure in light of changes in economic conditions and for the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To achieve this Vector may:

- Adjust its dividend policy;
- Return capital to shareholders; or
- Sell assets to reduce debt.

### 28.3 Reserves

#### Hedge reserves

Hedge reserves comprise the cash flow hedge reserve and cost of hedging.

The cash flow hedge reserve records the effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated as cash flow hedges.

The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recorded in profit or loss within interest costs (net).

During the year, a \$2.4 million loss (2023: \$7.7 million gain) was transferred from the cash flow hedge reserve to interest expense.

Cost of hedging records the change in the fair value of the cost to convert foreign currency into New Zealand dollars as required under NZ IFRS 9.

#### Other reserves

Other reserves comprise:

- A share-based payment reserve relating to the employee share purchase scheme. When shares are vested to the employee, the reserve is offset with a reduction in treasury shares.
- A foreign currency translation reserve to record exchange differences arising from the translation of the group's foreign operations.
- A reserve to record the fair value movements in the group's investments in financial assets.



## 29. Related party transactions

### Related parties

Related parties of the group are:

- Vector Limited;
- Bluecurrent, made up of the consolidated groups of Bluecurrent NZ Holdings Limited and Bluecurrent Holdings (Australia) Pty Limited; and
- Key management personnel, including the group's directors and the executive team.

			<b>PARENT</b>	
			2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Transactions with Vector Limited</b>				
Dividends received			<b>174.6</b>	125.8
<b>Transactions with associates and other joint operations.</b>				
	<b>GROUP</b>		<b>PARENT</b>	
	2024 \$M	2023 \$M	2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Transactions with Bluecurrent</b>				
Interest from shareholder loans	<b>15.4</b>	-	-	-
Provision of metering data services	<b>5.1</b>	-	-	-
Provision of transitional services	<b>8.3</b>	-	-	-
<b>Transactions with directors of Vector Limited</b>				
Directors' fees paid to Entrust trustees directors of Vector Limited	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-	-
Directors' fees paid to non-trustee directors of Vector Limited	<b>1.0</b>	0.9	-	-
<b>Transactions with key management personnel</b>				
Salary and other short-term employee benefits (Entrust)	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.4
Salary and other short-term employee benefits (Vector Limited)	<b>7.2</b>	8.2	-	-
<b>Advances to related parties</b>				
			2024 \$M	2023 \$M
<b>Shareholder loans to Bluecurrent</b>				
Balance at start of period			<b>229.0</b>	-
Interest capitalised			<b>11.9</b>	-
Repayments			<b>(30.6)</b>	-
Net loans advanced			-	229.0
Effect of changes in exchange rates			<b>(1.4)</b>	-
Balance at end of period			<b>208.9</b>	229.0
<b>Trustees' remuneration:</b>				
			2024	2023
<b>Trustees</b>				
W Cairns			<b>98,100</b>	98,100
M Buczkowski			<b>64,350</b>	70,200
P Hutchison			<b>67,450</b>	67,450
A Bell			<b>67,450</b>	67,450
D Lee			<b>67,450</b>	67,450
			<b>364,800</b>	370,650

Trustees' fees are paid by the Parent.

### Related parties

The Parent is the majority shareholder of the subsidiary Vector Limited. Note 16 identifies all entities including associates, partnerships and joint ventures in which the group has an interest. All of these entities are related parties of the subsidiary Vector Limited. Other than Vector Limited's directors themselves, there are no additional related parties with whom material transactions have taken place.

Key management personnel include remuneration of Vector Limited's Group CEO and the members of his Executive Team during the periods presented as well as the remuneration of the Parent's trustees and executive officer.

### 30. Contingent liabilities

<b>Disclosures</b>	The directors are aware of claims that have been made against entities of the group and, where appropriate, have recognised provisions for these within note 21. No material contingent liabilities have been identified.
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### 31. Events after balance date

<b>Sale of discontinued operations</b>	On 1 July 2024, the sale of the natural gas business completed. No adjustment is required to these financial statements in respect of this event. Vector received \$3.0 million from Nova on 1 July 2024, with the remaining consideration due in four further instalments on a quarterly basis from 31 October 2024 to 31 July 2025.
<b>Operations held for sale</b>	On 25 July 2024, Vector entered into a conditional agreement for the sale of LPG business Vector Ogas, and the group's 60.25% shareholding in Liquigas Limited, for \$150.0 million. Vector Ogas and Liquigas are included in the gas trading segment, and have been reclassified as operations held for sale from July 2024. No adjustment is required to these financial statements in respect of this event.
<b>Sale of investment</b>	On 22 August 2024, Vector sold its shares in mPrest Limited for US\$0.3 million (NZ\$0.5 million). No adjustment is required to these financial statements in respect of this event.
<b>Approval</b>	The financial statements were approved by the board on 27 August 2024.
<b>Final dividend</b>	On 26 August 2024, the Vector board declared a final unimputed dividend for the year ended 30 June 2024 of 14.75 cents per share, comprising an ordinary dividend of 13.00 cents per share and a special dividend of 1.75 cents per share. On 27 August 2024, the Trustees resolved to make a net distribution to beneficiaries of \$350 (2023: \$334) per beneficiary. No adjustment is required to these financial statements in respect of this event.

### 32. Guidelines of access to information

<b>Disclosure</b>	We wish to advise that, pursuant to paragraph 10.2 of the Guidelines of Access to Information by Beneficiaries of Electricity Community and Consumer Trusts, no requests for information were received by the trust office during the reporting period.
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Year	No. of Requests Received	Costs incurred to process those requests and any recoveries made (includes external costs incurred and an allocation of internal costs based on Official Information Act guidelines)	No. of Trust decisions which were subject to review	Summary of outcome of those reviews and costs incurred in reviews
2024	Nil	\$Nil	Nil	N/A
2023	Nil	\$Nil	Nil	N/A