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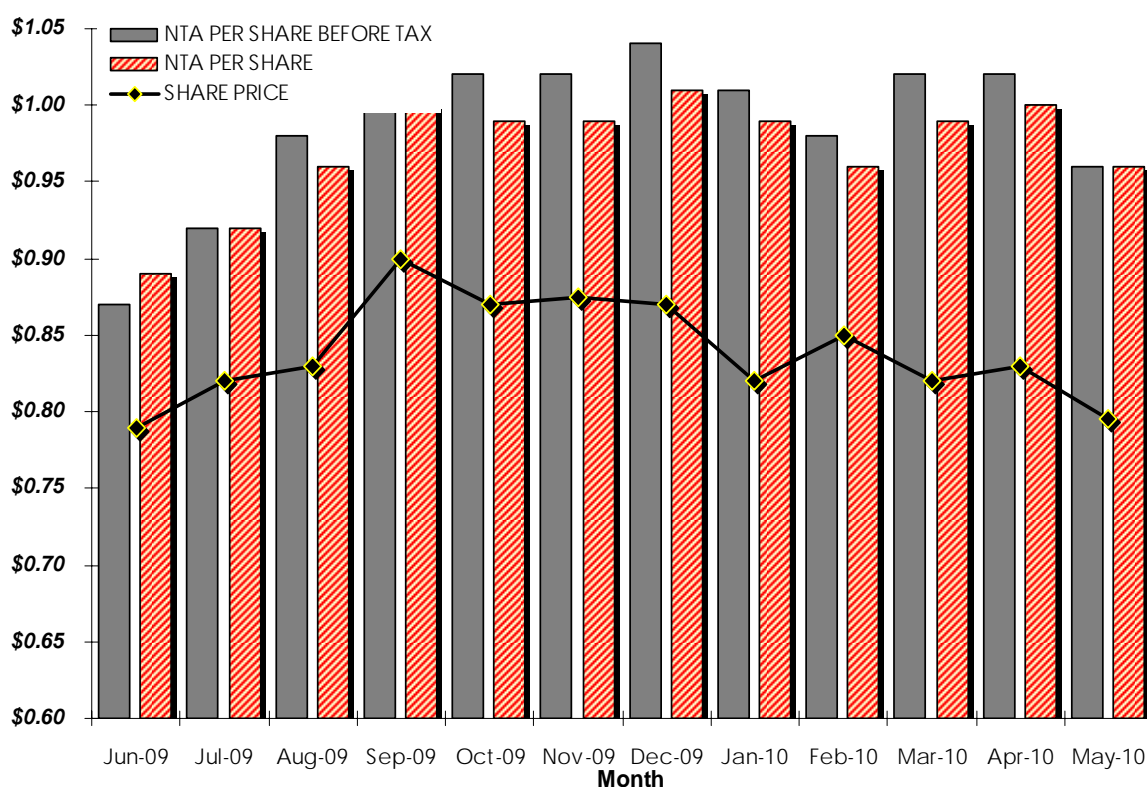
Dear Sir/Madam

**MONTHLY NET TANGIBLE ASSETS PER SHARE<sup>1</sup>**

The unaudited Net Tangible Asset Backing for Century Australia Investments Limited ("Century Australia") is as follows:

Month	NTA per share before estimated tax on unrealised income & gains <sup>2</sup>	NTA per share after estimated tax on unrealised income & gains <sup>3</sup>
30 May 2010	0.96	0.96
30 April 2010	1.02	1.00

**NTA Performance**



## Market Review

The Australian equity market (as measured by the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index) ended the month of May 2010 down 7.5%. Although the market is down 7.6% calendar year to date, it is still up 20.7% on a 12 month basis.

The US S&P 500 Index closed down 8.2% as the month of May proved to very volatile with a range of issues impacting on market performance. The major focus was the Sovereign Debt Crisis enveloping Europe, as Greece was offered a loan package and subsequently the EU and IMF announced a joint €750bn fund aimed at stabilising the region. Another key development was the increasing regulation of the United States financial system particularly focused on Wall Street investment banks. Political instability between North and South Korea, rioting in Thailand and uncertainty for a period surrounding the outcome of the UK election also weighed on investor sentiment. This combined with a backdrop of continued tightening in the Chinese economy and debate surrounding the Australian Government's proposed Resource Super Profit Tax (RSPT) saw global capital markets under pressure in May.

On the domestic economic front, the Reserve Bank raised interest rates in the month to 4.50% (in early May the RBA elected to keep rates on hold). Economic data was again mixed in May with a weak consumer confidence number offset by strong employment growth, whilst retail sales and credit growth also disappointed as economists pared back expectations for on-going interest rate hikes.

Whilst no sector managed to record a positive return in May, the best performing sectors included Consumer Staples (down 1.2%), Healthcare (down 4.0%) and Property Trusts (down 4.3%). The worst performing sectors for the month were Industrials (down 11.4%), Financials ex Property Trusts (down 10.6%) and Information Technology (down 8.2%).

## Portfolio Review – May 2010

The portfolio returned -6.86% for the month of May versus the benchmark S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index return of -7.54%, an outperformance of +0.68%. Positive contributors to performance during May included the portfolio's overweight positions in Fosters, Woolworths and Consolidated Media and an underweight position in Commonwealth Bank of Australia. Detractors from performance for the month came from overweight positions in Fairfax Media, AMP and National Australia Bank, an underweight position in BHP Billiton as well as not holding Wesfarmers.

## Investment Outlook

The Australian equity market (as measured by the S&P/ASX300 Accumulation Index) declined by 7.5% over the month of May 2010. While the market is still up 47.8% from its March 2009 low it has retraced to levels not seen since September 2009.

452 Capital continues to hold a conservative portfolio in that its companies are not highly geared, have strong cash flows and are relatively attractively valued on a through the cycle basis. The portfolio holds overweight positions in Media, Telecommunications and Gaming, and more recently the Investment Manager has narrowed its underweight positions in Banks and selected Resource companies on valuation grounds.



Century Australia is a listed investment company and will always have a material exposure to the Australian sharemarket. If the Australian sharemarket falls markedly, it is likely that the value of the portfolio will fall as well. Additionally it should be noted that the ability of Century Australia to pay dividends in 2010 may be impacted by the level of unrealised capital losses currently in the portfolio and the possibility that some companies in the portfolio may reduce the dividends they pay, thereby reducing the dividends available to be distributed to shareholders.

### Top Equity Holdings – May 2010

The top ten equity holdings of the Century Australia portfolio as at 31 May 2010 were as follows:

Security Name	% of Portfolio
Westpac Banking Corporation	9.5
Telstra Corporation	8.2
National Australia Bank	8.0
AMP	5.0
Fairfax Media	4.2
Insurance Australia Group	4.1
Lend Lease Corporation	4.0
Brambles	3.7
BHP Billiton	3.2
Westfield Group	3.0

As at 31 May 2010 the portfolio held 3.96% in cash.

#### Footnotes

1. The calculation is based on the Company's interpretation of law relating to ASX Listing Rule 4.12.
2. The Net Asset Backing is based on investments at market value and is after provision for tax on net realised gains and before providing for deferred tax on unrealised gains on its long term investments. Deferred tax on unrealised gains was a deferred tax asset at the current reporting date.
3. Century Australia is a medium to long term investor and does not intend disposing of its total portfolio. However, under AIFRS the Company is required to provide for estimated tax on gains that would arise on such a disposal.

