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INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

The company wishes to provide the market with a trading update for the 9 months ending 31 March 2009.

**The following sales figures are in local currency**

		Last Year	This Year	% Var
Australia same stores	AUD	152,507,513	154,240,877	1.1%
NZ same stores	NZD	73,691,513	67,444,475	-8.5%
Canada same stores	CAD	15,328,363	13,990,527	-8.7%
Australia all stores	AUD	163,226,305	170,964,260	4.7%
NZ all stores	NZD	74,846,373	69,563,582	-7.1%
Canada all stores	CAD	18,614,541	19,449,403	4.5%
USA all stores	USD	0	6,191,732	

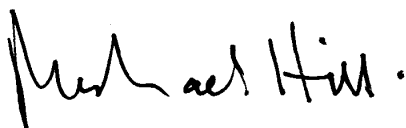
**The following sales figures are in NZ Dollars**

		Last Year	This Year	% Var
Australia same stores		175,316,178	186,457,112	6.4%
NZ same stores		73,691,513	67,444,475	-8.5%
Canada same stores		19,885,273	19,985,905	0.5%
<b>Total same stores</b>		<u>\$268,892,964</u>	<u>\$273,887,492</u>	1.9%
Australia all stores		187,654,365	206,623,699	10.1%
NZ all stores		74,846,373	69,563,582	-7.1%
Canada all stores		24,141,513	27,806,558	15.2%
USA all stores		<u>0</u>	<u>10,906,735</u>	
<b>Total all stores</b>		<u>\$286,642,251</u>	<u>\$314,900,575</u>	9.9%

**Exchange rates used for the 6 months:**

Australian	0.87	0.83
Canada	0.77	0.70
USA	NA	0.57

The March quarter proved to be solid for the group with sales in Australia marginally up for the quarter and slightly down in New Zealand and Canada. However these sales results were achieved on lower margins as a result of increased “sale” activity in all markets in an attempt to offset the difficult global retail environment. Management continues to focus on cost reductions in an effort to offset the lower margins. The US continues to be a tough market to operate in and management is focused on improving the US business and establishing the brand.



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Chairman

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