

13 February 2006

The Manager Company Announcements Office Australian Stock Exchange Limited Level 4, 20 Bridge Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir

#### **RESULTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005**

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 4.2A, the following documents are attached for release to the market:

- Press Release
- Appendix 4D Half-Year Results Announcement
- Financial Statements for the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2005
- Ernst & Young Independent Review Report

It is recommended that the half-year financial report is read in conjunction with the annual financial statements as at 30 June 2005 together with public announcements made by the Trust in accordance with the continuous disclosure obligations arising under the Australian Stock Exchange Listing Rules and the Corporations Act 2001.

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ARSN 088 581 097

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## **Strong Distribution Growth**

The Directors of Bunnings Property Management Limited, the responsible entity for the Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust, today announced distributable income of \$18.8 million for the half-year ended 31 December 2005, an increase of 7.3 per cent on the distributable income of \$17.5 million earned in the comparative period last year.

Total revenue for the period was \$27.2 million, up by 10.3 per cent from last year's \$24.6 million due to the additional income received from additions to the property portfolio, the programmed rental escalation of a number of properties in the portfolio, and a market rent review result.

#### Interim distribution

An interim distribution of 6.22 cents per ordinary unit has been declared. This represents a 7.4 per cent increase on the 5.79 cents per unit in the previous comparative period.

Interim distributions will be made on 1 March 2006 to unitholders on the Trust's register as at 5.00 pm on 30 December 2005.

The estimated tax advantaged component of the distribution is 24.45 per cent.

In view of the gearing level of the Trust, the Directors have resolved to keep the Distribution Reinvestment Plan suspended until further notice.

#### Finance

As at 31 December 2005 the Trust's total assets had grown to \$702.5 million with unitholders' equity of \$479.5 million and total liabilities of \$222.9 million.

The Trust's gearing ratio (debt to total assets) at 31 December 2005 was 27.9 per cent, and within the preferred range of 20 to 40 per cent.

At 31 December 2005, the Trust's hedging cover was \$177.0 million against interest bearing debt of \$195.8 million. The average interest rate paid on debt excluding margins for the six month period was 5.7 per cent, which was in line with that for the comparative period last year.

#### **Property acquisitions and developments**

During the half-year, the Trust purchased an established Bunnings Warehouse property at Morley in Perth (formerly a BBC Hardwarehouse), from a subsidiary of Wesfarmers Limited. The Trust also completed a Bunnings Warehouse development at Vermont South, in Victoria, as well as completed an upgrade to the Trust property at Northland, in Victoria. Capital expenditure on the portfolio during the half-year amounted to \$30.2 million.

The property investments made are consistent with the responsible entity's strategy of acquiring properties with long term leases to substantial tenants, ensuring that the properties are well located and the portfolio is geographically diversified, and adding value to Trust properties. At 31 December 2005 the average lease expiry term of the portfolio was 9.4 years.

#### Market rent review

During the period, a market rent review was completed on the Rockingham property, in Western Australia, by an independent valuer appointed by the Trust and the lessee.

The determined rent represented a 17.2 per cent uplift on the passing rent.

#### Revaluations

During the half-year the entire Trust portfolio was revalued in accordance with newly introduced Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS).

In accordance with AIFRS, the portion of the revaluation gain attributable to the six month period ended 31 December 2005, \$15.8 million, is recorded as a gain in the Income and Distribution Statement. However, and in accordance with a resolution passed by unitholders in December 2005, such unrealised gains will not be distributed to unitholders.

#### **Events subsequent**

On 2 February 2006 the Trust has committed to a seven year lease of a 1,378 square metre tenancy for a Clark Rubber outlet at the recently completed showroom complex adjoining the Bunnings Warehouse at Bayswater, Victoria. Negotiations continue with national retailers for the remaining 1,106 square metre tenancy.

On 3 February 2006 the Trust purchased a 1.0 hectare parcel of land adjacent to the Trust-owned property at Fyshwick, ACT for \$3.5 million.

#### Outlook

Growth in revenue and earnings is expected as a result of more properties being added to the portfolio, improvements made to existing properties and programmed rental escalations.

The ongoing expansion of the Bunnings hardware business is expected to continue to provide the Trust with investment opportunities.

The Trust will also continue to explore the acquisition of Bunnings Warehouse properties owned by Wesfarmers Limited, as well as Bunnings Warehouse properties owned by parties not related to Wesfarmers Limited. For further information please contact:

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## BUNNINGS WAREHOUSE PROPERTY TRUST ARSN 088 581 097

## APPENDIX 4D - HALF-YEAR REPORT

Financial half-year ended 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### Results for announcement to the market

(Comparative information is for the half-year ended 31 December 2004)

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|--|----------|------------|------------|--|---|
| Revenues from continuing operations  |          | ир         | 10.34%     | to                                       | 27,169                                    |
| Net profit from continuing operations after tax attributable to members $^{*}$   |          | down       | 7.04%      | to                                       | 34,595                                    |
| Net profit for the period attributable to members  |          | down       | 7.04%      | to                                       | 34,595                                    |
|  |          |            |            |  |   |
| Distributions  |          |            |            | Amoun                                    | t per security                            |
| Interim Distribution   |          |            |            | 6  | o.22 cents                                |
| Previous corresponding period  |          |            |            | 5  | 5.79 cents                                |
| Record date for determining entitlements to the distribution   |          |            |            | 30 De                                    | cember 2005                               |
| The Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust Distribution Reinves   | stment F | lan rema   | ains suspe | ended.                                   |   |
| It is recommended that the half-year financial report is read in 30 June 2005 together with public announcements made by the obligations arising under the Australian Stock Exchange Listing | he Trust | t in accor | dance wit  | h the con                                | tinuous disclosure                        |
|  |          |            |            | Dec 2005                                 | 5 Dec 2004                                |
| * Net profit before unrealised items<br>Unrealised items (gain in fair value of investment properties)<br>Net profit from continuing operations  | up       | 7.51%      | to         | 18,788<br><u>15,807</u><br><u>34,595</u> | 17,476<br>1 <u>9,739</u><br><u>37,215</u> |
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# BUNNINGS WAREHOUSE PROPERTY TRUST

Half-Year Financial Report 31 December 2005

## Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust Condensed Income and Distribution Statement For the half-year ended 31 December 2005

| Continuing exerctions  | December<br>2005<br>\$000 | December<br>2004<br>\$000 |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Continuing operations  |                           |                           |
| Revenue<br>Rental income   | 26 575                    | 22 742                    |
| Other property income  | 26,575<br>533             | 23,742<br>842             |
| Interest income  | 61                        |                           |
|  |                           | 38                        |
|  | 27,169                    | 24,622                    |
| Unrealised gain in fair value of investment properties   | 15,807                    | 19,739                    |
| Responsible entity's fees  | (1,896)                   | (1,729)                   |
| Other operating expenses   | (588)                     | (523)                     |
| Net profit from continuing operations before finance costs   | 40,492                    | 42,109                    |
|  |                           |                           |
| Finance costs  | (5,897)                   | (4,894)                   |
| Net profit from continuing operations attributable to unitholders of the Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust | 34,595                    | 37,215                    |
| STATEMENT OF DISTRIBUTION  |                           |                           |
| Net profit attributable to unitholders of the Bunnings   |                           |                           |
| Warehouse Property Trust   | 34,595                    | 37,215                    |
| Undistributed income at the beginning of the financial period  | 133,964                   | 90,087                    |
|  | 168,559                   | 127,302                   |
| Distribution paid or payable   | (18,749)                  | (17,453)                  |
| Undistributed income at the end of the financial period  | 149,810                   | 109,849                   |
| Basic and diluted earnings (cents per unit) for the half-year  | 11.5                      | 12.3                      |
| Interim distribution (cents per unit) for the half-year  | 6.22                      | 5.79                      |

The condensed income and distribution statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust Condensed Balance Sheet As at 31 December 2005

|   | December<br>2005<br>\$000 | June<br>2005<br>\$000 | December<br>2004<br>\$000 |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| ASSETS<br>Current assets                          |                           |                       |                           |
| Cash and cash equivalents                         | 5,728                     | 5,752                 | 5,014                     |
| Other   | 591                       | 977                   | 583                       |
| Total current assets                              | 6,319                     | 6,729                 | 5,597                     |
| Non-current assets                                |                           |                       |                           |
| Investment properties                             | 695,300                   | 650,100               | 622,000                   |
| Receivables                                       | 850                       | -                     | - 022,000                 |
| Total non-current assets                          | 696,150                   | 650,100               | 622,000                   |
| Total assets                                      | 702,469                   | 656,829               | 627,597                   |
|   |                           |                       |                           |
| LIABILITIES<br>Current liabilities                |                           |                       |                           |
| Payables  | 7,826                     | 7,013                 | 6,180                     |
| Derivative financial instruments                  | 532                       | -                     | -                         |
| Distribution payable                              | 18,749                    | 18,599                | 17,453                    |
| Total current liabilities                         | 27,107                    | 25,612                | 23,633                    |
| Non-current liabilities                           |                           |                       |                           |
| Payables  |                           | 75                    | 75                        |
| Interest bearing borrowings                       | 195,818                   | 166,945               | 163,807                   |
| Total non-current liabilities                     | 195,818                   | 167,020               | 163,882                   |
| Total liabilities                                 | 222,925                   | 192,632               | 187,515                   |
| Net assets  | 479,544                   | 464,197               | 440,082                   |
|   |                           |                       |                           |
| Unitholders' equity                               |                           |                       |                           |
| Issued capital                                    | 330,233                   | 330,233               | 330,233                   |
| Hedging reserve                                   | (499)                     | -                     | -                         |
| Undistributed income<br>Total unitholders' equity | 149,810<br>479 544        | 133,964               | 109,849                   |
|   | 479,544                   | 464,197               | 440,082                   |
| Net tangible asset backing per unit               | \$1.59                    | \$1.54                | \$1.46                    |

The condensed balance sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust Condensed Cash Flow Statement For the half-year ended 31 December 2005

|   | December<br>2005<br>\$000 | December<br>2004<br>\$000 |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities  |                           |                           |
| Rent received   | 28,681                    | 27,560                    |
| Payments to suppliers   | (857)                     | (3,367)                   |
| Payments to the responsible entity  | (1,996)                   | (1,656)                   |
| Interest received   | 61                        | 38                        |
| Finance costs   | (6,106)                   | (5,108)                   |
| Net cash flows from operating activities  | 19,783                    | 17,467                    |
| Cash flows from investing activities<br>Payments for purchase of, and additions to, the<br>Trust's property investments | (30,208)                  | (19,075)                  |
| Net cash flows used in investing activities   | (30,208)                  | (19,075)                  |
| Cash flows from financing activities  |                           |                           |
| Proceeds of borrowings  | 29,000                    | 8,587                     |
| Distribution paid   | (18,599)                  | (7,331)                   |
| Net cash flows from financing activities  | 10,401                    | 1,256                     |
| Net decrease in cash equivalents<br>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period                                    | (24)<br>5,752             | (352)<br>5,366            |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period  | 5,728                     | 5,014                     |

The condensed cash flow statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust Condensed Statement of Changes in Equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2005

|   | Issued<br>Capital<br>\$000 | Undistributed<br>Income<br>\$000 | Other<br>Reserves<br>\$000 | Total<br>\$000    |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Balance at 1 July 2004 under<br>AGAAP                                 | 320,249                    | 1                                | 75,079                     | 395,329           |
| AIFRS transition adjustments  | -                          | 90,086                           | (75,079)                   | 15,007            |
| Balance at 1 July 2004 under<br>AIFRS                                 | 320,249                    | 90,087                           | -                          | 410,336           |
| Total income and expense for the precognised directly in equity       | period                     |                                  |                            |                   |
| Net profit for the period   | -                          | 37,215                           | -                          | 37,215            |
| Total income/expense for the period                                   | -                          | 37,215                           | -                          | 37,215            |
| Distribution reinvestment   | 9,984                      | -                                | -                          | 9,984             |
| Equity distributions  | -                          | (17,453)                         | -                          | (17,453)          |
| Balance at 31 December 2004   | 330,233                    | 109,849                          | -                          | 440,082           |
| Balance at 1 July 2005 under<br>AGAAP<br>AIFRS transition adjustments | 330,233<br>-               | 16<br>133,948                    | 104,335<br>(105,539)       | 434,583<br>28,410 |
| Balance at 1 July 2005 under  | 330,233                    | 133,964                          | (1,204)                    | 462,993           |
| AIFRS   |                            |                                  |                            |                   |
| Total income and expense for the precognised directly in equity       | period                     |                                  |                            |                   |
| Movement in hedge derivatives   | -                          | -                                | 705                        | 705               |
| Net profit for the period   | -                          | 34,595                           | -                          | 34,595            |
| Total income/expense for the period                                   | -                          | 34,595                           | 705                        | 35,300            |
| Equity distributions  | -                          | (18,749)                         | -                          | (18,749)          |
| Balance at 31 December 2005   | 330,233                    | 149,810                          | (499)                      | 479,544           |

The condensed statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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

The half-year financial report should be read in conjunction with the annual Financial Report of the Trust as at 30 June 2005, which was prepared based on Australian Accounting Standards applicable before 1 January 2005 (AGAAP).

It is also recommended that the half-year financial report be considered together with any public announcements made by the Trust during the half-year ended 31 December 2005 in accordance with the continuous disclosure obligations arising under the Corporations Act 2001.

#### (a) Basis of accounting

The half-year financial report is a general-purpose financial report, which has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of the Trust, the Corporations Act 2001, applicable Accounting Standards including AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

The half-year financial report has been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for investment properties and derivative financial instruments that have been measured at fair value.

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

#### (b) Statement of compliance

The half-year financial report complies with Australian Accounting Standards, which include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS). Compliance with AIFRS ensures that the half-year financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes thereto, complies with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting.

This is the first half-year financial report based on AIFRS and comparatives for the halfyear ended 31 December 2004 and full-year ended 30 June 2005 have been restated accordingly. A summary of the significant accounting policies of the Trust under AIFRS are disclosed in Note 1 (c) below.

Reconciliations of AIFRS equity as at 1 July 2004, 31 December 2004 and 30 June 2005; and AIFRS profit for the half-year 31 December 2004 and full-year 30 June 2005, to the balances reported in the 31 December 2004 half-year report, and the 30 June 2005 full-year financial report prepared under AGAAP are detailed in Note 1 (e) below.

#### (c) Summary of significant accounting policies

#### (i) Finance costs

Finance costs are recognised as an expense when incurred with the exception of interest charges on funds invested in properties with substantial development and construction phases which are capitalised to the property until such times as the construction work is complete.

#### (ii) Investment properties

Initially, investment properties are measured at cost including transaction costs.

Expenditure capitalised to properties includes the cost of acquisition, capital and refurbishment additions, and during development includes rates, taxes, financing changes and related professional fees incurred, net of sundry income. Leasing fees incurred in relation to the on-going renewal of major tenancies are deferred and amortised over the lease period to which they relate.

Subsequent to initial recognition investment properties are stated at fair value.

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair values of investment properties are included in the Income and Distribution Statement in the period in which they arise.

Where assets have been revalued, the potential effect of the capital gains tax (CGT) on disposal has not been taken into account in the determination of the revalued carrying amount because the Trust does not expect to be ultimately liable for CGT in respect of the sale of assets.

#### (iii) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash in the Balance Sheet comprises cash at bank and in hand.

For the purpose of the Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and cash equivalents as defined above, net of any outstanding bank overdrafts.

#### (iv) Interest-bearing borrowings

#### Bank overdraft

Any bank overdraft is carried at its principal amount subject to set-off arrangements. Interest is charged on a monthly basis as an expense at the banks' benchmark rate as it accrues.

#### Bank loans

Bank loans are carried at their principal amount less any unexpired discount for bank bills. These loans are generally borrowed for short terms under long term facilities. These loans are allocated between current and non-current based on the repayment period for the facilities. Interest is charged as an expense at short term commercial rates as it accrues.

#### (c) Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (v) Payables

Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Trust. These liabilities are normally settled on 30 day terms.

#### (vi) Revenue

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the entity and the revenue can be reliably measured. The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

#### Rental and other property income

Rental and other property income is recognised as income when receivable under the terms of the rental agreement.

#### Interest

Revenue is recognised as the interest accrues using the effective interest method, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

#### (vii) Taxation

Under current Australian income tax legislation, the Trust is not liable for income tax provided that its taxable income (including any realised capital gains) is fully distributed to unitholders each year.

#### Goods and services tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST) except where the GST incurred on a purchase of goods and services is not recoverable from the taxation authority, in which case the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense item as applicable. Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables in the balance sheet.

Cash flows are included in the Cash Flow Statement on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities, which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority are classified as operating cash flows.

Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority.

#### (c) Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (viii) Derivative financial instruments

The Trust uses interest rate swaps to hedge its risks associated with interest rate fluctuations. Such derivative financial instruments are stated at fair value. The fair value of interest rate swap contracts is determined by reference to market values for similar instruments.

For the purpose of hedge accounting, hedges are classified as either fair value hedges when they hedge the exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognised asset or liability; or cash flow hedges where they hedge exposure to variability in cash flows that is either attributable to a particular risk associated with a recognised asset or a liability or a forecasted transaction.

In relation to cash flow hedges (interest rate swaps) the portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument that is determined to be an effective hedge is recognised directly in equity as a hedging reserve and any ineffective portion is recognised in the Income and Distribution Statement.

The Trust manages its financial derivatives (interest rate swaps) to ensure they meet the requirements of a cash flow hedge.

#### (ix) Earnings per unit

Basic earnings per unit is calculated as the net profit attributable to members adjusted to exclude costs of servicing equity (other than distributions), divided by the weighted average number of units, adjusted for any bonus element.

The diluted earnings per unit is not materially different from the basic earnings per unit.

#### (x) Leases

Leases are classified at their inception as either operating or finance leases based on the economic substance of the agreements so as to reflect the risks and benefits incidental to ownership.

#### **Operating leases**

The minimum rental revenues of operating leases, where the lessor effectively retains substantially all of the risks and benefits of ownership of the leased items, are included in the determination of the net profit in equal instalments over the lease term.

#### (xi) Rounding

The amounts contained in this report are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars under the option available to the company under ASIC Class Order 98/100.

#### (d) AASB 1 Transitional exemptions

The Trust has made its election in relation to the transitional exemptions allowed by AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Reporting Standards as follows:

# Exemption from the requirement to restate comparative information for AASB 132 and AASB 139

The Trust has elected to adopt this exemption and has not applied AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation and Disclosure and AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement to its comparative information.

#### (e) Impact of adoption of AIFRS

The impacts of adopting AIFRS on the total equity and net profit as reported under Australian Accounting Standards applicable before 1 January 2005 (AGAAP) are illustrated below.

## (e) Impact of adoption of AIFRS (continued)

#### Reconciliation of total equity as presented under AGAAP to that under AIFRS

|  | Note  | 1 July<br>2005<br>\$000 | 30 June<br>2005<br>\$000 | 31 December<br>2004<br>\$000 | 1 July<br>2004<br>\$000 |
|--|-------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Total equity under AGAAP                               |       | 434,583                 | 434,583                  | 408,458                      | 395,329                 |
| Deferred expenditure recognised                        | (i)   | (52)                    | (52)                     | (36)                         | (31)                    |
| Unrealised gain in fair value of investment properties | (ii)  | 29,666                  | 29,666                   | 31,660                       | 15,038                  |
| Fair value of hedge derivatives                        | (iii) | (1,204)                 | -                        | -                            | -                       |
| Total equity under AIFRS                               |       | 462,993                 | 464,197                  | 440,082                      | 410,336                 |

#### Reconciliation of net profit under AGAAP to that under AIFRS

|   | Note | Year ended<br>30 June<br>2005<br>\$000 | Half-year<br>ended<br>31 December<br>2004<br>\$000 |
|---|------|--|--|
| Net profit under AGAAP                                    |      | 36,067                                 | 17,481   |
| Deferred expenditure recognised                           | (i)  | (21)                                   | (5)  |
| Unrealised gain in fair value of<br>investment properties | (ii) | 43,884                                 | 19,739   |
| Net profit under AIFRS                                    |      | 79,930                                 | 37,215   |

#### (e) Impact of adoption of AIFRS (continued)

(i) Under AGAAP, expenditure incurred in relation to the potential purchase of property was carried forward and written off over the period to which the benefit of the expenditure related.

Under AIFRS (AASB 138 Intangible Assets) research costs are expensed immediately. This change results in research costs being recognised when incurred in the Income and Distribution Statement.

(ii) Under AGAAP, investment properties were independently valued at least every three years with revaluation increments being taken to an asset revaluation reserve and revaluation decrements recognised as an expense in the Income and Distribution Statement to the extent that they were not a reversal of a prior revaluation decrement. The carrying value of remaining properties not independently valued during the current period were assessed by the directors of the responsible entity, and where fair values materially differed from carrying values, those values were adjusted to their fair value. Materiality, in this case, was assessed purely on a balance sheet basis, as the revaluation of properties did not impact the Income and Distribution Statement.

Under AIFRS (AASB 140 Investment Properties) the fair value of investment properties reflects market conditions at reporting date, and changes in fair value are recognised in the Income and Distribution Statement. Materiality for these purposes is assessed on both a balance sheet and income statement basis and has given rise to transition adjustments to undistributed income and investment properties.

(iii) Under AIFRS (AASB 139 Financial Instruments) the Trust's interest rate swap contracts qualify for hedge accounting as cash flow hedges, with the fair value adjustments reflected in the hedge reserve and the related receivable or payable recognised as an asset or liability.

## Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust Notes to the Half-Year Financial Statements For the half-year ended 31 December 2005

| 2 | Non cash financing activities                                | December<br>2005<br>\$000 | December<br>2004<br>\$000 |
|---|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
|   | <b>Unit capital issues</b><br>Distribution Reinvestment Plan | -                         | 9,984                     |

#### 3 Issued capital

Issued and fully paid ordinary capital

There was no movement in ordinary units on issue during the current period.

#### 4 Contingent liabilities

There have been no major changes since the last annual reporting date.

#### 5 Segment reporting

The Trust operates wholly within Australia and derives rental income from investments in commercial property.

#### 6 Events after the balance sheet date

On 2 February 2006 the Trust has committed to a seven year lease of a 1,378 square metre tenancy for a Clark Rubber outlet at the recently completed showroom complex adjoining the Bunnings Warehouse at Bayswater, Victoria. Negotiations continue with national retailers for the remaining 1,106 square metre tenancy.

On 3 February 2006 the Trust purchased a 1.0 hectare parcel of land adjacent to the Trust-owned property at Fyshwick, in the Australian Capital Territory, for \$3.5 million.

In accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, Bunnings Property Management Limited (ABN 26 082 856 424), as responsible entity for the Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust (the Trust), provides this report for the half-year ended 31 December 2005.

#### Directors

The names of directors of the responsible entity in office during the half-year and until the date of this report are:

J A Austin (Director) W H Cairns (Chairman) PJ Johnston (Director) (appointed 15 September 2005) P J Mansell (Director) G T Tilbrook (Director) (resigned 14 September 2005)

#### **Review and results of operations**

|                      | December<br>2005<br>\$000 | December<br>2004<br>\$000 |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Net profit           | 34,595                    | 37,215                    |
| Distributable income | 18,752                    | 17,482                    |

The interim distribution is 6.22 cents per ordinary unit (last year 5.79 cents). This interim distribution will be made on 1 March 2006.

#### Auditor's Independence Declaration

The directors received the following declaration from the external auditor:

ERNST & YOUNG

| The Ernst & Young Building<br>11 Mounts Bay Road<br>Perth WA 6000<br>Australia | 61 8 9429 2222<br>61 8 9429 2436 |
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| GPO Box M939<br>Perth WA 6843  |                                  |

#### Auditor's Independence Declaration to the Directors of Bunnings Property Management Limited

In relation to our review of the financial report of Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust for the half-year ended 31 December 2005, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 or any applicable code of professional conduct.

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Ernst & Young

Perth, 13 February 2006

G H Meyerowitz Partner

#### Rounding

The amounts contained in the half-year financial report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars under the option available to the Trust under ASIC Class Order 98/100.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

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W H Cairns Chairman

Perth, 13 February 2006

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Bunnings Property Management Limited, responsible entity for the Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust (the Trust), I state that in the opinion of the directors:

- (a) The financial statements and notes of the Trust are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - giving a true and fair view of the Trust's financial position as at 31 December 2005 and of it's performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Trust will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

For and on behalf of the board of Bunnings Property Management Limited.

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W H Cairns Chairman

Perth, 13 February 2006

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#### Independent review report to unitholders of Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust

#### Scope

The financial report and directors' of Bunnings Property Management Limited responsibility

The financial report comprises the balance sheet, income and distribution statement, cash flow statement, statement of changes in equity and accompanying notes to the financial statements, the other information set out in Appendix 4D to the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX) Listing Rules, and the directors' declaration, for Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust (the Trust) for the half-year ended 31 December 2005.

The directors of Bunnings Property Management Limited are responsible for preparing a financial report that gives a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the Trust and that complies with Accounting Standard AASB 134 "Interim Financial Reporting", in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, and the ASX Listing Rules as they relate to Appendix 4D. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

#### Review approach

We conducted an independent review of the financial report in order to make a statement about it to the unitholders of the Trust, and in order for the Trust to lodge the financial report with the ASX and the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

Our review was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards applicable to review engagements, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, anything has come to our attention that would indicate that the financial report is not presented fairly in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, Accounting Standard AASB 134 "Interim Financial Reporting" and other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia, and the ASX Listing Rules as they relate to Appendix 4D, so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Trust's financial position, and of its performance as represented by the results of its operations and cash flows.

A review is limited primarily to inquiries of Bunnings Property Management Limited personnel and analytical procedures applied to the financial data. These procedures do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, thus the level of assurance is less than given in an audit. We have not performed an audit and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

#### Independence

We are independent of the Trust, and have met the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and the Corporations Act 2001. We have given to the directors of Bunnings Property Management Limited a written Auditor's Independence Declaration, a copy of which is included in the Directors' Report.

#### Statement

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report of Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust is not in accordance with:

- (a) the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - (i) giving a true and fair view of the financial position of Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust at 31 December 2005 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 "Interim Financial Reporting" and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia and the ASX Listing Rules as they relate to Appendix 4D.

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