

MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

NTA Backing as at 31 December 2017

Bentley Capital Limited (ASX Code: BEL) gives notice that its unaudited after-tax Net Tangible Assets (NTA) Backing as at 31 December 2017 was \$0.1584 per share.

NTA Backing for Period Ending:	% Change	Current Month 31 December 2017	Previous Month 30 November 2017
Pre-Tax NTA Backing per share	-2.1%	\$0.1584	\$0.1618
Post-Tax NTA Backing per share	-2.1%	\$0.1584	\$0.1618
Based on total issued share capital		76,127,918	76,127,918

Bentley's NTA position comprises the following items:

NTA Components:	Current Month 31 December 2017 \$'m	Previous Month 30 November 2017 \$'m
Investment in Associate Entity – Keybridge Capital Limited	3.85	3.86
Non-current asset held for sale – Strike Resources Limited	3.15	3.26
CBG Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale)	3.02	3.65
ASX-listed securities	0.79	0.78
Cash	1.30	0.63
Net other assets/(liabilities)	(0.05)	0.15
Net Tangible Asset	12.06	12.33

Bentley's major securities holdings as at 31 December 2017 were:

Security	ASX Code/ Description	Industry Sector	Value \$'m	% of NTA
Keybridge Capital Limited	KBC	Diversified	3.85	32%
Strike Resources Limited	SRK	Materials	3.15	26%
CBG Fund	Unlisted managed fund	Diversified	3.02	25%
Pioneer Credit Limited	PNC	Diversified	0.59	5%
Other listed securities	Various	Various	0.20	2%



NOTES:

- (1) Bentley's investment in [Keybridge Capital Limited](#) (ASX: [KBC](#)) is regarded as an Associate entity (over which Bentley is considered to have significant influence) and is accounted for under the equity method in the consolidated financial statements pursuant to Accounting Standard [AASB 128](#). Under the equity method, the carrying amount of an investment in an Associate entity is at initial cost plus a share of the Associate entity's net profit or loss (after tax) for the financial year to the relevant balance date. Refer Note 22 (Investment in Associate Entity) on page 53 of Bentley's [2017 Annual Report](#) for further information in this regard.

Bentley has accounted for its investment in KBC (31,700,000 shares being 20.05% of KBC's total issued share capital) (30 November: 31,700,000 shares; 20.05%) at a carrying value of \$3.85 million (being \$0.1215 per share) at month end on this basis. Bentley notes that KBC's closing bid price on ASX was \$0.11 and its net asset backing was \$0.145, as at month end (30 November: \$0.11 share price and \$0.1459 net asset backing).

- (2) Bentley's investment in [Strike Resources Limited](#) (ASX: [SRK](#)) is regarded as an investment in a Non-Current Asset Held For Sale and is accounted for under Accounting Standard [AASB 5](#). Refer Note 9 (Non-Current Asset Held for Sale) on pages 41 and 42 of Bentley's [2017 Annual Report](#) for further information in this regard.

Bentley has accounted for its investment in SRK (52,553,493 shares being 36.16% of SRK's total issued share capital) (30 November: 52,553,493 shares; 36.16%) at a carrying value of \$3.15 million (based on the closing bid price on ASX of 6 cents per share) at month end on this basis (30 November: \$3.26 million; 6.2 cents).

- (3) Units invested in the CBG Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale) (**CBG Fund**) are valued at the audited unit price published by the investment manager, [CBG Asset Management Limited](#), as at month end - the unit price reflects the net asset backing of the fund; there is no buy/sell spread price; there is no recognition of realisation costs as there are no exit fees charged on redemption of units.
- (4) The post-tax NTA Backing per share figure is reported net of provision for tax liabilities on realised and unrealised gains on investments, in accordance with the Company's income tax accounting policy (refer Note 5 (Tax) at page 38 of Bentley's [2017 Annual Report](#) for further information in this regard.
- (5) Bentley's current accounting policy is to recognise deferred tax assets arising from its carried forward tax losses and its unrealised loss on investments only to the extent of offsetting any deferred tax liabilities arising from its unrealised gains on investments.
- (6) Bentley's current accounting policy uses the first in-first out method of calculating gains or losses on sales of share investments.

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