

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR FILING YOUR TAX RETURN

## **2008 Transurban Tax Statement Guide**

Information to help you complete your  
2008 Australian income tax return

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Dear Transurban investor,

We are pleased to enclose your Transurban Annual Tax Statement which should be read in conjunction with this Tax Statement Guide. This Guide has been prepared to assist you and your tax adviser to complete your income tax return for the year ended 30 June 2008.

This Guide applies to you if:

- ▶ you were an Australian resident individual investor in Transurban for income tax purposes during all of the year ended 30 June 2008
- ▶ you are not a company, trust or superannuation fund, and
- ▶ you hold Transurban stapled securities for the purposes of investment, rather than for resale at a profit, and the capital gains tax (CGT) provisions apply to you.

You need to follow the steps in Part A of this Guide in order to report your Transurban distributions correctly in your 2008 Australian income tax return.

Your investment in Transurban consists of shares in Transurban Holdings Limited (THL), units in Transurban Holdings Trust (THT) and shares in Transurban Infrastructure Limited (TIL). Securities in these three entities are stapled together and cannot be traded separately.

If you disposed of any or all of your Transurban investment in 2007/2008 (or entered into a contract on or before 30 June 2008 to do so), you also need to address the income tax (including capital gains tax) consequences of that disposal. Part B, Section 1 of this Guide provides information to assist you in calculating your capital gain or loss.

Transurban made partially tax deferred distributions in the 2007/2008 year. These distributions reduced the cost base and the reduced cost base of the units in THT, which may need to be taken into account in preparing your 2008 tax return.

If you were not a resident of Australia at all times during 2007/2008, you will need to decide whether you should lodge an Australian income tax return. If you do so, information in your Transurban Annual Tax Statement, this Guide, and the distribution statements you received in connection with each distribution, will assist you.

You should consult your tax adviser if you require general tax advice on any of the above points.

You should keep your Transurban Annual Tax Statement and this Guide with your 2008 income tax work papers as supporting documentation of your income tax return.

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### Primary production

Distribution from partnerships N .

Distribution from trusts

Landcare operations and deduction  
for decline in value of water facility

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Other deductions relating to distribution X .00

### Non-primary production

Net primary production distribution

Distribution from partnerships,  
less foreign income

Distribution from trusts, less net capital gains and foreign income **U**     **X X X**

Landcare operations expenses J        .00[illegible]

Share of credits from income

Net non-primary production distribution

Share of credit for tax withheld where Australian business number not quoted P .

Share of franking credit from franked dividends Q       .  

Share of credit for tax file number amounts withheld from interest, dividends, and unit trust distributions **R**     **X** **X** **X**

Share of credit for tax paid by trustee S .

Share of credit for amounts withheld from foreign resident withholding or a managed investment trust fund payment **A**

Tax withheld – voluntary agreement **G**        .00

Tax withheld where Australian business number not quoted

If you have a net loss from a partnership business activity, complete items **P3** and **P9** in the *Business and professional items schedule for individuals 2008* in addition to item **13**.

Show distributions of:

- net capital gains at item **18** and
- foreign income at item **19** or **20**.

To complete this item, you must have read the publication *Business and professional items 2008* and completed the *Business and professional items schedule for individuals 2008*. Attach the schedule to page 3 of your tax return.

## Part A, Section 1

### Tax assessable income

**Taxable component (Non-primary Production Distribution from Trust)—Item 13U on the 2008 Tax Return for Individuals (supplementary section)**

These are distributions of non-primary production income. It comprises Australian-sourced interest and other income and needs to be included in your 2008 Australian income tax return as shown on the facing page.

TFN amounts withheld from Transurban distributions—  
Item 13R on the 2008 Tax Return for Individuals  
(supplementary section)

If you have not provided your Tax File Number (TFN) or claimed a relevant exemption, income tax has been withheld from your Transurban distribution at 46.5 per cent. The tax withheld should be claimed as a credit in your Australian income tax return for the year ended 30 June 2008. See example on facing page.

### Tax-deferred distributions

Tax-deferred distributions are not assessable for income tax and do not need to be included in your 2008 Australian income tax return. However, tax deferred distributions reduce the cost base and the reduced cost base of units in THT.

## Part A, Section 2

### Foreign entities

## Foreign entities

Your investment in Transurban includes shares in Transurban International Limited (TIL), a company incorporated in Bermuda. As TIL is not a resident of Australia for Australian tax purposes, it is treated as a foreign investment fund or 'FIF'. For that reason, you will be regarded as holding an interest in a FIF for the purposes of your 2008 Australian income tax return if you held any Transurban stapled securities at 30 June 2008.

### Phase 1

If you held any Transurban stapled securities at 30 June 2008, answer 'YES' to Question 19 of the 2008 Tax Return for Individuals (supplementary section) as shown below.

## Phase 2

Work through parts A, B and C of Question 19 of the Tax Pack 2008 supplement. Answer 'YES' to the question in Part C and work through the steps in that Part. When addressing Step 2 in Part C, please note that your attributed foreign income from TIL was nil. This is because your interest in TIL qualifies for exemption from FIF taxation under Section 497 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936. Please note that you cannot claim any foreign tax credit in respect of TIL in Step 4 (Question 19, Part C).

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**19 Foreign entities**

Did you have either a direct or indirect interest in a controlled foreign company (CFC)?

I NO ☐ YES ☐ CFC income K 

Have you ever, either directly or indirectly, caused the transfer of property – including money – or services to a non-resident trust estate?

W NO ☐ YES ☐ Transferor trust income B 

Did you have an interest in a foreign investment fund (FIF) or a foreign life assurance policy (FLP)?

J NO ☐ YES X ☒ FIF and FLP income C 
  

**20 Foreign source income and foreign assets or property**

Assessable foreign source income E 

Net foreign employment and net foreign pension or annuity income WITHOUT an undeducted purchase price L 

Net foreign pension or annuity income WITH an undeducted purchase price D 

Other net foreign source income M 

Also include at F Australian franking credits from a New Zealand company that you have received indirectly through a partnership or trust distribution.

Australian franking credits from a New Zealand company F 

Exempt foreign employment income N 

Foreign tax credits O 

During the year did you own, or have an interest in, assets located outside Australia which had a total value of AUD\$50,000 or more?

P NO ☐ YES ☐

## Part B, Section 1

### Capital gains or losses on disposal of Transurban investments

If you disposed of any or all of your Transurban investment in 2007/2008 (or entered into a contract on or before 30 June 2008 to do so), you need to consider the tax consequences of that disposal during the preparation of your 2008 Australian income tax return.

#### Recognition of capital gain or loss

You will need to reflect in your 2008 Australian income tax return the capital gains tax (CGT) result of any disposal of part or all of your Transurban investment.

The time of disposal for CGT purposes is the time the contract to make the disposal was entered into. If you entered into such a contract at any time in the year ended 30 June 2008, you need to reflect the result of the disposal in your 2008 Australian income tax return.

#### Calculation of capital gain or loss

If you disposed of some or all of your Transurban investment in the year ended 30 June 2008, you will need to perform a CGT calculation.

#### One Transurban stapled security constitutes a number of separate assets

A Transurban stapled security consists of one share in THL stapled to one unit in THT and to one share in TIL. For CGT purposes, a share in THL, a unit in THT and a share in TIL are three separate assets.

If you disposed of some or all of your Transurban investment in the year ended 30 June 2008, you will need to perform three separate CGT calculations—one for your investment in THL, a second for your investment in THT, and a third for your investment in TIL.

This means that you need to split your acquisition costs and your sales proceeds between shares in THL, units in THT and shares in TIL.

Upon disposal of a stapled security, you will realise a capital gain if the portion of the consideration reasonably attributable to the share in THL, the unit in THT and the share in TIL exceeds their respective CGT cost bases.

#### Disposal of Transurban securities

If you disposed of your securities less than 12 months after acquiring them, your CGT gain, if any, is the excess of your sales proceeds above your cost base (after reduction for any tax deferred distributions received).

If you disposed of your securities 12 months or more after acquiring them, and your sales proceeds exceeded your cost base (after reduction for any tax deferred distributions received), your CGT gain, to be included in your tax return, can be determined using the discount method.

If you disposed of your securities (whether or not within a year of acquiring them) and your sales proceeds were less than your reduced cost base (after reduction for any tax deferred distributions received) your CGT loss is the difference between the two amounts.

#### The discount method

Under the discount method, your CGT gain is called a 'discounted capital gain'. Your calculated capital gain—your sales proceeds less your cost base (after reduction for any tax deferred distributions received)—is reduced by any capital losses you may have. Your discounted capital gain is 50 per cent of this amount. Note that no indexation of your cost base is allowed under the discount method.

#### Determining the cost base and reduced cost base

The CGT cost base of your Transurban investment is generally the amount you paid to acquire it plus certain costs of acquisition. However, the receipt of tax deferred distributions may have impacted the CGT cost base of your Transurban securities.

#### Receipt of tax deferred distributions

Tax-deferred distributions received in respect of units in THT reduce the cost base and reduced cost base of each THT unit you hold. You will need to adjust the cost base and reduced cost base of your THT units for tax deferred distributions received to date. Part B, Section 2 provides information to assist you in calculating the cost base and reduced cost base of your THT units.

You may have different parcels of Transurban securities that you acquired at different times and under different transactions. It is important that you keep the details of these parcels separate and adjust the relevant cost bases and reduced cost bases of the three separate CGT assets as appropriate, in order to calculate any capital gains or losses on future disposals.

## Part B, Section 2

### Adjustments to cost base and reduced cost base of THT units in consequence of receipt of tax-deferred distributions

As discussed in Part B, Section 1, a stapled security in Transurban consists of three separate assets for CGT purposes. The cost base of each asset for CGT purposes is used for determining whether any capital gain arises on their disposal. The reduced cost base of each asset for CGT purposes is used to determine whether any disposal gives rise to a capital loss.

Tax-deferred distributions received in respect of units in THT reduce the cost base and reduced cost base of each THT unit you hold.

The following comments may assist investors in determining the cost base of their units in THT:

- ▶ The cost base of a Transurban stapled security is generally the amount paid to acquire it, plus any incidental costs of acquisition (including brokerage and stamp duty, if any).
- ▶ If you acquired your Transurban investment by subscription including under the Distribution Reinvestment Plan (DRP), Appendix 1 will assist you. It sets out, in relation to each occasion on which Transurban stapled securities have been issued, the split of the issue price between a share in THL, a unit in THT and a share in TIL at the time they were issued to you.
- ▶ If you acquired your Transurban investment on the ASX, you will know how much you paid for the Transurban stapled securities (including any incidental costs you incurred to acquire those securities). While it is for you to decide how much of the purchase price of your stapled security on the ASX was referable to the share in THL, the unit in THT and the share in TIL, you might decide to use Appendix 1 as a guide in performing this allocation.
- ▶ You will need to know what tax-deferred distributions have been made to you by THT from the time you acquired your Transurban securities so as to reduce your cost base or reduced cost base in the THT's units you hold. A history of Transurban stapled security distributions is set out in Appendix 2.
- ▶ You may have acquired your Transurban stapled securities at different times, particularly if you participated in the DRP. In working out the reduction in the cost base or reduced cost base of a THT unit by the tax-deferred distributions received by you, you need to address separately each of the holdings of Transurban stapled securities that you acquired at different times.

This is because both the cost bases and the tax-deferred distributions will differ for THT securities acquired as part of Transurban investment at different times. You will also need to do this because one of the matters which is relevant is whether the parcel of THT units that you are addressing was acquired before or after 21 September 1999.

If the THT units you are addressing were **acquired after 11.45am on 21 September 1999**, the cost base you use for the purposes of this analysis is as described above and you should ignore references to indexation.

If the THT units you are addressing were **acquired before 11.45am on 21 September 1999**, you can choose whether to use the indexed cost base or the cost base. If you choose to use the indexed cost base, you can index your cost base from the date of acquisition up to 30 September 1999.

It is possible that some investors disposed of their Transurban investment before they received the February 2008 or August 2008 distribution, but after their entitlement to receive the distribution arose (ie. 31 December 2007 and 30 June 2008, respectively). In that case, the tax-deferred distribution paid to them by THT in February 2008 or August 2008 is not treated as described above (ie. it does not reduce the cost base or the reduced cost base of their unit in THT). Instead, that tax-deferred distribution is added to the sale proceeds of their Transurban securities that is allocated to the units in THT, and both together form the 'capital proceeds' which are then taken into account in computing any CGT gain or loss on the disposal of their THT units.

## Appendix 1

### Split of Transurban issue prices up to 30 June 2008 between THT, THL and TIL (or TL, if prior to 3 January 2007)

Transurban was listed on the ASX in March 1996. The securities issued on the float (Initial Security) had an issue price of \$500. This comprised 499 Equity Infrastructure Bonds (EIBs) at the value of \$1 each, one share in Transurban CityLink Limited (The Company) at a value of \$0.01 and one unit in Transurban CityLink Unit Trust (The Trust) at a value of \$0.99. Prior to December 1999, any profit or loss on the EIB component (\$499 out of every \$500) of the Initial Security was neither assessable nor deductible for tax purposes.

On 6 December 1999, the EIBs were redeemed for \$3.482 each. The funds received were immediately subscribed for 499 stapled securities (Revised Securities), consisting of one share in The Company (subscription value = \$0.01) and one unit in the Trust (subscription value = \$3.472). For each Initial Security the investor now held 500 Revised Securities.

Subsequent to the EIB redemption, any profits or losses on the disposal of Revised Securities issued as a consequence of the EIB redemption, disposed of between 6 December 1999 and 11 December 2001, are calculated with a capital gains tax base of \$3.482 split as \$0.01 to one share in The Company and \$3.472 to one unit in The Trust.

On 11 December 2001, Transurban Group implemented a restructure whereby the Revised Securities were replaced by a triple stapled security comprising one share in Transurban Holdings Limited (THL), one unit in Transurban Holding Trust (THT) and one share in Transurban Infrastructure Development Limited (TIDL). Under the restructure, security holders exchanged their shares in The Company for shares in THL and their units in The Trust for units in THT on a one for one basis. In addition, security holders received, for no consideration, fully paid ordinary shares in TIDL pro rata to their holding of shares in THL and units in THT. TIDL subsequently changed its name to Transurban Limited (TL).

The Australian tax consequences for security holders exchanging their Revised Securities for the New Stapled Securities (Transurban Securities) were discussed in the Information Memorandum for the Restructure. The information provided assisted security holders in determining the cost base for Transurban stapled securities based on whether they elected for CGT roll-over relief.

In summary, the cost base of the Transurban stapled securities will either be their market value (ie. \$4.22) on the date the Revised Securities were exchanged for the Transurban stapled securities, or the original cost base of the Revised Security if CGT roll-over relief was elected.

On 3 January 2007, Transurban Group implemented a restructure which involved the replacement of shares in TL from the triple stapled security with shares in Transurban International Limited (TIL). The restructure was implemented through a number of steps. Details of the restructure, as well as the tax consequences for security holders are available in the Information Memorandum which was sent to investors on 21 September 2006. The 2007 Transurban Tax Statement Guide also provides information on the tax consequences for security holders of the restructure. A copy of the Information Memorandum and the 2007 Transurban Tax Statement Guide is available under the Investors section of the Transurban website ([www.transurban.com](http://www.transurban.com)).

If you are not sure what the cost base of your Transurban stapled security is you should consult your tax adviser. If you are a former Hills Motorway Limited (HML) investor, you should refer to the summary of tax implications for former HML investors and the table of closing prices for Transurban securities during the offer period in order to determine your cost base in the Transurban securities. Both the summary and the table are available on the Transurban website under 'Investors/Tax and distributions/Hills tax and distributions'.

If you are a former Sydney Roads Group (SRG) investor, you should refer to the summary of tax implications for former SRG investors and the table of closing prices for Transurban securities during the offer period in order to determine your cost base in the Transurban securities. Both the summary and the table are available on the Transurban website under 'Investors/Tax and distributions/SRG merger-table of closing prices'.

The table on the right provides a summary of the allocation of the market value of Transurban securities between THL, THT and TL (or TIL, if after 2 January 2007) at the date Transurban securities were issued. This allocation has been performed for accounting purposes and may assist you in allocating the purchase price of your Transurban securities between the three assets you have received.



If you purchased your Transurban securities on the ASX, you may wish to use the table below as a guide to allocate your purchase price between THL, THT and TL (or TIL, if after 2 January 2007). This is a guide to assist you in the allocation of value between the three separate assets depending on when you acquired your Transurban securities.

Date of issue	Type of issue	Issue price per stapled security	Issue price of share in THL	Issue price of unit in THT	Issue price of share in TL	Issue price of share in TIL
11 December 2001	New stapled security (Transurban)	\$4.2200	\$0.010	\$4.2100	\$0.00	n/a
8 October 2002	DRP	\$3.7925	\$0.010	\$3.7825	\$0.00	n/a
26 March 2003	DRP	\$4.1065	\$0.010	\$4.0965	\$0.00	n/a
8 October 2003	DRP	\$4.1241	\$0.010	\$4.1141	\$0.00	n/a
26 March 2004	DRP	\$4.4020	\$0.010	\$4.3920	\$0.00	n/a
8 October 2004	DRP	\$5.3194	\$0.010	\$5.3094	\$0.00	n/a
26 November 2004	Exercise of May 2002 options	\$4.2200	\$0.010	\$4.2100	\$0.00	n/a
24 December 2004	Exercise of February 2002 options	\$4.2800	\$0.280	\$4.0000	\$0.00	n/a
12 April 2005	Hills Motorway acquisition	\$7.3699	\$0.280	\$7.0899	\$0.00	n/a
15 June 2005	Exercise of May 2002 options	\$4.2200	\$0.280	\$3.9400	\$0.00	n/a
28 February 2006	DRP	\$6.4689	\$0.280	\$6.1889	\$0.00	n/a
25 August 2006	DRP	\$6.6315	\$0.280	\$6.3515	\$0.00	n/a
3 January 2007	Transurban restructure	\$5.7154	\$0.340	\$5.3754	n/a	\$0.000
28 February 2007	DRP	\$7.3741	\$0.340	\$7.0341	n/a	\$0.000
11 April 2007	Acquisition of SRG	\$7.8700	\$0.340	\$7.5300	n/a	\$0.000
27 August 2007	DRP	\$7.7038	\$0.3400	\$7.3638	n/a	\$0.00
27 February 2008	DRP	\$6.5500	\$0.3400	\$6.2100	n/a	\$0.00
19 June 2008	Placement of securities	\$5.4900	\$1.356	\$3.3380	\$0.00	\$0.796

## Appendix 2

### Tax deferred distributions made by THT up to 30 June 2008

Record date	Payment date	Tax-deferred component per security	Taxable component per security	Total distribution
30 June 2008	29 August 2008	\$0.1990	\$0.0910	\$0.2900
31 December 2007	27 February 2008	\$0.2050	\$0.0750	\$0.2800
5 July 2007	27 August 2007	\$0.2033	\$0.0717	\$0.2750
2 January 2007	28 February 2007	\$0.2152	\$0.0498	\$0.2650
26 June 2006	25 August 2006	\$0.2040	\$0.0510	\$0.2550
23 December 2005	28 February 2006	\$0.1990	\$0.0460	\$0.2450
24 June 2005	2 September 2005	\$0.1800	\$0.0000	\$0.1800
28 February 2005	25 March 2005	\$0.1700	\$0.0000	\$0.1700
20 September 2004	8 October 2004	\$0.1350	\$0.0000	\$0.1350
2 March 2004	26 March 2004	\$0.1200	\$0.0000	\$0.1200
18 September 2003	8 October 2003	\$0.1000	\$0.0000	\$0.1000
27 February 2003	26 March 2003	\$0.1000	\$0.0000	\$0.1000
18 September 2002	8 October 2002	\$0.0300	\$0.0000	\$0.0300
7 February 2002	26 February 2002	\$0.0225	\$0.0000	\$0.0225
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2.0800</b>	<b>\$0.3800</b>	<b>\$2.4600</b>

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