

Vantage Private Equity Growth Limited

Quarterly Investor Report — Quarter Ending 30 September 2007



Special points of interest:

- VPEG commits \$4m to Equity Partners Fund No. 3
- VPEG's Underlying Funds Now Hold 9 Investments
- VPEG's Underlying Fund's Investment Rate Not Affected by the US Sub Prime Mortgage Meltdown
- VPEG's Investment Portfolio Continues to Perform as Planned During the Quarter

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SUMMARY

Background

Vantage Private Equity Growth Limited (VPEG) is a multi manager Private Equity investment company initially structured as an unlisted Australian public company. VPEG is focussed on investing in professionally managed Private Equity funds that invest in businesses that are at a more mature stage of development, and in particular the Later Expansion and Buyout stages of Private Equity investment.

The Company's investment objective for its Investment Portfolio is to achieve attractive medium to long-term returns on Private Equity investments while keeping the volatility of the overall investment portfolio low. This will be achieved by investing across a highly diversified portfolio of Private Equity assets with diversification obtained by allocating across manager, geographic region, financing stage, industry sector and Vintage Year.

VPEG will invest the majority of its Investment Portfolio into predominantly Australian based Private Equity funds and, to provide additional geographic diversification, will seek to commit a maximum of 30% of its Private Equity Allocation to European based Private Equity funds also focussed on investing in the Later Expansion and Buyout stages of Private Equity.

VPEG has commenced building its investment portfolio and of the approximate \$33m raised to date has committed \$28m across five private equity funds.

As at 30 September 2007, Commitments made by VPEG include, \$8m to each of Archer Capital Fund 4 and Quadrant Private Equity No. 2 and \$4m to each of Advent V, Crescent Capital Partners III and Equity Partners Fund No. 3.

Important Information

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Performance

The period from 1 July 2007 to 30 September 2007 saw the continued growth in both VPEG's portfolio of private equity commitments and underlying investments.

The most significant development for VPEG during the September quarter was the \$4m commitment made to Equity Partners No. 3 Private Equity fund. Furthermore there was a continued rise in the level of private equity investments across the portfolio with one new investment and four "bolt on" acquisitions, to existing investments, made.

The table to the right provides a summary of the performance of VPEG's portfolio during the Quarter. VPEG's post tax NAV per Share increased from \$0.984 at 30 June 2007 to \$0.990 as at 30 September 2007.

The increase in VPEG's NAV per share, during the quarter, once again reflects the benefits of VPEG's strategy of investing a portion of its initial capital into the Enhanced Yield Fund managed by AMP Capital Investors.

The higher than cash return being delivered from VPEG's Enhanced Yield Investments continued to offset the management and administration costs in running VPEG as well as any reduction in the value of the drawn down private equity as a result of underlying fund costs, including establishments costs, transaction costs and management fees.

Month Ending	VPEG NAV per Ordinary Share*
30-Sep-07	0.990
31-Aug-07	0.985
31-Jul-07	0.984
30-Jun-07	0.984

*Net Asset Value (NAV) per share post tax

Key Portfolio Developments

The September 2007 quarter saw a continued rise in the level of private equity investments in VPEG's portfolio.

This increased exposure to private equity investments resulted from draw downs, during the quarter, by Advent V, Crescent Capital Partners III and Quadrant Private Equity No. 2, totaling \$793,120.

Draw downs from VPEG during the quarter went toward funding one new investment, the first for Crescent Capital Partners III and to fund four follow on investments for "bolt on" acquisitions by Advent V and Quadrant Private Equity No. 2. One further investment was completed by Advent V although the draw down for this investment did not occur until early October 2007.

Crescent Capital Partners III draw down from VPEG in early July was to fund the management buyout of **Steel-Line Garage Doors**, an overview of which was reported in VPEG's June 2007 quarterly report.

Advent V's draw down from VPEG during July & September 2007 was to contribute toward the funding of the "bolt on" acquisitions of **Pantacchini's Seafood, The Fresh Produce Company & GBL Holdings** by Advent V investee **Solomon Food Group**

Quadrant Private Equity No. 2's draw down from VPEG during August 2007 was to provide an additional investment into **Quick Service Restaurants** to acquire **Oporto Portuguese Chicken and Burgers**, which was completed on 18 July 2007.

Advent V also completed a new investment during the September quarter with the expansion capital investment in **UGM Mining Solutions**, with funding drawn down from Advent V investee's including VPEG in early October 2007.

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Overview of New Underlying Investments

Solomon Food Group

During the September Quarter, **Advent V** investee, Solomon Food Group (SFG) successfully completed the "bolt on" acquisition of three complementary businesses, being those of Pantacchini's Seafood, The Fresh Produce Company and GBL Holdings.

Pantacchini's Seafood, purchased in July by SFG, is the leading seafood wholesaler in Cairns, supplying restaurants, resorts, clubs, hotels and cruise ships with fresh seafood as well as other food service products.

Also in July, SFG acquired the Gold Coast based **The Fresh Produce Co.** which supplies a full range of fresh produce to the local market. This acquisition increases the SFG distribution base in the Gold Coast market, providing critical mass as well as adding a number of new product lines.

SFG's most recent acquisition, **GBL Holdings**, was completed in September. GBL is a highly successful fresh produce supplier based at the Brisbane markets. GBL, which has \$15 million in annual turnover, will continue to operate under its existing name as part of Solomon's produce division.

SFG has now finalised a total of 10 acquisitions since April 2006 and these businesses are progressively being integrated within the Solomon backbone. SFG's strong performance in acquiring and integrating new business into the group is propelling it to a dominant position in fresh food distribution in Queensland.

Quick Services Restaurants

In late July **Quadrant Private Equity No. 2** investee Quick Services Restaurants (the owner of Red Rooster and Chicken Treat) acquired the **Oporto Portuguese Chicken and Burger Chain** for \$60 million.

The acquisition of Oporto increases the store distribution of Quick Services Restaurants to 540 outlets, comprising more than 300 company stores and 240 franchise outlets across the Red Rooster, Chicken Treat and Oporto network in Australia and New Zealand.

The expanded group now serves approximately 60 million customers visits per annum and employs more than 14,000 staff throughout its company and franchise network. A comprehensive three brand store roll out program is now underway with over 50 new stores scheduled to open within the next 12 months.

The acquisition of Oporto increases the enterprise value of Quick Service Restaurants to \$240 million.

UGM Mining Solutions

In late September **Advent V** announced it had acquired UGM Mining Solutions, a leading underground coal mining contractor based in the Hunter Valley (NSW). Its primary contracting services focus on: coal cutting; conveyor installation and maintenance; outbye services including secondary roof support, ventilation and civil services; and diesel fleet hire and servicing.

UGM's key customers are Australia's major coal mine owners including Xstrata, Anglo Coal, Peabody and Centennial Coal. The Business employs 400 people across its operations in the NSW and QLD coalfields.

Advent's investment provides the business with ongoing access to capital to fund acquisition opportunities that add scale and diversity to its operations in coal mining contracting and provide a platform for growth into other mining sectors in Australia.



PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE

VPEG's Portfolio Structure – 30 September 2007

The tables and charts below provide information on the breakdown of VPEG's investments as at 30 September 2007.

Current Investment Portfolio Allocation*

The table below provides the split of VPEG's current investment portfolio across cash and other fixed interest securities, enhanced yield investments and Private Equity (drawn down).

The drawn down Private Equity component of the portfolio is further broken down by the investment stage (Later Expansion or Buyout) of the Private Equity investments that currently make up VPEG's underlying Private Equity portfolio.

Cash and Other Fixed Interest	Enhanced Yield Investments	Private Equity (Drawn Down)	
		5.1%	84.0%
		Buyout	9.8%

*As a percentage of VPEG's Investment Portfolio (or Gross Assets). As at 30 September 2007 VPEG's Gross Assets were \$ 29.83 million (unaudited) pre tax.

As VPEG continues to build its Private Equity portfolio, it's holding in Enhanced Yield Investments managed by AMP Capital Investors will continue to be reduced.

The new commitment made by VPEG this quarter to Equity Partners No. 3 as well as the continued strong deal flow available to small to mid market focussed Private Equity funds in Australia should see the continued increase in level of investment by VPEG's underlying funds, with a subsequent increase in drawn down Private Equity and the subsequent reduction in VPEG's Enhanced Yield Investments over time.

Private Equity Portfolio

VPEG has now made commitments to five underlying Private Equity funds and ultimately holds interests in nine underlying company investments. VPEG's Private Equity portfolio and commitments, as at 30 September 2007, are as follows:

Private Equity Fund Name	Fund Size	Vintage Year	Investment Focus	VPEG Commitment	Capital Drawn Down	No. of Investee Companies
Advent V	\$300m	2006	Small to Mid Market Expansion / Buyout	\$4.0m	\$0.73m	4
Archer Capital Fund 4	\$1,360m	2007	Mid Market Buyout	\$8.0m	\$0.92m	3
Crescent Capital Partners III	\$400m	2006	Small to Mid Market Expansion / Buyout	\$4.0m	\$0.27m	1
Equity Partners Fund No. 3	\$175m*	2007	Small Market Expansion / Buyout	\$4.0m	\$0.00m	0
Quadrant Private Equity No. 2	\$500m	2007	Mid Market Expansion / Buyout	\$8.0m	\$1.56m	1

* Target Fund size

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PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE – continued

Summary of VPEG's Underlying Private Equity Investments

The table below provides a snapshot of the eight current underlying private equity investments in VPEG's portfolio, for which funds have been drawn down from VPEG, as at 30 September 2007.

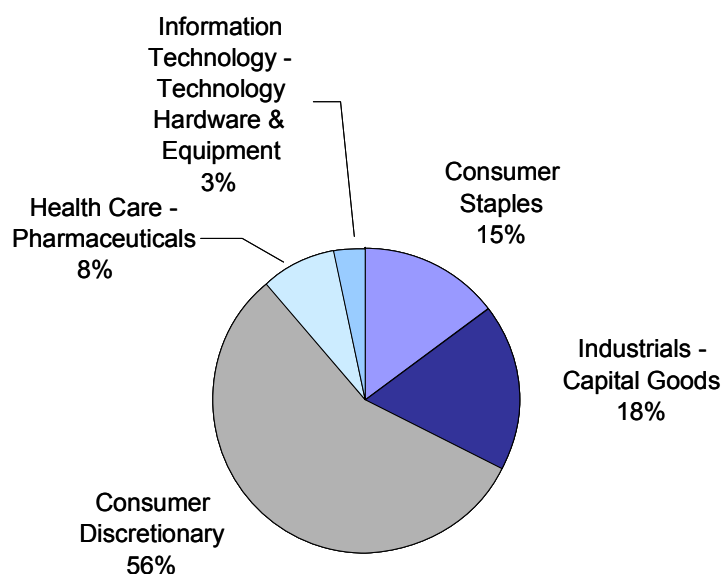
VPEG's single largest exposure is to Quadrant Private Equity No. 2 investee, Quick Service Restaurants, accounting for approximately 5.1% of VPEG's pre tax NAV.

Rank	Investment	Description	% of VPEG NAV*	Cumulative % of VPEG NAV*
1	Quick Service Restaurants	Chicken Fast Food Retailing	5.1%	5.1%
2	Locker Group	Metal Products Manufacturer	1.2%	6.3%
3	Amart All Sports / Rebel Sport	Sporting Goods Retailer	1.0%	7.3%
4	Cellarmasters Group	Wine Production, Sales and Bottling services businesses	1.0%	8.2%
5	Inova Pharmaceuticals	Pharmaceuticals Manufacturer and Distributor	0.9%	9.1%
6	Steel-Line Garage Doors	Manufacturer and Distributor of Garage Doors and Associated Accessories	0.8%	9.9%
7	Solomon Food Group	Wholesale food distribution	0.7%	10.5%
8	Scada Group	Systems integration solutions and SCADA products to water utilities and oil & gas businesses	0.4%	10.9%

*As at 30 September 2007 (unaudited) calculated on VPEG's pre tax NAV.

Industry Spread of VPEG's Underlying Investments

The chart below illustrates that VPEG's Private Equity investment portfolio continues to be diversified across a range of industry sectors.



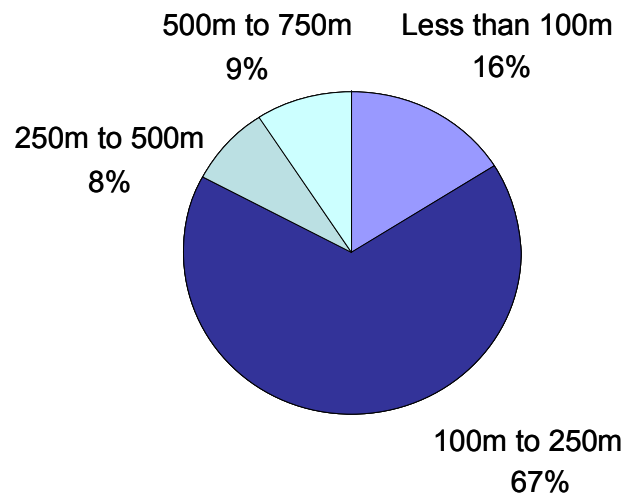
PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE — continued

Range of Enterprise Value at Investment of VPEG's Underlying Investments

The chart to the right provides a breakdown of VPEG's underlying Private Equity investments by the range in Enterprise Value (EV) at initial investment, by the relevant underlying fund.

As demonstrated, the majority (67%) of underlying investments have been made into companies of enterprise value between \$100 million to \$250 million at initial investment.

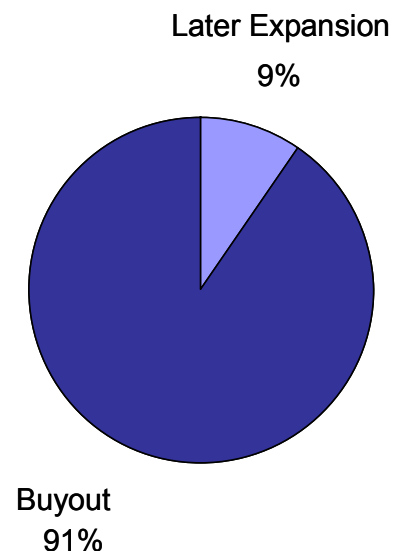
This is in line with VPEG's strategy of investing its private equity allocation into funds focused on the small to mid sized market segments that offer substantial opportunities for growth.



Investment Stage of VPEG's Underlying Investments

Of the eight underlying Private Equity investments made by VPEG's underlying funds, for which capital has been drawn down from VPEG, the majority (91%) of the investments by value, made to date, have been at the buyout financing stage.

The graph to the right demonstrates VPEG's focus of investing into Private Equity funds focussed on investing in companies with well established products and services, at the Later Expansion and Buyout financing stages of Private Equity, that has consistently delivered strong returns to investors.



OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

VPEG Commits \$4m to Equity Partners Fund No. 3

In September, VPEG completed its fifth Private Equity fund investment with a **commitment of \$4m to Equity Partners Fund No. 3 (EP3)**, managed by Sydney based **Equity Partners Pty Ltd**

Equity Partners (www.equitypartners.com.au) were formed in 1995 and commenced fund raising soon after for their first Venture Capital (VC) fund. By 2000 Equity Partners had approximately \$140m under management with the majority of those commitments targeting expansion stage investments into businesses with revenues in the range \$5m to \$50m.

Since turning their focus from a mixture of VC and expansion stage investing to that of only expansion and buyout investing, into profitable businesses, during 2002, the team at Equity Partners have been able to demonstrate a strong track record of generating top quartile returns for investors. Furthermore the expansion and buyout investments led by Rajeev Dhawan (a Partner at Equity Partners since 2004), while at Colonial First State Private Equity (CFSPE), have also demonstrated top quartile performance.

Of the 16 expansion and buyout stage investments led by the current executive team (both at Equity Partners and CFSPE) 12 have been realised generating 2.78 times funds invested and an average IRR of 53% p.a.

EP3, with a target size of \$175m, will focus on investing into small to mid-market buyout and expansion capital opportunities in profitable, predominately Australian businesses, with enterprise value of between \$20 million and \$80 million at investment. Equity Partners plan to complete their first investment for Fund No. 3 during the fourth quarter of calendar year 2007.

GENERAL MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

Continued Volatility in Global Equity and Debt Markets

During the September quarter, the increasing level of defaults in the US sub prime mortgage market continued to impact global equity and debt markets, with many hedge funds and investment banks reporting losses and write downs on their exposure to securities containing US sub prime mortgage assets.

However, these issues have had no affect on VPEG's performance as neither VPEG nor any of its underlying funds or investments are in anyway exposed to any of the types of assets or strategies that are causing these losses and write-downs to other financial institutions.

As a result, VPEG's investment portfolio continued to perform as planned during the quarter, while continuing to build its private equity exposure.

To demonstrate this, the following sections provide a commentary on the performance and outlook of the AMP Capital Enhanced Yield Fund, in which VPEG has invested a portion of its initial capital, as well as the impact of a reported reduction in the availability of debt, for private equity buyouts, on VPEG's underlying investment portfolio.

Performance of AMP Capital Enhanced Yield Fund

The Enhanced Yield Fund (EYF) produced a return of 0.65% (on a before tax, after fees basis) in September, which was above the cash rate of 0.52%. The Fund's return for the 12 months to 30 September 2007 was 8.69% (on a before tax, after fees basis), outperforming the cash rate of 6.26% by 2.43%.

Despite continuing credit market volatility throughout the quarter, the EYF remains well-positioned to defend its continued strong performance due to solid diversification across its private debt component and sound, defensive positions in the traded high yield sector. The credit quality of the portfolio remains robust with all investments meeting their payment obligations in full and on time.

Leading into the credit market turmoil, the traded high yield component of the EYF was positioned at its most defensive since inception. The EYF team have continued to selectively reduce risk, but considerable spread dispersion and value across industries and the ratings spectrum has meant that there are now many more opportunities for the cautious deployment of cash by the EYF.

Key points on which the EYF team are focussed include the maintenance of high credit quality and liquidity. On the private debt side of the EYF, the manager continues to closely monitor the impact of recent market turbulence on global private debt markets. The private debt investment strategy centres on investment in companies in non-cyclical industries with a solid competitive position, high barriers to entry and strong financials. The manager is comfortable that this strategy will drive consistent performance through these uncertain times.

VPEG continues to closely monitor the performance of its Enhanced Yield Investments and will also continue to hold the majority of new capital inflows in cash, across the short term, until market volatility reduces. As a result the "cash and other fixed interest" component of VPEG's investment portfolio has increased from 1.6% at 30 June 2007 to 5.1% at 30 September 2007.

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GENERAL MARKET DEVELOPMENTS – continued

Impact of reported reduction in availability of debt, for private equity Buyouts, on VPEG's investment portfolio

Much has been written in the press over the past quarter about the impact that the US sub prime mortgage meltdown has had on the provision of debt funding by global banks for private equity buyouts. It has been reported that many large buyouts have been put on hold, or private equity bids withdrawn, when the terms for the debt funding required for those transactions changed significantly as global banks became more risk averse.

However, whereas global investment banks have commenced writing down their exposures to US sub prime assets, which in turn has led them to reduce their exposure to other debt issuance (including buyouts), Australian banks have had little to no exposure to US sub prime assets, so their ability to provide funding for the small to mid market private equity transactions, that they have traditionally funded, has not been impeded.

Also, prior to the US sub prime meltdown, many global investment banks were providing debt funding to private equity transactions on looser terms than had historically been the case. However once the US sub prime issues started to kick these banks' lending terms were tightened. This was not the case with most Australian banks as their terms of lending were not relaxed to the extent of the global banks pre sub prime and so did not need to tighten their terms post the emergence of the sub prime issues.

As a result VPEG's underlying private equity fund managers who invest exclusively in the small to mid market segment have reported little has changed in terms of deal flow or funding availability from the local banks for their transactions. In fact most of VPEG's underlying private equity managers believe that the removal of "high earnings multiple" and "covenant light" debt packages previously provided by global banks to the Australian Private Equity market, will mean that private equity purchase multiples will return to more historical, lower levels. This will ultimately result in more buying opportunities, at better prices, for the local managers who have the strongest relationships with local banks and advisors.

VPEG is therefore well positioned to benefit from this scenario due to the depth of experience and strength of local relationships of its underlying private equity managers.

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