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SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REPORT

Wesfarmers today released its 2005 Social Responsibility Report which provides a detailed description of the company's performance in the areas of workplace safety, environmental impacts and community engagement.

It is the eighth such report produced by Wesfarmers and covers in full the company's eight main wholly-owned business units with information also on some other activities.

Managing Director Richard Goyder said the report reinforced the company's commitment to provide information on activities outside the traditional indicators of business performance.

"A willingness to be accountable for outcomes across a broad range of other areas is an important part of helping to ensure the sustainability of a company's operations," he said.

"This report enables employees, investors and the general public to make an assessment of our approach to issues which complement the results achieved by reference to core financial measures.

"While financial success will never be supplanted as the central focus of corporate endeavour, our strong view is that to maintain this success over the long term we at Wesfarmers need to show we apply a similar level of diligence and attention to the management of other issues which are of increasing importance to the community."

The Social Responsibility Report is available on the company's website (www.wesfarmers.com.au) or by contacting the company on (61 8) 9327 4281.

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