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MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

NTA Backing as at 30 September 2016

Bentley Capital Limited (ASX Code: BEL) gives notice that its unaudited after-tax Net Tangible Assets (NTA) Backing as at 30 September 2016 was \$0.19 per share.

NTA Backing for Period Ending:	% Change	Current Month 30 September 2016	Previous Month 31 August 2016
Pre-Tax NTA Backing per share	-4.04%	\$0.19	\$0.198
Post-Tax NTA Backing per share	-4.04%	\$0.19	\$0.198
Based on total issued share capital	_	75,773,025	75,414,727

On 29 September 2016, the Company paid a 0.5 cent per share fully franked dividend at a total cost of \$0.377 million. This dividend was provided for in the previous month's NTA Backing. A total of 358,298 shares were also issued on 29 September 2016 under the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan at an issue price of \$0.1399 per share.

Bentley's NTA position comprises the following items:

	Current Month	Previous Month
NTA Components:	30 September 2016	31 August 2016
N1A Components.	\$'m	\$'m
ASX-listed securities	6.40	6.51
CBG Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale)	3.99	5.07
Investment in Associate Entity – Strike Resources Limited	2.64	2.72
Cash	1.24	1.32
Net other assets/(liabilities)	0.15	(0.66)
Net Tangible Asset	14.42	14.96

Bentley's major securities holdings as at 30 September 2016 were:

Security	ASX Code/ Description	Industry Sector	Value \$′m	% of NTA
Keybridge Capital Limited	KBC	Diversified	4.28	29%
CBG Fund	Unlisted managed fund	Diversified	3.99	28%
Strike Resources Limited	SRK	Materials	* 2.64	18%
Woodside Petroleum Limited	WPL	Energy	0.57	4%
National Australia Bank Limited	NAB	Banks	0.56	4%
Other listed securities	Various	Various	0.99	7%

Investment in Associate entity carried at fair value based on equity accounting (refer Note (1) below)



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Notes:

- (1) With effect on 2 September 2015, Bentley's investment in Strike Resources Limited (ASX: SRK) is regarded as an Associated Entity (over which Bentley is considered to have significant influence) and is accounted for under the equity method in the consolidated financial statements. 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 21 (Investment in Associate Entity) on page 52 of Bentley's 2016 Full Year 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) at a carrying value of \$2.64 million (being \$0.052 per share) on this basis. Bentley notes SRK's closing bid price on ASX was \$0.046 as at 30 September 2016.
- (2) Units invested in the CBG Australian Equities Fund (Wholesale) (**CBG Fund**) are valued at the audited unit price published by the investment manager, <u>CBG Asset Management Limited</u>, 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.
- (3) 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 (Income Tax) at page 39 of the Company's 2016 Full Year Report released on ASX on 31 August 2016).
- (4) 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.
- (5) 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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