



Housewares International Ltd
ACN 086 933 431

22 October 2004

Dear Shareholder,

On behalf of the Board of Housewares International Limited ('HWI'), it gives me pleasure to invite you to the sixth Annual General Meeting of Housewares International Limited to be held at the Housewares International showroom at 437 Plummer Street, Port Melbourne on Tuesday, 23 November 2004 at 10.00am.

Please find enclosed the following documents in relation to the Annual General Meeting –

1. Notice of Annual General Meeting and Explanatory Notes.
2. Annual financial report, the directors' report, and the independent auditor's report of Housewares International Limited, and its controlled entities, for the year ended 30 June 2004.
3. Appointment of Proxy – Annual General Meeting.

If you are unable to attend the Annual General Meeting in person, you are urged to complete and lodge the enclosed Proxy by no later than 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 21st November 2004.

Your directors hope that you will be able to attend the Annual General Meeting and recommend that you support the resolutions proposed at that meeting.

Should you have any queries in relation to the enclosed documents, please do not hesitate to contact the Company's Secretary, Ms Laurelle Jackson on ph. (03) 8698 2800.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Frank Jones'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

FRANK JONES
Chairman