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In 2012, we pursued a Strategy that moved from marketing the Australian rice crop to servicing market demand for branded rice products.

## The 2012 Strategy



Differentiate & Build Value in Domestic Consumer Markets



Build Presence in High Growth Consumer Markets



Target the more premium commodity tenders



Double CopRice at existing returns



Establish Secure + Sustainable Supply



Operational Excellence through efficiency and Innovation

## **Benefits of this Strategy**

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#### Move from bulk to branded

- Less volatile pricing
- Higher profits and returns

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#### **Premiumisation**

- Less volatile pricing
- Highly profitable
- Increase shares in flat or competitive consumer markets

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#### **Sales Diversification**

- Built a new sales pillar in the Middle East
- Invested in CopRice and Riviana
- Built a profitable traded rice portfolio

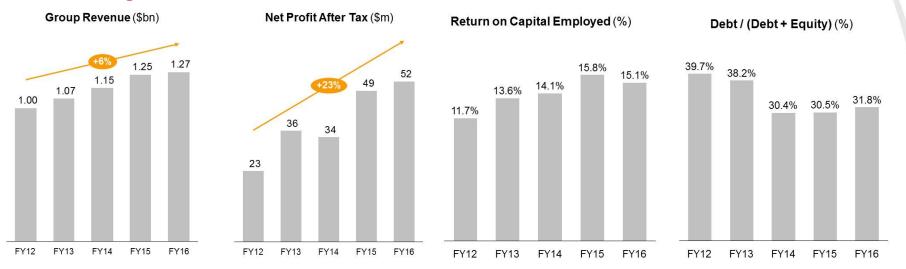
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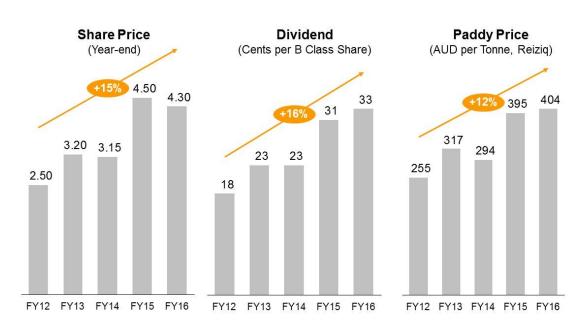
# **Supply Diversification**

 Built experience in offshore agronomics and supply chains



# This translated into a very healthy financial performance, marked by strong sales and profit growth in addition to significant increases in shareholder returns







#### What's been a challenge?

Ensuring an attractive return for our Riverina rice grower

Over reliance on 1-2 key markets

Volatility of the AU supply

Medium Grain commands less of a premium

Sovereign risk in some markets

Reduced consumer affordability in some markets

Drop in CREED

Increased competition in Medium Grain

Global Medium
Grain stocks

More challenging conditions for the Riverina rice grower

The increase in competitive crops

High water costs

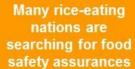
So how do we adapt to this changed world in the next five years?



Fortunately, being an Australian-owned branded rice player today is exciting given that the world is changing in our favour

# Food trends that affect SunRice

Developing



countries that are rice eating nations are ramping up the wealth curve, in search for premium and convenience

Rice eating nations are becoming obese and diabetic, and will likely favour a Low GI offering

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> **Healthy Snacking** on the rise (including Gluten Free Snacks)

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#### SunRice intent

# **Diversify into new markets**

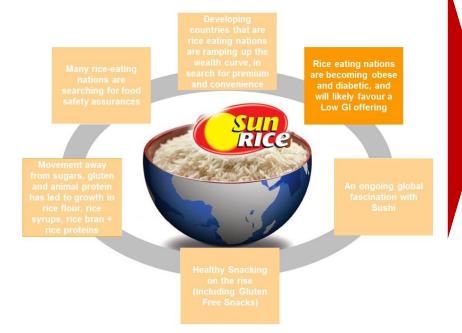
- New markets poised for significant growth in Packaged Rice
- Many of these are in Asia, as consumers migrate from traditional markets into modern trade



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#### SunRice intent

Aggressive expansion of our Low GI Rice especially into Asia

- We have a real head start in Low GI – let's take it to the world
- Largest concentration of diabetics live in Asia, and they are natural rice consumers
- High returns for the Riverina grower

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#### Food trend

# An ongoing global fascination with Sushi



#### SunRice intent

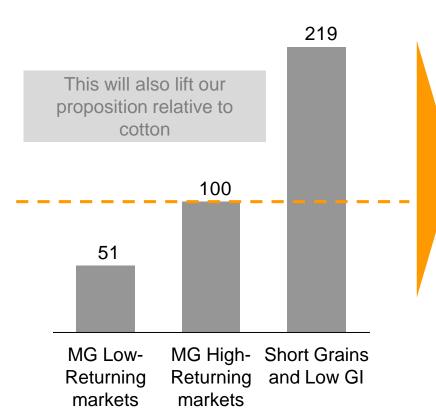
Aggressive expansion of Short Grains to consumers in new and existing markets

- Not many places in the world can grow sushi rice - the Riverina can grow some of the best varietals
- We have interest from customers in Japan, Pan-Asia, Europe, and the US
- High returns for the Riverina grower

# Sidebar: A look at Low GI and Sushi returns show that they offer an attractive proposition to the Riverina grower



Medium Grain to High-returning markets = Indexed at 100



- The Riverina should be positioned as the premium Medium Grain source for premium Medium Grain markets
- The Riverina is well positioned to grow high-returning varietals that are growing in demand and have less global competition
- We should not abandon our lower returning markets, but serve them from lower cost supply sources

We need a more permanent offshore supply to serve these lower-returning markets

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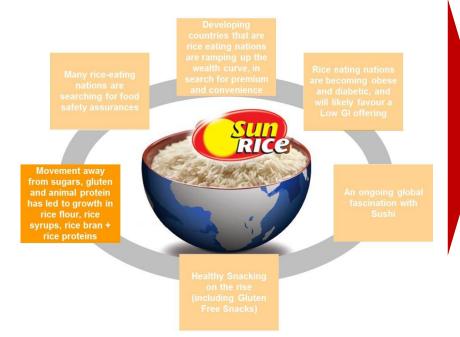
Diversify the portfolio by building our high-value Rice-based Snacks into a sales pillar

- Healthy Snacking is a fast growing category in ANZ, our existing offshore markets and also in new Asian markets
- Our play in this space has been rewarded with strong topline growth both here and offshore, in addition to strong consumer reinforcement (eg. Received Product of the Year for both Rice Chips and Minis).
- We need an efficient facility to support a larger scale and profitable effort

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### **SunRice intent**

Diversify the portfolio by building a highvalue Rice-derived Ingredients business

- Our existing Food Ingredients play has primarily centred on supplying rice and rice flour to ANZ Food Manufacturers and a byproducts play into the Animal Feeds/Care sector
- As Food Manufacturers increase their needs for gluten-free foods and plant-derived protein, there is considerable opportunity to offer rice-derived solutions, that command a high return for the Riverina grower
- There is a sizeable opportunity to expand our Food Ingredients capability into a regional offer, especially with technology partnerships and bolt-on processing facilities

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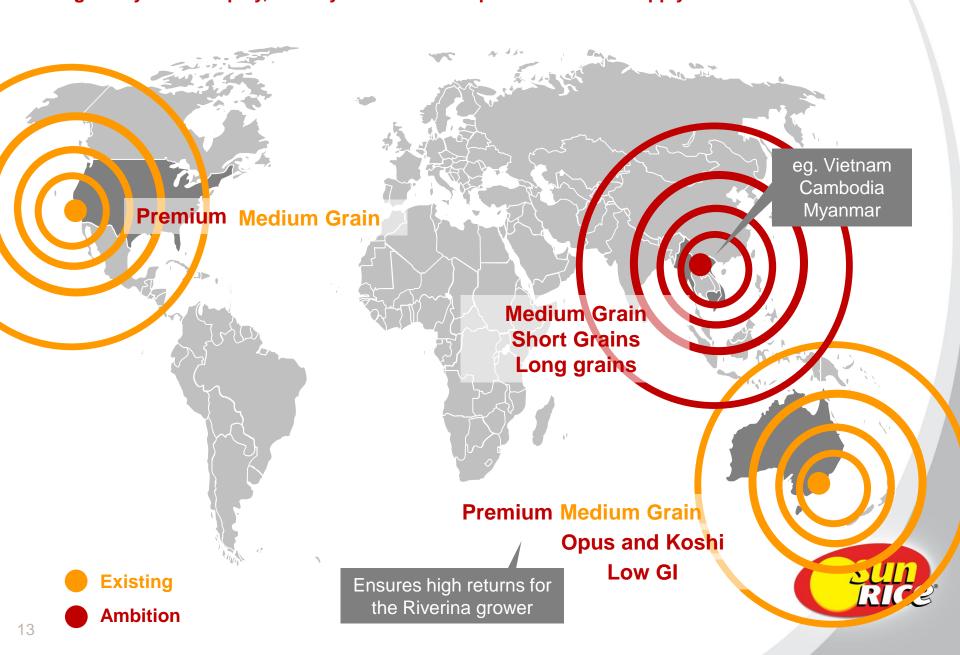
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# Emphasise and invest in our commitment to quality

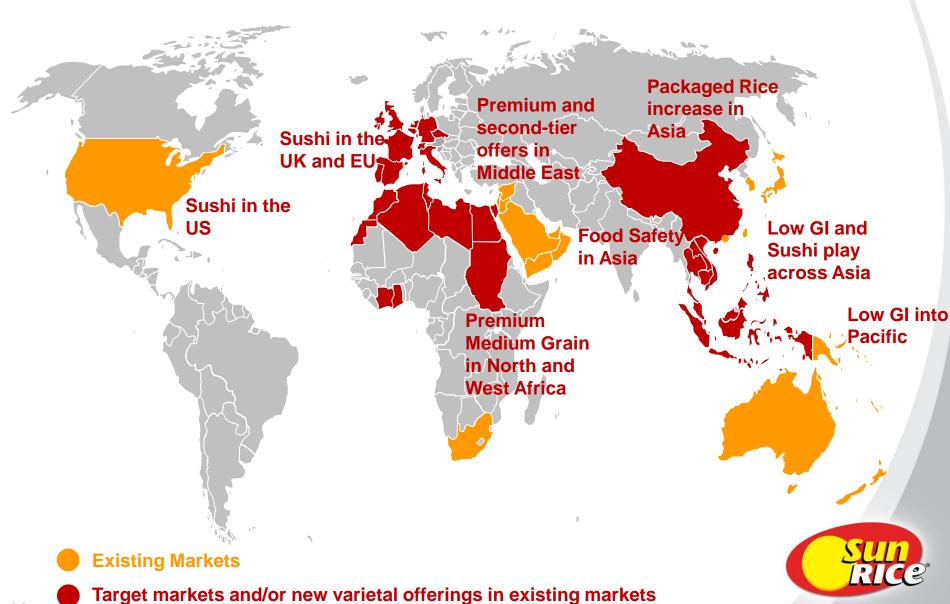
- The clean and green rice offering of AU rice will appeal to our offshore customers, especially in Asia
- Investments will be made to further ensure and communicate the traceability of our AU rice
- Any offshore supply chain will bear our stamp of quality and traceability, with a commitment to strict agronomic, operational and sustainability standards



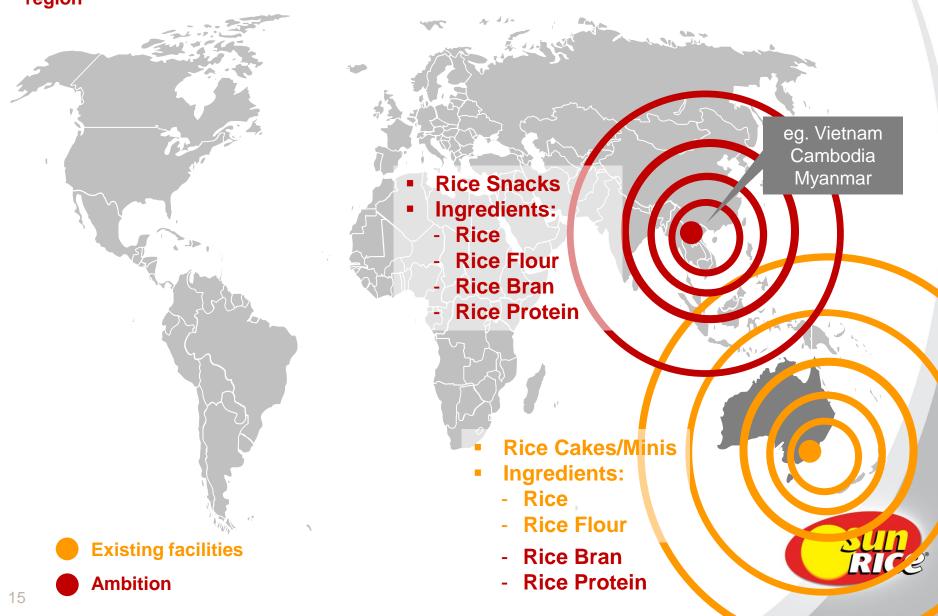
With respect to supply, our dual-source (largely) Medium Grain play should move to a multi-varietal and globally-sourced play, notably with the development of a solid supply source in Asia



With respect to our market focus, we need to continue with our established markets, but also use our multi-varietal offering to dream bigger



We can use this multi-origin and multi-destination capability to aggressively push out a broader portfolio. This would move us from our current Mini Bites, Rice and Flour play in Australia, to a dual supply base in a large number of value-added rice products that would allow us to compete in the region



# What would the Strategy do for SunRice?

# **Look after the Australian grower**

- Emphasise high returning varietals
- R&D investments to improve returns
- Efficiency and cost improvements

High paddy prices >\$400/T

# **Strong financials**

- Grow at 11% CAGR to reach \$2bn sales by 2021\*
- Diversified portfolio
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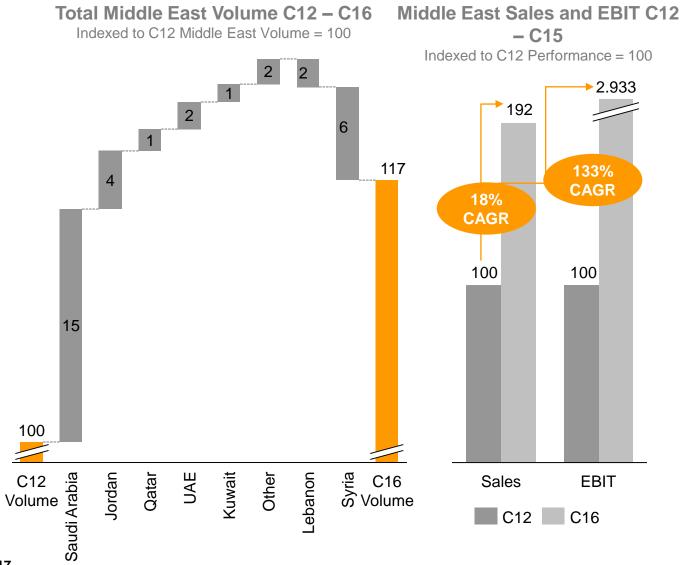
#### Look after the B-Class shareholder

- Stable + high-profit traded portfolio
- Growth outlook strong for high-value Snacks and Rice-derivatives
- Riviana and CopRice positioned for profit

High growth and high profit Example: Middle East success story from SunRice's C12 Strategy (see following page)



Our previous strategy saw the significant growth of our branded presence in the Middle East business - which has grown to the point where it has become a pillar for the business







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# Acknowledged Australian success story in agriculture

- Be a regional benchmark in quality assured agriculture – standing for premium quality, traceability and sustainability
- Remain the leader in premium rice

Regional benchmark in paddock to plate

