

## Consolidated Income Statement

For the year ended 31st December, 2000

		2000	1999
	NOTES	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover		1,180,286	1,066,666
Cost of sales		<u>(852,041)</u>	<u>(763,739)</u>
Gross profit		328,245	302,927
Investment income	3	10,259	11,656
Other revenue		21,439	16,570
Distribution costs		(88,053)	(80,780)
Research and development expenses		(23,499)	(19,197)
Administrative expenses		<u>(114,759)</u>	<u>(97,086)</u>
Profit from operations	4	133,632	134,090
Finance costs	6	<u>(1,689)</u>	<u>(1,556)</u>
Profit from ordinary activities before taxation		131,943	132,534
Taxation	7	<u>5,502</u>	<u>7,389</u>
Profit before minority interests		126,441	125,145
Minority interests		<u>(1,922)</u>	<u>(1)</u>
Profit attributable to shareholders	8	<u>128,363</u>	<u>125,146</u>
Dividends	9	<u>79,784</u>	<u>65,391</u>
EARNINGS PER SHARE	10		
Basic		<u>17.66 cents</u>	17.33 cents
Diluted		<u>17.65 cents</u>	17.26 cents