CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30 September 2005 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

		Six months ended 30 September	
		2005	2004
			(restated)
	Note	\$′000	\$'000
Turnover	3	773,451	746,948
Cost of sales		(591,095)	(565,293)
		182,356	181,655
Other revenue		3,678	3,595
Selling expenses		(87,476)	(86,099)
Administrative expenses		(17,400)	(19,248)
Profit from operations		81,158	79,903
Share of profits of associate		12,094	_
Finance costs		(17,298)	(13,587)
Profit before taxation	4	75,954	66,316
Income tax	5	(5,019)	(5,223)
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company		70,935	61,093
Dividend attributable to the period	6(a)		
	0(4)		
Interim dividend declared after the		40.000	10.121
balance sheet date		18,200	18,134
Earnings per share	7		
Basic		4.68 cents	4.32 cents
Diluted		4.26 cents	4.13 cents

The notes on pages 7 to 22 form part of this interim financial report.