



CORPORATE INFORMATION

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Mr. CHENG Chung Man, Johnny (Chairman) Ms. LAM Yuk Sum

(Chief Executive Officer)

Independent non-executive directors

Dr. FOK Kam Chu, John Mr. YANG Wei Tak

Mr. YEUNG Wing Kay

Audit Committee Members

Mr. YEUNG Wing Kay (Chairman)

Dr. FOK Kam Chu, John Mr. YANG Wei Tak

Nomination Committee

Members

Mr. CHENG Chung Man, Johnny (Chairman)

Dr. FOK Kam Chu, John

Ms. LAM Yuk Sum Mr. YANG Wei Tak

Mr. YEUNG Wing Kay

Remuneration Committee Members

Mr. YEUNG Wing Kay (Chairman) Mr. CHENG Chung Man, Johnny

Dr. FOK Kam Chu, John

Ms. LAM Yuk Sum Mr. YANG Wei Tak

Authorised Representatives

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VEEKO INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Veeko International Holdings Limited (the "Company") announces the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30th September, 2013. The results, together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2012, are summarised below:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30th September, 2013

		Six months ended 30th September,		
	Notes	2013 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	2012 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	
Turnover Cost of goods sold	3	720,157 (370,980)	615,167 (302,538)	
Gross profit Selling and distribution costs Administrative expenses Other income, gains and losses Increase in fair values of investment properties Finance costs		349,177 (278,315) (53,165) 2,226	312,629 (246,788) (53,566) 3,850 3,570 (731)	
Profit before tax Income tax expense	4	19,019 (3,607)	18,964 (1,137)	
Profit for the period	5	15,412	17,827	
Other comprehensive income (expensitem that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss: Exchange differences arising on trans				
of foreign operations		524	(969)	
Total comprehensive income for the p	eriod	15,936	16,858	
Dividends	6	19,989	19,972	
Earnings per share Basic	7	HK0.6940 cent	HK0.8033 cent	
Diluted		HK0.6934 cent	HK0.8030 cent	



At 30th September, 2013	Notes	30th September, 2013 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> ′000	31st March, 2013 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current Assets Investment properties Property, plant and equipment Prepaid lease payments Rental deposits paid Deferred tax assets Certificate of deposit		1,760 153,206 8,218 49,547 7,496 6,332	1,760 153,815 8,246 56,534 8,604 6,253
Current Assets Inventories Trade and other receivables Prepaid lease payments Rental and utility deposits paid Tax recoverable Pledged bank deposits Bank balances, deposits and cash	8	411,806 62,503 266 44,753 728 6,582 73,029	357,588 62,597 262 36,230 - 6,500 83,171
Current Liabilities Trade and other payables Rental deposits received Secured bank borrowings – due within one year Obligation under a finance lease	9	84,042 12 59,235	75,946 11 75,072
- due within one year Tax payable	10	2,709 145,998	105 2,448 153,582
Net Current Assets		453,669 680,228	392,766

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(Continued)

At 30th September, 2013

	Notes	30th September, 2013 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> ′000	31st March, 2013 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Capital and Reserves			
Share capital	11	22,209	22,203
Reserves		615,436	599,389
		637,645	621,592
Non-current Liabilities Secured bank borrowings			
due after one year		36,792	1,152
Deferred tax liabilities		5,791	5,234
		42,583	6,386
		680,228	627,978





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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30th September, 2013

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	Share Capital HK\$'000	Share Premium HK\$'000	Translation Reserve HK\$'000	Special Reserve HK\$'000	Statutory Reserves (Note) HK\$'000	Share Option Reserve HK\$'000	Retained Profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1st April, 2013 (audited)	22,203	165,310	(2,094)	2,266	181	1,537	432,189	621,592
Profit for the period Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations			524	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>		15,412	15,412 524
Total comprehensive income for the period			524				15,412	15,936
Issue of shares on exercise of share options Recognition of equity-settled share- based payments	6	184	- 	- 	- 	(78)	- 	112 5
At 30th September, 2013	22,209	165,494	(1,570)	2,266	181	1,464	447,601	637,645
At 1st April, 2012 (audited)	22,191	165,031	(2,562)	2,266	73	2,181	408,500	597,680
Profit for the period Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations			(969)				17,827	17,827 (969)
Total comprehensive income for the period			(969)				17,827	16,858
Recognition of equity-settled share- based payments Share options lapsed/cancelled Transfer	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	108	72 (438)	438 (108)	72
At 30th September, 2012	22,191	165,031	(3,531)	2,266	181	1,815	426,657	614,610



Note: The statutory reserves of the Group comprise the aggregate of:

- (a) reserves required by the relevant laws of the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") applicable to the Company's PRC subsidiaries and are appropriated at directors' discretion, which are complied with Articles of Association of respective PRC subsidiaries; and
- (b) non-distributable reserves set aside by the Macau subsidiaries in accordance with relevant statutory requirements.

NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM ACCOUNTS

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30th September, 2013 have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34, "Interim Financial Reporting", issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), and the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") ("Listing Rules").

2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain properties, which are measured at fair values, as appropriate.

Except as described below, the accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30th September, 2013 are the same as those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31st March, 2013.

Application of New and Revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs")

In the current interim period, the Group has applied, for the first time, the following new and revised HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA that are relevant for the preparation of the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements:

HKFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement

Amendments to HKAS 1 Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income

HKFRS 13 "Fair Value Measurement"

The Group has applied HKFRS 13 for the first time in the current interim period. HKFRS 13 establishes a single source of guidance for, and disclosures about, fair value measurements, and replaces those requirements previously included in various HKFRSs. Consequential amendments have been made to HKAS 34 to require certain disclosures to be made in the interim condensed consolidated financial statements.

The scope of HKFRS 13 is broad, and applies to both financial instrument items and non-financial instrument items for which other HKFRSs require or permit fair value measurements and disclosures about fair value measurements, subject to a few exceptions. HKFRS 13 contains a new definition for 'fair value' and defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction in the principal (or most advantageous) market at the measurement date under current market conditions. Fair value under HKFRS 13 is an exit price regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. Also, HKFRS 13 includes extensive disclosure requirements.

As at the period ended 30th September, 2013, the directors of the Company consider that the carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded at amortised cost in the condensed consolidated financial statements approximate their fair values.



2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Amendments to HKAS 1 "Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income"

The amendments to HKAS 1 introduce new terminology for statement of comprehensive income and income statement. Under the amendments to HKAS 1, a statement of comprehensive income is renamed as a statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income and an income statement is renamed as a statement of profit or loss. The amendments to HKAS 1 retain the option to present profit or loss and other comprehensive income in either a single statement or in two separate but consecutive statements. However, the amendments to HKAS 1 require additional disclosures to be made in the other comprehensive section such that items of other comprehensive income are grouped into two categories: (a) items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss; and (b) items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss when specific conditions are met. Income tax on items of other comprehensive income is required to be allocated on the same basis - the amendments do not change the existing option to present items of other comprehensive income either before tax or net of tax. The amendments have been applied retrospectively, and hence the presentation of items of other comprehensive income has been modified to reflect the changes.

Except as described above, the application of the other new and revised HKFRSs in the current interim period has had no material effect on the amounts reported and/or disclosures set out in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Operating Segments

Information reported to the executive directors of the Company, being the chief operating decision makers, for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance focuses on types of goods delivered. No operating segment identified by the chief operating decision makers have been aggregated in arriving at the reporting segments of the Group.

The Group's reportable and operating segments under HKFRS 8 "Operating Segments" are Fashion and Cosmetics, of which principal activities are as follows:

Fashion - Manufacture and sales of ladies fashion

Cosmetics - Sales of cosmetics

SEGMENT REVENUE AND RESULTS

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable and operating segments.

	Unaudited six months ended 30th September, 2013				
	Fashion	Cosmetics	Segment Total	Eliminations	Consolidated
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
TURNOVER					
TURNOVER					
External sales	262,838	457,319	720,157	-	720,157
Inter-segment sales	27	-	27	(27)	-
	262,865	457,319	720,184	(27)	720,157
Inter-segment sales are charged at pre	evailing market i	ates.			
SEGMENT PROFIT	1,352	20,920	22,272	-	22,272
Increase in fair values of investment properties					_
Other income, gains and losses					308
Central administration costs					(2,657)
Finance costs					(904)
Profit before tax					19,019

3. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued) Operating Segments (Continued)

SEGMENT REVENUE AND RESULTS (Continued)

Unaudited six months ended 30th September, 2012				012	
	Fashion	Cosmetics	Segment Total	Eliminations	Consolidated
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
TURNOVER					
External sales	258,748	356,419	615,167	-	615,167
Inter-segment sales	17	-	17	(17)	-
	258,765	356,419	615,184	(17)	615,167
Inter-segment sales are charged at preva	iling market ra	tes.			
SEGMENT PROFIT	7,198	10,613	17,811	-	17,811
Increase in fair values of					2.570
investment properties					3,570 338
Other income, gains and losses Central administration costs					
					(2,024)
Finance costs					(731)
Profit before tax					18,964

OTHER SEGMENT INFORMATION

Amounts included in the measurement of segment profit or regularly reviewed by the chief operating decision makers:

	Ur	Unaudited six months ended 30th September, 2013			
	Fashion HK\$'000	Cosmetics HK\$'000	Segment Total HK\$'000	Corporate HK\$'000	Consolidated HK\$'000
Capital expenditure	6,997	11,335	18,332	20	18,352
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	9,139	8,613	17,752	1,262	19,014

3. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued) Operating Segments (Continued)

OTHER SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Capital expenditure	10,933	12,874	23,807	-	23,807
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	9,330	6,393	15,723	722	16,445
INCOME TAX EXPENSE				x months of the Septer	
			2	013	2012
			(Unaudi	ted)	(Unaudited)
			HK\$'	000	HK\$'000
The expense comprises:					

Fashion

Unaudited six months ended 30th September, 2012

Cosmetics Segment Total

Corporate Consolidated

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 16.5% of the estimated assessable profits for both periods. Taxation arising in other jurisdictions is calculated at the rates prevailing in the relevant jurisdictions.



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Profits tax

Deferred tax

Hong Kong Profits Tax

Other jurisdictions

5. PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD

	Six months ended 30th September,	
	2013 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	2012 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Profit for the period has been arrived at after charging:		
Amortisation of prepaid lease payments Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	133 19,014 572	221 16,445 667
and after crediting:		
Bank interest income Interest income from certificate of deposit Rental income	224 43 41	262 42 34

6. DIVIDENDS

30th September, 2013 2012 (Unaudited) (Unaudited) *HK\$*′000 *HK\$*′000

Six months ended

Dividends recognised as distribution during the period:

2013 final dividend of HK0.9 cent		
(2012: HK0.9 cent) per share	19,989	19,972

The 2013 final dividend of HK0.9 cent per share in cash with a scrip option has been approved in the annual general meeting held on 30th August, 2013. HK\$3,595,000 cash dividend has been paid and 84,718,731 scrip shares have been allotted and issued on 23rd October, 2013.

7. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Six months ended
30th September,
2013
2012

(Unaudited) (Unaudited)

Earnings:

Earnings:		
Profit for the period and earnings for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	HK\$15,412,000	HK\$17,827,000
Number of shares:		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share	2,220,614,854	2,219,147,641
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares in respect of share options	2,082,946	865,996
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share	2,222,697,800	2,220,013,637

8. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

At 30th September, 2013, included in the Group's trade and other receivables were trade receivables of HK\$38,102,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$45,228,000). The Group allows a 30 to 60 days credit period for receivables from sales counters and a credit period of 60 to 120 days to its wholesale customers. The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting period:

	30th September,	31st March,
	2013	2013
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 30 days	22,712	24,047
31 – 60 days	2,864	7,618
61 – 90 days	1,304	1,450
Over 90 days	11,222	12,113
	38,102	45,228

9. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

At 30th September, 2013, included in the Group's trade and other payables were trade payables of HK\$35,183,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$32,095,000). Details of the aged analysis of trade payables presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	30th September,	31st March,
	2013	2013
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 30 days	17,301	15,581
31 – 60 days	7,942	4,558
61 – 90 days	6,871	7,312
Over 90 days	3,069	4,644
	35,183	32,095

10. OBLIGATION UNDER A FINANCE LEASE

	Minim lease pay		Presen of min lease pa	imum
	30th September, 2013 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	31st March, 2013 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	30th September, 2013 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	31st March, 2013 (Audited) <i>HK</i> \$′000
Amounts payable under a finance lease:				
Within one year In more than one year but not more than two years		108		105
Less: future finance charges		108		105
Present value of lease obligation		105	-	105
Less: Amount due for settlement within one year (shown under current liabilities)				(105)
Amount due for settlement after one year				

The Group leased a motor vehicle under a finance lease. The lease term is 5 years. Interest rate underlying the obligation under a finance lease was fixed at contract date. The effective interest rate is 8.29% (2012: 8.29%) per annum.

11. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of ordinary shares	Value HK\$'000
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each		
Authorised: At 1st April, 2013 and 30th September, 2013	10,000,000,000	100,000
lanced and fully noted		
Issued and fully paid: At 1st April, 2012	2,219,147,641	22,191
Exercise of share options (Note i)	1,200,000	12
Exercise of share options (Note 1)		
At 31st March, 2013	2,220,347,641	22,203
Exercise of share options (Note ii)	600,000	6
30th September, 2013	2,220,947,641	22,209

Notes:

- (i) During the year ended 31st March, 2013, 800,000 and 400,000 share options were exercised at HK\$0.1562 and HK\$0.1860 per share, respectively, resulting in issue of a total of 1,200,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each in the Company.
- (ii) During the period ended 30th September, 2013, 600,000 share options were exercised at HK\$0.1860 per share, resulting in issue of a total of 600,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each in the Company.

12. OPERATING LEASES

The Group as lessee

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases which fall due as follows:

	30th September, 2013 (Unaudited)	31st March, 2013 (Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year In the second to fifth year inclusive Over five years	253,266 198,629 514 452,409	269,516 176,035 485 446,036

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12. **OPERATING LEASES** (Continued)

In addition to these commitments, the Group may pay additional rental expenses in respect of certain premises which are dependent upon the level of sales achieved by particular outlets.

The Group as lessor

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had contracted with tenants for the following future minimum lease payments:

30th September,	31st March,
2013	2013
(Unaudited)	(Audited)
HK\$'000	HK\$'000

Within one year

13. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At the end of the reporting period, the following assets were pledged by the Group to certain banks to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group:

	30th September,	31st March,
	2013	2013
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Investment properties	1,760	1,760
Leasehold land and buildings	50,011	51,226
Pledged bank deposits	6,582	6,500
	58,353	59,486

14. EVENT AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

On 7th October, 2013, the Company granted share options to subscribe for a total of 60,080,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each in the share capital of the Company to 51 Grantees (as defined in the rules of its share option scheme adopted by the Company) at an exercise price of HK\$0.225. None of the Grantees is a director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company or an associate (as defined under the Listing Rules) of any of them.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

At the Board Meeting held on 27th November, 2013, the Board has resolved to declare the payment of an interim dividend of HK0.50 cent (2013: HK0.50 cent) per share of HK\$0.01 each for the financial year ending 31st March, 2014. The interim dividend will be payable on or about Wednesday, 22nd January, 2014, to the shareholders whose names appeared on the register of members of the Company on Friday, 20th December, 2013.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

In order to ascertain the entitlements to the interim dividend for the year ending 31st March, 2014, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 18th December, 2013 to Friday, 20th December, 2013 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. The last day for dealing in shares cum entitlements to the interim dividend for the year ending 31st March, 2014 will be Friday, 13th December, 2013. Shareholders are reminded that in order to qualify for the interim dividend for the year ending 31st March, 2014, all transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates and transfer forms must be lodged with the Company's share registrars in Hong Kong, Tricor Secretaries Limited, at 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 17th December, 2013.





For the six months ended 30th September, 2013, the Group recorded a turnover of HK\$720,157,000 (2012: HK\$615,167,000), representing an increase of 17.1% as compared with the corresponding period of last year. Included in the amount of turnover was HK\$457,319,000 (2012: HK\$356,419,000) generated by the cosmetics business, representing an increase of 28.3% over the same period last year and accounting for 63.5% (2012: 57.9%) of the Group's total turnover. Turnover of the fashion business reached HK\$262,838,000 (2012: HK\$258,748,000), representing a slight increase of 1.6% as compared with the same period in the preceding year. The gross profit margin of the fashion business was 68.2%, representing a decrease of 0.9 percentage point as compared with 69.1% for the corresponding period of last year. The gross profit margin of the cosmetics business for the period was 37.2%, representing a slight decrease of 0.3 percentage point as compared with 37.5% for the corresponding period of last year. Profit attributable to shareholders for the period amounted to HK\$15,412,000 (2012: HK\$17,827,000), representing a decrease of 13.5% as compared with the corresponding period of last year. One of the reasons was the increase of HK\$3,570,000 in fair value of investment properties in the same period last year but no such extraordinary gain was recorded in this period. The cosmetics business recorded a segment profit of HK\$20,920,000 in this period, representing a significant increase of 97.1% over that of the same period last year, which was HK\$10,613,000. The fashion business recorded a segment profit of HK\$1,352,000 in this period, representing a decrease of 81.2% as compared to that of HK\$7,198,000 for the same period last year, mainly attributable to the unsatisfactory performance in the overseas markets.

As of 30th September, 2013, the Group had altogether 201 fashion outlets in Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, Singapore and Mainland China (30th September, 2012: 210 outlets). The reason for the decrease in number of outlets as compared to the same period last year was that the Group has restructured its retail network in China and Taiwan markets during the period by closing down some underperforming outlets so as to enhance operation efficiency.

VEEKO INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

Fashion Business

Fashion Business - Hong Kong and Macau Market

The fashion retail business in Hong Kong and Macau accounted for 68.5% of the total turnover of fashion business of the Group. For the six months ended 30th September, 2013, turnover from the Hong Kong and Macau market amounted to HK\$180,173,000 (2012: HK\$168,486,000), representing a 6.9% increase over the same period last year, but the turnover of comparable outlets recorded a decrease of 1.2%. The performance in Hong Kong and Macau market was affected by the promotion of the slow-moving goods from Taiwan market during the period, resulting in a lower gross profit margin than that for the same period last year. As of 30th September, 2013, the Group had altogether 79 outlets in Hong Kong and Macau (30th September, 2012: 71 outlets).

Fashion Business - Taiwan Market

Turnover of the retail business in Taiwan for the first half of the financial year was HK\$28,630,000 (2012: HK\$36,929,000), representing a decrease of 22.5% over the same period last year. As of 30th September, 2013, the Group had 38 outlets in Taiwan (30th September, 2012: 46 outlets). Due to weak sales performance in Taiwan market during the period, in order to mitigate the negative impact on the performance of fashion business as a whole, the Group continued to close down the underperforming outlets. So far, the number of outlets in Taiwan further decreased to 33.

Fashion Business - Singapore Market

During the first half of the financial year, turnover of the retail business in Singapore decreased 6.7% over the same period last year to HK\$22,887,000 (2012: HK\$ 24,542,000). As of 30th September, 2013, the Group had 14 outlets in Singapore, which was similar to that for the same period last year.

Fashion Business - China Market

During the period under review, turnover of the China market amounted to HK\$31,148,000 (30 September, 2012: HK\$28,791,000), representing an increase of 8.2% over the same period last year. As of 30th September, 2013, the number of *Veeko* and *Wanko* outlets in China was 70 (30th September, 2012: 79 outlets).





Cosmetics Business

As of 30th September, 2013, the Group had established 70 *Colourmix* outlets (30th September, 2012: 64 outlets), of which 63 outlets were situated in Hong Kong, 5 outlets were situated in Macau and 2 outlets were situated in China. For the period under review, cosmetics retail business recorded a turnover of HK\$457,319,000 (30 September, 2012: HK\$356,419,000), representing an increase of 28.3%, and accounted for 63.5% of the total turnover of the Group. The turnover of comparable outlets also increased by 21% over the same period last year. During the period, average sales amount per transaction also increased by 4.9% year on year to HK\$323 from HK\$308 for the same period last year. The gross profit margin of cosmetics business for the period was 37.2%, representing a slight decrease of 0.3 percentage point as compared to 37.5% of the same period last year. The cosmetics business recorded a segment profit of HK\$20,920,000 during the period, which represented a significant increase of 97.1% when compared with that of HK\$10,613,000 for the same period last year, and the cosmetics business contributed materially to the Group's results.

PROSPECTS

Fashion Business

The Group expects that its retail business will continue to face challenges. Consumption sentiment is still rather prudent and there is continuous fluctuation in the sales of overseas markets which is not expected to bottom out in the short run. Therefore, the Group has exercised prudent strategies on business expansion to oversea markets and kept abreast of market condition by not only putting resources in enhancing the effectiveness of existing retail outlets but also restructuring underperforming outlets in Mainland China and Taiwan so as to integrate resources and increase productivity. Hong Kong and Macau are still the key markets and main income sources for the Group's fashion business. The performance in Hong Kong and Macau market was affected by the promotion of the slow-moving goods from Taiwan market during the period, resulting in a lower gross profit margin than that for the same period last year. Since Hong Kong and Macau market accounted for 68.5% to the total turnover of fashion business during the period under review, the overall segment results of the fashion business has declined as compared to the same period last year directly attributable to the performance of this market, which is, however, believed to be just interim situation. In fact, by the promotion of slow-moving goods from Taiwan market in Hong Kong and Macau market, the number of saleable days for inventories of the fashion business during the period was decreased by 13 as compared to the same period last year, resulting in healthier fashion business as a whole, which is beneficial to the future development. In light of the outstanding performance of the sales growth and gross profit margin of Hong Kong and Macau market as compared with other overseas markets, the Group will continue to develop in Hong Kong and Macau market with practical strategies in the future. Due to the increasing rentals and production cost, the Group will identify prime locations with competitive rents to open new outlets and will focus on product design as well as offer popular products that bring relatively higher profits to enhance brand value.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

Cosmetics Business

Cosmetics business continued to contribute to the Group's profit and accounted for 63.5% to the total turnover of the Group during the period. It recorded segment results of profit of HK\$20,920,000, representing a significant increase of 97.1% as compared with a profit of HK\$10,613,000 for the same period of last year. During the period, gross profit margin of cosmetics business was 37.2%, representing a slight decrease of 0.3 percentage point as compared with 37.5% for the same period of last year, which has seen an improvement as compared with the decrease in gross profit margin for last year.

During the period under review, the Group opened 5 additional outlets and closed 1 outlet. As of 30th September, 2013, the Group had established 70 *Colourmix* outlets with economies of scale in its outlet network, mainly situated in Hong Kong and Macau. After a few years of aggressive expansion, our retail network has covered all major shopping malls and even tourist areas in Hong Kong and Macau. The Group has also continued to improve its outlet image by renovation of existing outlets with new designs, as a result of which, the market position and image of *Colourmix* outlets have been further improved and more popular among mainland tourists. Moreover, as the Group was more recognized in the market by continuing to enrich its product portfolio and increase the variety of cosmetics products with exclusive distributorship and trendy cosmetics products, the sales in the period under review increased by 28.3% year on year, and the sales of comparable outlets also recorded a 21% growth, while gross profit margin remained similar with that for the same period last year. As of October 2013, comparable outlets recorded approximately a satisfactory growth of 27.3% in turnover.

Over the past two years, as the Group has been expanding its retail network by opening over 10 outlets each year on average, it needs to deploy experienced staff to support the newly opened outlets, and make special adjustments in inventory planning to cope with such rapid growth. The Group is confident that the cosmetics business will achieve improvement after such consolidation stage. In the future, the Group will keep on enriching the product portfolio, increasing the variety of cosmetics products with exclusive distributorship and trendy cosmetics products, and training employees to provide quality and professional services. With economies of scale in its outlet network, the Group will focus on internal consolidation in the future. During the period, the Group has put more resources on computer information management in order to enhance business efficiency, including better automated and systematic approaches for the operating process, inventory planning, resource management and etc.. The management is confident about the future development of the cosmetics business and will continue to expand outlet network at existing pace.





Cosmetics Business (Continued)

Looking forward, there is still full of uncertainties for the global economy; however, the management will continue to closely observe various factors for fluctuations and uncertainties on the market in the future and adopt appropriate measures. The Group will also maintain prudent financial and operational management, strictly control cost and upgrade inventory management in order to lower inventory cost and enhance inventory effectiveness. Moreover, the Group will keep providing price rite products and continue to offer training for its staff with an aim to enhance the overall service quality, which will allow them to provide quality services to customers and give strong support to the brand. The Group is prudently optimistic about its future development.

LIQUIDITY & FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The Group's working capital increased from HK\$392,766,000 as at 31st March, 2013 to HK\$453,669,000 for the period end.

At the end of the reporting period, the Group's cash and bank balances (mainly in Hong Kong Dollar and Renminbi), amounted to HK\$79,611,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$89,671,000). The outstanding bank borrowings (mainly in Hong Kong Dollar) amounted to HK\$96,027,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$76,224,000) whereas the total borrowings was HK\$96,027,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$76,329,000). The increase in the total borrowings was mainly attributable to the continuous expansion of cosmetics retail network and opening of fashion outlets in Hong Kong. During the period, the net increase in number of cosmetics outlets and fashion outlets in Hong Kong is 4 and 2 respectively. The borrowings were mainly used for renovation of newly opened outlets, payment of rental deposits, cosmetics stock purchases and investing resources in information system to enhance automation of operating process.

At the end of the reporting period, the current ratio was 4.11 times (31st March, 2013: 3.56 times) and the gearing ratio of the Group was 0.15 time (31st March, 2013: 0.12 time) which was calculated based on the Group's total borrowings of HK\$96,027,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$76,329,000) and the total equity of HK\$637,645,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$621,592,000).

At 30th September, 2013, the Group had banking facilities amounting to HK\$241,229,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$213,690,000), of which HK\$130,299,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$111,601,000) was utilised by the Group. The management believes that existing financial resources will be sufficient to meet future expansion plans and, if necessary, the Group will be able to obtain additional financing on favorable terms.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE EXPOSURE

Several subsidiaries of the Company have foreign currency purchases (mainly in United States Dollar and Euro), which expose the Group to foreign currency risk. The management closely monitors foreign exchange exposure and will consider hedging significant foreign currency risk by entering into forward contracts should the need arises.

PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At the end of the reporting period, the amount of assets pledged by the Group to certain banks to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group was HK\$58,353,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$59,486,000).

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At 30th September, 2013, the Company had provided guarantees of HK\$260,196,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$224,619,000) to certain banks in respect of banking facilities granted to certain subsidiaries of the Company of which HK\$130,299,000 (31st March, 2013: HK\$111,601,000) was utilised by the subsidiaries.

STAFF AND REMUNERATION POLICIES

At 30th September, 2013, the Group had 2,738 employees. The Group mainly determines staff remuneration (including insurance and medical benefits) in accordance with the industry's practices. The Group also implemented a reward scheme for its staff based on their individual performances. In addition to their basic remuneration and welfare, some key employees were granted share options as reward and incentive to enhance their loyalty to the Group.



SHARE OPTION SCHEME

No options were granted to the directors or substantial shareholders of the Company during the period or outstanding under the share option scheme.

The following table discloses details of options held by employees of the Group and movements in such holdings during the period ended 30th September, 2013:

Date of grant	Vesting period	Exercisable period	Exercise price per share	Balance at 1.4.2013	Exercised during the period	Outstanding at 30.9.2013
4th June, 2007	4th June, 2007 to 3rd June, 2012	4th June, 2012 to 3rd June, 2014	HK\$0.1860	11,600,000	(600,000)	11,000,000
6th January, 2010	6th January, 2010 to 5th January, 2014	6th January, 2014 to 5th January, 2017	HK\$0.1562	800,000		800,000
				12,400,000	(600,000)	11,800,000

In respect of the share options exercised during the period ended 30th September, 2013, the weighted average share price immediately before the dates on which the share options were exercised was HK\$0.227. No share options were exercised during the period ended 30th September, 2012.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S INTERESTS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

As at 30th September, 2013, the interests of the directors and chief executive officer and their associates in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")), as recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") contained in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules"), were as follows:

Capacity	Number of issued ordinary shares held	Percentage of the issued share capital of the Company
Founder	1,208,718,510 (Note)	54.42%
Beneficial owner	134,450,444	6.05%
	1,343,168,954	60.47%
Beneficiary of Trust	1,208,718,510 (Note)	54.42%
Beneficial owner	234,237,738	10.55%
	1,442,956,248	64.97%
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Note: These 1,208,718,510 shares are beneficially owned by Silver Crown Profits Limited ("Silver Crown"). The shares in Silver Crown are in turn held by the trustee of the J Cheng Family Trust, a discretionary trust, the discretionary objects of which include family members of Mr. Cheng Chung Man, Johnny and Ms. Lam Yuk Sum.



DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S INTERESTS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES (Continued)

Other than disclosed above and certain nominee shares in subsidiaries held by certain directors in trust for the Group, none of the directors, chief executive officer nor their associates had any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of part XV of the SFO) as at 30th September, 2013, as required to be recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

Other than disclosed above under the section headed "Directors' and Chief Executive Officer's Interests in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures" and other substantial shareholders' interests disclosed in the following table, at 30th September, 2013, the register of substantial shareholders maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO showed that the Company had not been notified of any other relevant interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company.

Name of shareholder	Capacity	Number of issued ordinary shares held	Percentage of the issued share capital of the Company
Silver Crown	Beneficial owner	1,208,718,510	54.42%
Well Feel Group Limited	Interest of a controlled corporation (Note)	1,208,718,510	54.42%
HSBC International Trustee Limited	Trustee (Note)	1,208,718,510	54.42%

Note: The entire issued share capital of Silver Crown was held by Well Feel Group Limited which in turn was a wholly-owned subsidiary of HSBC International Trustee Limited. By virtue of the provisions of Part XV of the SFO, each of Well Feel Group Limited and HSBC International Trustee Limited was deemed to be interested in all the shares of the Company in which Silver Crown was interested.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

During the six months ended 30th September, 2013, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

In the opinion of the Board, the Company has complied with all the code provisions as set out in the Corporate Governance Code in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules throughout the six months ended 30th September, 2013.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules as its own code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions. Having made specific enquiries, all of the directors confirmed that they have complied with the required standards as set out in the Model Code throughout the six months ended 30th September, 2013.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The unaudited results of the Group for the six months ended 30th September, 2013 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee constitutes 3 independent non-executive directors.

On behalf of the Board

Veeko International Holdings Limited

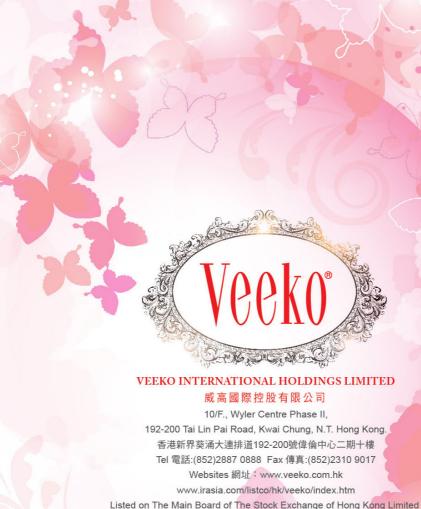
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