

Consolidated Income Statement

For the year ended 31st August, 2000

	NOTES	2000 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000
Turnover	4	4,163,758	3,799,296
Cost of sales		<u>(3,133,422)</u>	<u>(2,754,044)</u>
		1,030,336	1,045,252
Other revenue		128,033	103,373
Distribution costs		(269,618)	(222,323)
Administrative expenses		(468,093)	(489,983)
Other operating expenses		<u>(2,818)</u>	<u>(6,436)</u>
Profit from operations	4 & 5	417,840	429,883
Finance costs	7	(163,520)	(154,116)
Share of results of jointly controlled entities		1,005	1,312
		<u>255,325</u>	<u>277,079</u>
Profit before taxation		255,325	277,079
Taxation	8	<u>(32,748)</u>	<u>(32,299)</u>
		222,577	244,780
Profit before minority interests		222,577	244,780
Minority interests		<u>(35,680)</u>	<u>(26,554)</u>
		186,897	218,226
Profit for the year	9	186,897	218,226
Dividends	10	<u>(54,016)</u>	<u>(54,017)</u>
		132,881	164,209
Profit for the year, retained		<u>132,881</u>	<u>164,209</u>
Earnings per share	11		
Basic		<u>24.22 cents</u>	<u>28.28 cents</u>
Diluted		<u>24.21 cents</u>	<u>27.20 cents</u>