

Condensed Consolidated Income Statement

		Six months ended	
		30th September,	
		2000	1999
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	<i>Note</i>	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover	2	521,175	475,338
Cost of sales		(461,562)	(422,011)
Gross profit		59,613	53,327
Other revenue		4,726	3,188
Administrative expenses		(36,242)	(42,103)
Operating profit before finance cost	3	28,097	14,412
Finance cost		(82)	(607)
Operating profit		28,015	13,805
Additional provision for diminution in value of investments in non-consolidated subsidiaries		—	(61,452)
Gain on settlement of the sale and purchase agreements in relation to the disposal of investments in non-consolidated subsidiaries		—	6,200
Profit/(loss) before taxation		28,015	(41,447)
Taxation	4	(196)	(194)
Profit/(loss) attributable to shareholders		<u>27,819</u>	<u>(41,641)</u>
Earnings/(loss) per share	5	<u>8.2 cents</u>	<u>(12.2) cents</u>

There are no other recognized gains or losses arising in the six months ended 30th September, 2000 (1999: Nil) apart from the profit/(loss) shown above, therefore a separate statement of recognized gains and losses is not presented.