

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

	<i>Notes</i>	For the six months ended	
		2000	1999
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
		<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Turnover	2	739,770	558,481
Cost of sales		(603,141)	(463,348)
Gross profit		136,629	95,133
Other revenue		30,818	42,426
Distribution costs		(32,939)	(26,114)
Administrative expenses		(83,845)	(63,862)
Profit from operations		50,663	47,583
Finance costs		(70,178)	(54,149)
Share of results of associates		99,089	78,696
Profit from ordinary activities before taxation	3	79,574	72,130
Taxation	4	(21,332)	(20,087)
Profit before minority interests		58,242	52,043
Minority interests		(10,942)	(13,798)
Net profit for the period		47,300	38,245
Interim Dividend		15,948	14,240
Earnings Per Share	5		
Basic		9.6 cents	8.2 cents
Diluted		9.5 cents	8.1 cents