

Financial Highlights & Dividend Schedule

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(HK\$'000)	2000	1999
Turnover	3,295,978	2,883,194
Profit attributable to shareholders	278,328	256,289
Shareholders' equity	5,255,524	5,037,517
Earnings per share (cents)	18.0	16.7
Dividends per share (cents)	5.0	6.0
Net asset value per share (dollars)	3.4	3.3

The calculation of earnings per share is based on the weighted average of 1,546,750,696 shares (1999: 1,535,997,610 shares) in issue throughout the year.

Dividend Schedule

Announcement of final dividend	11th April, 2001
Last day for lodging of all transfers	7th June, 2001 – 4:00pm
Closure of register of members	8th June to 13th June, 2001
Annual General Meeting	13th June, 2001
Posting of dividend warrant to shareholders	22nd June, 2001