

A summary of the published results of the Group for the last five financial years/period and of the assets and liabilities as at the last four financial year/period-ends, as extracted from the audited financial statements and reclassified as appropriate, is set out below.

	Year ended 31 March 2001 <i>HK\$'000</i>	15 months ended 31 March 2000 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Year ended 31 December		
			1998 <i>HK\$'000</i>	1997 <i>HK\$'000</i>	1996 <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>GROUP RESULTS</b>					
TURNOVER	<b><u>1,286,703</u></b>	<u>1,099,268</u>	<u>604,843</u>	<u>535,494</u>	<u>465,117</u>
OPERATING PROFIT	<b>73,731</b>	59,362	45,336	36,709	29,021
Deficit on revaluation of leasehold land and buildings	–	–	(4,218)	–	–
Share of profits less losses of associates	<b><u>14,419</u></b>	<u>17,075</u>	<u>7,677</u>	<u>5,857</u>	<u>3,676</u>
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	<b>88,150</b>	76,437	48,795	42,566	32,697
Tax	<b><u>(13,735)</u></b>	<u>(11,765)</u>	<u>(8,618)</u>	<u>(6,046)</u>	<u>(4,281)</u>
PROFIT BEFORE MINORITY INTERESTS	<b>74,415</b>	64,672	40,177	36,520	28,416
Minority interests	<b><u>(866)</u></b>	<u>(546)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>
NET PROFIT FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS	<b><u>73,549</u></b>	<u>64,126</u>	<u>40,177</u>	<u>36,520</u>	<u>28,416</u>
EARNINGS PER SHARE (CENTS)					
Basic	<b><u>25.8</u></b>	<u>22.9</u>	<u>14.3</u>	<u>16.5</u>	<u>13.5</u>
Diluted	<b><u>25.4</u></b>	<u>22.2</u>	<u>14.2</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>

	As at 31 March 2001 <i>HK\$'000</i>	As at 31 March 2000 <i>HK\$'000</i>	As at 31 December 1998 <i>HK\$'000</i>	As at 31 December 1997 <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND MINORITY INTERESTS</b>				
Fixed assets	<b>157,196</b>	130,059	135,159	159,137
Interests in associates	<b>45,529</b>	38,559	19,740	11,554
Intangible assets	<b>4,531</b>	5,960	9,740	9,477
Other assets	<b>900</b>	900	900	900
Current assets	<b>611,041</b>	434,384	255,407	267,043
Current liabilities	<b>(479,074)</b>	(327,610)	(167,514)	(174,929)
Long term liabilities	–	–	(26,031)	(59,790)
Deferred tax	<b>(5,984)</b>	(2,984)	(884)	(884)
Minority interests	<b>(2,209)</b>	(1,429)	–	–
Net assets	<b><u>331,930</u></b>	<u>277,839</u>	<u>226,517</u>	<u>212,508</u>
<b>RATIOS</b>				
Current assets to current liabilities	<b>1.28</b>	1.33	1.52	1.53
Long term interest-bearing debt to total equity	–	–	11.5%	28.1%