



Consolidated Income Statement

For the year ended 31st March, 2001
(Amounts expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Note	2001 \$'000	2000 \$'000
Turnover		2,540,326	2,408,822
Cost of sales		<u>(2,164,773)</u>	<u>(2,038,182)</u>
Gross profit		375,553	370,640
Administrative expenses		(115,730)	(125,225)
Other revenue, net		<u>54,540</u>	<u>49,604</u>
Profit from operations		314,363	295,019
Finance costs		<u>(25,987)</u>	<u>(39,514)</u>
		288,376	255,505
Share of profit of an associate		731	—
Share of profit of a jointly controlled entity		<u>3,141</u>	<u>—</u>
Profit before taxation	2	292,248	255,505
Taxation	4	<u>(37,970)</u>	<u>(34,963)</u>
Profit attributable to shareholders	5	254,278	220,542
Dividends	6	<u>(106,476)</u>	<u>(92,685)</u>
Retained profit for the year		<u><u>147,802</u></u>	<u><u>127,857</u></u>
Basic earnings per share	7	<u><u>46.33 cents</u></u>	<u><u>39.94 cents</u></u>
Diluted earnings per share	7	<u><u>46.27 cents</u></u>	<u><u>39.86 cents</u></u>