

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

The turnover of the Group for the Period was approximately HK\$76.8 million, representing an increase of approximately 86.9% from that of the Corresponding Period. The increase was mainly due to the additional turnover brought about by the acquisition of principal subsidiaries during the Period.

Net profits for the Period was approximately HK\$33.3 million, resulting in earnings per share of 2.6 cents. Net profits and earnings per share have decreased by approximately 42.6% and 46.9% respectively, comparing to that of the previous period. The decrease in net profit was due mainly to the absence of profit on deemed disposal of associate in the Period which effect was partly compensated by increase in net profits shared from associates. The weighted average number of shares in issue for the Period has increased by approximately 7.9% adding further effect to the drop in EPS.

Direct operating expenses, administrative expenses and finance costs of the Period were all increased comparing to that of the previous period. The main reason for the increases was caused by the acquisition of principal subsidiaries during the Period.