INTERIM REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2001

The Directors are pleased to present the Group's interim report and accounts for the six months ended 30th September 2001. The Group reported a profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$8.8 million for the period under review. The consolidated results of the Group for the six months ended 30th September 2001, the consolidated balance sheet as at 30th September 2001, the consolidated cash flow statement and the statement of recognised gains and losses of the Group for the six months ended 30th September 2001, all of which are unaudited, along with the relevant explanatory notes, are set out below.

Unaudited

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2001

		Six Months ended 30th September	
	Note	2001 HK\$'000	2000 <i>HK</i> \$'000
Turnover	2	584,493	593,174
Cost of sales		(224,527)	(261,136)
Gross profit		359,966	332,038
Other income		14,508	16,515
Selling expenses General and administrative expenses Other operating expenses Profit on repurchase of convertible notes Foreign exchange gain on convertible notes Net profit on sales of land and buildings Forfeiture of deposit from property purchaser Net unrealised loss on marketable securities		(252,760) (81,951) (26,909) - - - 18,000	(176,807) (77,034) (72,457) 4,228 5,365 17,799 (11,541)
Operating profit before financing	3	30,854	38,106
Finance costs		(21,598)	(21,642)
Profit before taxation		9,256	16,464
Taxation	4	(490)	(780)
Profit after taxation		8,766	15,684
Minority interests			
Profit attributable to shareholders		8,766	15,684
Earnings per share	6	HK cents	HK cents
basicdiluted		0.94 0.93	1.68 1.66