

COMPARISON OF TEN-YEAR RESULTS

	2001	2000	1999
Highlights (Company)			
Number of Customers as at 31st December	1,407,408	1,329,161	1,265,354
Town gas Sales, million MJ	26,564	26,057	24,687
Installed Capacity, thousand m ³ per day	11,000	11,000	11,000
Maximum Daily Demand, thousand m ³	5,530	5,650	5,786
Turnover & Profit			
	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M
Turnover	6,857.4	6,650.9	5,842.3
Profit before Taxation	3,656.9	3,579.1	3,322.0
Taxation	(470.0)	(445.8)	(423.3)
Profit after Taxation	3,186.9	3,133.3	2,898.7
Minority Interests	(4.2)	(2.3)	(0.2)
Profit Attributable to Shareholders	3,182.7	3,131.0	2,898.5
Dividends	1,830.5	1,798.1	1,642.4
Assets & Liabilities			
Fixed Assets	11,862.6	11,635.9	11,439.8
Associated Companies	2,460.2	2,440.1	2,625.5
Jointly Controlled Entity	208.7	25.0	–
Investment Securities	1,490.2	627.7	446.2
Current Assets	4,608.2	8,546.2	6,802.4
Current Liabilities*	(2,231.1)	(2,122.3)	(1,050.6)
Non-Current Liabilities	(853.4)	(809.3)	(960.7)
Minority Interests	(128.7)	(50.0)	(47.2)
Net Assets	17,416.7	20,293.3	19,255.4
Capital & Reserves			
Share Capital	1,300.9	1,284.4	1,177.1
Share Premium	4,037.1	4,165.5	4,283.2
Reserves	10,881.8	13,661.8	12,712.2
Proposed Dividend*	1,196.9	1,181.6	1,082.9
	17,416.7	20,293.3	19,255.4
Earnings per Share, HK Dollar*	0.58	0.55	0.51
Dividends per Share, HK Dollar*	0.35	0.32	0.29
Dividend Cover	1.74	1.74	1.76

* Comparative figures have been adjusted to account for the proposed final dividend in accordance with SSAP 9 and the bonus issue in 2001.

1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992
1,206,236	1,149,441	1,095,910	1,044,799	990,660	926,036	854,559
23,943	23,906	22,989	21,972	20,727	19,198	18,207
11,000	11,000	11,000	11,118	11,118	11,118	8,372
5,164	4,687	4,554	4,394	4,100	4,173	3,419
HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M
<u>5,426.6</u>	<u>5,583.8</u>	<u>4,796.9</u>	<u>4,252.7</u>	<u>3,718.4</u>	<u>3,259.6</u>	<u>2,960.5</u>
3,074.6	2,639.1	2,224.8	1,835.1	1,520.5	1,194.6	1,066.5
(422.9)	(362.9)	(284.8)	(200.1)	(152.6)	(59.0)	(130.4)
<u>2,651.7</u>	<u>2,276.2</u>	<u>1,940.0</u>	<u>1,635.0</u>	<u>1,367.9</u>	<u>1,135.6</u>	<u>936.1</u>
4.2	7.1	6.1	0.5	–	–	–
<u>2,655.9</u>	<u>2,283.3</u>	<u>1,946.1</u>	<u>1,635.5</u>	<u>1,367.9</u>	<u>1,135.6</u>	<u>936.1</u>
<u>1,511.9</u>	<u>1,384.4</u>	<u>1,046.9</u>	<u>870.3</u>	<u>741.8</u>	<u>571.7</u>	<u>444.7</u>
11,265.9	11,160.7	10,923.7	10,483.6	10,056.4	9,583.1	4,734.5
2,337.0	1,989.3	925.6	627.4	–	–	–
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414.5	383.5	68.5	68.5	10.7	0.8	3.6
7,203.3	5,649.7	6,761.1	4,483.7	2,976.5	1,603.5	878.2
(1,947.0)	(870.8)	(3,384.2)	(1,639.9)	(1,619.9)	(1,130.2)	(863.2)
(914.2)	(1,072.1)	(2,518.0)	(2,366.0)	(712.3)	(1,049.4)	(1,262.0)
(43.3)	(54.3)	(57.4)	(28.3)	–	–	–
<u>18,316.2</u>	<u>17,186.0</u>	<u>12,719.3</u>	<u>11,629.0</u>	<u>10,711.4</u>	<u>9,007.8</u>	<u>3,491.1</u>
1,079.7	984.4	748.0	621.9	517.4	404.6	327.0
4,334.7	4,431.2	1,353.2	1,404.2	1,452.5	591.6	221.6
11,908.3	10,864.8	9,929.9	9,030.7	8,265.5	7,639.4	2,654.7
993.5	905.6	688.2	572.2	476.0	372.2	287.8
<u>18,316.2</u>	<u>17,186.0</u>	<u>12,719.3</u>	<u>11,629.0</u>	<u>10,711.4</u>	<u>9,007.8</u>	<u>3,491.1</u>
0.46	0.41	0.36	0.30	0.26	0.22	0.18
0.26	0.24	0.20	0.17	0.14	0.12	0.10
1.76	1.65	1.86	1.88	1.84	1.99	2.11