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1. Principal accounting policies

These unaudited consolidated condensed interim accounts are prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Statement of Standard Accounting Practice ("SSAP") 25, Interim Financial Reporting, issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants and should be read in conjunction with the 2001 annual accounts.

The accounting policies and methods of calculation used in the preparation of these unaudited condensed accounts are consistent with those used in the annual accounts for the year ended 31 December 2001 except that the Group has changed certain of its accounting policies following its adoption of the following SSAPs which are relevant to the Group and effective for accounting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2002:

SSAP 1 (revised): Presentation of financial statements

SSAP 11 (revised): Foreign currency translation

SSAP 15 (revised): Cash flow statements
SSAP 25 (revised): Interim financial reporting

SSAP 34: Employee benefits

The changes to the Group's accounting policies and the effect of adopting these new and revised standards is set out below.

SSAP 11 (revised): Foreign currency translation

The balance sheet of the Company's subsidiaries expressed in Renminbi and foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date whilst the profit and loss account is translated at an average rate. Exchange differences arising are dealt with as a movement in reserves.

In prior periods, the profit and loss account of subsidiaries was translated at closing rate. This is a change in accounting policy, however, the translation of the profit and loss account of subsidiaries in prior periods has not been restated as the effect of this change is not material to the current and prior periods.

The adoption of the other new and revised standards has no material effect on the Group's condensed interim accounts other than presentational changes. Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the current period's presentation.



2. Segment information

(a) Business segment analysis

Unaudited For the six months ended 30 June

2002 2001 Sanitary Sanitary napkins and Hygiene napkins and Hygiene disposable materials and disposable materials and diapers others Group diapers others Group HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 Total turnover 526,993 36,082 563,075 551,324 75,621 626,945 Inter-segment sales (93)(14,542)(14,635)(3) (18,447)(18,450)Segment turnover 526,900 21,540 548,440 551,321 608,495 57,174 Segment results 99,836 100,654 8,565 818 111,458 120,023 Unallocated costs (5,620)(5,352)Operating profit 95,034 114,671 Interest income 6,123 9,270 Finance costs (62)(136)Profit before taxation 101,095 123,805 Taxation (10,287)(8,735)Profit after taxation 90,808 115,070 Minority interests (944)(1,056)Profit attributable to shareholders 89,864 114,014

⁽b) No geographical analysis is provided as less than 10% of the Group's turnover and less than 10% of the consolidated trading results of the Group are attributable to markets outside the PRC.



3. Operating profit

The operating profit is stated after charging depreciation for owned fixed assets of HK\$34,038,000 (2001: HK\$29,953,000).

4. Taxation

- (a) Taxation during the period represented PRC income tax charges on the assessable profits of the PRC subsidiaries of the Group.
- (b) No provision for Hong Kong profits tax has been made in the accounts as the Group has no assessable profits in Hong Kong during the period (2001: Nil).

5. Interim dividend

	Unaudited	
	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2002 HK\$'000	2001 HK\$'000
Proposed interim dividend of HK8 cents per share (2001: HK10 cents)	79,625	99,531

6. Earnings per share

The calculation of earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$89,864,000 (2001: HK\$114,014,000) and 995,312,000 shares (2001: 995,312,000 shares) in issue during the period.

There is no diluted earnings per share since the Company has no potential dilutive ordinary shares.

7. Fixed assets — net book value

	Unaudited
	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2002	711,745
Additions at cost	5,565
Transfer from construction-in-progress	27,261
Disposals/write-off	(975)
Depreciation for the period	(34,038)
At 30 June 2002	709,558



8. Trade receivables

The majority of the Group's sales is on open accounts with credit term of $60~\mathrm{days}$:

	Unaudited	Audited
	As at 30 June	As at 31 December
	2002	2001
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Current	36,092	39,692
31 - 180 days	43,639	44,217
181 - 365 days	2,430	7,531
	82,161	91,440

9. Trade payables

	Unaudited	Audited
	As at 30 June	As at 31 December
	2002	2001
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Current	36,707	45,848
31 - 180 days	24,900	38,707
181 - 365 days	2,612	12,190
	64,219	96,745

10. Commitments

(a) Capital commitments

	Unaudited	Audited
	As at 30 June	As at 31 December
	2002	2001
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Contracted but not provided for in respect of		
Plant, machinery and equipment	22,260	2,356
Land and buildings	500	500
	22,760	2,856



(b) Commitments under operating leases

At 30 June 2002, the Group had total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of land and buildings and factory premises as set out below:

	Unaudited	Audited
	As at 30 June	As at 31 December
	2002	2001
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year	4,910	5,170
In the second to fifth year inclusive	10,850	11,620
After the fifth year	7,760	7,300
	23,520	24,090

11. Contingent liabilities

There were no material contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2001.

12. Related party transactions

During the period, the Group entered into the following transactions with companies controlled by the executive directors of the Company, except for Mr. Poon Fuk Chuen.

Unaudited	
For the six months ended 30 June	
2002	2001
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
5,107	8,903
7,663	3,471