CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30 September 2004 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

		Six months ended 30 September	
	Note	2004 \$'000 (Unaudited)	2003 \$'000 (Unaudited)
Turnover	2	746,948	442,682
Cost of sales		(565,618)	(299,137)
Other revenue Selling expenses Administrative expenses		181,330 3,595 (86,099) (19,248)	143,545 1,564 (71,293) (17,381)
Profit from operations		79,578	56,435
Finance costs		(13,587)	(8,644)
Profit from ordinary activities before taxation	3	65,991	47,791
Taxation	4	(5,223)	(4,670)
Profit attributable to shareholders		60,768	43,121
Dividend attributable to shareholders	5(a)		
Interim dividend declared after the balance sheet date		18,134	12,562
Earnings per share	6		
Basic		4.30 cents	3.19 cents
Diluted		4.11 cents	3.02 cents

The notes on pages 7 to 15 form part of this interim financial report.