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For the Period from 1 March 2004 to 31 December 2004

	Notes	1.3.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK\$'000	1.3.2003 to 29.2.2004 HK\$'000
Turnover		3,981,000	4,608,801
Other operating income		176,935	208,195
Investment income	6	2,488	3,035
Purchases of goods and changes in inventories		(2,940,090)	(3,404,099)
Staff costs		(352,240)	(409,684)
Depreciation		(98,954)	(105,566)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		(2,330)	(8,510)
Pre-operating expenses	7	(4,136)	(1,149)
Other operating expenses		(656,067)	(779,987)
Profit from operations	8	106,606	111,036
Finance costs	9	(9)	(25)
Profit from ordinary activities before taxation		106,597	111,011
Income tax expenses	12	(24,430)	(25,489)
Profit before minority interest		82,167	85,522
Minority interest		(2,706)	322
Net profit for the period/year		79,461	85,844
Dividends	13	44,200	26,000
Earnings per share	14	30.56 cents	33.02 cents