

COMPARISON OF TEN-YEAR RESULTS

	2000	1999	1998
HIGHLIGHTS (Company)			
Number of Customers as at 31st December	1,329,161	1,265,354	1,206,236
Town Gas Sold, million MJ	26,057	24,687	23,943
Installed Capacity, thousand m ³ per day	11,000	11,000	11,000
Maximum Daily Demand, thousand m ³	5,650	5,786	5,164
TURNOVER & PROFIT			
	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M
Turnover	6,650.9	5,842.3	5,426.6
Profit before Taxation	3,579.1	3,322.0	3,074.6
Taxation	(445.8)	(423.3)	(422.9)
Profit after Taxation	3,133.3	2,898.7	2,651.7
Minority Interests	(2.3)	(0.2)	4.2
Profit Attributable to Shareholders	3,131.0	2,898.5	2,655.9
Dividends	(1,798.1)	(1,642.4)	(1,511.9)
Profit Retained	1,332.9	1,256.1	1,144.0
FUNDS EMPLOYED			
Share Capital	1,284.4	1,177.1	1,079.7
Share Premium	4,165.5	4,283.2	4,334.7
Reserves	13,661.8	12,712.2	11,908.3
Shareholders' Funds	19,111.7	18,172.5	17,322.7
Minority Interests	50.0	47.2	43.3
Customers' Deposits and Deferred Liabilities	788.6	733.1	679.7
Deferred Taxation	20.7	27.6	34.5
Debentures	—	200.0	200.0
Bank Borrowings	—	—	—
	19,971.0	19,180.4	18,280.2
EMPLOYMENT OF FUNDS			
Total Fixed Assets	11,635.9	11,439.8	11,265.9
Associated Companies	2,440.1	2,625.5	2,337.0
Jointly Controlled Entities	25.0	—	—
Investment Securities	627.7	446.2	414.5
Current Assets	8,546.2	6,802.4	7,203.3
Total Assets	23,274.9	21,313.9	21,220.7
Current Liabilities	3,303.9	2,133.5	2,940.5
	19,971.0	19,180.4	18,280.2
Earnings per Share, HK Dollar (Note)	0.61	0.56	0.51
Dividends per Share, HK Dollar (Note)	0.35	0.32	0.29
Dividend Cover	1.74	1.76	1.76

Note: Certain comparative figures have been reclassified or adjusted to conform with the current year's presentation.

THE HONG KONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY LIMITED

1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991
1,149,441	1,095,910	1,044,799	990,660	926,036	854,559	794,453
23,906	22,989	21,972	20,727	19,198	18,207	16,237
11,000	11,000	11,118	11,118	11,118	8,372	6,493
4,687	4,554	4,394	4,100	4,173	3,419	3,361
HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M	HK\$ M
5,583.8	4,796.9	4,252.7	3,718.4	3,259.6	2,960.5	2,653.7
2,639.1	2,224.8	1,835.1	1,520.5	1,194.6	1,066.5	859.2
(362.9)	(284.8)	(200.1)	(152.6)	(59.0)	(130.4)	(80.5)
2,276.2	1,940.0	1,635.0	1,367.9	1,135.6	936.1	778.7
7.1	6.1	0.5	—	—	—	—
2,283.3	1,946.1	1,635.5	1,367.9	1,135.6	936.1	778.7
(1,384.4)	(1,046.9)	(870.3)	(741.8)	(571.7)	(444.7)	(359.6)
898.9	899.2	765.2	626.1	563.9	491.4	419.1
984.4	748.0	621.9	517.4	404.6	327.0	272.4
4,431.2	1,353.2	1,404.2	1,452.5	591.6	221.6	273.4
10,864.8	9,929.9	9,030.7	8,265.5	7,639.4	2,654.7	2,163.3
16,280.4	12,031.1	11,056.8	10,235.4	8,635.6	3,203.3	2,709.1
54.3	57.4	28.3	—	—	—	—
629.4	568.2	509.1	448.3	404.0	764.9	902.2
42.7	49.8	56.9	64.0	75.4	170.6	136.5
400.0	400.0	400.0	200.0	200.0	—	—
—	1,500.0	1,400.0	—	370.0	326.5	379.4
17,406.8	14,606.5	13,451.1	10,947.7	9,685.0	4,465.3	4,127.2
11,160.7	10,923.7	10,483.6	10,056.4	9,583.1	4,734.5	4,125.0
1,989.3	925.6	627.4	—	—	—	—
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383.5	68.5	68.5	10.7	0.8	3.6	9.2
5,649.7	6,761.1	4,483.7	2,976.5	1,603.5	878.2	811.0
19,183.2	18,678.9	15,663.2	13,043.6	11,187.4	5,616.3	4,945.2
1,776.4	4,072.4	2,212.1	2,095.9	1,502.4	1,151.0	818.0
17,406.8	14,606.5	13,451.1	10,947.7	9,685.0	4,465.3	4,127.2
0.45	0.40	0.34	0.28	0.24	0.20	0.17
0.26	0.22	0.18	0.15	0.13	0.10	0.08
1.65	1.86	1.88	1.84	1.99	2.11	2.17