

FIVE Year Summary

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Year ended 31 December				
	1996 \$'000	1997 \$'000	1998 \$'000	1999 \$'000	2000 \$'000
Results:					
Turnover	<u>683,869</u>	<u>843,292</u>	<u>909,059</u>	<u>846,138</u>	<u>1,254,629</u>
Profit from operations	279,838	341,569	327,957	299,482	215,886
Finance cost	(6,516)	(3,884)	(5,114)	(1,221)	(1,382)
Share of profit/(losses) of associates	382	464	–	(12,956)	1,871
Profit from ordinary activities					
before taxation	273,704	338,149	322,843	285,305	216,375
Taxation	(27,427)	(37,115)	(14,601)	(26,003)	(9,887)
Minority interests	7,472	(419)	(7,394)	(3,086)	(6,145)
Profit attributable to shareholders	<u>253,749</u>	<u>300,615</u>	<u>300,848</u>	<u>256,216</u>	<u>200,343</u>
Assets and liabilities:					
Fixed assets	285,523	329,492	342,231	334,498	385,288
Interest in associates	26,079	–	20,678	20,465	21,241
Non-trading securities	396,688	372,207	302,669	288,798	250,486
Net current assets	317,453	397,723	556,487	543,557	643,761
Total assets less current liabilities	1,025,743	1,099,422	1,222,065	1,187,318	1,300,776
Convertible notes	(9,430)	(6,824)	(5,522)	–	(31,200)
Minority interests	(31,861)	(19,119)	(26,543)	(29,556)	(27,349)
Other non-current liabilities	(2,446)	(2,403)	–	–	–
Net assets	<u>982,006</u>	<u>1,071,076</u>	<u>1,190,000</u>	<u>1,157,762</u>	<u>1,242,227</u>