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## Notes 2000 1999 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 (Restated) **TURNOVER** 5 4,947,984 5,359,442 Cost of sales (3,424,221)(3,933,513)Gross profit 1,523,763 1,425,929 Other revenue 201,633 274,059 Distribution costs (224,365)(273.063)Administrative expenses (801,393)(900,923)Loss from discontinuing curtain wall operations 6 (62,783)Loss from discontinuation of cement operations 6 (303,491)7 Other operating expenses (1,295,862)(2,029,343)LOSS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES 7 (596, 224)(1,869,615)Finance costs 9 (572, 367)(593,431)(1,168,591)(2,463,046)Share of profit of a jointly controlled entity 15,397 10,603 Share of profits less losses of associates 8,298 51,318 **LOSS BEFORE TAX** (1,144,896)(2,401,125)Tax 10 (127,078)(51,565)LOSS BEFORE MINORITY INTERESTS (1,271,974)(2,452,690)Minority interests (84,328)75,337 **NET LOSS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES ATTRIBUTABLE** TO SHAREHOLDERS 11 (2,377,353)(1,356,302)Accumulated losses at beginning of year: As previously stated (3,010,733)(537,645)Prior year adjustment 4 (24,501)(40,330)(3,035,234)(577,975)Provision for preference share redemption premium (53,359)(53,613)Dividend 12 (22,020)(21,916)(4,467,169)(3,030,603)Transfer to reserves (10,568)(4,631)ACCUMULATED LOSSES AT END OF YEAR (4,477,737)(3,035,234)**LOSS PER SHARE** 13 — Basic (54.44 cents) (95.74 cents) Diluted N/A N/A