

## INTERIM REPORT 2001

The Directors are pleased to announce that the unaudited consolidated profit attributable to shareholders for the six months ended 30th September 2001 was US\$60,057,000. Earnings per share were 1.6 US cents.

### FINANCIAL RESULTS

The unaudited consolidated profit and loss account for the six months ended 30th September 2001 together with comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2000 is set out below :

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

	Unaudited Six months ended 30th September	
	2001	2000
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Turnover	<b>371,523</b>	395,206
Operating profit	<b>71,693</b>	87,223
Finance costs	<b>(245)</b>	(259)
Share of profits less losses of jointly controlled entities/associated companies	<b>(3,373)</b>	116
Profit before taxation	<b>68,075</b>	87,080
Taxation	<b>(8,017)</b>	(6,817)
Profit after taxation	<b>60,058</b>	80,263
Minority interests	<b>(1)</b>	(1)
Profit attributable to shareholders	<b>60,057</b>	80,262
Interim dividend	<b>14,130</b>	14,130
Earnings per share (US cents)	<b>1.6</b>	<b>2.2</b>
Dividend per share (US cents)	<b>0.38</b>	<b>0.38</b>

#### NOTE

- 1 The calculation of earnings per share is based on the group's profit attributable to shareholders of US\$60,057,000 (2000: US\$80,262,000) and 3,673,788,920 (2000: 3,673,788,920) shares in issue.
- 2 The consolidated results, consolidated cash flow statement and consolidated statement of recognised gains and losses for the group for the six months ended 30th September 2001, and the consolidated balance sheet as at 30th September 2001 of the group, all of which are unaudited and condensed, along with the selected explanatory notes, are set out on pages 11 to 24 of this report.