



Yeo Hiap Seng Limited

annual report

FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2007



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CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Group revenue for the financial year ended 31 December 2007 was \$436.97 million. Food and beverage revenue increased by \$4.71 million or 1.3% to \$370.89 million, while revenue from development property decreased by 37.9% to \$64.98 million.

The Group generated an operating cash flow of \$80.63 million for the year, and reported a net increase in cash of \$2.20 million compared to a net increase in cash of \$8.73 million for the previous year.

The Group provided for \$23.30 million for tax raised by a protective assessment on the revaluation surplus of the land used for The Sterling. Net profit after tax and minority interest for the year was \$2.53, an increase of \$0.73 million profit from the year before.

FOOD & BEVERAGE

The Food & Beverage Division had 1.3% year-on-year revenue growth, and generated an operating cash flow of \$8.22 million.

The Group performed well in Singapore during the year, with 11.9% year-on-year revenue growth. This was attributed mainly to the series of successful new accounts clinched in the year, brand building and promotional efforts, and strong in-market execution. The growth came largely from YEO's Asian soft drinks, H-TWO-O isotonic drinks and PINK DOLPHIN water.

In Europe and United States, where the Group traditionally drives sales through the ethnic channels, we stepped up our efforts to increase our presence in the mainstream markets.

In Europe, our products can now be found in BESTWAY, one of the biggest mainstream cash-and-carry groups in the United Kingdom. Ten of our products have since January 2008 been listed in TESCO, the largest mainstream supermarket chain in the United Kingdom. The challenge going forward will be to generate off-take so that we can grow beyond our current largely ethnic customer base.

In the United States, YEO's participated in sampling programs, celebrity chef events and food shows targeted at the mainstream Caucasian and Hispanic consumers in both New York and Los Angeles. We will be introducing more products including yogurt flavoured soy and organic soy beverages in 2008.

In China, we have improved our brand and product image through better packaging designs and market communications, which enabled us to increase the selling prices and profit margins of our products. We also invested more advertising and promotional efforts and funds to grow the more profitable products to improve the quality of the revenue. We will be launching new products with higher sales value and higher margin in 2008.

Years of brand building efforts in Cambodia have made YEO's the leading premium brand for Asian soft drinks in Cambodia where we have been enjoying double digit growth in the last four years. We stepped up our brand building efforts targeting the younger generation in 2007, and we will continue to keep up our brand building efforts to grow our business.

Our subsidiary in Malaysia had a disappointing year. Revenue was RM 476.58 million, which was 7.9% lower than last year's, due to lower than expected sales from new products launched during the year and severe competition. Beset by higher operating cost, higher advertising & promotion spending to defend market share and to launch of new products, our Malaysian subsidiary suffered a loss of RM 13.60 million, compared to the RM 24.37 million net profit the year before. We have revamped the designs of the YEO's Asian Drinks in Malaysia to give the range a more contemporary look. The YEO's canned food designs have also been given a face lift. The Group hopes that these initiatives together with cost management measures will help to improve performance in 2008.

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CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

PROPERTY

Amidst a thriving residential property market in Singapore in 2007, the Group launched "Jardin" at Dunearn Road in November 2007. "Jardin" is a 10-storey freehold development comprising 90 loft units and 50 single storey units ranging from 958 sq. ft. to 1,862 sq. ft. A total of 20 units or 14% of the available units have been sold to-date at an average selling price above \$1,800 psf.

A lower profit of \$3.98 million was reported for the year under review due mainly to the provision for tax and lower recognition of development property sales in the year.

DIVIDEND

The Directors do not recommend any dividend in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2007.

PROSPECT STATEMENT

The Group intends to grow its food and beverage business by expanding into new geographical territories as well as enlarging its portfolio of products. In selected developed markets, we will focus our effort on selling higher value-added products and brand building.

In 2008, the Group will in 2008 drive sales of units in "Jardin" and market the remaining unsold units from earlier launches.

NOTE OF THANKS

On behalf of the Board, I extend a warm welcome to Dr. Tan Chin Nam, our newly appointed Board member and look forward to his contributions.

I would like to thank our customers, business partners and shareholders for their strong support. I would also like to thank our Board of Directors and the staff for their contributions during the financial year.

Philip Ng Chee Tat
Chairman
18 March 2008



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PROFILE OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS & MANAGEMENT

MR. NG CHEE TAT PHILIP, 49
Chairman & Chief Executive Officer

- ◆ Member of Board of Directors
- ◆ Member of Nominating Committee
- ◆ Chairman of Executive Committee

Mr. Ng Chee Tat Philip was first appointed to the YHS Board on 4 August 1994 as alternate director to Mr. Lim Hong Keat and subsequently resigned on 11 February 1995. He was re-appointed on 20 June 1996. From 1 July 2002, he assumed an executive role when appointed Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer. Subsequently, from 1 July 2003, he was appointed Chairman of the Board. From 1 May 2007, he was re-designated Chairman & Chief Executive Officer. He was last re-elected as a director on 23 May 2001.

Since 1986, Mr. Ng has been a consultant for Hong Kong and China projects of the Sino Group in Hong Kong with duties of planning and guiding development activities. He was also the Director and Chief Executive Officer of the project management and construction arm of the Sino Group. In 1991, he was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Far East Organization responsible for overseeing and directing the Group's business activities. Currently, he is also the Chairman of listed company Orchard Parade Holdings Limited and Yeo Hiap Seng (Malaysia) Berhad and a director of various companies. In addition, he sits on various committees and statutory boards in Singapore. He is also Singapore's Non-resident Ambassador to The Republic of Chile and Argentina.

Mr. Ng holds a degree in Civil Engineering from King's College, London University, Master of Science in Technology & Policy, and Master in City Planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

MR. S. CHANDRA DAS, 68
Deputy Chairman, Lead Independent Director

- ◆ Member of Board of Directors
- ◆ Chairman of Remuneration Committee
- ◆ Member of Audit Committee
- ◆ Member of Nominating Committee
- ◆ Member of Executive Committee
- ◆ Chairman of Investment Committee

Mr. S. Chandra Das has served as and lead independent Director on the YHS Board from 1 November 2005. He was last re-elected as a director of the Company on 28 April 2005. Mr. Das is the Managing Director of NUR Investment & Trading Pte. Ltd and Singapore's Non-Resident Ambassador to Turkey. He has over 36 years of experience primarily in companies involved in the trading and manufacturing industries. Mr. Das served as the Singapore Trade Representative to the USSR from 1970 to 1971, Chairman of the Trade Development Board from 1983 to 1986 and Chairman of NTUC Fairprice Co-operative Ltd from 1993 to 2005. He is also the Chairman of the board of directors of Nera Telecommunications Ltd and a director of The Ascott Group Ltd and CapitaMall Trust Management Ltd, all of which are publicly listed companies in Singapore. Mr. Das was appointed Pro-Chancellor of Nanyang Technological University effective November 2007.

Mr. Das received his Bachelor of Arts degree (with honors) from the University of Singapore in 1965. He also served as a Member of Parliament in Singapore from 1980 to 1996.

MR. TJONG YIK MIN, 55
President & Chief Operating Officer

- ◆ Member of Board of Directors
- ◆ Member of Executive Committee

Mr. Tjong Yik Min has served as a non-independent director on the YHS Board since 22 July 2002. Mr. Tjong joined YHS as its President & Chief Operating Officer on 22 July 2002. He is currently a Chief Operating Officer and an Executive Director of Far East Organization. He was made Deputy Chairman of Yeo Hiap Seng (Malaysia) Berhad on 23 January 2003. Mr. Tjong was last re-elected as a director of the Company on 30 April 2007.

Mr. Tjong has extensive experience in both the public and private sectors. He had served as Executive Director and Group President of Singapore Press Holdings Limited, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Communications, Director of Internal Security Department and Chairman of Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore. He is currently a director of Genting International PLC.

Mr. Tjong holds a Bachelor of Engineering, Industrial Engineering and Bachelor of Commerce (Economics) from the University of Newcastle, Australia. In addition, he also holds a Master of Science, Industrial Engineering from the University of Singapore.

MR. OW TIN NYAP, 54

Executive Director

- ◆ Member of Board of Directors
- ◆ Member of Executive Committee

Mr. Ow Tin Nyap served as a non-independent director on the YHS Board from 1 June 2005. He was concurrently appointed Deputy President of YHS and Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Yeo Hiap Seng (Malaysia) Berhad on 1 June 2005. He is currently an Executive Director of Far East Organization. He was last re-elected as a director of the Company on 26 April 2006.

Mr. Ow has extensive experience in the fast moving consumer goods industry. Prior to joining YHS, Mr. Ow's last held position was as Chairman of Danone Group of Companies in the ASEAN Region for water/beverages, dairy and biscuits. His career in Danone spans over 7 years from 1998, where he first joined as Vice President for ASEAN Biscuits division. In 2001, he relocated and served as the President Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Aqua Group and as President Director of Danone Biscuits Indonesia.

Before Danone, he was Sara Lee Corporation's General Manager for Malaysia's Household and Body Care division in 1993. He moved up the ranks to Managing Director (Malaysia and Singapore) in 1994, to President for Malaysia, Singapore, Indo-China and Thailand in 1995/1996 and added the Coffee and Bakery businesses to his portfolio in 1998. Previously, he was also employed in various management & marketing positions in Boustead, Rothmans & Pall Mall, Johnson & Johnson and Bristol Myers.

In recognition of his achievements and leadership, Mr. Ow has been conferred with several awards from the companies he served, notably the Global Innovation Award in 1999 & 2000, Global Social Responsibility Award in 2000 and the inaugural Global CEO Recognition Award for the Most Dynamic Organization in 2004 from Danone, as well as the prestigious President's Awards in 1994 & 1995 and Record Performance Awards in 1996 & 1997 from Sara Lee Corporation. Mr. Ow completed his secondary schooling in Saint David's High School with a Malaysian Certificate of Education.

MR. MARCEL BERTAUD, 47

Executive Director

- ◆ Member of Board of Directors
- ◆ Member of Executive Committee

Mr. Marcel Bertaud was appointed non-independent director on the YHS Board from 1 October 2006. He holds the functional titles of Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer (North Asia) in charge of the businesses and operations of the YHS Group in North Asia, including Japan and Korea. From 1 January 2007, Mr. Bertaud's portfolio has been expanded to include the Hong Kong market. He was subsequently re-designated Chief Executive Officer of North/South Asia and Indo-China with effect from 1 June 2007. Mr. Bertaud was last re-elected as a director of the Company on 30 April 2007.

Mr. Bertaud is a veteran in the food and beverage industry in Asia, having spent the last 22 years with Danone Group growing the French food and beverage giant's businesses and operations in Japan and Korea.

Prior to his appointment at YHS, Mr. Bertaud was Japan/Korea Chairman of Danone Group since January 2003. He was also the Managing Director, Danone Group and President, Danone Imported Waters Asia. Currently, he sits on the Board of Yakult Honsha and Yakult-Danone India.

Mr. Bertaud holds a Master of Business Administration from Ecole Supérieure De Commerce De Paris (Paris Business School).



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PROFILE OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS & MANAGEMENT

MR. CHANG SEE HIANG, 54
Non-independent, Non-executive Director

- ✦ Member of Board of Directors
- ✦ Member of Audit Committee
- ✦ Member of Remuneration Committee
- ✦ Member of Investment Committee

Mr. Chang See Hiang has served as a non-independent director on the YHS Board since 9 November 1995. He was last re-elected as a Director of the Company on 30 April 2007.

An Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore, he is the Senior Partner of his own law firm, Messrs. Chang See Hiang & Partners. Mr. Chang is also a Director of Jardine Cycle & Carriage Limited, MCL Land Limited, Parkway Holdings Limited and STT Communications Ltd and the Honorary Secretary and member, Management Committee of the Singapore Turf Club.

MR. CHIN YOKE CHOONG, 56
Independent, Non-executive Director

- ✦ Member of Board of Directors
- ✦ Member of Audit Committee
- ✦ Member of Remuneration Committee
- ✦ Member of Investment Committee

Mr. Chin Yoke Choong was appointed independent, non-executive director on YHS Board on 15 May 2006 and was last re-elected on 30 April 2007.

Mr. Chin serves as a Board member of several listed companies including Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Ltd, Neptune Orient Lines Limited and The Straits Trading Company Ltd. He is also the Chairman of the Singapore Totalisator Board and a Board member of the Competition Commission of Singapore and Singapore Labour Foundation. Mr. Chin was Chairman of Urban Redevelopment Authority of Singapore from 1 April 2001 to 31 March 2006 and Managing Partner of KPMG Singapore from 1992 until his retirement in September 2005.

Mr. Chin holds a Bachelor of Accountancy from the University of Singapore and is a Chartered Accountant of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. Mr. Chin is a registered member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Singapore.

MR. IRWIN DAVID SIMON, 50
Independent, Non-executive Director

- ✦ Member of Board of Directors

Mr. Irwin D. Simon was appointed independent, non-executive director on YHS Board on 1 November 2005 and was last re-elected on 26 April 2006.

Mr. Simon is the founder of The Hain Celestial Group, Inc and has been their President and Chief Executive Officer since inception. He was appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors of The Hain Celestial Group, Inc in April 2000. Previously, Mr. Simon was employed in various marketing capacities at Slim-Fast Foods Company and The Haagen-Dazs Company, a division of Grand Metropolitan, plc. Mr. Simon currently serves as lead director of Jarden Corporation and a director of several privately held companies. He is the past chapter chairman of YPO – Gotham Chapter, New York.

Mr. Simon has a Bachelor of Commerce from Saint Mary's University, Canada.

MR. LIM HONG KEAT, 80
Non-independent, Non-executive Director

- ✦ Member of Board of Directors

Mr. Lim Hong Keat has served as a non-independent director on the YHS Board from 4 August 1994. He was last re-elected as a director of the Company on 30 April 2007.

He was formerly the Chief Executive of Metal Box Limited. Mr. Lim also served as the Vice President of the Singapore National Employers Federation. Other past appointments include as a Director of POSB, a member in the Economic Development Board, the National Wages Council and the National Productivity Council. He was also the Chairman of the Singapore International Chamber of Commerce and the Singapore Manufacturers' Association. Mr. Lim was awarded The Public Service Medal in 1992.

MR. NGIAM TONG DOW, 70

Independent, Non-executive Director

- ✦ Member of Board of Directors
- ✦ Chairman of Audit Committee
- ✦ Chairman of Nominating Committee
- ✦ Member of Investment Committee

Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow has served as an independent director on the YHS Board from 18 February 2002. He was last re-elected as a director of the Company on 26 April 2006.

Mr. Ngiam is currently the Chairman of Surbana Corporation Pte Ltd (formerly known as HDB Corporation Pte Ltd). He is also a Director of the United Overseas Bank Ltd and Singapore Press Holdings Limited. Prior to his present appointments, he was Chairman of the Housing & Development Board, a position he held from October 1998 to September 2003. He also held the post of Permanent Secretary in various ministries, including the Prime Minister's Office, the Ministries of Finance, Trade and Industry and Communications. He was also Chairman of the Economic Development Board and the Development Bank of Singapore. He had also held directorships in Singapore Airlines Ltd, Singapore Technologies (then known as Sheng-Li Holdings), and Temasek Holdings.

Mr. Ngiam has a Master of Public Administration from Harvard University and a Bachelor of Arts (Honours), First Class from the University of Malaya.

DR. TAN CHIN NAM, 57

Independent, Non-executive Director

- ✦ Member of Board of Directors

Dr. Tan Chin Nam was appointed independent, non-executive director on YHS Board on 11 January 2008.

Dr. Tan had 33 years of distinguished service in the Singapore Civil Service holding various key appointments before completing his term as a Public Sector Leader at the end of 2007. He is Chairman of the Media Development Authority of Singapore. He is also Chairman of the Board of Temasek Management Services, Senior Adviser of the Salim Group, Senior Adviser of Hexagon Development Advisers and Director, Stamford Land Corporation.

Dr. Tan began his career in the Civil Service with the Ministry of Defence where he held key positions in systems and information technology. He was actively involved in the National Computerisation Programme which led to the formation of the National Computer Board ("NCB"). He was NCB's first Chief Executive from 1982 to 1986 and was appointed its Chairman between 1987 and 1994. He assumed the position of Managing Director of the Economic Development Board between 1986 and 1994. Dr. Tan was Chief Executive of the Singapore Tourism Board ("STB") from 1994 to 1997. He was Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Manpower from 1998 to 2001 and Chairman of the National Library Board from September 1995 to December 2002. He was Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Arts from 2006 to 2007 and Chairman Media Development Authority since 2003.

Dr. Tan is Singapore's Governor to the Asia-Europe Foundation since October 2004. He is Chairman of the Resource and Advisory Panel for one-north (Science Hub Development). He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of Bankinter's Foundation for Innovation. He was a member of the International Advisory Board of the Economic Development Board Rotterdam from 2004 – 2006.

Dr. Tan held four Public Administration Medals comprising bronze, silver, gold and gold (bar) conferred by the Government of Singapore and two honorary doctorate degrees.



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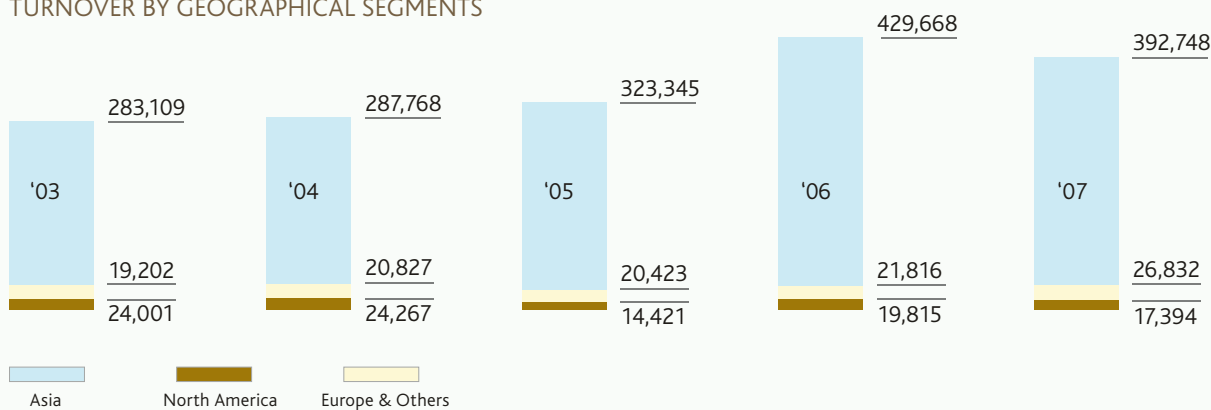
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

5-YEAR STATISTICAL RECORD OF THE GROUP

Unit : S\$'000	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Turnover by geographical segments:					
North America	24,001	24,267	14,421	19,815	17,394
Asia	283,109	287,768	323,345	429,668	392,748
Europe & Others	19,202	20,827	20,423	21,816	26,832
Total Group Turnover	326,312	332,862	358,189	471,299	436,974
Pre-tax profit/(loss)	2,823	8,972	(4,580)	8,978	23,350
Net tangible assets*	346,448	351,936	354,120	353,881	377,321

*Figures do not include interests of minority shareholders

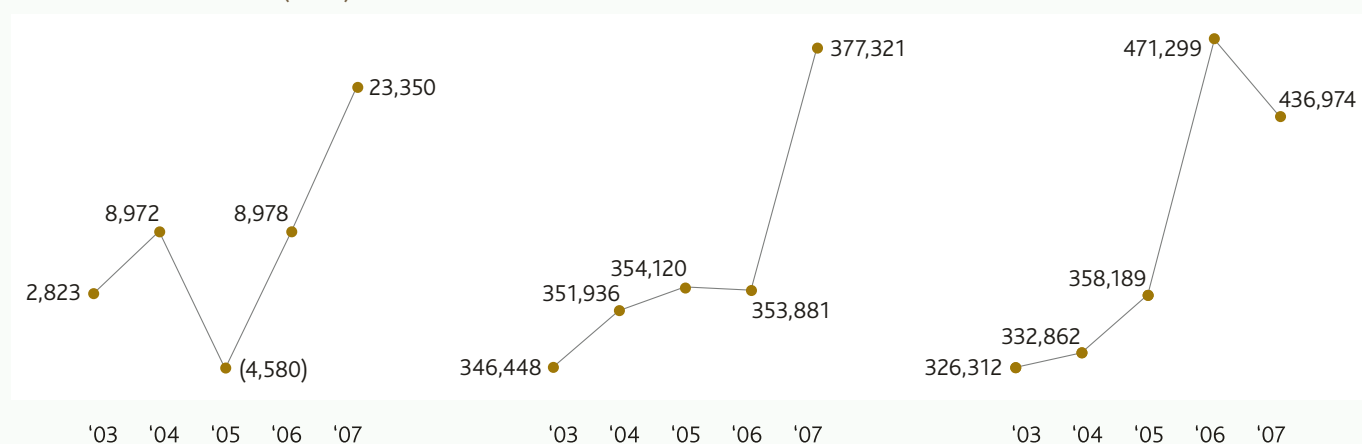
TURNOVER BY GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS



PRE-TAX PROFIT/(LOSS)

NET TANGIBLE ASSETS

GROUP TURNOVER



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REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

18 MARCH 2008

YHS is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance within the Group in order to protect and enhance long-term shareholder value. YHS has in place several self-regulatory and monitoring mechanisms. Pursuant to Rule 710 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited, this Report describes the Company's corporate governance practices with specific references to the principles of the Code of Corporate Governance 2005 (the "Code"). For ease of reference, the relevant principle of the Code under discussion is identified in italics.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Principle 1: Every company should be headed by an effective Board to lead and control the company. The Board is collectively responsible for the success of the company. The Board works with Management to achieve this and the Management remains accountable to the Board.

YHS subscribes to the principle of having good board practices and members of integrity. Board members appointed have extensive corporate experience and good track record in the public and/or private sectors.

Apart from its statutory duties, the responsibilities of the Board include:

- i. providing entrepreneurial leadership, formulating and approving broad policies, strategies and financial objectives of the Group;
- ii. monitoring and approving the Group's key operational initiatives, annual budget, major investment and funding decisions;
- iii. ensuring that the adequacy of internal controls and risk management of the Group is regularly reviewed and evaluated;
- iv. approving the nominations of Board directors and appointments to the various Board committees;
- v. reviewing management performance, setting values and standards, and ensuring that obligations to shareholders and others are understood and met; and
- vi. assuming responsibility for corporate governance.

Each Board member is expected to act in good faith and in the interests of the Company.

Board approval is required for transactions in the ordinary course of business with gross value exceeding S\$10 million and for transactions not in the ordinary course of business, for gross value exceeding S\$2 million. Other matters, which are specifically referred to the Board for approval, are those involving bank borrowings, provision of corporate guarantees or securities, material acquisitions or disposal of assets, equity or contractual joint ventures with initial investment value exceeding S\$10 million and diversification into new businesses.

These functions are carried out directly or through committees comprising Board members and senior management staff as well as by delegation of authority to senior management staff in the various companies of the Group. The "Corporate Information" section of the annual report sets out the composition of the Company's Board of Directors and Board committees. Further details of the scope and functions of the various committees are provided in the later part of this Report.

The Board conducts regular scheduled meetings. Ad-hoc meetings are convened when warranted by circumstances. The Company's Articles of Association ("AA") allow a board meeting to be conducted by way of conference telephone.

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REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The attendance of the directors at meetings of the Board, Audit Committee, Nominating Committee and Remuneration Committee during the financial year was as follows:

JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2007	BOARD			AUDIT			NOMINATING			REMUNERATION		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR												
Philip Ng Chee Tat	C	5	5	-	-	-	M	1	1	-	-	-
Tjong Yik Min	M	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ow Tin Nyap	M	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marcel Bertaud	M	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR												
S. Chandra Das	DC	5	5	M	6	6	M	1	1	C	1	1
Chang See Hiang	M	5	4	M	6	6	-	-	-	M	1	1
Chin Yoke Choong	M	5	4	M	6	6	-	-	-	M	1	1
Irwin David Simon	M	5	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lim Hong Keat	M	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ngiam Tong Dow	M	5	5	C	6	6	C	1	1	-	-	-
Tan Chin Nam ⁽¹⁾	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes:

- A : Position held as at 18 March 2008 either as Chairman (C), Deputy Chairman (DC) or Member (M)
 B : Number of meetings held during the financial year from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2007
 C : Number of meetings attended during the financial year from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2007
 (1) : Appointed Director on 11 January 2008

Newly appointed directors are briefed on the Group's businesses and provided with a familiarisation tour, when necessary. These directors are provided with a copy of the YHS Corporate Governance Policies Manual, the Company's last three years' annual report, corporate brochure and samples of the Group's offering of its food and beverage products.

Directors are routinely updated on developments and changes in the operating environment, including revisions to accounting standards, and laws and regulations affecting the Group. At the request of directors, the Company will fund directors' participation at industry conferences, seminars or any training programme in connection with their duties as directors of YHS.

Principle 2: There should be a strong and independent element on the Board, which is able to exercise objective judgement on corporate affairs independently, in particular, from Management. No individual or small group of individuals should be allowed to dominate the Board's decision making.

Presently, the Board comprises eleven directors, of whom five are non-executive and independent, two are non-executive and non-independent and four are executive directors.

The five non-executive and independent directors are Mr. S. Chandra Das, Mr. Chin Yoke Choong, Mr. Irwin David Simon, Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow and Dr. Tan Chin Nam. The two non-executive and non-independent directors are Mr. Chang See Hiang and Mr. Lim Hong Keat. The executive directors are Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat, Mr. Tjong Yik Min, Mr. Ow Tin Nyap and Mr. Marcel Bertaud. Brief biographical details of each director are set out in the "Profile of Board of Directors & Management" section of the annual report.

The independence of each director is reviewed annually by the nominating committee ("NC"). Following a review, the NC is of the view that:

- i. no individual or small group of individuals dominate the Board's decision making process;
- ii. the current board size is adequate for the Group's present operations; and
- iii. the current Board comprise persons who as a group, provide core competencies necessary to meet the Group's needs.

All non-executive directors actively participate in formulating strategies and reviewing management performance.

Principle 3: There should be a clear division of responsibilities at the top of the company – the working of the Board and the executive responsibility of the company's business – which will ensure a balance of power and authority, such that no one individual represents a considerable concentration of power.

Currently, the Chairman of the Board, Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat, is also the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat is the son of the substantial shareholders of the Company, Mr. Ng Teng Fong and Mdm. Tan Kim Choo, and the son-in-law of Mr. Lim Hong Keat, a non-executive director.

As Chairman, Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat bears responsibility for the workings of the Board. The Chairman leads the Board to ensure the effectiveness on all aspects of its role and sets its agenda. He ensures that the members of the Board receive accurate, clear and timely information, facilitates the contribution of non-executive Directors, encourages constructive relations between executive, non-executive Directors and management, ensures effective communication with shareholders and promotes a high standard of corporate governance. The Chairman, in consultation with the management and the company secretary, sets the board meeting agenda and ensures that board members are provided with adequate and timely information. As a general rule, board papers are sent to directors at least three days in advance in order for directors to be adequately prepared for the meeting. Key management staff who have prepared the papers, or who can provide additional insights into the matters to be discussed are invited to present the paper during the board meeting. As Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Ng bears executive responsibility for the workings of the Group.

Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat has been a director of the Company since June 1996 and Chief Executive Officer since July 2002 and is closely associated with the Group's success. The Board is of the view that the current structure is adequate given that Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat has been able to effectively and competently execute the responsibilities of both the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer positions, and the Company has effective independent non-executive directors to provide balance within the workings of the Board and oversight for minority shareholders' interests. In addition, Mr. S. Chandra Das acts as the lead independent non-executive director. Shareholders with concerns may contact him directly, when contact through the normal channels via the Chairman & Chief Executive Officer or other management personnel has failed to provide satisfactory resolution, or when such contact is inappropriate. The Board looks forward to Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat's continual contributions to bring the Group to the next level of growth.

Principle 6: In order to fulfil their responsibilities, Board members should be provided with complete, adequate and timely information prior to board meetings and on an on-going basis.

Board members are provided with management information including country performance, budgets, forecasts, funding position, capital expenditure, and manpower statistics of the Group prior to each board meeting to enable them to keep abreast of the Group's financial performance, position and prospects. In relation to budgets, any material variance between projections and actual results are disclosed and explained. In addition, all relevant information on material events and transactions are circulated to directors as and when they arise.

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REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Board members have separate and independent access to the Company's senior management and the company secretary, and vice versa. The company secretary attends all meetings of the Board and Board committees and assists the Chairman to ensure that board procedures are followed and that there is good information flow. Where queries made by the directors are channelled through the company secretary, the company secretary ensures that such queries are answered promptly by management. The appointment and removal of the company secretary is a board reserved matter. Directors, individually or as a group, in furtherance of their duties and after consultation with the Chairman of the Board, are authorised to seek independent professional advice at the Company's expense.

BOARD COMMITTEES

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Principle 4: There should be a formal and transparent process for the appointment of new directors to the Board.

The NC comprises three directors, namely, Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow, Mr. S. Chandra Das and Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat. Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow (Chairman of NC) and Mr. S. Chandra Das are independent directors. The principal roles of the NC are:

- i. identifying candidates and reviewing all nominations for the appointment or re-appointment of members of the Board of Directors and the members of the various Board committees for the purpose of proposing such nominations to the Board for its approval;
- ii. evaluating the performance of the Board and the contribution of each director; and
- iii. re-nominating directors and determining annually the independence of directors.

Periodic reviews of the board composition, including the selection of candidates for new appointments to the Board, are made by the NC as part of the Board's renewal process. The selection of candidates is evaluated taking into account various factors including the current and mid-term needs and objectives of the Group, as well as the relevant expertise of the candidates and their potential contributions. Candidates may be put forward or sought through contacts and recommendations.

New directors are appointed by way of a board resolution, after the NC approves their nominations. Such new directors must submit themselves for re-election at the next Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company. The Company's AA requires one-third of the Board, or if their number is not a multiple of three, the number nearest to one-third and not less, to retire by rotation at each AGM. The NC considers the present guidelines adequate and do not recommend any change to the Company's AA.

Internal guidelines for addressing the competing time commitments faced by directors serving on multiple boards are stipulated in the YHS Corporate Governance Policies Manual and reviewed by the NC. In the event that any director should breach these guidelines, the NC will assess the appropriateness of such arrangement on a case by case basis, having regard to the fact that such multiple representations benefit the Group as these directors are able to bring with them greater experience and knowledge obtained from other board representations.

Principle 5: There should be a formal assessment of the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the contribution by each director to the effectiveness of the Board.

The NC evaluates the performance of each director and the Board based on a set of criteria. The assessment criteria for individual director's performance include attendance record at the meetings of the Board and Board committees, intensity of participation at meetings and quality of contributions. The assessment criteria for Board performance include both quantitative and qualitative criteria, such as return on earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA), the success of the strategic and long-term

objectives set by the Board and the effectiveness of the Board in monitoring management's performance against the goals that have been set by the Board.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Principle 11: The Board should establish an Audit Committee with written terms of reference, which clearly set out its authority and duties.

Principle 12: The Board should ensure that the Management maintains a sound system of internal controls to safeguard the shareholders' investments and the company's assets.

Principle 13: The company should establish an internal audit function that is independent of the activities it audits.

The Audit Committee ("AC") comprises four non-executive directors, namely, Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow, Mr. S. Chandra Das, Mr. Chang See Hiang and Mr. Chin Yoke Choong. Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow (Chairman of AC), Mr. S. Chandra Das and Mr. Chin Yoke Choong are independent directors. The NC is of the view that the members of the AC have sufficient financial management expertise and experience to discharge the AC's functions.

The AC performs the following main functions:

- i. reviewing with the external auditors their audit plan, evaluation of internal accounting controls, audit report, significant financial reporting issues and judgements, and any matters which the external auditors wish to discuss;
- ii. reviewing with the internal auditors, the scope and results of internal audit procedures and their evaluation of the overall internal control system;
- iii. reviewing quarterly reports to the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited and year-end annual financial statements of the Group prior to submission to the Board;
- iv. making recommendations to the Board on the appointment of the external auditors, the audit fee and any questions of resignations or dismissal;
- v. reviewing and approves the appointment, replacement, reassignment, or the dismissal of the head of internal audit;
- vi. recommending to the board the appointment, re-appointment or change of the external auditor, taking into consideration (where applicable) the scope and results of the audit and its cost effectiveness, its remuneration and engagement terms; and
- vi. performing any other functions which may be agreed by the AC and the Board.

The AC has full access to and co-operation from the Company's management and the internal auditors, and has full discretion to invite any director or executive officer to attend its meetings. The executive directors, at the invitation of the AC, participate in the AC's deliberations.

The AC has the power to investigate any matter brought to its attention and any matters within its terms of reference. It also has the power to retain professional advice at the Company's expense.

The AC has conducted an annual review of the volume of non-audit services to satisfy itself that the nature and extent of such services will not prejudice the independence and objectivity of the external auditors before confirming their re-nomination.

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REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The AC will meet the external auditors, and with the internal auditors, without the presence of management, at least annually. The AC assesses, at least annually, the adequacy of the internal audit function.

Minutes of the AC meetings are regularly tabled at Board meetings for information and review.

The Company's external auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers ("PwC") carry out, in the course of their statutory audit, a review of the effectiveness of the Company's material internal controls, including financial, operational and compliance controls and risk management policies and systems established by management. Material non-compliance and internal control weaknesses noted during their audit, and the auditors' recommendations, are reported to the AC.

The Company has outsourced its internal audit function to the Group Internal Audit Department ("GIA") of Far East Organization, the Company's substantial shareholder. GIA reports directly to the Audit Committee and also reports administratively to the Chairman of the Board.

Having regard to the Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing of the Institute of Internal Auditors, and having reviewed the functions and organisational structure of GIA, the AC is satisfied that GIA meets the requisite standards, is adequately resourced, and has appropriate standing within the Company. GIA follows up on PwC's recommendations as part of its role in the review of the Company's internal control systems. The AC has reviewed the Company's risk assessment, and based on GIA's reports and management controls in place, it is satisfied that there are adequate internal controls in the Company.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

- Principle 7: There should be a formal and transparent procedure for developing policy on executive remuneration and for fixing the remuneration packages of individual directors. No director should be involved in deciding his own remuneration.*
- Principle 8: The level of remuneration should be appropriate to attract, retain and motivate the directors needed to run the company successfully but companies should avoid paying more than is necessary for this purpose. A significant proportion of executive directors' remuneration should be structured so as to link rewards to corporate and individual performance.*
- Principle 9: Each company should provide clear disclosure of its remuneration policy, level and mix of remuneration, and the procedure for setting remuneration, in the company's annual report. It should provide disclosure in relation to its remuneration policies to enable investors to understand the link between remuneration paid to directors and key executives, and performance.*

The Remuneration Committee ("RC") comprises three non-executive directors, namely, Mr. S. Chandra Das, Mr. Chang See Hiang and Mr. Chin Yoke Choong. Mr. S. Chandra Das (Chairman of RC) and Mr. Chin Yoke Choong are independent directors. All three members, having managed large organisations are experienced and knowledgeable in the field of executive compensation. In addition, they have access to the Company's Vice President, Group Regional Human Resource should they have any queries on human resource matters. If the Committee requires external professional advice, such professionals would be engaged at the Company's expense.

The RC's principal functions include:

- i. reviewing and approving the structure of the compensation policies of the Group so as to align compensation with shareholders' interests;
- ii. recommending the fees of the non-executive directors; and
- iii. reviewing executive directors' and senior management's remuneration packages annually and determining appropriate adjustments.

Executive directors do not receive directors' fees. In setting the remuneration packages of the executive directors, the Company makes a comparative study of the packages of executive directors in comparable industries and takes into account the performance of the Company and that of the executive directors. The Chairman & Chief Executive Officer do not receive any remuneration from the Company. The remuneration of the other executive directors includes a fixed salary and contractual bonus. Currently, certain executive directors have dual employment contract with a substantial shareholder or its related company and remuneration received therein are reported separately to the RC. All the service contracts do not have onerous removal clauses.

Non-executive directors have no service contracts with the Company and their terms are specified in the AA. Non-executive directors are paid a basic fee, an additional fee for serving on any of the committees and an attendance fee for participation in meetings of the Board and any of the committees. In determining the quantum of such fees, factors such as frequency of meetings, time spent and responsibilities of directors are taken into account. The Chairman and members of the AC receive additional fees to take into account the nature of their responsibilities and the greater frequency of meetings. Such fees are subject to the approval of the shareholders as a lump sum payment at the AGM.

The Company adopts a remuneration policy for staff that is primarily performance based. Remuneration comprises a fixed component and a variable component. The fixed component consists of a base salary and an annual wage supplement. The variable component is in the form of a variable bonus that is linked to the Company and individual performance. The bonus pool is determined by the achievement of certain key financial performance indicators that have been approved by the Board at the beginning of the year. The executive directors will evaluate the extent to which such indicators have been achieved based on the Company's performance, and recommend for the approval of the RC and the Board, the bonus pool for distribution to the staff.

The Company currently does not have any long-term incentive scheme.

The Company has decided against the inclusion of an annual remuneration report in this Report as the matters required to be disclosed therein have been disclosed in this Report, the Directors' Report and the notes to the financial statements. The Board responds to queries from shareholders at AGMs on matters pertaining to remuneration policies and directors' remuneration. Accordingly, it is the opinion of the Board that there is no necessity for such policies to be approved by shareholders.

A breakdown, showing the level and mix of directors' remuneration for the financial year 2007 is as follows:

	Remuneration Bands	Fees	Fixed Salary ⁽¹⁾	Variable Bonus ⁽²⁾	Benefits in kind & Others
	\$	%	%	%	%
Directors' Remuneration					
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR					
Mr. Tjong Yik Min	250,000 to 499,999	-	90.36	6.26	3.38
Mr. Ow Tin Nyap	750,000 to 999,999	-	81.06	11.22	7.72
Mr. Marcel Bertaud	250,000 to 499,999	-	75.33	-	24.67

Notes:

1. Fixed salary is inclusive of annual wage supplement, contractual bonuses and central provident fund contributions
2. Variable bonus is inclusive of central provident fund contributions

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REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The range of gross remuneration received by the top 5 executives of the Group (excluding executive directors and executives who have resigned during the year under review) of the Group is as follows:

Remuneration Bands	No. of Executives
\$500,000 to \$749,999	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4

The Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat is the son of substantial shareholders of the Company, Mr. Ng Teng Fong and Mdm. Tan Kim Choo, and son-in-law of Mr. Lim Hong Keat, a non-executive director. Save for the aforementioned, there are no employees of the Company who are the immediate family members of any of the directors or the Chief Executive Officer and whose remuneration exceeds \$150,000 during the last financial year.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee comprises five members, namely Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat (Chairman), Mr. S. Chandra Das, Mr. Tjong Yik Min, Mr. Ow Tin Nyap and Mr. Marcel Bertaud. The Executive Committee acts for the Board to supervise the day-to-day management of the Group's businesses and affairs within the limits of authority delegated by the Board.

The Board empowers the Executive Committee to decide on operational matters within certain limits of authority but retains control over major policies and decisions affecting the Group. This delegation of authority improves the operational efficiency of the Board. This committee of the Board held five meetings during the financial year.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The Investment Committee comprises four members, namely Mr. S. Chandra Das (Chairman), Mr. Chang See Hiang, Mr. Chin Yoke Choong and Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow. During the financial year, the Committee held one meeting.

COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

Principle 10: The Board should present a balanced and understandable assessment of the company's performance, position and prospects.

Principle 14: Companies should engage in regular, effective and fair communication with shareholders.

Principle 15: Companies should encourage greater shareholder participation at Annual General Meetings and allow shareholders the opportunity to communicate their views on various matters affecting the company.

The Company strives for timeliness and transparency in its disclosures to shareholders and the public. In addition to regular dissemination of information through SGXNET, the Company also responds to general enquiries from investors, analysts, fund managers and the press. Information on the Company and its businesses is also made available on the Company's website www.yeos.com.sg. The Company does not practise selective disclosure. Price sensitive information is first publicly released before the Company meets with any group of investors or analysts. Effective financial year 2003, the Company adopted quarterly reporting to shareholders. Financial results and other price sensitive public announcements are presented by the Company in a balanced and understandable assessment of the Group's performance, position and prospects. Members of the board, senior management and the external auditors are in attendance at AGMs and EGMs. At general meetings, shareholders are given the opportunity to air their views and ask questions regarding the Company. Resolutions to be tabled at general meetings are separate unless they are interdependent and linked, and the reasons and material implications are explained.

The Company's AA allows a member of the Company to appoint one or two proxies to attend and vote in place of the member. Having regard to the current shareholders' profile, the Board is of the opinion that the Company does not need to amend its AA to provide for absentia voting method, which is costly to implement.

RISK MANAGEMENT POLICIES & PROCESSES

Risk management is primarily the responsibility of the management under the supervision and direction of the Board and its sub-committees. GIA reviews the implementation of the policies and procedures adopted and reports its finding to the AC to provide check and balance.

The identification and management of financial risks are outlined on pages 84 and 85 of the annual report (under the Notes of the Financial Statements).

The main operational risks are as follows:

- i. risk of product contamination and product integrity in the manufacturing process. The Company has established a strong Group Research & Development and Quality Assurance Centre in Singapore that oversees and monitors product integrity and manufacturing processes across the Group;
- ii. risk of over-stocking and potential write-offs should there be a sudden change in market condition. The management constantly monitors production, inventory holding and sales to reduce the risk of over-stocking;
- iii. change in operational conditions including fluctuation in raw material prices and labour issues that affect the cost of doing business. To avoid over-dependence on any one supplier and service provider, the Group has a policy to have more than one supplier where practicable and commercially justifiable. The Group will monitor and judiciously lock in raw material prices where appropriate and possible in order to contain raw material cost; and
- iv. loss of capacity and hence revenue due to force majeure. The Group uses risk financing in the insurance market to mitigate the risk of significant losses and regularly reviews the various insurance policies maintained to ensure adequate coverage.

CODE OF BUSINESS ETHICS

The Group has adopted a Code of Business Ethics to regulate the standards and ethical conduct of the Group's employees who are required to observe and maintain high standards of integrity.

DEALINGS IN SECURITIES

An internal policy/guideline on share dealings, based on the recommendations of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited has been issued to all relevant employees of the Group to provide guidance on dealings in the shares of the Company.

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CORPORATE INFORMATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat
Chairman & Chief Executive Officer

Mr. S. Chandra Das
Deputy Chairman &
Lead Independent Director

Mr. Tjong Yik Min
President & Chief Operating Officer

Mr. Ow Tin Nyap
Executive Director

Mr. Marcel Bertaud
Executive Director

Mr. Chang See Hiang
Non-executive Director

Mr. Lim Hong Keat
Non-executive Director

Mr. Chin Yoke Choong
Independent & Non-executive Director

Mr. Irwin David Simon
Independent & Non-executive Director

Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow
Independent & Non-executive Director

Dr. Tan Chin Nam
Independent & Non-executive Director

COMPANY SECRETARY

Ms. Joanne Lim Swee Lee

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow
Chairman

Mr. S. Chandra Das
Member

Mr. Chang See Hiang
Member

Mr. Chin Yoke Choong
Member

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow
Chairman

Mr. S. Chandra Das
Member

Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat
Member

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Mr. S. Chandra Das
Chairman

Mr. Chang See Hiang
Member

Mr. Chin Yoke Choong
Member

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat
Chairman

Mr. S. Chandra Das
Member

Mr. Tjong Yik Min
Member

Mr. Ow Tin Nyap
Member

Mr. Marcel Bertaud
Member

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. S. Chandra Das
Chairman

Mr. Chang See Hiang
Member

Mr. Chin Yoke Choong
Member

Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow
Member

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

The directors present their report to the members together with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2007 and the balance sheet of the Company at 31 December 2007.

DIRECTORS

The directors of the Company in office at the date of this report are as follows:

Philip Ng Chee Tat
S. Chandra Das
Tjong Yik Min
Ow Tin Nyap
Marcel Bertaud
Chang See Hiang
Chin Yoke Choong
Irwin David Simon
Lim Hong Keat
Ngiam Tong Dow
Tan Chin Nam (appointed on 11 January 2008)

ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose object was to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES

- (a) According to the register of directors' shareholdings, none of the directors holding office at the end of the financial year had any interest in the shares or debentures of the Company and related corporations, except as follows:

	Holdings registered in name of director		Holdings in which a director is deemed to have an interest	
	At 31.12.2007	At 1.1.2007	At 31.12.2007	At 1.1.2007
Yeo Hiap Seng (Malaysia) Berhad (Ordinary shares of RM1.00 each)				
Ow Tin Nyap	18,000	15,000	-	-

No other director had an interest in any shares or debentures of the Company or related corporations either at the beginning or the end of the financial year.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES (continued)

- (b) The directors' interests in the share capital of the Company and related corporation as at 21 January 2008 were the same as at 31 December 2007.

DIRECTORS' CONTRACTUAL BENEFITS

Since the end of the previous financial year, no director has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the Company or a related corporation with the director or with a firm of which he is a member or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest, except as disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and in this report.

SHARE OPTION

The Company issued a share option to a shareholder in 2005 to subscribe for unissued shares of the Company for amount up to US\$6,000,000 with the expiry date for the exercise at 6 September 2007. The issue price per Share ("Call Option Issue Price") shall be determined by reference to the volume weighted average market price per Share for the five Trading Days preceding the date of the Call Option Notice ("Five Day VWAP"). The Call Option Issue Price shall be equal to a 10 percent discount to the Five Day VWAP save that the issue price may not be fixed at a discount of more than 10 percent to the weighted average price for trades on the SGX-ST on the date of the Call Option Notice in accordance with the Listing Rules.

The Company has granted a further option to the shareholder under the terms of a second Variation Agreement dated 22 April 2007 to require the Company to issue such number of Shares to the shareholder such that the shareholder will, in aggregate, hold up to 5 percent of the issued shares as at the date of the exercise of this Further Call Option. The issue price per share ("Further Call Option Issue Price") shall be determined by reference to the volume weighted average market price per Share for the five Trading Days preceding the date of the Further Option Notice ("Five Day VWAP"). The Further Call Option Issue Price shall be equal to a 10 percent discount to the Five Day VWAP save that the issue price may not be fixed at a discount of more than 10 percent to the weighted average price for trades on the SGX-ST on the date of the Further Call Option Notice in accordance with the Listing Rules.

The Further Options are exercisable during the period commencing on the later of (i) the first anniversary of the Completion Date and (ii) the execution of the Joint Venture and Business Cooperation Agreement (as defined in the Subscription Agreement dated 3 August 2005) and, in either case, ending on the second anniversary of the Completion date (the "Further Call Option Period") provided that the Further Call Option Period shall immediately terminate when the last Joint Venture and Business Cooperation Agreement is terminated or expires.

During the financial year, 4,044,800 new ordinary shares of the Company were issued at S\$2.25 each for a consideration of US\$6,000,000, upon the exercise of the Subscription Agreement dated 3 August 2005, as varied by a First Variation Agreement dated 15 December 2005 and a Second Variation Agreement dated 22 April 2007.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

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AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee carried out its functions in accordance with section 201B(5) of the Singapore Companies Act, including a review of the balance sheet of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year and the auditors' report thereon. The Audit Committee has presented a report to the Board in respect of:

- (i) the co-operation given by the Company's officers and whether the Audit Committee in the course of carrying out its duties, was obstructed or impeded by management;
- (ii) the adequacy of the Group's internal accounting control system and its internal control procedures relating to interested person transactions;
- (iii) compliance with legal and other regulatory requirements;
- (iv) the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's internal audit function at least annually, including the adequacy of internal audit resources and its appropriate standing within the Group, as well as the scope and results of the internal audit procedures;
- (v) the reviewing of external auditors' audit plan, audit report and the evaluation of the system of internal accounting controls with the external auditors; and
- (vi) any other matter which in the Audit Committee's opinion, should be brought to the attention of the Board.

The Audit Committee has recommended to the Board that the auditors PricewaterhouseCoopers, be nominated for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The independent auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers, has expressed its willingness to accept re-appointment.

On behalf of the directors

TJONG YIK MIN
Director

18 March 2008

OW TIN NYAP
Director

STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

In the opinion of the directors,

- (a) the balance sheet of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group as set out on pages 28 to 101 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2007 and of the results of the business, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the financial year then ended; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

On behalf of the directors

TJONG YIK MIN
Director

18 March 2008

OW TIN NYAP
Director

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF YEO HIAP SENG LIMITED

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Yeo Hiap Seng Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") set out on pages 28 to 101, which comprise the balance sheets of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2007, and the consolidated income statement, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated cash flow statement of the Group for the financial year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Company's directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act (Cap. 50) (the "Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion,

- (a) the balance sheet of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2007, and the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the financial year ended on that date; and
- (b) the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company and by those subsidiaries incorporated in Singapore of which we are the auditors have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF YEO HIAP SENG LIMITED

(continued)

Without qualifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 11(b) of the financial statements which states,

"In 2001, the Group paid income tax of \$6,825,000 in relation to The Sterling residential development project. The tax paid was based on the revalued amount of land when the developer's licence was obtained in April 1997 and excluded any tax effect on the revaluation surplus amounting to \$128,800,000 on the land prior to April 1997. Under the advice of tax counsel, the directors are of the opinion that the revaluation surplus of \$128,800,000 is capital accretion and therefore should not be subject to income tax. On the same basis, the directors are of the opinion that the revaluation surplus of the land for the Gardenvista and Jardin residential development projects prior to obtaining the developer's licence for the Gardenvista project in October 2002 amounting to \$86,547,000 is also capital accretion.

In 2004, the Inland Revenue of Singapore ("IRAS") had expressed its view that some of the revaluation surpluses for the development projects may not be considered capital accretion. In February 2006, the IRAS had reiterated its view that part of the revaluation surplus of \$128,800,000 on the land for The Sterling project would not be considered capital accretion and requested for information in order to bring its assessments up to date. The Group had, on 9 June 2006 through its legal counsel, made legal submissions to IRAS.

The IRAS raised a protective assessment on the Group on 19 December 2007 to preserve its position by treating \$108,200,000 of the revaluation surplus of \$128,800,000 as a taxable gain. The tax payable under the protective assessment is \$23,296,422. Based on legal advice, the directors maintain their view that the amount of \$108,200,000 of the revaluation surplus is capital accretion and are continuing to negotiate to resolve the matter with the IRAS. However in accordance with the relevant accounting standard, the directors have considered it prudent to make provision for the tax raised by the protective assessment in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007. This is done entirely without admission of the correctness of the protective assessment. The Group has applied for and obtained a standover without penalty of the tax raised under the protective assessment. The Group continues to discuss the tax matters with the IRAS."

In forming our opinion, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosure of this matter in the financial statements.

PricewaterhouseCoopers
Certified Public Accountants

Singapore, 18 March 2008

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

		The Group	
	Note	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Revenue	5	436,974	471,299
Cost of sales		(303,959)	(343,252)
Gross profit		133,015	128,047
Other income	6	3,158	2,793
Other gains - net	7	13,307	408
Expenses			
- Marketing and distribution		(99,601)	(94,633)
- Administrative		(23,852)	(24,117)
- Finance	10	(3,497)	(3,943)
Share of profit of associated companies		820	423
Profit before income tax		23,350	8,978
Income tax expense	11	(23,057)	(3,938)
Net profit		293	5,040
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		2,531	1,802
Minority interests		(2,238)	3,238
		293	5,040
Earnings per share (expressed in cents per share)			
- Basic	12	0.44	0.32
- Diluted	12	0.44	0.32

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEETS

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2007

		The Group		The Company	
		2007	2006	2007	2006
	Note	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
ASSETS					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	13	84,306	82,103	725	216
Trade and other receivables	14	94,652	120,060	27,309	19,715
Inventories	15	53,335	57,623	-	-
Development properties	16	127,372	160,591	-	-
Current income tax recoverable	11	1,254	1,745	37	-
Other current assets	17	1,633	1,826	72	49
		362,552	423,948	28,143	19,980
Assets held for sale	18	369	444	-	-
		362,921	424,392	28,143	19,980
Non-current assets					
Available-for-sale financial assets	19	99,543	23,690	36,683	20,442
Loans to subsidiaries	20	-	-	40,575	71,136
Investments in associated companies	21	4,280	4,656	-	-
Investments in subsidiaries	22	-	-	400,857	362,936
Investment properties	23	54,325	18,422	34,000	-
Property, plant and equipment	24	123,865	137,492	10	38,823
Goodwill	25	5,361	5,361	-	-
Deferred income tax assets	30	4,839	2,257	-	-
		292,213	191,878	512,125	493,337
Total assets		655,134	616,270	540,268	513,317
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	26	94,635	105,288	273,762	247,191
Current income tax liabilities	11	30,133	5,386	-	580
Borrowings	27	56,606	22,403	39,000	-
Provisions for other liabilities and charges	29	977	987	30	40
		182,351	134,064	312,792	247,811

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEETS

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2007

	Note	The Group		The Company	
		2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Non-current liabilities					
Loans from subsidiaries	20	-	-	47,271	50,439
Borrowings	27	18,003	51,010	-	-
Provisions for other liabilities and charges	29	2,484	2,646	-	-
Deferred income tax liabilities	30	12,423	9,259	1,935	745
Other non-current liabilities		3	1,588	-	-
		32,913	64,503	49,206	51,184
Total liabilities		215,264	198,567	361,998	298,995
NET ASSETS		439,870	417,703	178,270	214,322
EQUITY					
Capital and reserves attributable to the Company's equity holders					
Share capital	31	218,568	209,468	218,568	209,468
Capital reserve	32	10,145	10,145	-	-
Revaluation and other reserves	33	40,040	57,820	12,338	4,987
Retained earnings/(accumulated losses)		113,929	81,809	(52,636)	(133)
		382,682	359,242	178,270	214,322
Minority interests		57,188	58,461	-	-
Total equity		439,870	417,703	178,270	214,322

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

	Note	Attributable to equity holders of the Company				Minority interests	Total equity
		Share capital and share premium \$'000	Capital reserve \$'000	Revaluation and other reserves \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 January 2007		209,468	10,145	57,820	81,809	58,461	417,703
Effects of adopting FRS 40	3	-	-	(3,412)	9,657	1,307	7,552
		209,468	10,145	54,408	91,466	59,768	425,255
Revaluation gain on property, plant and equipment	33(b)(i)	-	-	1,576	-	-	1,576
Revaluation gain on property, plant and equipment transferred to investment properties	33(b)(i)	-	-	10,654	-	2,466	13,120
Fair value loss on available-for-sale financial assets	33(b)(ii)	-	-	(7,007)	-	(351)	(7,358)
Currency translation differences	33(b)(iii)	-	-	202	-	275	477
Net gain recognised directly in equity		-	-	5,425	-	2,390	7,815
Net profit		-	-	-	2,531	(2,238)	293
Total recognised gains		-	-	5,425	2,531	152	8,108
Issue of shares	31	9,100	-	-	-	-	9,100
Effect of treasury shares in a subsidiary acquired from minority interests		-	-	(52)	-	(165)	(217)
Deferred tax adjustment		-	-	666	-	431	1,097
Effect of acquisition of minority interests in a subsidiary		-	-	(484)	-	-	(484)
Transfer from reserve on realisation	33(b)(i)	-	-	(19,923)	19,932	6	15
Dividend paid		-	-	-	-	(3,004)	(3,004)
Balance at 31 December 2007		218,568	10,145	40,040	113,929	57,188	439,870

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

	Note	Attributable to equity holders of the Company				Minority interests	Total equity
		Share capital and share premium \$'000	Capital reserve \$'000	Revaluation and other reserves \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 January 2006		209,468	10,145	100,962	38,906	58,571	418,052
Fair value gain on available-for-sale financial assets	33(b)(ii)	-	-	2,643	-	364	3,007
Currency translation differences	33(b)(iii)	-	-	(5,241)	-	(776)	(6,017)
Net loss recognised directly in equity		-	-	(2,598)	-	(412)	(3,010)
Net profit		-	-	-	1,802	3,238	5,040
Total recognised (loss)/gains		-	-	(2,598)	1,802	2,826	2,030
Effect of treasury shares in a subsidiary acquired from minority interests		-	-	142	-	(729)	(587)
Transfer from reserve on realisation	33(b)(i)	-	-	(40,686)	41,101	270	685
Dividend paid		-	-	-	-	(2,477)	(2,477)
Balance at 31 December 2006		209,468	10,145	57,820	81,809	58,461	417,703

An analysis of the movements in each category within "Revaluation and other reserves" is presented in Note 33.

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net profit	293	5,040
Adjustments for:		
- Income tax expense	23,057	3,938
- Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	10,148	10,155
- Dividend income from available-for-sale financial assets	(1,088)	(530)
- Unrealised currency translation losses/(gains)	784	(1,651)
- Property, plant and equipment written-off	53	77
- Fair value gain on investment property	(2,956)	-
- Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(284)	(100)
- Loss/(gain) on disposal of assets held for sale	9	(1,939)
- Write back of impairment of available-for-sale financial assets	(42)	(41)
- Interest expense	3,497	3,943
- Interest income	(1,853)	(1,894)
- Provision for retirement benefits - net	3	321
- Provision for restructuring costs/termination benefits - net	-	(604)
- Allowance for impairment in property, plant and equipment	-	6,796
- Share of profit of associated companies	(820)	(423)
Operating cash flow before working capital change	30,801	23,088
Change in operating assets and liabilities		
- Development properties	33,219	69,775
- Inventories	4,288	(12,831)
- Trade and other receivables	27,132	(41,155)
- Other current assets	(1,436)	(320)
- Trade and other payables	(12,827)	37,282
Cash generated from operations	81,177	75,839
Income tax paid	(366)	(1,767)
Restructuring costs paid	(10)	-
Retirement benefits paid	(176)	(119)
Net cash provided by operating activities	80,625	73,953

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

	Note	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Cash flows from investing activities			
Dividends received from associated companies		1,247	1,219
Dividends received from available-for-sale financial assets		1,088	530
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		905	307
Proceeds from disposal of assets held for sale		68	6,119
Proceeds from redemption of unquoted equity investments		-	148
Purchase of minority interest share in a subsidiary		(484)	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(5,581)	(10,395)
Purchase of available-for-sale financial assets		(81,943)	(16)
Net cash used in investing activities		(84,700)	(2,088)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Dividends paid to minority shareholders of a subsidiary		(3,004)	(2,477)
Issue of share capital		9,100	-
Deemed acquisition of minority interest		(217)	(587)
Interest received		1,853	1,894
Interest paid		(2,908)	(3,293)
Repayments of finance lease liabilities		(6)	(6)
Repayments of borrowings		(59,500)	(75,700)
Proceeds from borrowings		60,960	17,035
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities		6,278	(63,134)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		2,203	8,731
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		82,103	73,372
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	13	84,306	82,103

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

1. GENERAL

Yeo Hiap Seng Limited (the “Company”) is incorporated and domiciled in Singapore. The address of its registered office is 3 Senoko Way, Singapore 758057.

The Company is listed on the Singapore Exchange.

The principal activities of the Company are those of a management and investment holding company. The principal activities of the subsidiaries are shown in Note 43.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (“FRS”). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group’s accounting policies. It also requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note 4.

Interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in 2007

On 1 January 2007, the Group adopted the new or revised FRS and Interpretations to FRS (“INT FRS”) that are mandatory for application from that date. Changes to the Group’s accounting policies have been made as required, in accordance with the relevant transitional provisions in the respective FRS and INT FRS.

The following are the new or amended FRS and INT FRS that are relevant to the Group:

Amendments to FRS 1	Presentation of Financial Statements – Capital disclosures
FRS 40	Investment Property
FRS 107	Financial Instruments: Disclosures
INT FRS 110	Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment

The adoption of the above FRS or INT FRS did not result in substantial changes to the Group’s accounting policies nor any significant impact on these financial statements, except for the adoption of FRS 40, of which the effects are disclosed in Note 3. FRS 107 and the complementary amended FRS 1 introduce new disclosure relating to financial instruments and capital respectively.

2.2 Revenue recognition

Revenue for the Group comprises the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for the sale of goods and rendering of services in the ordinary course of the Group’s activities. Revenue is presented, net of value-added tax, volume rebates and trade discounts, and after eliminating sales within the Group.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.2 Revenue recognition (continued)

The Group recognises revenue when the amount of revenue and related cost can be reliably measured, it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity and when the specific criteria for each of the Group's activities are met as follows:

(a) *Sale of goods*

Revenue from sale of goods is recognised when a Group entity has delivered the products to the customer, the customer has accepted the products and collectibility of the related receivables is reasonably assured.

(b) *Revenue from sale of development properties*

Revenue from the sale of development properties is recognised using percentage of completion method based on the stage of completion as certified by the architects or quantity surveyors. In the case where the architects' certificates are not available, the stage of completion is measured by reference to the development costs incurred to date to the estimated total costs for the project. No revenue is recognised on unsold units.

The impact on the financial statements, had revenue on the development projects been recognised using the completion of construction method is set out in Note 16.

(c) *Royalty, management fees and interest income*

Royalty fees are recognised on an accrual basis in accordance with the terms of the relevant agreement.

Management fees are recognised as the services are performed.

Interest income is recognised on a time-proportion basis using effective interest method.

(d) *Dividend income*

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

(e) *Rental income*

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

2.3 Group accounting

(a) *Subsidiaries*

Subsidiaries are entities over which the Group has power to govern the financial and operating policies, generally accompanying a shareholding of more than one half of the voting rights. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are presently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Group controls another entity.

The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of subsidiaries. The cost of an acquisition is measured as the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments issued or liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values on the date of acquisition, irrespective of the extent of any minority interest. Please refer to Note 2.7 for the accounting policy on goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**2.3 Group accounting** (continued)*(a) Subsidiaries* (continued)

Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are de-consolidated from the date on which control ceases.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to ensure consistency of accounting policies with those of the Group.

Minority interests are that part of the net results of operations and of net assets of a subsidiary attributable to interests which are not owned directly or indirectly by the Group. They are measured at the minorities' share of the fair value of the subsidiaries' identifiable assets and liabilities at the date of acquisition by the Group and the minorities' share of changes in equity since the date of acquisition, except when the losses applicable to the minority interest in a subsidiary exceed the minority interest in the equity of that subsidiary. In such cases, the excess and further losses applicable to the minority interest are attributed to the equity holders of the Company, unless the minority interest has a binding obligation to, and is able to, make good the losses. When the subsidiary subsequently reports profits, the profits applicable to the minority interest are attributed to the equity holders of the Company until the minority interest's share of losses previously absorbed by the equity holders of the Company has been recovered.

Please refer to the Note 2.8 for the accounting policy on investments in subsidiaries in the separate financial statements of the Company.

(b) Transactions with minority interests

The Group applies a policy of treating transactions with minority interests as transactions with equity holders, in which gain or loss is recognised directly in equity rather than in the income statement.

Changes in the Group's interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control is accounted for by adjusting the carrying amounts of minority interests to reflect changes in the Group's interest in the subsidiary's net assets. The difference between the amount of adjustment to minority interests and the fair value of the consideration paid or received, if any, is recognised in equity.

(c) Associated companies

Associated companies are entities over which the Group has significant influence, but not control, generally accompanied by a shareholding giving rise to between and including 20% and 50% of the voting rights. Investments in associated companies are accounted for in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting. Investments in associated companies in the consolidated balance sheet includes goodwill (net of any accumulated impairment losses) identified on acquisition. Please refer to Note 2.7 for the Group's accounting policy on goodwill.

Investments in associated companies are initially recognised at cost. The cost of an acquisition is measured at the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments issued or liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.3 Group accounting (continued)

(c) Associated companies (continued)

In applying the equity method of accounting, the Group's share of its associated companies' post-acquisition profits or losses is recognised in the income statement and its share of post-acquisition movements in reserves is recognised in equity directly. These post-acquisition movements are adjusted against the carrying amount of the investment. When the Group's share of losses in an associated company equals or exceeds its interest in the associated company, including any other unsecured non-current receivables, the Group does not recognise further losses, unless it has obligations or has made payments on behalf of the associated company.

Unrealised gains on transactions between the Group and its associated companies are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the associated companies. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of associated companies to ensure consistency of accounting policies with those of the Group.

Please refer to Note 2.8 for the accounting policy on investments in associated companies in the separate financial statements of the Company.

2.4 Property, plant and equipment

(a) Measurement

(i) Land and buildings

Land and buildings are initially recognised at cost.

Freehold land is subsequently stated at fair value less accumulated impairment losses. Buildings and leasehold land are subsequently carried at revalued amount less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Fair values of land and buildings are determined by an independent professional valuer every five years and whenever their carrying amounts are likely to differ materially from their fair values. When an asset is revalued, any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset. The net amount is then restated to the revalued amount of the asset. Revaluation surpluses are taken to the property revaluation reserve, unless they offset previous revaluation losses of the same asset that were taken to the income statement. Revaluation losses are taken to the property revaluation reserve, to the extent that they offset previous revaluation surpluses of the same asset that were taken to the property revaluation reserve. Other revaluation surpluses or losses are taken to the income statement.

(ii) Other property, plant and equipment

All other items of property, plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**2.4 Property, plant and equipment** (continued)*(a) Measurement* (continued)*(iii) Components of costs*

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment initially recognised includes its purchase price and any cost that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management, including borrowing costs incurred for construction-in-progress.

(b) Depreciation

No depreciation is provided on construction-in-progress and freehold land. Leasehold land and buildings are amortised evenly over the term of the lease.

Depreciation on other items of property, plant and equipment is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their depreciable amounts over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Leasehold land (over term of lease)	50 – 99 years
Buildings on freehold and leasehold land	20 – 50 years
Motor vehicles and trucks	5 – 10 years
Plant and machinery, furniture and fittings	5 – 20 years
Computer equipment and software development costs	3 – 7 years

The residual values and useful lives of property, plant and equipment are reviewed, and adjusted as appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

(c) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment that has already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repair and maintenance expense is recognised in the income statement when incurred.

(d) Disposal

On disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment, the difference between the net disposal proceeds and its carrying amount is taken to the income statement. Any amount in property revaluation reserve relating to that asset is transferred to retained earnings directly.

2.5 Development properties

Development properties are stated at cost less provision for foreseeable losses and booking fees. Cost capitalised includes cost of land and other directly related development expenditure, including borrowings costs, incurred in developing the properties. Allowance is made in full for any foreseeable losses.

Revenue and cost on development properties that have been sold are recognised using the percentage of completion method. The stage of completion is measured by reference to the physical surveys of construction work completed. When it is probable that the total development costs will exceed the total revenue, the expected loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.5 Development properties (continued)

The aggregated costs incurred and the profit/loss recognised on sold units is compared against progress billings up to the year end. Where costs incurred and recognised profits (less recognised losses) exceed progress billings, the balance is included in trade and other receivables. Where progress billings exceed costs incurred plus recognised profits (less recognised losses), the balance is included in trade and other payables.

2.6 Investment properties

Investment properties of the Group are held for long-term rental yields and capital appreciation and are not occupied by the Group. Investment properties are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at fair value. Changes in fair values are recognised in the income statement.

The cost of major renovations and improvements is capitalised as addition and the carrying amounts of the replaced components are written off to the income statement. The cost of maintenance, repairs and minor improvement is charged to the income statement when incurred.

On disposal of an investment property, the difference between the disposal proceeds and the carrying amount is recognised in the income statement.

2.7 Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition of subsidiaries, joint ventures or associated companies over the fair value of the Group's share of identifiable net assets and contingent liabilities of the acquired subsidiaries, joint ventures or associated companies at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill on subsidiaries is recognised separately as intangible assets and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Goodwill on associated companies is included in the carrying amount of the investments.

Gains and losses on the disposal of subsidiaries, joint ventures and associated companies include the carrying amount of goodwill relating to the entity sold.

2.8 Investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associated companies

Investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associated companies are stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses in the Company's balance sheet.

On disposal of investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associated companies, the difference between net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the investment is taken to the income statement.

2.9 Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are recognised in the income statement using the effective interest method except for those costs that are directly attributable to borrowings acquired specifically for the construction or development of properties. The actual borrowing costs incurred during the period up to the issuance of the temporary occupation permit less any investment income on temporary investments of these borrowings, are capitalised in the cost of the property under development.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**2.10 Impairment of non-financial assets***(a) Goodwill*

Goodwill is tested annually for impairment, as well as when there is any indication that the goodwill may be impaired. Goodwill included in the carrying amount of an investment in associated company is tested for impairment as part of the investment, rather than separately.

For the purpose of impairment testing of goodwill, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating-units (CGU) expected to benefit from synergies arising from the business combination.

An impairment loss is recognised in the income statement when the carrying amount of CGU, including the goodwill, exceeds the recoverable amount of the CGU. Recoverable amount of the CGU is the higher of the CGU's fair value less cost to sell and value-in-use.

The total impairment loss of a CGU is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of goodwill allocated to the CGU and then to the other assets of the CGU pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the CGU.

An impairment loss on goodwill is recognised in the income statement and is not reversed in a subsequent period.

(b) Property, plant and equipment

Investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associated companies

Property, plant and equipment and investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associated companies are reviewed for impairment whenever there is any indication that these assets may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing of these assets, recoverable amount is determined on an individual asset basis unless the asset does not generate cash flows that are largely independent of those from other assets. If this is the case, recoverable amount is determined for the CGU to which the asset belongs.

If the recoverable amount of the asset (or CGU) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or CGU) is reduced to its recoverable amount.

The difference between the carrying amount and recoverable amount is recognised as an impairment loss in the income statement, unless the asset is carried at revalued amount, in which case, such impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease. Please refer to Note 2.4 for the treatment of revaluation decrease.

An impairment loss for an asset other than goodwill is reversed if, and only if, there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the assets' recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. The carrying amount of an asset other than goodwill is increased to its revised recoverable amount, provided that this amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of amortisation or depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of impairment loss for an asset other than goodwill is recognised in the income statement, unless the asset is carried at revalued amount, in which case, such reversal is treated as a revaluation increase. However, to the extent that an impairment loss on the same revalued asset was previously recognised in the income statement, a reversal of that impairment is also recognised in the income statement.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.11 Financial assets

(a) *Classification*

The Group classifies financial assets as loans and receivables, and available-for-sale financial assets. The classification depends on the purpose for which the assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition and re-evaluates this designation at every reporting date.

(i) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except those maturing more than 12 months after the balance sheet date which are classified as non-current assets. Loans and receivables consist of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables and loans to subsidiaries on the balance sheet.

(ii) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. They are included in non-current assets unless management intends to dispose of the assets within 12 months after the balance sheet date.

(b) *Recognition and derecognition*

Purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade-date – the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. On sale of a financial asset, the difference between the net sale proceeds and its carrying amount is taken to the income statement. Any amount in the fair value reserve relating to that asset is also taken to the income statement.

(c) *Initial measurement*

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs.

(d) *Subsequent measurement*

Available-for-sale financial assets are subsequently carried at fair value. Unrealised gains and losses arising from changes in fair values of available-for-sale financial assets are recognised in the fair value reserve within equity. When available-for-sale financial assets are sold or impaired, the accumulated fair value adjustments in the fair value reserve within equity are included in the income statement.

Loans and receivables are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment.

(e) *Impairment*

The Group assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and recognises an allowance for impairment when such evidence exists.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**2.11 Financial assets** (continued)*(e) Impairment* (continued)*(i) Loans and receivables*

Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy, and default or significant delay in payments are objective evidence that these financial assets are impaired.

An allowance for impairment of loans and receivables is established when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables. The amount of the allowance is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. The amount of the allowance is recognised in the income statement.

(ii) Available-for-sale financial assets

In the case of equity investments classified as available-for-sale, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the investment below its cost is considered in determining whether the investments are impaired. If any such evidence exists for available-for-sale financial assets, the cumulative loss – measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognised in profit or loss is removed from the fair value reserve within equity and recognised in the income statement. Impairment losses recognised in the income statement on equity investments are not reversed through the income statement.

2.12 Financial guarantees

The Company has issued corporate guarantees to banks for bank borrowings of its subsidiaries. These guarantees are financial guarantee contracts as they require the Company to reimburse the banks if the subsidiaries fail to make principal or interest payments when due in accordance with the terms of their borrowings.

Financial guarantee contracts are initially recognised at their fair values plus transaction costs.

Financial guarantee contracts are subsequently amortised to the income statement over the period of the subsidiaries' borrowings, unless it is probable that the Company will reimburse the bank for an amount higher than the unamortised amount. In this case, the financial guarantee contracts shall be carried at the expected amount payable to the bank.

Intragroup transactions are eliminated on consolidation.

2.13 Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are initially measured at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

2.14 Borrowings

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowing using the effective interest method.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.14 Borrowings (continued)

Borrowings which are due to be settled within twelve months after the balance sheet date are presented as current borrowings in the balance sheet even though the original term was for a period longer than twelve months and an agreement to refinance, or to reschedule payments, on a long-term basis is completed after the balance sheet date and before the financial statements are authorised for issue. Other borrowings due to be settled more than twelve months after the balance sheet date are presented as non-current borrowings in the balance sheet.

2.15 Fair value estimation

The fair values of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as exchange-traded and over-the-counter securities and derivatives) are based on quoted market prices at the balance sheet date. The quoted market prices used for financial assets held by the Group are the current bid prices; the appropriate quoted market prices for financial liabilities are the current asking prices.

The fair values of forward currency contracts are determined using actively quoted forward currency rates at the balance sheet date.

The fair values of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market are determined by using valuation techniques. The Group uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each balance sheet date. Where appropriate, quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments are used. Valuation techniques, such as estimated discounted cash flows, are also used to determine the fair values of the financial instruments.

The fair values of financial liabilities carried at amortised cost are estimated by discounting the future contractual cash flows at the current market interest rates that are available to the Group for similar financial instruments.

The fair values of current financial assets and liabilities carried at amortised cost approximate their carrying amounts.

2.16 Leases

The Group leases certain property, plant and equipment from third parties.

(a) *Finance leases*

Leases of property, plant and equipment where the Group assumes substantially the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases.

The leased assets and the corresponding lease liabilities (net of finance charges) under finance leases are recognised on the balance sheet as property, plant and equipment and borrowings respectively at the inception of the leases at the lower of the fair values of the leased assets and the present values of the minimum lease payments.

Each lease payment is apportioned between the finance charge and the reduction of the outstanding lease liability. The finance charge is recognised in the income statement and allocated to each period during the lease term so as to achieve a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the finance lease liability.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.16 Leases (continued)

(b) *Operating leases*

Leases of property, plant and equipment where a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are taken to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

When an operating lease is terminated before the lease period has expired, any payment required to be made to the lessor by way of penalty is recognised as an expense in the financial year in which termination takes place.

2.17 Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on a weighted average basis.

The cost of finished goods and work-in-progress comprises raw materials, direct labour, other direct costs and related production overheads (based on normal operating capacity) but excludes borrowing costs. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the costs of completion and selling expenses.

2.18 Income taxes

Current income tax for current and prior periods is recognised at the amount expected to be paid to or recovered from the tax authorities, using the tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred income tax is recognised for all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements except when the deferred income tax arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss at the time of the transaction.

A deferred income tax liability is recognised on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries, associated companies and joint ventures, except where the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

A deferred income tax asset is recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred income tax is measured:

- (i) at the tax rates that are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date; and
- (ii) based on the tax consequence that will follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the balance sheet date, to recover or settle the carrying amounts of its assets and liabilities.

Current and deferred income taxes are recognised as income or expense in the income statement for the period, except to the extent that the tax arises from a business combination or a transaction which is recognised directly in equity. Deferred tax on temporary differences arising from the revaluation gains and losses on land and buildings and fair value gains and losses on available-for-sale financial assets are charged or credited directly to equity in the same period the temporary differences arise.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.19 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate of the amount can be made.

Provision for restructuring costs/termination benefits

Provision for restructuring costs/termination benefits include only the direct expenditures arising from a restructuring that are necessarily entailed by the restructuring and are not associated with the Group's ongoing activities. A constructive obligation is recognised when the Group,

- (i) has a detailed formal plan identifying the businesses and locations affected; the location, function and approximate number of employees who will be compensated for termination of their services; the expenditures that will be undertaken; and when the plan will be implemented; and
- (ii) has either started to implement the plan or announced the main features of the plan to those affected.

2.20 Employee compensation

(a) Defined contribution plan

As required by law, the companies in Singapore and certain overseas subsidiaries make contributions to the state pension scheme of respective countries. The Group's and Company's obligations in regard to defined contribution plans are limited to the amount of contribution to the funds and are recognised in the financial years in which they relate.

(b) Defined benefit plan

For companies in Malaysia, post employment benefits relates to retirement benefits given to employees and is a non-contributory unfunded retirement benefits scheme for employees who are eligible under a collective bargaining agreement.

The liability in respect of a defined benefit plan is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the balance sheet date, together with adjustments for actuarial gains/losses and past service cost.

The defined benefit obligation, calculated using the projected unit credit method, is determined by independent actuaries once every 3 years, considering the estimated future cash outflows using market yields at balance sheet date of the Malaysian Government securities which have currency and terms to maturity approximating the terms of the related liability.

Actuarial gains and losses arise from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions. The amount of net actuarial gains and losses recognised in the income statement is determined using the corridor method and is charged or credited to income over the average remaining service lives of the related employees participating in the defined benefit plan.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**2.20 Employee compensation** (continued)*(c) Employee leave entitlement*

Employee entitlements to annual leave and long service leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave and long service leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

2.21 Currency translation*(a) Functional and presentation currency*

Items included in the financial statements of each entity in the Group are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ("the functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollar, which is the Company's functional currency.

(b) Transactions and balances

Transactions in a currency other than the functional currency ("foreign currency") are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Currency translation gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the closing rates at the balance sheet date are recognised in the income statement, except for currency translation differences on net investment in foreign entities denominated in the functional currencies of the Company or its subsidiaries, which are included in the foreign currency translation reserve within equity in the consolidated financial statements. Those currency translation differences are transferred to the income statement as part of the gain or loss on disposal of the foreign operation.

Currency translation differences on non-monetary items whereby the gains or losses are recognised directly in equity, such as equity investments classified as available-for-sale financial assets, investment properties and property, plant and equipment are included in the fair value reserve and property revaluation reserve respectively.

(c) Translation of Group entities' financial statements

The results and financial position of all the Group entities (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- (i) Assets and liabilities are translated at the closing exchange rate at the date of the balance sheet;
- (ii) Income and expenses are translated at average exchange rate (unless the average is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions); and
- (iii) All resulting currency translation differences are recognised in the foreign currency translation reserve.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of foreign operations on or after 1 January 2005 are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operations and translated at the closing rates at date of the balance sheet. For acquisitions prior to 1 January 2005, the exchange rates at the dates of acquisition were used.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.21 Currency translation (continued)

(d) Consolidation adjustments

On consolidation, currency translation differences arising from the net investment in foreign operations (including those monetary items forming part of the net investment denominated in the functional currencies of the Company and its subsidiaries) are taken to the foreign currency translation reserve. When a foreign operation is disposed of, such currency translation differences are recognised in the income statement as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

2.22 Segment reporting

A business segment is a distinguishable component of the Group engaged in providing products or services that are subject to risks and returns that are different from those of other business segments. A geographical segment is a distinguishable component of the Group engaged in providing products or services within a particular economic environment that is subject to risks and returns that are different from those of segments operating in other economic environments.

2.23 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and deposits with financial institutions.

2.24 Share capital and treasury shares

Ordinary and preference shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issuance of new ordinary shares are deducted against the share capital account.

When any entity within the Group purchases the Company's ordinary shares ("treasury shares"), the consideration paid including any directly attributable incremental cost is presented as a component within equity attributable to the Company's equity holders, until they are cancelled, sold or reissued.

When treasury shares are subsequently cancelled, the cost of treasury shares are deducted against the share capital account if the shares are purchased out of capital of the Company, or against the retained earnings of the Company if the shares are purchased out of earnings of the Company.

When treasury shares are subsequently sold or reissued pursuant to the employee share option scheme, the cost of treasury shares is reversed from the treasury share account and the realised gain or loss on sale or reissue, net of any directly attributable incremental transaction costs and related income tax, is recognised in the capital reserve of the Company.

2.25 Dividend to Company's shareholders

Dividends to Company's shareholders are recognised when the dividends are approved for payment.

2.26 Assets held for sale

Assets held for sale are stated at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell if their carrying amount is recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. The assets are not depreciated or amortised while they are classified as held for sale. Any impairment loss on initial classification and subsequent measurement is recognised in the income statement. Any subsequent increase in fair value less costs to sell up (not exceeding the accumulated impairment loss that has been previously recognised) is recognised in the income statement.

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3. EFFECTS ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ON ADOPTION OF FRS 40

The Group has adopted FRS 40 *Investment Property* on 1 January 2007, which is the effective date of the Standard. The effects on adoption are set out below.

The Group had previously accounted for its investment properties under FRS 25 *Accounting for Investments*. Investment properties held for long-term rental yields and capital appreciation which are not occupied by the Group are stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation up to the date of transfer from property, plant and equipment, and impairment losses. They are not subject to depreciation.

With effect from 1 January 2007, the Group adopted the fair value model under FRS 40 *Investment Property*. Fair value is assessed at each reporting date. Gain or loss arising from changes in the fair values of investment properties are recognised in the income statement in the period which they arise.

The Group and the Company adopted FRS 40 where changes in accounting policy are applied prospectively from 1 January 2007 in the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2007, in accordance with the transitional provisions of FRS 40. Comparatives have not been restated.

The effects to the balance sheet and income statement items are as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	Increase/(Decrease)		Increase/(Decrease)	
	31.12.2007	1.1.2007*	31.12.2007	1.1.2007*
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance sheets:				
Investment properties	26,208	6,713	34,000	34,000
Property, plant and equipment	-	-	(37,990)	(38,810)
Deferred income tax liability	3,093	(822)	32	-
Property revaluation reserve	7,242	(3,412)	-	-
Retaining earnings	12,117	9,657	(4,022)	(4,810)
Minority interests	3,773	1,307	-	-
Other assets	17	17	-	-
Income statement for the financial year ended 31 December 2007				
Other gains-net	2,956		-	
Depreciation expense	-		(820)	
Tax expense	496		32	
Earnings per share (cents per share)				
Basic	0.43			
Diluted	0.43			

* Adjustments are made to the opening balance sheet at 1 January 2007.

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4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS

Estimates, assumptions and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

(i) *Estimated impairment of goodwill*

The Group tests annually whether goodwill has suffered any impairment, in accordance with the accounting policy stated in Note 2.10. The recoverable amounts of cash-generating units have been determined based on value-in-use calculations. These calculations require the use of estimates (Note 25).

If, for example, the management's estimated gross margin at 31 December 2007 is lowered by 3%, the carrying amounts of these property, plant and equipment will be reduced by \$498,000 and goodwill remain unchanged.

If, for example, the management's estimated pre-tax discount rate applied to the discounted cash flows at 31 December 2007 is raised by 2%, the carrying amounts of these property, plant and equipment will be reduced by \$240,000 and goodwill remain unchanged.

(ii) *Income taxes*

The Group is subject to income taxes in a number of jurisdictions. Significant judgement is required in determining the capital allowances and deductibility of certain expenses during the estimation of the provision for income taxes. There are many transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business. The Group recognises liabilities for anticipated tax audit issues based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred income tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

See Note 11(b) on the tax matter relating to the revaluation surplus of development properties.

5. REVENUE

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Sale of goods	370,890	366,178
Sale of development properties	64,978	104,564
Royalty fees	18	27
Dividend income from available-for-sale financial assets	1,088	530
	436,974	471,299

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6. OTHER INCOME

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Interest income	1,853	1,894
Rental income	1,305	899
	3,158	2,793

7. OTHER GAINS - NET

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Fair value gain on investment property (Note 23)	2,956	-
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	284	100
(Loss)/gain on disposal of assets held for sale	(9)	1,939
Reversal of allowance for foreseeable losses on development properties – net (Note 16)	10,379	6,441
Currency translation loss - net	(2,293)	(2,713)
Impairment of property, plant and equipment (Note 24)	-	(6,796)
Other miscellaneous income	1,990	1,437
	13,307	408

8. EXPENSES BY NATURE

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Auditors' remuneration paid/payable to		
- Auditors of the Company	300	254
- Other auditors*	387	332
Other fees paid/payable to		
- Auditors of the Company	185	371
- Other auditors*	595	308
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 24)	10,148	10,155
Write-down of inventories - net	3,964	2,708
Employee compensation (Note 9)	47,606	47,809
Cost of raw materials and trading goods recognised as expenses (included in cost of sales)	204,637	193,552
Cost of development properties recognised as expenses (included in cost of sales)	46,516	100,299
Advertising and promotion expenses	30,209	28,196
Transportation expenses	15,174	14,229
Other expenses	62,591	59,787
Rental expense on operating leases	5,100	4,002
Total cost of sales, marketing and distribution costs and administrative expenses	427,412	462,002

* Include PricewaterhouseCoopers firms outside Singapore

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9. EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Wages and salaries	38,069	38,862
Employer's contribution to defined contribution plans including Central Provident Fund	4,662	4,273
Retirement benefit costs (Note 29(b))	3	321
Termination benefits	86	11
Other benefits	4,786	4,342
	47,606	47,809

10. FINANCE EXPENSES

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Interest expenses		
- Bank borrowings	3,496	3,929
- Finance lease liabilities	1	1
- Others	-	13
	3,497	3,943

Interest expenses capitalised during the financial year are disclosed in Note 16.

11. INCOME TAXES

(a) Income tax expense

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Tax expense attributable to profit is made up of:		
Current income tax		
- Singapore	2,803	(1,494)
- Foreign	838	2,453
	3,641	959
Deferred income tax	(923)	1,759
	2,718	2,718
Under/(over) provision in preceding financial years		
- Current income tax	22,220	1,406
- Deferred income tax	(1,881)	(186)
	23,057	3,938

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11. INCOME TAXES (continued)(a) Income tax expense (continued)

The tax expense on results differs from the amount that would arise using the Singapore standard rate of income tax due to the following:

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Profit before income tax	23,350	8,978
Tax calculated at a tax rate of 18% (2006: 20%)	4,203	1,796
Effects of:		
- Change in Singapore tax rate	45	-
- Different tax rates in other countries	(937)	(1,687)
- Income not subject to tax	(559)	(4,916)
- Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	2,264	953
- Utilisation of previously unrecognised tax benefits	(2,692)	(1,010)
- Deferred income tax assets not recognised	394	7,744
- Tax calculated on share of profit of associated companies	-*	(162)
	2,718	2,718

* Below \$1,000

(b) Movements in current income tax liabilities net of current income tax recoverable

	The Group		The Company	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	3,641	3,311	580	50
Currency translation differences	(257)	(268)	-	-
Income tax (paid)/refunded	(366)	(1,767)	(671)	590
Group relief	-	-	-	(1,804)
Tax expense on profit for the current financial year	3,641	959	234	617
Under/(over) provision in preceding financial years	22,220	1,406	(180)	1,127
End of financial year	28,879	3,641	(37)	580
Representing:				
Current income tax recoverable	(1,254)	(1,745)	(37)	-
Current income tax liabilities	30,133	5,386	-	580
	28,879	3,641	(37)	580

In 2001, the Group paid income tax of \$6,825,000 in relation to The Sterling residential development project. The tax paid was based on the revalued amount of land when the developer's licence was obtained in April 1997 and excluded any tax effect on the revaluation surplus amounting to \$128,800,000 on the land prior to April 1997. Under the advice of tax counsel, the directors are of the opinion that the revaluation surplus of \$128,800,000 is capital accretion and therefore should not be subject to income tax. On the same basis, the directors are of the opinion that the revaluation surplus of the land for the Gardenvista and Jardin residential development projects prior to obtaining the developer's licence for the Gardenvista project in October 2002 amounting to \$86,547,000 is also capital accretion.

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11. INCOME TAXES (continued)

(b) Movements in current income tax liabilities net of current income tax recoverable (continued)

In 2004, the Inland Revenue of Singapore ("IRAS") had expressed its view that some of the revaluation surpluses for the development projects may not be considered capital accretion. In February 2006, the IRAS had reiterated its view that part of the revaluation surplus of \$128,800,000 on the land for The Sterling project would not be considered capital accretion and requested for information in order to bring its assessments up to date. The Group had, on 9 June 2006 through its legal counsel, made legal submissions to IRAS.

The IRAS raised a protective assessment on the Group on 19 December 2007 to preserve its position by treating \$108,200,000 of the revaluation surplus of \$128,800,000 as a taxable gain. The tax payable under the protective assessment is \$23,296,422. Based on legal advice, the directors maintain their view that the amount of \$108,200,000 of the revaluation surplus is capital accretion and are continuing to negotiate to resolve the matter with the IRAS. However in accordance with the relevant accounting standard, the directors have considered it prudent to make provision for the tax raised by the protective assessment in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007. This is done entirely without admission of the correctness of the protective assessment. The Group has applied for and obtained a standover without penalty of the tax raised under the protective assessment. The Group continues to discuss the tax matters with the IRAS.

12. EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Basic earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year.

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (\$'000)	2,531	1,802
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue for calculation of basic earnings per share ('000)	571,698	569,876
Basic earnings per share (cents per share)	0.44	0.32

(b) Diluted earnings per share

For the purpose of calculating diluted earnings per share, profit attributable to equity holders of the Company and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding are adjusted for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company has one category of dilutive potential ordinary shares: share option (Note 31).

For the share option, the weighted average number of shares in issue is adjusted as if share option that is dilutive was exercised. The number of shares that could have been issued upon the exercise of dilutive share option less the number of shares that could have been issued at fair value (determined as the Company's average share price for the financial year) for the same total proceeds is added to the denominator as the number of shares issued for no consideration, with no adjustment to the net profit (numerator).

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12. EARNINGS PER SHARE (continued)(b) Diluted earnings per share (continued)

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (\$'000)	2,531	1,802
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue for calculation of basic earnings per share ('000)	571,698	569,876
Adjustment for share option	6,874	490
	578,572	570,366
Diluted earnings per share (cents per share)	0.44	0.32

13. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cash at bank and on hand	35,086	23,003	539	214
Fixed deposits with financial institutions	49,220	59,100	186	2
	84,306	82,103	725	216

Fixed deposits with financial institutions mature on varying dates within 3 months (2006: 3 months) from the end of the financial year with the following weighted average effective interest rates:

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	%	%	%	%
Singapore Dollar	1.55	3.15	-	-
United States Dollar	4.34	5.06	4.66	4.20
Malaysian Ringgit	3.27	3.15	-	-
Hong Kong Dollar	3.01	3.00	3.50	-
Canadian Dollar	4.25	3.98	-	-

Included in fixed deposits and cash at bank and on hand of the Group are amounts totalling \$28,908,000 (2006: \$19,850,000) held under the Housing Developers (Project Account) (Amendment) Rules 1997 and the Housing Developers (Project Account) Rules (1990 Ed), withdrawals from which must be in accordance with the said Rules.

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14. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES – CURRENT

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade receivables				
- non-related parties	92,217	120,983	-	-
- related parties	80	43	-	-
Less: Allowance for impairment of receivables				
- non-related parties	(3,208)	(4,805)	-	-
Trade receivables - net	89,089	116,221	-	-
Other receivables				
- non-related parties	5,429	3,718	51	46
- subsidiaries	-	-	38,583	28,248
- associated companies	7,350	7,497	6,981	7,129
- a related party	38	38	38	38
	12,817	11,253	45,653	35,461
Less: Allowance for impairment of receivables				
- subsidiaries	-	-	(11,363)	(8,617)
- associated companies	(7,350)	(7,497)	(6,981)	(7,129)
Other receivables - net	5,467	3,756	27,309	19,715
Staff loans	96	83	-	-
	94,652	120,060	27,309	19,715

Other receivables from non-related parties, subsidiaries, associated companies and a related party are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand, except for a receivable due from an associated company of \$107,000 in 2006 which bore interest at 5.5% per annum.

Related parties refer to the related corporations of the shareholders as well as related corporations of the ultimate holding company.

15. INVENTORIES

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Finished/trading goods	39,879	40,542
Raw materials	13,180	16,761
Work-in-progress	276	320
	53,335	57,623

The cost of inventories recognised as an expense and included in “cost of sales” amounts to \$255,796,000 (2006: \$241,940,000).

During the financial year, the Group reversed \$2,772,000 (2006: \$661,000), being part of an inventory write-down made in prior year as the inventories were sold above the carrying amounts in 2007.

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16. DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Properties under development (Note 16(a))	109,606	139,923
Completed properties held for sale (Note 16(b))	17,766	20,668
	127,372	160,591

(a) Properties under development

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
(i) Land		
- Cost	50,649	67,362
- Revaluation surplus	46,416	53,921
	97,065	121,283
Development expenditure	3,360	13,330
Property taxes, interest and other overheads	9,100	10,693
	109,525	145,306
Less:		
- Booking fees	81	(93)
- Allowance for foreseeable losses	-	(5,290)
	109,606	139,923

Movements in allowance for foreseeable losses are as follows:

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	5,290	15,431
Utilisation during the financial year	-	(4,101)
Write-back during the financial year	(5,290)	(6,040)
End of financial year	-	5,290
Borrowing cost capitalised during the financial year	-	1,351

The write-back of allowance for foreseeable losses is due to increase in valuation of the unsold properties.

In 2006, a capitalisation rate of interest ranging from 4.46% to 5.1% per annum was used, representing the actual borrowing cost of the loan used to finance the project.

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16. DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

(a) Properties under development (continued)

(ii) Sold units

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Aggregated costs incurred	227,584	187,736
Add/(less): Recognised profit/(loss) to date	7,260	(9,446)
Less: Progress billings	(234,245)	(151,547)
Unbilled receivables (included in the trade receivables)	599	26,743

(iii) Security for bank borrowings

Properties under development are mortgaged to a bank to secure a long-term loan of \$18,000,000 (2006: \$51,000,000) (Note 27(a)).

(iv) The Group recognised profit from the sale of development properties using the percentage of completion method. Had the completion of construction method been adopted, the financial effects as required under Recommended Accounting Practice 11, Pre-completion Contracts for the Sale of Development Property, are as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	Increase/(Decrease)	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Opening retained earnings	-	-
Revenue	(9,069)	-
Net profit for the year	(3,598)	-
Development properties as at beginning of year	-	-
Development properties as at end of year	4,713	-

(b) Completed properties held for sale

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Land		
- Cost	13,134	15,113
- Revaluation surplus	-	3,345
	13,134	18,458
Development expenditure	5,799	7,882
Property taxes, interest and other overheads	3,323	3,907
	22,256	30,247
Less: Allowance for foreseeable losses	(4,490)	(9,579)
	17,766	20,668

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16. DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

(b) Completed properties held for sale (continued)

Movements in allowance for foreseeable losses are as follows:

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	9,579	9,980
Provision made during the financial year	397	22
Write-back during the financial year	(5,486)	(423)
End of financial year	4,490	9,579

The write-back of allowance for foreseeable losses is due to the accretion in the values of completed properties held-for-sale.

(c) Details of properties held by the Group

<u>Location</u>	<u>Description and existing use</u>	<u>Unsold saleable area (in sq. metres)</u>	<u>Tenure</u>	<u>Stage of completion</u>
Limbok Terrace Singapore	Parry Green - development of 2 Semi-detached and 35 Terrace houses	286	99 years leasehold with effect from February 1996	Certificate of Statutory Completion obtained
Jalan Kelichap Singapore	Tai Keng Villas - development of 73 Terrace houses	709	99 years leasehold with effect from February 1996	Certificate of Statutory Completion obtained
Chuan Close Singapore	Chuan Villas - development of 1 Bungalow and 33 Terrace houses	1,614	99 years leasehold with effect from December 1996	Certificate of Statutory Completion obtained
Poh Huat Road Singapore	Princeton Vale - development of 8 Semi-detached and 32 Terrace houses	987	99 years leasehold with effect from December 1996	Certificate of Statutory Completion obtained
Hougang Avenue 2 Singapore	Henley Gardens - development of 36 Terrace houses	1,089	99 years leasehold with effect from December 1996	Certificate of Statutory Completion obtained
Dunearn Road Singapore	Gardenvista - development of 318 Condominium units*	1,601	99 years leasehold with effect from September 1999	Certificate of Statutory Completion obtained
Dunearn Road Singapore	Jardin - development of 140 Condominium units*	13,580	Freehold	Foundation work has not commenced

These properties are wholly-owned by the property development companies of the Group.

* The development properties at Dunearn Road comprise two development projects. Gardenvista, the leasehold condominium development project has obtained Certificate of Statutory Completion (CSC) in March 2007. Jardin, the freehold condominium development project was launched in Nov 2007.

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17. OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

	The Group		The Company	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Deposits	1,030	1,006	20	20
Prepayments	603	820	34	29
Others	-	-	18	-
	1,633	1,826	72	49

18. ASSETS HELD FOR SALE

The assets held for sale have been identified as surplus to the Group's requirements and the Board of Directors of its subsidiary, Yeo Hiap Seng (Malaysia) Berhad, have approved the sale to unlock and realise the value of the assets and are actively seeking buyers. The assets held for sale amounting to \$77,000 (2006: \$4,172,000) was disposed of during the year and only one leasehold land and building (2006: two freehold and leasehold land and buildings) is left.

19. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS

	The Group		The Company	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	23,690	20,657	20,442	18,298
Currency translation differences	36	(35)	-	-
Additions	81,943	16	7,658	16
Write-back of impairment loss	42	45	42	45
Fair value (loss)/gains recognised in equity (Note 33(b)(iii))	(6,168)	3,007	8,541	2,083
End of financial year	99,543	23,690	36,683	20,442

Available-for-sale financial assets include the following:

	The Group		The Company	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Quoted equity investments				
- Equity securities - Singapore	58,649	515	3,516	515
- Equity securities - HK	22,050	13,793	21,229	12,999
- Equity securities - US	13,765	4,835	6,905	2,428
- Equity securities - Thailand	4,551	4,272	4,551	4,272
- Equity securities - Malaysia	46	47	-	-
	99,061	23,462	36,201	20,214
Unquoted equity investments	482	228	482	228
	99,543	23,690	36,683	20,442

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20. LOANS TO/FROM SUBSIDIARIES

(a) Loans to subsidiaries

	<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Loans to subsidiaries	99,161	98,291
Less: Allowance for impairment	(58,586)	(27,155)
	<u>40,575</u>	<u>71,136</u>

Movements in allowance for impairment are as follows:

	<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	27,155	23,979
Impairment charge during the financial year	31,442	3,688
Reversal of impairment charge during the financial year	(11)	(512)
End of financial year	<u>58,586</u>	<u>27,155</u>

The loans to subsidiaries are unsecured, interest free and are not expected to be repaid within the next twelve months.

The fair values of the loans to subsidiaries approximate their carrying values.

(b) Loans from subsidiaries

The loans from subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and are not expected to be repaid within the next twelve months.

The fair values of the loans from subsidiaries approximate their carrying values.

21. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Equity investment at cost			3,689	3,689
Less: Allowance for impairment			(3,689)	(3,689)
			<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Beginning of financial year	4,656	5,684		
Currency translation differences	51	(233)		
Share of results after tax	820	424		
Dividends received	(1,247)	(1,219)		
End of financial year	<u>4,280</u>	<u>4,656</u>		

There is no movement in allowance for impairment during the year.

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21. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED COMPANIES (continued)

The summarised financial information of associated companies are as follows:

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
- Assets	38,205	31,052
- Liabilities	54,857	45,856
- Revenues	159,990	134,455
- Net profit	3,632	1,565

The Group has not recognised its share of profits of an associated company amounting to \$38,000 (2006: share of losses of two associated companies amounting to \$95,000) because the Group's cumulative share of unrecognised losses exceeds its interest in that two entities and the Group has no obligation in respect of those losses. The cumulative unrecognised losses amount to \$7,769,000 (2006: \$7,790,000) as at the balance sheet date.

Details of significant associated companies are included in Note 43.

22. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	The Company	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Unquoted equity shares		
- Subsidiaries engaged in property development, at cost less impairment (Note 22(a))	238,658	238,787
- Other subsidiaries, at cost less impairment (Note 22(b))	162,199	124,149
	400,857	362,936

Details of significant subsidiaries are included in Note 43.

(a) Subsidiaries engaged in property development

	The Company	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Investments at cost	257,482	257,482
Less: Allowance for impairment	(18,824)	(18,695)
	238,658	238,787

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22. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)(a) Subsidiaries engaged in property development (continued)*Movements in allowance for impairment are as follows:*

	<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	18,695	18,695
Impairment charge during the financial year	129	-
End of financial year	<u>18,824</u>	<u>18,695</u>

(b) Other subsidiaries

	<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Investment at cost	204,017	151,376
Less: Allowance for impairment	<u>(41,818)</u>	<u>(27,227)</u>
	<u>162,199</u>	<u>124,149</u>

Movements in allowance for impairment are as follows:

	<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	27,227	26,890
Impairment charge during the financial year	15,735	337
Write-back during the financial year	(1,144)	-
End of financial year	<u>41,818</u>	<u>27,227</u>

23. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	18,422	5,169	-	-
Effect of adopting FRS 40 (Note 3)	6,713	-	34,000	-
	<u>25,135</u>	<u>5,169</u>	<u>34,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Currency translation differences	(972)	(455)	-	-
Transfer from property, plant and equipment	10,667	13,708	-	-
Revaluation surplus recognised in equity (Note 33(b)(i))	16,539	-	-	-
Total transfer from property, plant and equipment	27,206	13,708	-	-
Fair value gain recognised in the income statement (Note 7)	2,956	-	-	-
End of financial year	<u>54,325</u>	<u>18,422</u>	<u>34,000</u>	<u>-</u>

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23. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

The Group's investment properties are carried at fair values at the balance sheet date as determined by independent professional valuers. The Company's investment property is carried at fair value at the balance sheet date as determined by discounted cash flow projections based on estimates of future cash flows. It is the intention of the Directors to hold the investment properties for the long term.

Certain investment properties are leased to non-related parties under operating leases (Note 36(b)).

The following amounts are recognised in the income statement:

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Rental income	1,174	868	1,455	1,521
Direct operating expenses arising from investment properties that generated rental income	27	158	1,455	1,521
Property tax and other direct operating expenses arising from investment properties that did not generate rental income	187	3	462	411

Details of investment properties of the Group:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Description and existing use</u>	<u>Approximate land area (in sq. metres)</u>	<u>Tenure</u>	<u>Carrying amount</u>	
				2007	2006
				\$'000	\$'000
United States of America					
745 Epperson Drive City of Industry, California, 91748	Office and warehouse	6,847	Freehold	6,057	-
Hong Kong					
7/F & 8/F Ever Gain Centre No. 28 On Muk Street Shatin New Territories Hong Kong	Office and warehouse	8,798	55 years leasehold with effect from May 1992	21,763	4,754
Malaysia					
Lot 24, 29-31, MIEL Industrial Estate Prai	Trading depot	7,980	99 years leasehold with effect from 1972	2,152	68
Mukim of Ulu Kinta Sungei Raja, Perak	Farming lands	1,048,718	17 lots freehold, 3 lots with 60 years leasehold with effect from 1985	3,704	996
Lot 6843, PT 2987 & PT 2988 Mukim Bidor, Daerah Batang Padang, Perak	Industrial land	396,875	99 years leasehold with effect from 1995	5,124	495
Lot PT 645-650 Mukim Panchor, Daerah Kemumin Kota Bharu, Kelantan	Trading depot	4,908	66 years leasehold with effect from 1982	626	383

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23. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

Details of investment properties of the Group: (continued)

<u>Location</u>	<u>Description and existing use</u>	<u>Approximate land area (in sq. metres)</u>	<u>Tenure</u>	<u>Carrying amount</u>	
				2007	2006
				\$'000	\$'000
Malaysia					
Lot 147A, Kawasan Perindustrian Semambu, Kuantan, Pahang	Trading depot	19,475	66 years leasehold with effect from 1980	1,222	285
Lots K-70 & 71 Temerloh Industrial Park (Phase One) Mentakab	Trading depot	4,047	Freehold	589	557
District of Kluang, Mukim Sungai Benut, Johor	Industrial land	420,209	Interest in perpetuity	9,865	9,782
Lot 30 Block 19, Seduan Land District, Sibu, Sarawak	Trading depot	6,107	Leasehold expiring in year 2039	768	91
Lot 4183 (formerly known as Lots 1732-1750), Block 5 Lambir Land District Miri, Sarawak	Trading depot	8,858	Leasehold expiring in year 2054	1,357	725
Lot 71 Sedco Industrial Estate, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah	Trading depot	5,235	Leasehold expiring in year 2034	845	286
Lot 1632 Kemena Land District, Bintulu, Sabah	Industrial land	5,582	60 years leasehold with effect from 1998	253	-
				54,325	18,422

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Freehold land and buildings \$'000	Leasehold land and buildings \$'000	Plant and machinery, furniture and fittings \$'000	Computer equipment and software development costs \$'000	Motor vehicles and trucks \$'000	Construction- in-progress \$'000	Total \$'000
The Group							
2007							
<i>Cost or valuation</i>							
Beginning of financial year							
Cost	-	-	192,381	11,270	5,060	1,510	210,221
Valuation	18,543	124,413	-	-	-	-	142,956
	18,543	124,413	192,381	11,270	5,060	1,510	353,177
Currency translation differences	(690)	5	1,033	(28)	(3)	9	326
Additions	5	-	4,609	940	140	(113)	5,581
Disposals	-	-	(20,048)	(316)	(1,021)	-	(21,385)
Reclassification/transfer	(6,162)	(25,443)	448	(5)	-	(449)	(31,611)
Revaluation surplus	4,812	14,345	-	-	-	-	19,157
End of financial year	16,508	113,320	178,423	11,861	4,176	957	325,245
<i>Representing:</i>							
Cost	-	-	178,423	11,861	4,176	957	195,417
Valuation	16,508	113,320	-	-	-	-	129,828
	16,508	113,320	178,423	11,861	4,176	957	325,245
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>							
Beginning of financial year	1,251	36,262	123,696	8,323	4,244	-	173,776
Currency translation differences	(57)	(77)	449	(17)	-	-	298
Disposals	-	-	(6,433)	(209)	(930)	-	(7,572)
Depreciation charge (Note 8)	577	2,008	6,156	1,178	229	-	10,148
Reclassification/transfer	-	(4,400)	-	(5)	-	-	(4,405)
End of financial year	1,771	33,793	123,868	9,270	3,543	-	172,245
Cost/valuation less accumulated depreciation at end of financial year	14,737	79,527	54,555	2,591	633	957	153,000
<i>Accumulated impairment losses</i>							
Beginning of financial year	-	14,975	26,917	-	17	-	41,909
Currency translation differences	-	-	271	-	-	-	271
Utilised during the financial year	-	-	(13,028)	-	(17)	-	(13,045)
End of financial year	-	14,975	14,160	-	-	-	29,135
Net book value							
End of financial year	14,737	64,552	40,395	2,591	633	957	123,865

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

	Freehold land and buildings \$'000	Leasehold land and buildings \$'000	Plant and machinery, furniture and fittings \$'000	Computer equipment and software development costs \$'000	Motor vehicles and trucks \$'000	Construction- in-progress \$'000	Total \$'000
The Group							
2006							
<i>Cost or valuation</i>							
Beginning of financial year							
Cost	-	-	193,255	11,839	5,893	2,851	213,838
Valuation	31,163	132,774	-	-	-	-	163,937
	31,163	132,774	193,255	11,839	5,893	2,851	377,775
Currency translation differences	(1,114)	(2,452)	(5,052)	(174)	(178)	(50)	(9,020)
Additions	29	4	7,122	2,233	379	628	10,395
Disposals	-	-	(4,221)	(3,052)	(1,034)	(207)	(8,514)
Reclassification/transfer	(11,535)	(5,913)	1,277	424	-	(1,712)	(17,459)
End of financial year	18,543	124,413	192,381	11,270	5,060	1,510	353,177
<i>Representing:</i>							
Cost	-	-	192,381	11,270	5,060	1,510	210,221
Valuation	18,543	124,413	-	-	-	-	142,956
	18,543	124,413	192,381	11,270	5,060	1,510	353,177
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>							
Beginning of financial year	756	38,438	124,582	10,511	5,093	-	179,380
Currency translation differences	(49)	(925)	(2,750)	(152)	(148)	-	(4,024)
Disposals	-	-	(4,071)	(2,955)	(958)	-	(7,984)
Depreciation charge (Note 8)	746	2,298	5,946	919	246	-	10,155
Reclassification/transfer	(202)	(3,549)	(11)	-	11	-	(3,751)
End of financial year	1,251	36,262	123,696	8,323	4,244	-	173,776
Cost/valuation less accumulated depreciation at end of financial year	17,292	88,151	68,685	2,947	816	1,510	179,401
<i>Accumulated impairment losses</i>							
Beginning of financial year	-	14,555	20,900	-	-	-	35,455
Currency translation differences	-	-	(342)	-	-	-	(342)
Impairment charge	-	420	6,359	-	17	-	6,796
End of financial year	-	14,975	26,917	-	17	-	41,909
Net book value							
End of financial year	17,292	73,176	41,768	2,947	799	1,510	137,492

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

	Leasehold building \$'000	Plant and machinery, furniture and fittings \$'000	Computer equipment and software development costs \$'000	Total \$'000
The Company				
2007				
<i>Cost</i>				
Beginning of financial year	61,073	806	103	61,982
Additions	-	-	3	3
Disposals	-	(59)	(3)	(62)
Reclassification/transfer	(61,073)	-	-	(61,073)
End of financial year	-	747	103	850
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>				
Beginning of financial year	7,646	531	95	8,272
Disposals	-	(59)	(2)	(61)
Depreciation charge	-	1	4	5
Reclassification/transfer	(7,646)	-	-	(7,646)
End of financial year	-	473	97	570
Cost less accumulated depreciation at end of financial year	-	274	6	280
<i>Accumulated impairment losses</i>				
Beginning of financial year	14,617	270	-	14,887
Effect of adopting FRS 40 (Note 3)	4,810	-	-	4,810
Reclassification/transfer	(19,427)	-	-	(19,427)
End of financial year	-	270	-	270
Net book value				
End of financial year	-	4	6	10
2006				
<i>Cost</i>				
Beginning of financial year	61,073	800	2,175	64,048
Additions	-	6	4	10
Disposals	-	-	(2,076)	(2,076)
End of financial year	61,073	806	103	61,982
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>				
Beginning of financial year	6,817	530	2,161	9,508
Depreciation charge	829	1	10	840
Disposals	-	-	(2,076)	(2,076)
End of financial year	7,646	531	95	8,272
Cost less accumulated depreciation at end of financial year	53,427	275	8	53,710
<i>Accumulated impairment losses</i>				
Beginning of financial year	14,197	270	-	14,467
Impairment charge	420	-	-	420
End of financial year	14,617	270	-	14,887
Net book value				
End of financial year	38,810	5	8	38,823

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

Details of properties of the Group under property, plant and equipment:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Description and existing use</u>	<u>Approximate land area (in sq. metres)</u>	<u>Tenure</u>	<u>Net book value</u>	
				2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Singapore					
3 Senoko Way	Office, factory and warehouse	27,638	30 years leasehold with effect from April 1994 with an option to renew for a further 30 years	37,992	38,810
United States of America					
755 Epperson Drive City of Industry, California, 91748	Office and warehouse	8,167	Freehold	6,990**	9,253 [#]
Hong Kong					
8/F Ever Gain Centre No. 28 On Muk Street Shatin New Territories Hong Kong	Office and warehouse	-	55 years leasehold with effect from May 1992	-*	3,369
The People's Republic of China					
286, 288 Chigang Road West Henan, Guangzhou	Office, factory and warehouse	30,872	50 years leasehold with effect from October 1993	11,068	11,196
300 Kai Ming Road Shanghai Songjiang Industrial Zone, Songjiang, Shanghai	Office, factory and warehouse	35,199	50 years leasehold with effect from July 1996	8,132	8,211

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

Details of properties of the Group under property, plant and equipment: (continued)

<u>Location</u>	<u>Description and existing use</u>	<u>Approximate land area (in sq. metres)</u>	<u>Tenure</u>	<u>Net book value</u>	
				2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Malaysia					
Lot 24, 29-31, MIEL Industrial Estate Prai	Trading depot	-	99 years leasehold with effect from 1972	-*	106*
Mukim of Ulu Kinta Sungei Raja, Perak	Farming lands	-	3 lots with 60 years leasehold with effect from 1985	-*	192*
Lots 66134 & 154475 District of Ulu Kinta, Perak	Factory and trading depot	29,428	60 years leasehold with effect from 1973 & 1988 respectively	398	442
Lot 65644, District of Kinta, Perak	Factory and trading depot	20,334	60 years leasehold with effect from 1973	601	644
Lot 154474, District of Kinta, Perak	Factory and trading depot	6,100	60 years leasehold with effect from 1988		
Lot 6843, PT 2987 & PT 2988 Mukim Bidor, Daerah Batang Padang, Perak	Industrial land	-	99 years leasehold with effect from 1995	-*	2,600*
7 Jalan Tandang Petaling Jaya, Selangor	Office, factory and trading depot	11,635	99 years leasehold with effect from 1959	2,112	2,285
Lots 191 & 121, Shah Alam Industrial Estate Shah Alam	Factory and trading depot	39,775	99 years leasehold with effect from 1975 & 1974 respectively	2,261	2,423
Lot PT 645-650 Mukim Panchor, Daerah Kemumin Kota Bharu, Kelantan	Trading depot	-	66 years leasehold with effect from 1982	-*	86*

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

Details of properties of the Group under property, plant and equipment: (continued)

<u>Location</u>	<u>Description and existing use</u>	<u>Approximate land area (in sq. metres)</u>	<u>Tenure</u>	<u>Net book value</u>	
				2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Malaysia					
Lot 147A, Kawasan Perindustrian Semambu, Kuantan, Pahang	Trading depot	-	66 years leasehold with effect from 1980	-*	114*
H.S. (M) 2458 (formerly known as Lot 1151-1154) Mukim of Plentong, Johor	Factory and trading depot	27,757	Interest in perpetuity subject to payment of annual rent	7,687[#]	8,041 [#]
Lot 2050 (formerly known as Lots 1340-1346) S66 Kuching, Sarawak	Factory and trading depot	13,429	Leasehold expiring in year 2027	575	659
Lots 1347 & 1348 Sec. 66 Kuching, Sarawak	Industrial land	29,368	Leasehold expiring in year 2027	1,473	1,555
Lot 30 Block 19, Seduan Land District, Sibu, Sarawak	Trading depot	-	Leasehold expiring in year 2039	-*	33*
Lot 4183 (formerly known as Lots 1732-1750), Block 5 Lambir Land District Miri, Sarawak	Trading depot	-	Leasehold expiring in year 2054	-*	161*
Lot 71 Sedco Industrial Estate, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah	Trading depot	-	Leasehold expiring in year 2034	-*	121*
Lot 1632 Kemena Land District, Bintulu, Sabah	Industrial land	-	60 years leasehold with effect from 1998	-*	167
				79,289	90,468

* See Note 24(d).

A revaluation of these land and buildings was carried out in 2004 (Note 24(b)).

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

- (a) The carrying amount of motor vehicles held under finance leases at 31 December 2007 amounted to \$10,000 (2006: \$26,000).
- (b) Leasehold and freehold land and buildings of the Group were valued on the basis of open market by an independent professional valuer in 1980 and 2004.
- (c) If the leasehold and freehold land and buildings at valuation were included in the financial statements at cost less accumulated depreciation, their net book values at the end of financial year would be:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Freehold properties	1,366	2,681
Leasehold properties	822	1,059

- (d) During the financial year, certain property, plant and equipment of \$27,206,000 (2006: \$13,708,000) with land area of 1,250,493 sq. metres (2006: 688,774 sq. metres) were reclassified to investment properties (Note 23).

25. GOODWILL

- (a) Goodwill arising on consolidation

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning and end of financial year	5,361	5,361

- (b) Impairment test for goodwill

Goodwill is allocated to the Group's cash-generating units ("CGUs") identified within the consumer food and beverage products segment.

The recoverable amount of consumer food and beverage business is determined based on value-in-use calculations. These calculations use actual cash flow and cash flow projections for the remaining useful life of CGUs approved by management. The management determined projected gross margin of 19%-30% (2006: 22%-30%) and annual growth rate of 0%-5% (2006: 0%-5%) based on past performance and its expectations of the market development. The pre-tax discount rate of 9.2% (2006: 8.1%) used reflects the weighted average cost of capital of the consumer food and beverage business.

The Group has assessed the recoverable amount of its consumer food and beverage business and determined that no impairment was required during the year.

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26. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES - CURRENT

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade payables – non-related parties	41,886	47,282	-	-
Other payables				
- non-related parties	11,288	11,852	51	84
- subsidiaries	-	-	270,922	244,634
	11,288	11,852	270,973	244,718
Loan from an associated company	1,155	1,155	1,155	1,155
Other accruals for operating expenses	40,306	44,999	1,634	1,318
	94,635	105,288	273,762	247,191

Other payables to subsidiaries and loan from an associated company are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

27. BORROWINGS

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<i>Current</i>				
Short-term bank borrowings	56,599	22,396	39,000	-
Finance lease liabilities (Note 28)	7	7	-	-
	56,606	22,403	39,000	-
<i>Non-current</i>				
Long-term bank borrowings	18,000	51,000	-	-
Finance lease liabilities (Note 28)	3	10	-	-
	18,003	51,010	-	-
Total borrowings	74,609	73,413	39,000	-

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27. BORROWINGS (continued)

The exposure of current and non-current borrowings to interest rate risks is as follows:

	<u>Variable rates</u>		<u>Fixed rates</u>		<u>1 to 5 years</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Less than 6 months</u>	<u>Less than 12 months</u>	<u>Less than 6 months</u>	<u>6 to 12 months</u>		
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
The Group						
At 31 December 2007						
Bank loans	46,360	22,813	-	5,426	-	74,599
Finance lease liabilities	-	-	3	4	3	10
	46,360	22,813	3	5,430	3	74,609
At 31 December 2006						
Bank loans	11,900	56,135	-	5,361	-	73,396
Finance lease liabilities	-	-	3	4	10	17
	11,900	56,135	3	5,365	10	73,413
The Company						
At 31 December 2007						
Bank loans	39,000	-	-	-	-	39,000
Finance lease liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
	39,000	-	-	-	-	39,000

(a) Secured liabilities

Included in borrowings are the following secured liabilities:

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<i>Current</i>				
Short-term bank borrowings	15,239	10,496	5,000	-
Finance lease liabilities	7	7	-	-
	15,246	10,503	5,000	-
<i>Non-current</i>				
Long-term bank borrowings	18,000	51,000	-	-
Finance lease liabilities	3	10	-	-
	18,003	51,010	-	-
	33,249	61,513	5,000	-

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27. BORROWINGS (continued)(a) Secured liabilities (continued)

Short-term bank borrowings of the Group of \$5,426,000 (2006: \$5,361,000) are secured by a corporate guarantee given by the Company.

Short-term bank borrowings of a subsidiary of \$4,813,000 (2006: \$5,135,000) are secured on an investment property of a subsidiary with a carrying value of \$21,763,000 (2006: \$8,123,000).

Short-term bank borrowings of the Company of \$5,000,000 (2006: Nil) are secured by available-for-sale financial assets of \$26,372,000 (2006: Nil) held by the Company.

The non-current secured bank borrowings of the Group comprise the following:

			<u>Weighted average effective interest rates</u>		<u>Date repaid/repayable by</u>
	2007	2006	2007	2006	
	\$'000	\$'000	%	%	
Loan secured by a first mortgage over the freehold development property, at Dunearn Road	18,000	51,000	4.33	5.06	Earlier of 30 September 2010 or the date falling nine months after the issuance of the Temporary Occupation Permit.
	18,000	51,000			

(b) Carrying amounts and fair values

The carrying amounts of short-term and long-term bank borrowings approximate their fair values as the interest on these loans are based on the prevailing market interest rates.

The fair values of the finance lease liabilities are calculated by discounting the future expected repayments at the prevailing market interest rates for liabilities with the same maturity profile.

The carrying amounts and fair values of finance lease liabilities are as follows:

The Group

	<u>Carrying amounts</u>		<u>Fair values</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Finance lease liabilities	10	17	10	17

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28. FINANCE LEASE LIABILITIES

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Minimum lease payments due:		
- Not later than 1 year	8	7
- Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	3	12
	11	19
Less: Future finance charges	(1)	(2)
Present value of finance lease liabilities	10	17

The present values of finance lease liabilities are as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Not later than 1 year (Note 27)	7	7
Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years (Note 27)	3	10
	10	17

29. PROVISIONS FOR OTHER LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<i>Current</i>				
Provision for restructuring costs/termination benefits (Note 29(a))	977	987	30	40
<i>Non-current</i>				
Provision for retirement benefits (Note 29(b))	2,484	2,646	-	-
	3,461	3,633	30	40

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29. PROVISIONS FOR OTHER LIABILITIES AND CHARGES (continued)(a) Provision for restructuring costs/termination benefits*Movements in provision for restructuring costs/termination benefits are as follows:*

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	987	1,591	40	-
Provision during the financial year	-	1,247	-	300
Utilised during the financial year	(10)	-	(10)	-
Write-back of provision	-	(1,851)	-	(260)
End of financial year	977	987	30	40

(b) Provision for retirement benefits*Movements in provision for retirement benefits are as follows:*

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Beginning of financial year	2,646	2,475
Provision made during the financial year	315	321
Utilised during the financial year	(176)	(119)
Write-back during the financial year	(312)	-
Currency translation differences	11	(31)
End of financial year	2,484	2,646

The amount recognised in the Group's balance sheet may be analysed as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Present value of unfunded obligations/liability in the balance sheet	2,484	2,646

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29. PROVISIONS FOR OTHER LIABILITIES AND CHARGES (continued)

(b) Provision for retirement benefits (continued)

The retirement benefit plan of the Group is not funded. There are no plan assets or actual returns on plan assets.

As of 31 December 2007, the provision for retirement benefits consists of non-contributory unfunded retirement benefits scheme for employees who are eligible under a collective bargaining agreement.

The current service and interest cost recognised in the income statement in respect of provision for retirement benefits amounted to \$161,000 and \$133,000 (2006: \$152,000 and \$169,000), respectively.

The principal actuarial assumptions used are discount rate at 5.5% (2006: 7%) and expected rate of salary increases at 6% (2006: 6%).

The latest actuarial valuation of the plan was carried out at 31 December 2007.

30. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current income tax assets against current income tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes relate to the same fiscal authority. The amounts, determined after appropriate offsetting, are shown on the balance sheets as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Deferred income tax assets				
- to be recovered within 12 months	1,212	1,211	-	-
- to be recovered after more than 12 months	3,627	1,046	-	-
	4,839	2,257	-	-
Deferred income tax liabilities				
- to be settled within 12 months	54	470	-	-
- to be settled after more than 12 months	12,369	8,789	1,935	745
	12,423	9,259	1,935	745

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30. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES (continued)

The movements in the deferred income tax assets and liabilities (prior to offsetting of balances within the same tax jurisdiction) during the year are as follows:

The Group*Deferred income tax liabilities*

	Accelerated tax <u>depreciation</u> \$'000	Recognition of construction <u>revenue</u> \$'000	Fair value gains-net \$'000	Unbilled <u>receivable</u> \$'000	Total \$'000
2007					
Beginning of financial year	10,755	-	-	5,300	16,055
Effect of adopting FRS 40 (Note 3)	-	-	(822)	-	(822)
Effect of change in Singapore tax rate	(116)	-	-	(530)	(646)
(Credited)/charged to income statement	(1,948)	758	1,621	(4,770)	(4,339)
Charged to equity	1,026	-	3,513	-	4,539
Currency translation differences	(140)	-	(195)	-	(335)
End of financial year	9,577	758	4,117	-	14,452

2006

Beginning of financial year	10,317	-	-	-	10,317
Charged to income statement	769	-	-	5,300	6,069
Currency translation differences	(331)	-	-	-	(331)
End of financial year	10,755	-	-	5,300	16,055

Deferred income tax assets

	Unabsorbed capital allowances and unutilised <u>tax losses</u> \$'000	<u>Provisions</u> \$'000	<u>Total</u> \$'000
2007			
Beginning of financial year	(6,314)	(2,739)	(9,053)
Effect of change in Singapore tax rate	541	150	691
Charged to income statement	1,111	379	1,490
Currency translation differences	9	(5)	4
End of financial year	(4,653)	(2,215)	(6,868)
2006			
Beginning of financial year	(2,836)	(1,041)	(3,877)
Credited to income statement	(3,490)	(1,710)	(5,200)
Currency translation differences	12	12	24
End of financial year	(6,314)	(2,739)	(9,053)

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30. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES (continued)

Deferred income tax assets are recognised for tax losses and capital allowances carried forward to the extent that realisation of the related tax benefits through future taxable profits is probable. The Group has unrecognised tax losses of \$48,257,000 (2006: \$56,037,000) and unrecognised capital allowances of \$5,219,000 (2006: \$4,871,000) at the balance sheet date which can be carried forward and used to offset against future taxable income subject to meeting certain statutory requirements by those companies with unrecognised tax losses and capital allowances in their respective countries of incorporation.

The Company

Deferred income tax liabilities

	Accelerated tax depreciation \$'000	Fair value gains-net \$'000	Total \$'000
2007			
Beginning of financial year	745	-	745
Effect of adopting FRS 40 (Note 3)	(745)	745	-
Effect of change in Singapore tax rate	(75)	-	(75)
Charged to income statement	75	-	75
Charged to equity (Note 33(b)(iii))	-	1,190	1,190
End of financial year	-	1,935	1,935
2006			
Beginning of financial year	700	-	700
Charged to income statement	45	-	45
End of financial year	745	-	745

31. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of shares		Amount			
	Authorised share capital '000	Issued share capital '000	Authorised share capital \$'000	Share capital \$'000	Share premium \$'000	Total share capital and share premium \$'000
2007						
Beginning of financial year	-	569,876	-	209,468	-	209,468
Share issue	-	4,044	-	9,100	-	9,100
End of financial year	-	573,920	-	218,568	-	218,568
2006						
Beginning of financial year	1,000,000	569,876	250,000	142,469	66,999	209,468
Effect of Companies (Amendment) Act 2005	(1,000,000)	-	(250,000)	66,999	(66,999)	-
End of financial year	-	569,876	-	209,468	-	209,468

Under the Companies (Amendment) Act 2005 that came into effect on 30 January 2006, the concepts of par value and authorised share capital were abolished and the amount in the share premium account as at 30 January 2006 became part of the Company's share capital.

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31. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

All issued ordinary shares are fully paid.

During the financial year, the Company issued to a shareholder, The Hain Celestial Group, Inc., 4,044,800 new ordinary shares at S\$2.25 each in the Company for a consideration of US\$6,000,000 pursuant to the Subscription Agreement dated 3 August 2005, as varied by a First Variation Agreement dated 15 December 2005 and a Second Variation Agreement dated 22 April 2007. The newly issued shares rank pari passu in all respects with the previously issued shares.

The Company has granted a further option to the shareholder under the terms of a second Variation Agreement dated 22 April 2007 to require the Company to issue such number of Shares to the shareholder such that the shareholder will, in aggregate, hold up to 5 percent of the issued shares as at the date of the exercise of this Further Call Option. The issue price per share ("Further Call Option Issue Price") shall be determined by reference to the volume weighted average market price per Share for the five Trading Days preceding the date of the Further Option Notice ("Five Day VWAP"). The Further Call Option Issue Price shall be equal to a 10 percent discount to the Five Day VWAP save that the issue price may not be fixed at a discount of more than 10 percent to the weighted average price for trades on the SGX-ST on the date of the Further Call Option Notice in accordance with the Listing Rules.

The Further Options are exercisable during the period commencing on the later of (i) the first anniversary of the Completion Date and (ii) the execution of the Joint Venture and Business Cooperation Agreement (as defined in the Subscription Agreement dated 3 August 2005) and, in either case, ending on the second anniversary of the Completion date (the "Further Call Option Period") provided that the Further Call Option Period shall immediately terminate when the last Joint Venture and Business Cooperation Agreement is terminated or expires.

32. CAPITAL RESERVES

Composition:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Capital reserve arising on consolidation	2,352	2,352
Share of capital reserve of an associated company	3,714	3,714
Negative goodwill of subsidiaries	4,079	4,079
	10,145	10,145

33. REVALUATION AND OTHER RESERVES

(a) Composition:

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Property revaluation reserve	88,465	98,904	-	-
Fair value reserve	(1,460)	5,547	12,338	4,987
Foreign currency translation reserve	(48,203)	(48,405)	-	-
General reserve	1,238	1,774	-	-
	40,040	57,820	12,338	4,987

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33. REVALUATION AND OTHER RESERVES (continued)

(b) Movements:

	The Group		The Company	
	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
(i) <i>Property revaluation reserve</i>				
Beginning of financial year	98,904	139,590	-	-
Effect of adopting FRS 40 (Note 3)	(3,412)	-	-	-
	95,492	139,590	-	-
Effect of changes in tax rates	666	-	-	-
Revaluation gains on property, plant and equipment	2,618	-	-	-
Tax on revaluation gains	(1,042)	-	-	-
	1,576	-	-	-
Revaluation gains on property, plant and equipment transferred to investment properties (Note 23)	16,539	-	-	-
Tax on revaluation gains	(3,419)	-	-	-
Minority interests	(2,466)	-	-	-
	10,654	-	-	-
Transfer to retained earnings	(19,923)	(40,686)	-	-
End of financial year	88,465	98,904	-	-
(ii) <i>Fair value reserve</i>				
Beginning of financial year	5,547	2,904	4,987	2,904
Fair value (loss)/gains on available-for-sale financial assets (Note 19)	(6,168)	3,007	8,541	2,083
Tax on fair value changes (Note 30)	(1,190)	-	(1,190)	-
	(7,358)	3,007	7,351	2,083
Minority interests	351	(364)	-	-
End of financial year	(1,460)	5,547	12,338	4,987
(iii) <i>Foreign currency translation reserve</i>				
Beginning of financial year	(48,405)	(43,164)	-	-
Net currency translation differences of financial statements of foreign subsidiaries and associated companies	477	(6,017)	-	-
Minority interests	(275)	776	-	-
End of financial year	(48,203)	(48,405)	-	-

Revaluation and other reserves are non-distributable.

34. DIVIDEND

No dividend has been declared/recommended for the financial year ended 31 December 2007.

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35. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

- (a) As of 31 December 2007, the subsidiaries of the Yeo Hiap Seng (Malaysia) Berhad ("YHSM") have credit and loan facilities amounting to \$87,000 (2006: \$87,000) obtained from financial institutions, which are guaranteed by YHSM. Accordingly, YHSM is contingently liable to the extent of the amount of the credit and loan facilities utilised by its subsidiaries. None of the credit and loan facilities are secured against the assets of YHSM or of the Group.
- (b) In 2004, a legal action was initiated against YHSM for an alleged infringement of copyright. The plaintiff has sought general damages, which the plaintiff has not quantified/disclosed but will be assessed by the Court. YHSM is contesting the claim, and based on advice received from its legal advisors, the Directors of YHSM are of the opinion that YHSM has reasonable prospect of success. YHSM had filed for a counter claim against the plaintiff. Accordingly, no provision for loss has been made in the financial statements. The case is pending court hearing.

36. COMMITMENTS

- (a) Operating lease commitments – where the Group is a lessee

The Group leases land, warehouses, vending machines and office equipments from non-related parties under non-cancellable operating lease agreements. The leases have varying terms and renewal rights.

The future minimum lease payments payable under non-cancellable operating leases contracted for at the balance sheet date but not recognised as liabilities, are payable as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Not later than 1 year	1,608	1,172	462	462
Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	2,529	2,632	1,848	1,848
Later than 5 years	5,199	5,661	5,199	5,661
	9,336	9,465	7,509	7,971

- (b) Operating lease commitments – where the Group is a lessor

The Group leases out office spaces and warehouses to non-related parties under non-cancellable operating leases.

The future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable operating leases contracted for at the balance sheet date but not recognised as receivables, are as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Not later than 1 year	1,752	753	22	46
Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	1,826	97	25	-
	3,578	850	47	46

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36. COMMITMENTS (continued)

(c) Other commitments

Other commitments not provided for in the financial statements are as follows:

	The Group	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Capital commitments in respect of purchase of property, plant and equipment approved and contracted for	66	527
Commitment in respect of property development expenditure approved and contracted for	-	1,977
	66	2,504

37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Financial risk factors

The Group's activities expose it to market risk (including currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management strategy seeks to minimise adverse effects from the unpredictability of financial markets on the Group's financial performance. The Group uses financial instruments such as currency forwards and foreign currency borrowings to manage certain financial risk exposures.

The Board of Directors is responsible for setting the objectives and underlying principles of financial risk management for the Group.

(a) Market risk

(i) *Currency risk*

The Group operates in a number of countries with dominant operations in Singapore, Malaysia and the People's Republic of China. Sale and purchase transactions between the companies in the Group are mainly denominated in Singapore Dollar.

Whenever possible, in their respective dealings with third-parties, the companies in the Group would use their respective functional currencies, to minimise foreign currency risk.

Currently, the Group will try to manage its currency exposures by having natural hedges between its foreign currency receivables and payables.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)(i) *Currency risk* (continued)

The Group's currency exposures are as follows:

	<u>SGD</u>	<u>CAN</u>	<u>USD</u>	<u>HKD</u>	<u>RMB</u>	<u>RM</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<u>At 31 December 2007</u>								
Financial assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	35,438	7,124	19,356	1,965	3,574	15,630	1,219	84,306
Available-for-sale financial assets	59,131	-	13,765	22,050	-	46	4,551	99,543
Trade and other receivables	36,225	612	6,303	1,688	5,042	38,026	6,756	94,652
Other financial assets	305	-	12	38	73	580	22	1,030
	<u>131,099</u>	<u>7,736</u>	<u>39,436</u>	<u>25,741</u>	<u>8,689</u>	<u>54,282</u>	<u>12,548</u>	<u>279,531</u>
Financial liabilities								
Borrowings	(64,360)	-	(10)	(4,813)	(5,426)	-	-	(74,609)
Loan from an associated company	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,155)	(1,155)
Other financial liabilities	(33,375)	(7)	(2,495)	(1,452)	(6,747)	(47,340)	(2,064)	(93,480)
	<u>(97,735)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(2,505)</u>	<u>(6,265)</u>	<u>(12,173)</u>	<u>(47,340)</u>	<u>(3,219)</u>	<u>(169,244)</u>
Net financial assets/(liabilities)	33,364	7,729	36,931	19,476	(3,484)	6,942	9,329	<u>110,287</u>
Less: Net financial (assets)/ liabilities denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	(30,631)	(1,661)	(11,493)	3,293	3,484	(6,942)	(6,081)	
Currency exposure	<u>2,733</u>	<u>6,068</u>	<u>25,438</u>	<u>22,769</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,248</u>	

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) *Currency risk* (continued)

	<u>SGD</u>	<u>CAN</u>	<u>USD</u>	<u>HKD</u>	<u>RMB</u>	<u>RM</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<u>At 31 December 2006</u>								
Financial assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	22,923	6,183	21,542	1,303	1,864	25,690	2,598	82,103
Available-for-sale financial assets	743	-	4,835	13,793	-	47	4,272	23,690
Trade and other receivables	50,588	424	7,697	2,827	3,249	48,803	6,472	120,060
Other financial assets	239	-	5	23	9	709	21	1,006
	<u>74,493</u>	<u>6,607</u>	<u>34,079</u>	<u>17,946</u>	<u>5,122</u>	<u>75,249</u>	<u>13,363</u>	<u>226,859</u>
Financial liabilities								
Borrowings	(62,900)	-	(18)	(5,135)	(5,360)	-	-	(73,413)
Loan from an associated company	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,155)	(1,155)
Other financial liabilities	(33,503)	(362)	(3,437)	(1,555)	(7,910)	(55,402)	(1,964)	(104,133)
	<u>(96,403)</u>	<u>(362)</u>	<u>(3,455)</u>	<u>(6,690)</u>	<u>(13,270)</u>	<u>(55,402)</u>	<u>(3,119)</u>	<u>(178,701)</u>
Net financial (liabilities)/assets	(21,910)	6,245	30,624	11,256	(8,148)	19,847	10,244	<u>48,158</u>
Less: Net financial liabilities/(assets) denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	20,226	(6,175)	(9,049)	2,696	8,148	(19,847)	(6,736)	
Currency exposure	<u>(1,684)</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>21,575</u>	<u>13,952</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,508</u>	

Legend:

SGD – Singapore Dollars
CAN – Canadian Dollars
USD – United States Dollars
HKD – Hong Kong Dollars
RMB – Renminbi
RM – Malaysian Ringgit

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)(i) Currency risk (continued)

The Company's currency exposures are as follows:

	<u>SGD</u> \$'000	<u>USD</u> \$'000	<u>HKD</u> \$'000	<u>Other</u> \$'000	<u>Total</u> \$'000
<u>At 31 December 2007</u>					
Financial assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	402	139	184	-	725
Available-for-sale financial assets	3,999	6,905	21,228	4,551	36,683
Other receivables	27,309	-	-	-	27,309
Loan to subsidiaries	8,636	1,588	30,351	-	40,575
Other financial assets	20	-	-	-	20
	<u>40,366</u>	<u>8,632</u>	<u>51,763</u>	<u>4,551</u>	<u>105,312</u>
Financial liabilities					
Borrowings	(39,000)	-	-	-	(39,000)
Loan from subsidiaries	-	-	(47,271)	-	(47,271)
Other financial liabilities	(272,483)	(122)	-	(1,157)	(273,762)
	<u>(311,483)</u>	<u>(122)</u>	<u>(47,271)</u>	<u>(1,157)</u>	<u>(360,033)</u>
Net financial (liabilities)/assets	<u>(271,117)</u>	<u>8,510</u>	<u>4,492</u>	<u>3,394</u>	<u>(254,721)</u>
Currency exposure	(271,117)*	8,510	4,492	3,394	(254,721)
	<u>SGD</u> \$'000	<u>USD</u> \$'000	<u>HKD</u> \$'000	<u>Other</u> \$'000	<u>Total</u> \$'000
<u>At 31 December 2006</u>					
Financial assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	133	83	-	-	216
Available-for-sale financial assets	743	2,428	12,999	4,272	20,442
Other receivables	19,433	-	282	-	19,715
Loan to subsidiaries	37,063	1,689	32,384	-	71,136
Other financial assets	20	-	-	-	20
	<u>57,392</u>	<u>4,200</u>	<u>45,665</u>	<u>4,272</u>	<u>111,529</u>
Financial liabilities					
Loan from subsidiaries	-	-	(50,439)	-	(50,439)
Other financial liabilities	(246,033)	(1)	-	(1,157)	(247,191)
	<u>(246,033)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(50,439)</u>	<u>(1,157)</u>	<u>(297,630)</u>
Net financial (liabilities)/assets	<u>(188,641)</u>	<u>4,199</u>	<u>(4,774)</u>	<u>3,115</u>	<u>(186,101)</u>
Currency exposure	(188,641)*	4,199	(4,774)	3,115	(186,101)

* The Company's net currency exposure in Singapore Dollars, after netting off investments in subsidiaries denominated in the same currency, is \$113,324,000 (2006: \$150,637,000).

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) *Currency risk (continued)*

If, for example, the USD, CAN and HKD change against the SGD by 3% (2006: 1%), 4% (2006: 7%) and 4% (2006: 2%) with all other variables including tax rate being held constant, the effects arising from the net financial liability/asset position will be as follows:

	2007		2006	
	Increase/(decrease)			
	<u>Profit</u> <u>after tax</u> \$'000	<u>Equity</u> \$'000	<u>Profit</u> <u>after tax</u> \$'000	<u>Equity</u> \$'000
<u>The Group</u>				
USD against SGD				
- strengthened	256	414	114	48
- weakened	(256)	(414)	(114)	(48)
HKD against SGD				
- strengthened	21	729	2	229
- weakened	(21)	(729)	(2)	(229)
CAN against SGD				
- strengthened	177	-	3	-
- weakened	(177)	-	(3)	-
<u>The Company</u>				
USD against SGD				
- strengthened	17	207	6	24
- weakened	(17)	(207)	(6)	(24)
HKD against SGD				
- strengthened	(489)	696	(243)	213
- weakened	489	(696)	243	(213)

The above currency risk analysis is not applicable to Malaysian Ringgit and Renminbi which has no currency exposure as the net financial assets/(liabilities) in these currencies are recorded in the respective entities' functional currencies.

(ii) *Interest rate risk*

Cash flow interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. As the Group has no significant interest-bearing assets, the Group's income and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)(a) Market risk (continued)(ii) *Interest rate risk* (continued)

The Group obtains financing through bank borrowings and leasing arrangements. The Group and Company's exposure to cash flow interest rate risks arises mainly from variable rate borrowings. The Group's policy is to obtain the most favourable interest rates available.

The Group's and Company's borrowings at variable rates on which effective hedges have not been entered into, are denominated mainly in SGD. If, for example, the SGD interest rates increase/decrease by 0.50% (2006: 0.10%) with all other variables including tax rate being held constant, the profit after tax will be lower/higher by \$304,000 (2006: \$64,000) and \$89,000 (2006: \$10,000) for the Group and the Company respectively as a result of higher/lower interest expense on these borrowings.

Information relating to the Group's interest rate exposure is also disclosed in the notes on the Group's borrowings, including leasing obligations and fixed deposits.

(iii) *Price risk*

The Group is exposed to equity securities price risk because of the investments held by the Group which are classified on the consolidated balance sheet as available-for-sale. These securities are mainly listed in Singapore, Hong Kong and the United States. The Group is not exposed to commodity price risk. The Group diversifies its portfolio to manage its price risk arising from investments in equity securities.

If, for example, prices for equity securities listed in Singapore, Hong Kong and the United States change by 6% (2006: 27%), 15% (2006: 54%) and 11% (2006: 12%) respectively with all other variables including tax rate being held constant, the equity will be:

	2007	2006
	Increase/(decrease)	
	<u>Equity</u>	<u>Equity</u>
	\$'000	\$'000
<u>The Group</u>		
Listed in Singapore		
- increased by	3,519	139
- decreased by	(3,519)	(139)
Listed in Hong Kong		
- increased by	2,734	6,445
- decreased by	(2,734)	(6,445)
Listed in United States		
- increased by	1,514	580
- decreased by	(1,514)	(580)

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(iii) *Price risk* (continued)

	2007	2006
	Increase/(decrease)	
<u>Equity</u>	<u>Equity</u>	
\$'000	\$'000	
<u>The Company</u>		
Listed in Singapore		
- increased by	211	139
- decreased by	(211)	(139)
Listed in Hong Kong		
- increased by	2,611	6,016
- decreased by	(2,611)	(6,016)
Listed in United States		
- increased by	760	291
- decreased by	(760)	(291)

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Group. For trade receivables, the Group adopts the policy of dealing only with customers of appropriate credit history. For other financial assets, the Group adopts the policy of dealing only with high credit quality counterparties.

To minimise credit risk for trade receivables, the management ensures that proper credit evaluation is done on potential customers, and that proper approvals have been obtained for the determination of credit limits. Management monitors the status of outstanding debts and ensures that follow-up action is taken to recover the overdue amounts.

The maximum exposure to credit risk for each class of financial instruments is the carrying amount of that class of financial instruments presented on the balance sheet, except for the following held by the Company:

	<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Corporate guarantee provided to a bank on a subsidiary's loan	5,426	5,361

The Group's and Company's major classes of financial assets are bank deposits, trade and other receivables and available-for-sale financial assets.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)**(b) Credit risk (continued)**

The credit risk for trade receivables is as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
<u>By geographical areas</u>		
Singapore	31,708	48,256
Malaysia	37,324	47,491
China and Hong Kong	6,452	5,888
North America	4,571	6,062
Indonesia	6,348	5,718
Other countries	2,686	2,806
	89,089	116,221

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
<u>By types of customers</u>		
Consumer food and beverage products		
Related parties	80	43
Non-related parties:		
- Supermarkets, minimart chains, provision shops and gas stations	13,418	24,656
- Hotels, bars/pubs, restaurants, food courts, coffee shops	8,151	5,371
- Wholesalers and distributors	52,277	53,355
- Vending sales	199	124
- Others	116	508
	74,241	84,057
Property development		
Non-related parties:		
- Individuals	14,355	32,164
- Private company	493	-
	89,089	116,221

(i) Financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired

Bank deposits that are neither past due nor impaired are mainly deposits with banks with high credit-ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies. Trade receivables that are neither past due nor impaired are assessed by historical information about counterparty default rates monitored by key management, are as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
New customers less than 6 months	7,696	6,730
Existing customers with no defaults in the past	51,907	72,192
Existing customers with some defaults in the past, but all defaults were fully recovered	9	10
Existing customers with some unrecovered defaults in the past	-	12
	59,612	78,944

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(ii) *Financial assets that are past due and/or impaired*

There is no other class of financial assets that is past due and/or impaired except for trade receivables.

The age analysis of trade receivables past due but not impaired is as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Past due 0 to 3 months	23,386	30,458
Past due 3 to 6 months	4,875	6,346
Past due over 6 months	1,216	473
	29,477	37,277

The carrying amount of trade receivables individually determined to be impaired (Note 2.11(e)(i)) and the movement in the related allowance for impairment are as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Trade receivables overdue and impaired	4,788	4,805
Less: Allowance for impairment	(4,788)	(4,805)
	-	-
Beginning of financial year	4,805	5,011
Currency translation differences	(71)	(172)
Allowance made	546	770
Allowance utilised	(398)	(804)
Write-back of allowance	(94)	-
End of financial year	4,788	4,805

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)(c) Liquidity risk

The table below analyses the maturity profile of the Group's and Company's financial liabilities based on contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Less than 1 year \$'000	Between 1 and 2 years \$'000	Between 2 and 5 years \$'000
<u>The Group</u>			
At 31 December 2007			
Gross-settled currency forwards			
- Receipts	-	-	-
- Payments	-	-	-
Trade and other payables	(93,480)	-	-
Loan from an associated company	-	-	(1,155)
Finance lease liabilities	(7)	(3)	-
Borrowings	(56,599)	(18,000)	-
Other non-current liabilities	-	(3)	-
	(150,086)	(18,006)	(1,155)
At 31 December 2006			
Gross-settled currency forwards			
- Receipts	2,036	-	-
- Payments	(2,000)	-	-
Trade and other payables	(104,133)	-	-
Loan from an associated company	-	-	(1,155)
Finance lease liabilities	(7)	(10)	-
Borrowings	(22,396)	-	(51,000)
Other non-current liabilities	-	(1,588)	-
	(126,500)	(1,598)	(52,155)
<u>The Company</u>			
At 31 December 2007			
Other payables	(272,607)	-	-
Loan from an associated company	-	-	(1,155)
Borrowings	(39,000)	-	-
	(311,607)	-	(1,155)
At 31 December 2006			
Other payables	(246,036)	-	-
Loan from an associated company	-	-	(1,155)
	(246,036)	-	(1,155)

The Group manages the liquidity risk by maintaining sufficient cash and cash equivalents to finance the Group's operations. In addition to funds generated from its operations, the Group also relies on adequate amount of committed credit facilities, bank borrowings and leasing arrangements for its working capital requirements.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(d) Capital risk

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain an optimal capital structure so as to maximise shareholder value. In order to maintain or achieve an optimal capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividend payment, return capital to shareholders, issue new shares, buy back issued shares, obtain new borrowings or sell assets to reduce borrowings.

Management monitors capital based on a gearing ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debt divided by total capital employed. Net debt is calculated as borrowings plus trade and other payables less cash and cash equivalents. Total capital employed is calculated as equity plus net debt.

The Group's and Company's strategies, which were unchanged from 2006, are to maintain gearing ratio below 30% and 80% respectively. The gearing ratios as at 31 December 2007 and 31 December 2006 were as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>		<u>The Company</u>	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Net debt	84,938	96,598	359,308	297,414
Total equity	439,870	417,703	178,270	214,322
Total capital employed	524,808	514,301	537,578	511,736
Gearing ratio	16%	19%	67%	58%

38. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

A subsidiary of the Group had open forward foreign currency contracts, amounting to \$2,000,000 as at 31 December 2006. The fair value gain amounted to \$8,100 at 31 December 2006. The contracts were settled in January 2007.

The fair values of forward foreign exchange contracts had been calculated using the rates quoted by the Group's bankers to terminate the contracts at the balance sheet date.

39. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to information disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the following transactions took place between the Group and related parties during the financial year:

(a) Sales and purchases of goods and services

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Sales of goods and services to Far East Organisation Group	189	151
Sales of goods and services to Sino Land Company Limited	-	122
Professional fees paid to Far East Management (Private) Limited	394	319
Sales commission and marketing fees paid/payable to Far East Management (Private) Limited	378	353

The shareholders of Far East Management (Private) Limited are the Company's substantial shareholders.

Far East Organisation Pte Ltd, a company incorporated in Singapore, is the Company's ultimate holding company.

Sino Land Company Limited is a shareholder of the Company.

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39. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)(b) Key management personnel compensation

The key management personnel compensation is as follows:

	<u>The Group</u>	
	2007	2006
	\$'000	\$'000
Wages and salaries	2,542	3,533
Employer's contribution to defined contribution plans, including Central Provident Fund	81	48
Termination benefits	-	180
Other benefits	589	444
	3,212	4,205

Included in the above is total compensation to directors of the Company amounting to \$1,861,000 (2006: \$3,374,000).

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40. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Primary reporting format - business segments

	Consumer food and beverage products \$'000	Property development \$'000	Others \$'000	Elimination \$'000	Group \$'000
Year ended 31 December 2007					
Revenue					
- External sales	370,890	64,978	1,106	-	436,974
- Inter-segment sales	-	-	2,570	(2,570)	-
	<u>370,890</u>	<u>64,978</u>	<u>3,676</u>	<u>(2,570)</u>	<u>436,974</u>
(Loss)/profit from operation	(1,986)	27,292	721	-	26,027
Share of results of associated companies	820	-	-	-	820
Segment result	<u>(1,166)</u>	<u>27,292</u>	<u>721</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,847</u>
Finance expense					(3,497)
Profit before income tax					<u>23,350</u>
Income tax expense					(23,057)
Net profit					<u>293</u>
Segment assets	354,920	497,153	518,400	(725,711)	644,762
Associated companies	4,280	-	-	-	4,280
Unallocated assets					6,092
Consolidated total assets					<u>655,134</u>
Segment liabilities	226,285	29,209	287,219	(445,770)	96,943
Unallocated liabilities					118,321
Consolidated total liabilities					<u>215,264</u>
Other segment items					
Capital expenditure	5,578	-	3	-	5,581
Depreciation	9,323	-	825	-	10,148
Other non-cash expenses	<u>2,233</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,293</u>

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40. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Primary reporting format - business segments (continued)

	Consumer food and beverage products \$'000	Property development \$'000	Others \$'000	Elimination \$'000	Group \$'000
Year ended 31 December 2006					
Revenue					
- External sales	366,178	104,564	557	-	471,299
- Inter-segment sales	-	-	3,163	(3,163)	-
	<u>366,178</u>	<u>104,564</u>	<u>3,720</u>	<u>(3,163)</u>	<u>471,299</u>
Profit from operation	5,923	5,641	934	-	12,498
Share of results of associated companies	423	-	-	-	423
Segment result	<u>6,346</u>	<u>5,641</u>	<u>934</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,921</u>
Finance expense					(3,943)
Profit before income tax					<u>8,978</u>
Income tax expense					(3,938)
Net profit					<u>5,040</u>
Segment assets	344,843	506,857	473,991	(718,079)	607,612
Associated companies	4,656	-	-	-	4,656
Unallocated assets					4,002
Consolidated total assets					<u>616,270</u>
Segment liabilities	223,300	32,185	256,299	(402,431)	109,353
Unallocated liabilities					89,214
Consolidated total liabilities					<u>198,567</u>
Other segment items					
Capital expenditure	10,384	-	11	-	10,395
Depreciation	9,315	-	840	-	10,155
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	6,376	-	420	-	6,796
Other non-cash expenses	<u>2,354</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,713</u>

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40. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Primary reporting format - business segments (continued)

At 31 December 2007, the Group is organised into three main business segments:

- Consumer food and beverage products;
- Property development; and
- Others.

Other operations of the Group mainly comprise investment holding. The divisions are the bases on which the Company reports its primary segment information.

Inter-segment transactions are recorded at their transacted price which is generally at fair value. Unallocated costs represent corporate expenses. Segment assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, investment properties, intangible assets, inventories, receivables and operating cash, and exclude deferred income tax assets and investments in associated companies. Segment liabilities comprise operating liabilities and exclude items such as income tax liabilities, deferred income tax liabilities and bank borrowings. Capital expenditure comprises additions to property, plant and equipment and intangible assets, including those acquired through business combinations.

Secondary reporting format – geographical segments

	<u>Revenue</u>		<u>Assets</u>		<u>Capital expenditure</u>	
	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
North America	17,394	19,815	30,408	28,360	3	196
China and Hong Kong	39,341	40,463	78,452	63,332	1,408	1,196
Singapore	172,605	200,348	360,769	327,029	2,160	1,558
Malaysia	180,802	188,857	185,505	197,549	2,010	7,445
Others	26,832	21,816	-	-	-	-
	436,974	471,299	655,134	616,270	5,581	10,395

The Group's three business segments operate in four main geographical areas:

- Singapore – the Company is headquartered and has operations in Singapore. The operations in this area are principally investment holding, manufacture, sale, distribution and export of beverages, sauces, canned food and provision of vending services and property development.
- People's Republic of China – the operations in this area are principally manufacture and distribution of beverages.
- Malaysia – the operations in this area are principally production, marketing and sale of beverages and food products.
- North America – the operations in this area are principally sale of beverages and food products.

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40. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)Secondary reporting format - geographical segments (continued)

- Others – the operations include marketing of Yeo's products and distribution of food and beverages.

With the exception of Singapore and Malaysia, no other individual country contributed more than 10% of consolidated sales and assets. Sales are based on the country in which the customer is located. Total assets and capital expenditure are shown by the geographical area where the assets are located.

41. NEW OR REVISED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS

Certain new accounting standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards have been published and they are mandatory for the Group's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2008 or later periods and which the Group has not early adopted. The Group has assessed that those standards, amendments and interpretations that are relevant to the Group are as follows:

- (a) FRS 108 Operating Segments (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009).

FRS 108 supersedes FRS 14 Segment Reporting and requires the Group to report the financial performance of its operating segments based on the information used internally by management for evaluating segment performance and deciding on allocation of resources. Such information may be different from the information included in the financial statements, and the basis of its preparation and reconciliation to the amounts recognised in the financial statements shall be disclosed.

The Group will apply FRS 108 from 1 January 2009. As the Group has been reporting the financial performance of its operating segments based on the information used internally by management, the revised standard is not expected to have any impact to the Group.

- (b) Revised FRS 23 Borrowing Costs (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009).

The revised standard removes the option to recognise immediately as an expense borrowing costs that are attributable to qualifying assets, except for those borrowing costs on qualifying assets that are measured at fair value or inventories that are manufactured or produced in large quantities on a repetitive basis.

The Group will apply the revised FRS 23 from 1 January 2009. As the Group has been capitalising the relevant borrowing costs, the revised standard is not expected to have any impact to the Group.

42. AUTHORISATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors of Yeo Hiap Seng Limited on 18 March 2008.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

43. LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT COMPANIES IN THE GROUP

Name of company/ <u>Country of incorporation</u>	<u>Principal activities</u>	<u>Country of business</u>	<u>Effective equity held by Group</u>	
			2007 %	2006 %
<u>Significant subsidiaries held by the Company</u>				
YHS (Singapore) Pte Ltd (Singapore) ⁽¹⁾	Investment holding, manufacture, sale, distribution and export of beverages, sauces, canned food and provision of vending services	Singapore	100	100
YHS Manufacturing Pte Ltd (Singapore) ⁽¹⁾	Property development	Singapore	100	100
YHS Dunearn Pte Ltd (Singapore) ⁽¹⁾	Property development	Singapore	100	100
Yeo Hiap Seng (Shanghai) Co., Ltd (People’s Republic of China) ⁽³⁾	Manufacture of beverages	People’s Republic of China	100	95
<u>Significant subsidiaries held by subsidiaries</u>				
Yeo Hiap Seng (Guangzhou) Food & Beverages Ltd (People’s Republic of China) ⁽²⁾	Manufacture and distribution of beverages	People's Republic of China	99	99
Yeo Hiap Seng (Hong Kong) 2000 Pte Limited (Hong Kong) ⁽²⁾	Distribution of beverages and canned food	Hong Kong	100	100
Ranko Way Limited (Hong Kong) ⁽²⁾	Property holding	Hong Kong	100	100
YHS Trading (USA) Inc. (USA) ⁽³⁾	Distribution of beverages and canned food	USA	100	100
YHS (USA) Inc. (USA) ⁽³⁾	Owns and leases fixed assets	USA	100	100
Yeo Hiap Seng (Malaysia) Berhad (Malaysia) ⁽²⁾	Production, marketing and sale of beverages and food products	Malaysia	60.7	60.7
Bestcan Food Technological Industrial Sendirian Berhad (Malaysia) ⁽²⁾	Production of instant noodles	Malaysia	60.3	60.3
YHS Manufacturing Berhad (Malaysia) ⁽²⁾	Procurement	Malaysia	60.7	60.7
Yeo Hiap Seng (Sarawak) Sendirian Berhad (Malaysia) ⁽²⁾	Production of sauces and non-alcoholic beverages	Malaysia	60.7	60.7
Yeo Hiap Seng Trading Sendirian Berhad (Malaysia) ⁽²⁾	Distribution of food and beverages	Malaysia	60.7	60.7
Yeo Hiap Seng (Perak) Sendirian Berhad (Malaysia) ⁽²⁾	Investment holding	Malaysia	60.7	60.7
PT YHS Indonesia (Indonesia) ⁽²⁾	Distribution of food and beverages	Indonesia	60.7	60.7

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43. LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT COMPANIES IN THE GROUP (continued)

<u>Name of company/ Country of incorporation</u>	<u>Principal activities</u>	<u>Country of business</u>	<u>Effective equity held by Group</u>	
			2007 %	2006 %
<u>Significant associated companies held by subsidiaries</u>				
Senawang Edible Oil (Sendirian) Berhad (Malaysia) ⁽³⁾	Processing and trading of palm oil products	Malaysia	15	15
Langfang Yili Dairy Products Co., Ltd (People's Republic of China) ⁽³⁾	Manufacture and sale of packaged dairy milk and other related products	People's Republic of China	25	25

Legend:

- (1) Audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers, Singapore.
 (2) Audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers firms outside Singapore.
 (3) Audited by other firms of auditors. The names of the audit firms are as follows:

<u>Companies</u>	<u>Name of audit firm</u>
Yeo Hiap Seng (Shanghai) Co., Ltd	Moore Rowland CEC Certified Public Accountants, Shanghai
YHS Trading (USA) Inc. YHS (USA) Inc.	MOSS-ADAMS LLP Certified Public Accountants, a member of Moore Rowland International, a professional association of independent accounting firm
Senawang Edible Oil (Sendirian) Berhad	AljeffriDean, Malaysia
Langfang Yili Dairy Products Co., Ltd	Zhong Tian Hua Zheng CPA Co. Ltd, Mongolia

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ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

MATERIAL CONTRACTS

There were no material contracts entered into by the Company or any of its subsidiaries involving the interest of the chief executive officer, any director or controlling shareholder, either still subsisting at the end of the year or entered into since the end of the previous financial year.

INTERESTED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

Interested person transactions carried out during the financial year which fall under Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited are as follows:

Name of interested person	Aggregate value of all interested person transactions during the financial year under review (excluding transactions less than \$100,000 and transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920)	
	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
<u>Far East Management (Private) Limited</u>		
Project management, sales, marketing & administrative fees expense	378	353
Professional fees	394	319
<u>Far East Organisation Group</u>		
Sales of goods and services	189	151
<u>Sino Land Company Limited</u>		
Sales of goods and services	-	122

The Company does not have any shareholders' mandate for interested person transactions.

ANALYSIS OF
SHAREHOLDINGS

as at 12 March 2008

Share Capital

Issued & Fully Paid-up Capital	: S\$218,568,491.64
Number of Shares Issued	: 573,920,439
Class of Shares	: Ordinary Shares
Voting Rights	: One vote per share

Size of Shareholdings	No. of Shareholders	% of Shareholders	No. of Shares	% of Shares
1 - 999	170	26.69	37,577	0.01
1,000 - 10,000	321	50.39	1,211,939	0.21
10,001 - 1,000,000	129	20.25	5,595,570	0.97
1,000,001 & ABOVE	17	2.67	567,075,353	98.81
Total	637	100.00	573,920,439	100.00

Top Twenty Shareholders

Name of Shareholders	No. of Shares	% of Shares
Jelco Properties Pte Ltd	202,225,636	35.24
Far East Organisation Pte Ltd	134,800,324	23.49
Raffles Nominees Pte Ltd	38,354,072	6.68
Mayban Nominees (S) Pte Ltd	30,800,000	5.37
United Overseas Bank Nominees Pte Ltd	29,363,123	5.12
Bank of East Asia Nominees Pte Ltd	26,377,497	4.60
Sino Land Company Limited	24,661,978	4.30
RHB Bank Nominees Pte Ltd	20,000,000	3.48
DBS Vickers Securities (S) Pte Ltd	14,753,334	2.57
Malayan Banking Berhad	11,420,000	1.99
DBSN Services Pte Ltd	8,205,519	1.43
Bank of China Nominees Pte Ltd	5,500,000	0.96
HSBC (Singapore) Nominees Pte Ltd	5,446,872	0.95
The Hain Celestial Group, Inc	5,371,738	0.94
Oversea Chinese Bank Nominees Pte Ltd	4,087,222	0.71
Hong Leong Finance Nominees Pte Ltd	2,872,000	0.50
UOB Nominees (2006) Pte Ltd	2,836,038	0.49
OCBC Securities Private Ltd	801,000	0.14
Lim & Tan Securites Pte Ltd	548,133	0.09
DBS Nominees Pte Ltd	271,063	0.04
Total	568,695,549	99.09

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ANALYSIS OF SHAREHOLDINGS

as at 12 March 2008

Substantial Shareholders

	Name of Substantial Shareholder	Direct Interests No. of Shares	Deemed Interests No. of Shares
1.	Jelco Properties Pte Ltd ("Jelco")	284,241,636	-
2.	Orchard Parade Holdings Limited ("OPHL") ¹	-	284,241,636
3.	Far East Organisation Pte. Ltd. ("FEO") ²	179,386,324	284,241,636
4.	Mr. Ng Teng Fong and Mdm. Tan Kim Choo ³	-	488,289,938
5.	Pepsico, Inc ("Pepsico") ⁴	-	-
6.	Seven-Up International, a division of The Concentrate Manufacturing Company of Ireland ("Seven-Up") ⁴	-	-

Notes :

- Pursuant to Section 7 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50, OPHL is deemed to have an interest in Jelco's shareholding in the Company.
- Pursuant to Section 7 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50, FEO is deemed to have an interest in Jelco's shareholding in the Company through OPHL.
- Pursuant to Section 7 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50, Mr. Ng Teng Fong's and Mdm. Tan Kim Choo's deemed interest in shares of the Company include their interests through FEO, OPHL and Sino Land Company Limited.
- Pursuant to undertakings dated 1 July 2006 executed by Jelco and FEO in favour of Pepsico and Seven-Up (in consideration of Pepsico and Seven-Up entering into exclusive bottling appointments with the Company effective as of 1 July 2006) whereby Jelco and FEO agreed to provide Pepsico and Seven-Up with preferential rights, in the event, inter alia, that Jelco and FEO cease collectively to own 51% of the capital of the Company for the time being, to acquire from Jelco and FEO shares in the Company to be transferred, upon the respective terms of such undertakings.
 - As at the date hereof, the above preferential rights have not been exercised.
- Based on information available to the Company as at 12 March 2008, approximately 14.92% of the issued ordinary shares of the Company is held by the public, and therefore, Rule 723 of the Listing Manual issued by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited is complied with.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-second Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held in The Auditorium, Yeo Hiap Seng Limited, 3 Senoko Way, Singapore 758057 at 3.00 p.m. on Wednesday, the 23rd day of April 2008 for the following purposes:

AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive and adopt the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2007 together with the Reports of the Directors and Auditors.
2. To approve the payment of \$400,550 as Directors' fees for the year ended 31 December 2007. (2006: \$384,780)
3.
 - (i) To re-elect the following Directors:
 - (a) Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat;
 - (b) Mr. S. Chandra Das; and
 - (c) Mr. Ow Tin Nyapeach of whom retires by rotation pursuant to Article 97 and 98 of the Articles of Association of the Company.
 - (ii) To re-elect Dr. Tan Chin Nam who retires pursuant to Article 103 of the Articles of Association of the Company.
 - (iii) To re-appoint the following Directors:
 - (a) Mr. Lim Hong Keat; and
 - (b) Mr. Ngiam Tong Doweach of whom is over 70 years of age pursuant to Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 and to hold such office from the date of this Annual General Meeting until the next Annual General Meeting.
4. To re-appoint Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers as Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other business which may be properly transacted at the Annual General Meeting.

AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

6. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following as an Ordinary Resolution:
"That authority be and is hereby given to the Directors of the Company to:
 - (i)
 - (a) issue shares in the capital of the Company ("shares") whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise; and/or
 - (b) make or grant offers, agreements or options (collectively, "Instruments") that might or would require shares to be issued, including but not limited to the creation and issue of (as well as adjustments to) warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into shares,at any time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors may in their absolute discretion deem fit; and
 - (ii) (notwithstanding the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force) issue shares in pursuance of any Instrument made or granted by the Directors while this Resolution was in force,

provided that:

- (1) the aggregate number of shares to be issued pursuant to this Resolution (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) does not exceed 50% of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below), of which the aggregate number of shares to be issued other than on a pro-rata basis to shareholders of the Company (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) does not exceed 20% of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below);

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- (2) (subject to such manner of calculation as may be prescribed by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited) for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued under sub-paragraph (1) above, the percentage of shares shall be based on the number of issued shares in the capital of the Company at the time this Resolution is passed, after adjusting for:
 - (i) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities or share options or vesting of share awards which are outstanding at the time this Resolution is passed; and
 - (ii) any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of shares;
 - (3) in exercising the authority conferred by this Resolution, the Company shall comply with the provisions of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited) and the Articles of Association for the time being of the Company; and
 - (4) (unless revoked or varied by the Company in General Meeting) the authority conferred by this Resolution shall continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier."
7. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following as an Ordinary Resolution:
"That, pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50, authority be and is hereby given to the Directors of the Company to allot and issue from time to time such number of shares in the Company as may be required to be allotted and issued pursuant to the Yeo Hiap Seng Limited Scrip Dividend Scheme."

By Order of the Board
Joanne Lim Swee Lee
Company Secretary

Singapore, 8 April 2008

NOTES :

1. A member entitled to attend and vote at this Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
2. The instrument appointing a proxy must be lodged at the registered office of the Company, 3 Senoko Way, Singapore 758057 not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the Meeting.

Additional information relating to items of Ordinary and Special Business

Item 3(i)(b) – Subject to his re-appointment, Mr. S. Chandra Das, who is an independent Director, will continue to serve as a member on the Audit, Nominating and Remuneration Committees.

Item 3(iii)(b) – Subject to his re-appointment, Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow, who is an independent Director, will continue to serve as a member on the Audit and Nominating Committees.

Item 6 - The Ordinary Resolution, if passed, will authorise the Directors to issue shares in the Company (whether by way of bonus, rights or otherwise) up to the limits specified therein from the date of this Annual General Meeting up to the next Annual General Meeting for such purposes as they consider would be in the interests of the Company. For the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued, the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) will be calculated based on the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company at the time that the Ordinary Resolution is passed, after adjusting for the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities and share options or vesting of share awards that have been issued or granted (provided the options or awards were granted in compliance with Part VIII of Chapter 8 of the Listing Manual) and which are outstanding or subsisting at the time that the Ordinary Resolution is passed, and any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of shares.

Item 7 - The Ordinary Resolution, if passed, will authorise the Directors to issue shares in the Company pursuant to the Yeo Hiap Seng Limited Scrip Dividend Scheme to members who, in respect of a qualifying dividend, have elected to receive scrip in lieu of the cash amount of that qualifying dividend.

PROXY FORM - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Yeo Hiap Seng Limited
(Company Registration No.: 195500138Z)
Incorporated in Singapore

I/We, (Name) of _____
_____ (Address)

being a member/members of Yeo Hiap Seng Limited hereby appoint Chairman of the Meeting * or :

Name	Address	NRIC/ Passport Number	Proportion of Shareholdings (%)

and/or (delete as appropriate)

Name	Address	NRIC/ Passport Number	Proportion of Shareholdings (%)

as my/our proxy/proxies to vote for me/us on my/our behalf, at the 52nd Annual General Meeting of the Company, to be held on 23 April 2008, and at any adjournment thereof. I/We direct my/our proxy/proxies to vote for or against the Resolutions to be proposed at the Meeting as indicated hereunder. If no specific direction as to voting is given, the proxy/proxies will vote or abstain from voting at his/their discretion, as he/they will on any other matter arising at the Meeting.

* Please delete as applicable (if no names are inserted in the blank box(es) above, Chairman of the meeting will be treated as appointed).

	Resolutions	To be used on show of hands		To be used in the event of a poll	
		For*	Against*	Number of Votes For**	Number of Votes Against**
1.	Adoption of Annual Report and Accounts				
2.	Approval of Directors' Fees				
3.	(i) Re-election of Directors under Article 97 and 98:				
	(a) Mr. Philip Ng Chee Tat				
	(b) Mr. S. Chandra Das				
	(c) Mr. Ow Tin Nyap				
	(ii) Re-election of Dr. Tan Chin Nam under Article 103				
	(iii) Re-appointment of Directors pursuant to Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Cap. 50				
	(a) Mr. Lim Hong Keat				
	(b) Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow				
4.	Re-appointment of Auditors				
5.	Any Other Business				
6.	Approval of Ordinary Resolution pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Cap. 50				
7.	Approval of issue of shares pursuant to the Yeo Hiap Seng Limited Scrip Dividend Scheme				

* Please indicate your vote "For" or "Against" with a tick (✓) within the box provided.

** If you wish to exercise all your votes "For" or "Against", please tick (✓) within the box provided. Alternatively, please indicate the number of votes as appropriate.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2008

Total Number of Shares Held	
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Signature(s) of Member(s)/Common Seal

Important : Please read notes overleaf

Notes:

1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint one or two proxies to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
2. Where a member appoints more than one proxy, the appointments shall be invalid unless he specifies the proportion of his holding (expressed as a percentage of the whole) to be represented by each proxy.
3. Completion and return of this instrument appointing a proxy shall not preclude a member from attending and voting at the Meeting. Any appointment of a proxy or proxies shall be deemed to be revoked if a member attends the Meeting in person, and in such event, the Company reserves the right to refuse to admit any person or persons appointed under the instrument of proxy, to the Meeting.
4. A member should insert the total number of shares held. If the member has shares entered against his name in the Depository Register (as defined in Section 130A of the Companies Act, Cap 50. of Singapore), he should insert that number of shares. If the member has shares registered in his name in the Registrar of Members of the Company, he should insert that number of shares. If the member has shares entered against his name in the Depository Register and registered in his name in the Register of Members, he should insert the aggregate number of shares. If no number is inserted, this form of proxy will be deemed to relate to all the shares held by the member.
5. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be deposited at the Company's registered office at 3 Senoko Way, Singapore 758057 not less than 48 hours before the time set for the Meeting.
6. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be under the hand of the appointer or of his attorney duly authorised in writing. Where the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies is executed by a corporation, it must be executed either under its common seal or under the hand of its attorney.
7. Where an instrument appointing a proxy is signed on behalf of the appointer by an attorney, the letter or power of attorney or a duly certified copy thereof must (failing previous registration with the Company) be lodged with the instrument of proxy, failing which the instrument may be treated as invalid.

General

The Company shall be entitled to reject a Proxy Form which is incomplete, improperly completed, illegible or where the true intentions of the appointer are not ascertainable from the instructions of the appointer specified on the Proxy Form. In addition, in the case of shares entered in the Depository Register, the Company may reject a Proxy Form if the member, being the appointer, is not shown to have shares entered against his name in the Depository Register as at 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting, as certified by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited to the Company.

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