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## Financial Highlights

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| (HK\$ '000) | 1H2009 | 1H2008 | Change (\%) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue | 5,112,692 | 3,755,917 | A | 36.1\% |
| Cost of sales | $(2,810,743)$ | $(2,284,115)$ | A | 23.1\% |
| Gross profit | 2,301,949 | 1,471,802 | A | 56.4\% |
| Operating profit | 1,211,868 | 735,441 | A | 64.8\% |
| Net profit | 966,744 | 627,572 | A | 54.0\% |
| Earnings per share <br> - Basic <br> - Diluted | HK82.4 cents HK82.3 cents | HK54.9 cents HK54.9 cents | $\hat{\lambda}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 50.1 \% \\ & 49.9 \% \end{aligned}$ |
| Dividend per share | HK50 cents | HK32 cents | A | 56.3\% |

## Solid Revenue Base



## Gross Profit Margin Overview - By Business Segment

|  | Gross profit margins |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{1 H 2 0 0 9}$ | 1 H 2008 |
| Sanitary napkins (including pantiliners) | $\mathbf{4 1 . 4 \%}$ | $29.6 \%$ |
| Disposable diapers | $\mathbf{5 9 . 3 \%}$ | $58.7 \%$ |
| Food and snacks | $37.0 \%$ | $35.7 \%$ |
| Overall | $\mathbf{4 5 . 0 \%}$ | - |

## Major factors affecting overall gross profit margin

(44) Significant drop in price of wood pulp and petrochemical raw materials
Overall (13) Improvement in production efficiency and shorten work flow
(44) Economies of scale
(b山) Increase in proportion of higher margin products

## Major Expenses

(4) Distribution costs and administrative expenses increased to approximately 22.0\% of total revenue (1H2008: 20.8\%). Major expenses are as follows:
(4) Marketing, advertising \& promotion expenses: approximately $8.9 \%$ of revenue (1H2008: 8.9\%)
(3) Transportation expenses: approximately 4.5\% of revenue (1H2008: 4.6\%)
(4) Staff costs (excluding labour costs) : approximately $3.5 \%$ of turnover $(1 \mathrm{H}$ 2008: 3.0\%). The increase was mainly due to annual increment in salaries of sales people, more overtime payment (increase in operation size with similar number of staff), increase in social welfare insurance expenses, and recruitment of more senior/mid-level officers during the period, etc
(b) Exchange loss: approximately $0.1 \%$ of revenue ( 1 H 2008 : exchange gain:0.8\%)

## Basic EPS \& DPS

1H2009 Dividend payout ratio: 63.1\% (1H2008: 58.3\%)
(HK cents)


## Key FinanciaJ Indicators

|  | 1 H 2009 | 1 H 2008 | FY2008 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Cash on hand (HK\$ '000) | $4,519,831$ | $2,182,634$ | $1,627,592$ |
| Finished goods turnover | 50 days | 58 days | 61 days |
| Accounts receivable turnover | 28 days | 31 days | 31 days |
| Current ratio | 1.8 times | 3.3 times | 2.7 times |
| Gross gearing ratio | $\mathbf{1 9 . 7} \%$ | $30.9 \%$ | $27.9 \%$ |
| Net gearing ratio | $\mathbf{- 1 6 . 1 \%}$ |  | $-12.3 \%$ |
| Effective tax rate |  |  | $11.0 \%$ |

## Other Financial Information

(4) Government grants of approximately HK\$32 million (1H2008: HK\$60 million) were received from various local governments as encouragement of the Group's investments in these areas
(4) Capital expenditure incurred: around HK\$381million
(4) Discounted bills around HK $\$ 1.3$ billion (31 December 2008: nil) : intra-group bills discounted and the fund raised was deposited in banks to earn interest income which was larger than the related bank charges
(4) Convertible bonds:

- Face value of HK $\$ 1,449,500,000$ : already converted into shares before 30 June 2009
- Face value of HK $\$ 500,000$ : classified as other payables on 30 June 2009 since there was no conversion right and redeemed in July 2009
- Interest expenses: HK\$24 million in 1H2009, no such expense in 2H2009


## Other Financial Information - QinQin

| HK\$ '000 | 1H2009 | FY2008 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue | 482,440 | 843,635 |
| Net profit in QinQin accounts | 50,885 | 53,307 |
| Consolidation adjustments | 7,148 | - |
| Net profit of QinQin in Hengan accounts before minority interest | 43,737 | 53,307 |
| Net profit of QinQin in Hengan accounts after minority interest | 22,306 | Last year: one month profit only |
| Gross gearing ratio | 2.5\% | 5.0\% |
| Net gearing ratio | - | - |

Note: (1) 1H2008 figures have never been audited /reviewed and are therefore not disclosed.
(2) Consolidation adjustments represent additional depreciation/amortisation on the valuation surplus of fixed assets and intangible assets (e.g. trademarks, customer relationship) arising from the acquisition of QinQin Foodstuffs.


## TIIssue Papers

## Market overview

(4) Demand for quality tissue paper products increased due mainly to the continuous rising per capita income and stronger awareness of personal hygiene
(4) Consumption per capita in the PRC is far below than that of developed countries

## Business performance in 1H2009

(44) Sales jumped by approximately $21.3 \%$ to approximately HK\$2.2 billion
(4) Gross profit margin rose to approximately $41.4 \%$ (1H 2008:29.6\%) mainly due to significant drop in costs of wood pulp
(44) Increased inventory of wood pulp at a relatively lower cost in an attempt to immune from the impact of price fluctuations in 2 H 2009 . As at 30 June 2009, the Group had approximately 190,000 tons of wood pulp (sufficient for use until January 2010).
(3) Continued to focus on higher gross margin profit products (including wet tissue, pocket handkerchief and box tissue): approximately $65.9 \%$ of tissue sales
(4) Fujian production base phase II and Hunan production base Phase II commenced operation at the end of April and December 2008 respectively, raising annual production capacity to approximately 360,000 tons

## Sanitary Napkins

## Market overview

(4) Rising living standard and increasing awareness for personal hygiene lead to huge growth potential of quality sanitary napkin products in the future

## Business performance in 1H2009

(4) Sales increased by approximately $26.3 \%$ to HK\$1.2 billion
(4) Sales of mid-to-high-end products -"Space 7 Series" continued to grow and contributed approximately $57.0 \%$ ( 1 H 2008: 46\%) of segment revenue
(4) Gross profit margin improved to approximately $59.3 \%$ (1H 2008: 58.7\%), mainly due to
(4) Decline in prices of petrochemical raw materials and fluff pulp
(4) Higher proportion of sales of mid-to-high end products

## Disposable Diapers

## Market overview

(3) The growth rate of revenue of disposable diapers was below expectation as:

- Slowdown in the growth rate of disposable diapers in 2nd and 3rd tier cities as per capita income of customers there is relatively lower
- The Group has not launched new products in the last 12 months
(8) Low market penetration rate of disposable diapers highlights the huge growth potential in the market


## Business performance in 1H2009

(4) Sales increased by approximately $10.0 \%$ to approximately HK\$990 million
(4) Gross profit margin increased to about 37.0\% (2008 first half: 35.7\%) mainly due to

- Decline in prices of major raw materials, petrochemical raw materials and fluff pulp
- Tightened internal cost controls
- Product mix enhancement
(4. Launched "Super Absorbent" series in selected regions in April 2009 with positive response. Fully launched nationwide in July 2009.


## Food and Snacks

## Market overview

(3) Consumers are putting more emphasis on quality snack food products amid accelerating economic development and urbanisation in the PRC
(4) Acquired 51\% equity interest in QinQin Foodstuffs in November 2008, marking the Group's first step to establish a presence in the food and snacks industry

## Business performance in 1H2009

(4) Focused on integrating the logistics and transportation management of QinQin Foodstuffs to enjoy the synergy effect
(3) QinQin Foodstuffs' performance was in line with expectation despite the financial tsunami
(4) Sales amounted to HK\$482 million, accounting for about 9.4\% of the Group total revenue.
(4) Gross profit margin reached approximately $38.2 \%$, thanks to the fall in raw material costs and the synergy effect mentioned above

## Distribution and Marketing Channels

(4) Stepped up efforts in advertising and promotion activities
(4) Strengthened collaboration with major supermarket chains and distributors
(44) Expanded nationwide sales networks $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ tier cities, villages, towns and agricultural areas to enhance leading market position and brand equity.
(4) Distribution costs amounted to about 17.4\% of revenue ( $1 \mathrm{H} 2008: 17.6 \%$ ), similar to that of last corresponding period.

## Outlook



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## Future Outilook


(4) Continuous economic growth in China set the stage for rapid development of China's consumer product industry
(4) Cautiously optimistic about the prospect of personal care and hygiene product market in China
(4) Consolidating the Group's leading position in the personal hygiene product market, maintaining steady growth

## Outilook

## Plans and strategies

Tissue


| Diapers |  |
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（4）Continue to develop and launch high quality tissue paper products
（4）Annualised production capacity will reach 420，000 tons and 540，000 tons by the end of 2009 and 2010 respectively．
（8）drive business growth by product mix optimization and production technology advancement．
（88）boost production capacity
（4）increase investments in research and development for new products．
（4）Continue to optimize product mix and boost sales of mid－to－high end brands such as＂Anerle＂and＂Space 7＂
（4）strengthen promotion efforts to boost its market share
（4）expand the production capacity to fulfill market demand
（3）Integrate logistics，supply chain and distribution network as well as brand management of QinQin Foodstuffs with the Group＇s existing business


