

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	For the six months ended 31 December		% Change
	2024 HK\$M	2023 HK\$M	
Revenue	4,090.0	4,114.5	-0.6%
Gross profit	524.4	516.4	+1.5%
Profit attributable to shareholders of the Company ⁽ⁱ⁾	241.6	255.4	-5.4%
Basic earnings per share	HK\$0.53	HK\$0.56	-5.4%

The Board declared the payment of an interim dividend of HK21.1 cents (Six months ended 31 December 2023: HK22.4 cents) per ordinary share to the ordinary shareholders of the Company for the six months ended 31 December 2024⁽ⁱⁱ⁾.

Notes:

- (i) If excluding the effects of government grants in the Group's results for both periods to better illustrate the Group's financial results without such effects, the Group would record an increase in adjusted net profit of 3.9% to HK\$240.0M (i.e. after excluding government grants of HK\$1.6M from profit attributable to shareholders of the Company of HK\$241.6M) for the six months ended 31 December 2024 as compared to its adjusted net profit of HK\$231.0M (i.e. after excluding government grants of HK\$24.4M from profit attributable to shareholders of the Company of HK\$255.4M) for the six months ended 31 December 2023. For details of the related government grants, please refer to the "Summary of government grants" table in the "Management Discussion and Analysis" section on page 14.
- (ii) For the six months ended 31 December 2024, the dividend payout ratio of the Company is 40.0%, calculated based on the Group's adjusted profit for the six months ended 31 December 2024 attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company of HK\$237.3M (i.e. after deducting preferred distribution to the holder of convertible preference shares of HK\$4.3M for the six months ended 31 December 2024 from profit attributable to shareholders of the Company of HK\$241.6M).

For the six months ended 31 December 2023, the dividend payout ratio of the Company was 40.1%, calculated based on the Group's adjusted profit for the six months ended 31 December 2023 attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company of HK\$251.1M (i.e. after deducting preferred distribution to the holder of convertible preference shares of HK\$4.3M for the six months ended 31 December 2023 from profit attributable to shareholders of the Company of HK\$255.4M).