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# K & P INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

# 堅寶國際控股有限公司\*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) (Stock code: 675)

## INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

#### **UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS**

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of K & P International Holdings Limited (the "Company") is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2009 together with the comparative figures for the previous period. These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have not been audited, but have been reviewed by the Company's audit committee.

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30 June 2009

			ix months 30 June
		2009	2008
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	Notes	HK\$	HK\$
REVENUE	2	146,218,246	184,619,595
Cost of sales		(114,798,125)	(152,942,393)
Gross profit		31,420,121	31,677,202
Other income and gains	3	2,156,807	3,017,811
Selling and distribution costs		(15,920,968)	(21,080,644)
Administrative expenses		(13,972,214)	(18,695,902)
Other expenses		(625,598)	(1,118,772)
Finance costs	4	(1,898,215)	(2,557,098)
PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAX	5	1,159,933	(8,757,403)
Tax	6	(800,000)	(850,000)
PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD ATTRIBUTABLE TO EQUITY			
HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY		359,933	(9,607,403)
EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY	7		
Basic		0.14 cent	(3.62) cents
Diluted		N/A	(3.62) cents
DIVIDEND PER SHARE	8	Nil	Nil

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2009

HK\$	
2009 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i>	,
(Unaudited) (Unau HK\$	
HK\$	2008
	dited)
PROFIT / (LOSS) FOR THE REDION 250 022 (0.6)	HK\$
PROFIT / (LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD 359,933 (9,6)	07,403)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations  254,034 6,3'	74,045
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME / (LOSS)	
FOR THE PERIOD ATTRIBUTABLE TO	
EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY 613,967 (3,2)	33,358)

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2009

As at 30 June 2009	Notes	30 June 2009 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i>	31 December 2008 (Audited) HK\$
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment		145,815,613	154,274,311
Prepaid land lease payments		21,074,014	21,335,443
Other intangible assets		9,092,080	10,038,329
Available-for-sale investment		680,000	680,000
Prepaid rent		585,000	702,000
Total non-current assets		177,246,707	187,030,083
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories		42,399,569	45,476,715
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables		20,533,478	17,620,388
Trade and bills receivables	9	47,387,662	64,630,967
Cash and cash equivalents		20,495,773	51,510,355
Total current assets		130,816,482	179,238,425
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade payables	10	48,685,768	61,748,249
Accrued liabilities and other payables		30,933,441	34,158,844
Derivative financial instrument	11	_	106,627
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings		39,483,510	70,967,824
Tax payable		3,141,733	2,636,232
Provision for product warranties		9,429	355,774
Total current liabilities		122,253,881	169,973,550
NET CURRENT ASSETS		8,562,601	9,264,875
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		185,809,308	196,294,958
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Other long term payables		_	4,108,231
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings		17,511,286	24,504,712
Deferred tax liability		1,509,031	1,509,031
Loan from a director		12,000,000	12,000,000
Total non-current liabilities		31,020,317	42,121,974
Net assets		154,788,991	154,172,984
EQUITY			
Issued capital		26,550,480	26,550,480
Reserves		128,238,511	127,622,504
Total equity		154,788,991	154,172,984

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

These unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and Appendix 16 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") ("Listing Rules"). The accounting policies and basis of preparation adopted in the preparation of the interim financial statements are the same as those used in the Group's audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008, except in relation to the following new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs", which also include HKASs and Interpretations) that affect the Group and are adopted for the first time for the current period's financial statements:

HKFRS 1 and HKAS 27 Amendments	Amendments to HKFRS 1 First-time Adoption of HKFRSs and HKAS 27 Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements – Cost of an Investment in a Subsidiary, Jointly Controlled Entity or Associate
HKFRS 2 Amendments	Amendments to HKFRS 2 Share-based Payment – Vesting Conditions and Cancellations
HKFRS 7 Amendments	Amendments to HKFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosure – Improving Disclosures about Financial Instruments
HKFRS 8	Operating Segments
HKAS 1 (Revised)	Presentation of Financial Statements
HKAS 23 (Revised)	Borrowing Costs
HKAS 32 and HKAS 1 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation and HKAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements – Puttable Financial Instruments and Obligations Arising on Liquidation
HK(IFRIC)-Int 9 and HKAS 39 Amendments	Amendments to HK(IFRIC)-Int 9 Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives and HKAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement – Embedded Derivatives
HK(IFRIC)-Int 13	Customer Loyalty Programmes
HK(IFRIC)-Int 15	Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate
HK(IFRIC)-Int 16	Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation

The adoption of the above HKFRSs has had no material impact on the accounting policies of the Group and the methods of computation in the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### 2. SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group is organized into business units accounting to the nature of their operations and the products and services they provided and has three reportable operating segments as follows:-

- (a) the precision parts and components segment comprises the manufacture and sale of precision parts and components comprising keypads, synthetic rubber and plastic components and parts, and liquid crystal displays ("LCDs");
- (b) the consumer electronic products segment comprises the design, manufacture and sale of consumer electronic products comprising time, weather forecasting and other products; and
- (c) the corporate and others segment comprises the Group's property holding activities, together with corporate income and expense items.

Management monitors the operating results of its business units separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on operating profit or loss which in certain respects, which is measured the same with operating profit or loss in the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Intersegment sales and transfers are transacted with reference to the cost of sales.

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The following table presents revenue, profit/(loss) and certain expenditure information for the Group's operating segments for the six months ended 30 June 2009 and 2008.

	Preci	sion parts	C	onsumer						
	and co	omponents	electro	nic products	Corporate	e and others	Elimin	ations	Consolic	lated
	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Segment revenue:										
Sales to external										
customers	95,548,085	117,484,789	50,670,161	67,134,806	-	-	-	-	146,218,246	184,619,595
Intersegment sales	1,180,675	1,238,366	146,880	546	-	-	(1,327,555)	(1,238,912)	-	-
Other income										
and gains	1,670,309	2,774,180	438,338	140,305	21,883	1,279	_	=	2,130,530	2,915,764
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Total	98,399,069	121,497,335	51,255,379	67,275,657	21,883	1,279	(1,327,555)	(1,238,912)	148,348,776	187,535,359
Segment results	9,946,115	8,992,205	(7,804,976)	(14,089,506)	890,732	(1,205,051)			3,031,871	(6,302,352)
Bank Interest income									26,277	102,047
Finance costs									(1,898,215)	(2,557,098)
Profit / (Loss) before tax									1,159,933	(8,757,403)
Tax									(800,000)	
Tun										
Profit / (Loss) for the period	l								359,933	(9,607,403)
Other segment information:										
Depreciation and										
amortisation	5,407,091	5,443,931	6,707,225	7,276,118	461,136	510,057	-	-	12,575,452	13,230,106
Capital expenditure	585,633	28,978,125	2,324,577	21,994,930	12,800	78,640			2,923,010	51,051,695

For the six months ended 30 June 2009, revenue of approximately HK\$25,600,000 (six months ended 30 June 2008: approximately HK\$24,200,000) was derived from a single external customer of precision parts and components segment.

The following table presents revenue and certain expenditure information for the Group by geographical area for the six months ended 30 June 2009 and 2008.

HK\$         HK\$ <th></th> <th>Common and</th> <th></th> <th></th> <th>segment</th>		Common and			segment	
2009   2008   2009   2008   2009   2009   2000   (Unaudited)   (Unaudi		_				
(Unaudited)         (Expected)						
Mainland China       8,762,779       11,810,396       1,433,925       45,252,944         Total in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC")       40,496,159       56,186,494       2,916,725       51,041,864         Japan Other Asian countries*       16,515,706       15,983,751       -       9,833         Total in Asia       64,978,380       78,235,763       2,916,725       51,051,692         Austria Germany Other European countries**       24,707,085       24,247,510       -       -         Total in Europe       64,632,048       77,873,501       -       -         North America       11,253,079       20,734,989       6,285       -         Others***       5,354,739       7,775,342       -       -       -		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)  HK\$	
Mainland China       8,762,779       11,810,396       1,433,925       45,252,944         Total in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC")       40,496,159       56,186,494       2,916,725       51,041,864         Japan Other Asian countries*       16,515,706       15,983,751       -       9,833         Total in Asia       64,978,380       78,235,763       2,916,725       51,051,692         Austria Germany Other European countries**       24,707,085       24,247,510       -       -         Total in Europe       64,632,048       77,873,501       -       -         North America       11,253,079       20,734,989       6,285       -         Others***       5,354,739       7,775,342       -       -       -	Hong Kong	31,733,380	44,376,098	1,482,800	5,788,920	
Republic of China (the "PRC")       40,496,159       56,186,494       2,916,725       51,041,864         Japan       7,966,515       6,065,518       -       -         Other Asian countries*       16,515,706       15,983,751       -       9,83         Total in Asia       64,978,380       78,235,763       2,916,725       51,051,695         Austria       24,707,085       24,247,510       -       -         Germany       22,881,805       23,479,194       -       -         Other European countries**       17,043,158       30,146,797       -       -         Total in Europe       64,632,048       77,873,501       -       -         North America       11,253,079       20,734,989       6,285       -         Others***       5,354,739       7,775,342       -       -		, ,		, ,	45,252,944	
Republic of China (the "PRC")       40,496,159       56,186,494       2,916,725       51,041,864         Japan       7,966,515       6,065,518       -       -         Other Asian countries*       16,515,706       15,983,751       -       9,83         Total in Asia       64,978,380       78,235,763       2,916,725       51,051,695         Austria       24,707,085       24,247,510       -       -         Germany       22,881,805       23,479,194       -       -         Other European countries**       17,043,158       30,146,797       -       -         Total in Europe       64,632,048       77,873,501       -       -         North America       11,253,079       20,734,989       6,285       -         Others***       5,354,739       7,775,342       -       -	Total in the People's					
Other Asian countries*       16,515,706       15,983,751       -       9,833         Total in Asia       64,978,380       78,235,763       2,916,725       51,051,695         Austria       24,707,085       24,247,510       -       -         Germany       22,881,805       23,479,194       -       -         Other European countries**       17,043,158       30,146,797       -       -         Total in Europe       64,632,048       77,873,501       -       -         North America       11,253,079       20,734,989       6,285       -         Others***       5,354,739       7,775,342       -       -	•	40,496,159	56,186,494	2,916,725	51,041,864	
Other Asian countries*       16,515,706       15,983,751       -       9,833         Total in Asia       64,978,380       78,235,763       2,916,725       51,051,695         Austria       24,707,085       24,247,510       -       -         Germany       22,881,805       23,479,194       -       -         Other European countries**       17,043,158       30,146,797       -       -         Total in Europe       64,632,048       77,873,501       -       -         North America       11,253,079       20,734,989       6,285       -         Others***       5,354,739       7,775,342       -       -	•	, ,	· ·		_	
Austria Germany Other European countries**  Total in Europe  11,253,079  24,247,510		16,515,706			9,831	
Germany       22,881,805       23,479,194       -       -       -         Other European countries**       17,043,158       30,146,797       -       -       -         Total in Europe       64,632,048       77,873,501       -       -       -         North America       11,253,079       20,734,989       6,285       -         Others***       5,354,739       7,775,342       -       -	Total in Asia	64,978,380	78,235,763	2,916,725	51,051,695	
Other European countries**       17,043,158       30,146,797       -       -         Total in Europe       64,632,048       77,873,501       -       -         North America       11,253,079       20,734,989       6,285       -         Others***       5,354,739       7,775,342       -       -	Austria	24,707,085	24,247,510	_	_	
Total in Europe 64,632,048 77,873,501	Germany	22,881,805	23,479,194	_	_	
North America 11,253,079 20,734,989 6,285 - Others*** 5,354,739 7,775,342 -	Other European countries**	17,043,158	30,146,797			
Others***  5,354,739  7,775,342  -	Total in Europe	64,632,048	77,873,501			
	North America	11,253,079	20,734,989	6,285		
Consolidated 146,218,246 184,619,595 2,923,010 51,051,695	Others***	5,354,739	7,775,342			
	Consolidated	146,218,246	184,619,595	2,923,010	51,051,695	

<sup>\*</sup> Other Asian countries mainly comprise Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Korea, Israel and India.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Other European countries mainly comprise Italy, the United Kingdom, France, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Denmark, Sweden, Spain, Russia, Belgium, Hungary and Poland.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Others mainly comprise South America, Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

#### 3. OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

	For the six months ended 30 June		
	2009		
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	<i>HK</i> \$	HK\$	
Bank interest income	26,277	102,047	
Tooling charge income	1,240,873	1,405,149	
Sale of scrap	· · · -	234,515	
Fair value gain on a derivative financial instrument  – transaction not qualifying as a hedge	106,627	_	
Gain on disposal of items of property,	100,021		
plant and equipment	_	517,928	
Others	783,030	758,172	
	2,156,807	3,017,811	

#### 4. FINANCE COSTS

	For the six months		
	ended 30 June		
	2009	2008	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$	HK\$	
Interest on bank loans and overdrafts			
wholly repayable within five years	1,776,137	2,487,783	
Interest on finance leases	122,078	69,315	
	1,898,215	2,557,098	

## 5. PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAX

The Group's profit/(loss) before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	For the six months		
	ended 30 June		
	2009	2008	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$	HK\$	
Depreciation	9,914,952	10,832,282	
Amortisation of other intangible assets*	2,416,250	2,170,000	
Recognition of prepaid land lease payments	244,250	227,824	
Provision / (reversal of provision) for slow-moving inventories*	775,529	(1,374,656)	
Foreign exchange differences, net	380,605	35,735	
Product warranties provision	81,705	149,347	
Impairment of trade receivables	625,598	818,349	
Fair value loss/(gain) on a derivative financial instrument			
<ul> <li>transaction not qualifying as a hedge</li> </ul>	(106,627)	300,423	
Loss/(gain) on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment	5	(517,928)	

<sup>\*</sup> The amortisation of other intangible assets and the provision/(reversal of provision) for slow-moving inventories for the period are included in "Cost of sales" in the consolidated income statement.

#### 6. TAX

For the six months
ended 30 June
2009 2008
(Unaudited) (Unaudited)
HK\$ HK\$

Group:
Current – Hong Kong
Charge for the period

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2008: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the period.

# 7. EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the net profit attributable to shareholders for the period of HK\$359,933 (six months ended 30 June 2008: loss of HK\$9,607,403), and on the weighted average of 265,504,800 (six months ended 30 June 2008: 265,504,800) ordinary shares in issue during the period.

Diluted earnings per share for the period has not been shown as the share options outstanding during the period had an anti-dilutive effect on the basic earnings per share for the period.

The calculation of diluted loss per share for the period ended 30 June 2008 is based on the net loss attributable to shareholders for last period of HK\$9,607,403. The weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation is the 265,504,800 ordinary shares in issue during last period, as used in the basic loss per share calculation; and the weighted average of 46,296 ordinary shares assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise of all share options outstanding during last period.

#### 8. DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2009 (six months ended 30 June 2008: Nil).

#### 9. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES

The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on credit, except for new customers, where payment in advance is normally required. Invoices are normally payable within 60 days of issuance, except for certain well-established customers, where the terms are extended from 60 to 90 days. Each customer has a maximum credit limit. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables and has a credit control policy to minimize credit risk. Overdue balances are regularly reviewed by senior management. In view of the aforementioned and the fact that the Group's trade receivables relate to a large number of diversified customers, there is no significant concentration of credit risk. Trade receivables are non-interest-bearing. Bills receivable discounted with recourse are interest-bearing. The carrying amounts of these balances approximate to their fair values.

An aged analysis of the trade and bills receivables as at the end of the reporting period, based on invoice date and net of provisions, is as follows:

	30 June 2009 (Unaudited)	31 December 2008 (Audited)
	HK\$	HK\$
Within 90 days	43,264,081	59,369,997
Between 91 to 180 days	2,042,775	4,656,136
Over 180 days	2,080,806	604,834
	47,387,662	64,630,967

#### 10. TRADE PAYABLES

An aged analysis of the trade payables as at the end of the reporting period, based on invoice date, is as follows:

	30 June 2009	31 December 2008
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$	HK\$
Within 90 days	30,003,906	39,654,629
Between 91 to 180 days	14,099,648	17,480,459
Over 180 days	4,582,214	4,613,161
	48,685,768	61,748,249

The trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on terms varying from 60 to 120 days.

#### 11. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT

The derivative financial instrument was a forward currency contract with carrying amount stated at its fair value, and had been expired during the period.

The forward currency contract did not meet the criteria for hedge accounting. The change in the fair value of this non-hedging currency derivative of profit of HK\$106,627 was charged to the income statement during the period (six months ended 30 June 2008: loss of HK\$300,423).

#### 12. SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The maximum number of unexercised share options currently permitted to be granted under the existing share option scheme of the Company ("the Scheme") must not in aggregate exceed 30% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time.

As at 30 June 2009, the Company had 1,900,000 share options outstanding under the Scheme. The exercise in full of the remaining share options would, under the present capital structure of the Company, result in the issue of 1,900,000 additional ordinary shares of the Company and additional share capital of HK\$190,000 and share premium of HK\$296,800 (before issue expenses).

At the date of approval of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements, the Company had 1,900,000 share options outstanding under the Scheme, which represented approximately 0.72% of the Company's shares in issue as at that date.

#### 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) Certain of the Group's banking facilities, of which HK\$28,000,000 (at 31 December 2008: HK\$76,000,000) had been utilised as at the end of the reporting period, were secured by personal guarantees amounting to HK\$112,900,000 (at 31 December 2008: HK\$118,400,000) given by a director of the Company. The director received no consideration for providing these guarantees.

(b) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group:

	1 of the s	ended 30 June		
	ended .			
	2009			
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)		
	HK\$	HK\$		
Short term employee benefits	6,080,403	6,674,941		
Post-employment benefits	-	14,040		
Termination benefits	103,161	126,011		
Share-based payments	-	8,221		
Total compensation paid to key				
management personnel	6,183,564	6,823,213		

For the six months

(c) A loan of HK\$12,000,000 (at 31 December 2008: HK\$12,000,000) was granted by a director of the Company and the director received no interest for providing this loan.

#### 14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

(a) As at 30 June 2009, contingent liabilities not provided for in the financial statements were as follows:-

	30 June	31 December
	2009	2008
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	<i>HK\$</i>	HK\$
Guarantees of banking facilities granted to subsidiaries	181,050,000	194,060,000

(b) A subsidiary of the Group is currently a defendant in a lawsuit brought by a party alleging that the subsidiary had breached a sales and purchase contract to deliver certain goods. The directors, based on the advice from the Group's external legal counsel, believe that the subsidiary has a reasonably good defence against the allegation and, accordingly, have not provided for any claim arising from the litigation, other than the related legal cost.

#### 15. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 8 September 2009.

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### FINANCIAL RESULTS

For the period ended 30 June 2009, the Group's turnover amounted to HK\$146.2 million, representing a 20.8% decrease from the previous period. And, overall gross profit slightly decreased from approximately HK\$31.7 million in the previous period to approximately HK\$31.4 million this period. Profit attributable to shareholders was approximately HK\$0.4 million (six months ended 30 June 2008: loss of HK\$9.6 million).

Basic earnings per share for the period ended 30 June 2009 amounted to HK0.14 cent (six months ended 30 June 2008: loss per share HK3.62 cents).

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW AND FUTURE PLAN**

During this financial period, the Group was impacted by the global economy recession as the purchase orders from the customers were reduced. That led to the decrease on the sales turnover. At the same time, we had also been beneficial from the reduction of raw materials costs, slowdown of the appreciation of Renminbi and labor costs, combining with the initial result seen from our effort of streamlining our operation, reducing on daily expenses and enhancing production efficiency, our gross profit margin increased 4.3% to 21.5% compared with the previous period (six months ended 30 June 2008: 17.2%).

The successful implementation of the above-mentioned strategies decreased the manufacturing overhead cost approximately HK\$13.5 million which is 21.3% lower than the previous period. In addition, to monitor daily expenditure closely and restructure human resources, the Group has been further benefited in costs saving of approximately HK\$5.2 million in selling and distribution expenses and of approximately HK\$4.7 million in administrative expenses, representing a decrease of 24.5% and 25.3% respectively with the previous period. Also, during the period, our aim to minimize the financial burden resulted in a 25.8% decrease in the finance costs.

The sales turnover of the precision parts and components segment decreased from approximately HK\$117.5 million to approximately HK\$95.5 million this period, representing a decrease of 18.7%. The drop in sales turnover of this segment is mainly attributed to the reduction on purchase order from the American customers and less demand in telecommunication products. Nevertheless, the operating result of this segment increased HK\$0.95 million due to the stringent control of the production cost.

The sales turnover of the consumer products segment decreased from approximately HK\$67.1 million to approximately HK\$50.7 million this period. This was mainly due to the reduction of purchase orders from both Europe and U.S. regions. However, after the implementation of cost measures on daily expenses and restructure of the Europe and U.S. operation, the loss in operation result had been reduced to approximately HK\$7.8 million.

As there is no strong sign on the fast recovery of global economy, the Group will maintain its solid financial approach, continue to strengthen and work on improving our operations, focusing on cost control measures to prepare for the unstable business environment ahead of us.

# LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The Group generally finances its operations with internally generated cash flow and banking facilities provided by its principal bankers and other financial institutions in Hong Kong and the Mainland China.

The total borrowings from banks and financial institutions include long term loans, finance leases, import and export loans, amounted to approximately HK\$57.0 million as at 30 June 2009, of which HK\$39.5 million is repayable within one year.

The Group's financial position remains healthy. As at 30 June 2009, the aggregate balance of cash and cash equivalents of the Group amounted to approximately HK\$20.5 million.

The Group's borrowings are on a floating rate basis and are mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars, Renminbi or United States dollars. These match with the principal currencies in which the Group conducts its business. Currently, the Group has Renminbi-denominated loan amounting to approximately RMB20 million that are used by the Group's plants in Zhongshan, the PRC for working capital purpose.

The gearing ratio on the basis of total debts to total assets as at 30 June 2009 is 49.8% (at 31 December 2008: 57.9%).

#### CHARGE ON THE GROUP ASSETS

As at 30 June 2009, certain of the Group's buildings with a net carrying value of approximately HK\$49,656,000 (at 31 December 2008: HK\$50,000,000) and one of the Group's land with a net book value of approximately HK\$10,445,000 (at 31 December 2008: HK\$10,548,000) were pledged to secure a bank loan to the Group.

#### **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

Except for corporate guarantees given to banks and other financial institutions in relation to facilities granted to the subsidiaries, a subsidiary of the Group is currently a defendant in a lawsuit brought by a party alleging that the subsidiary had breached a sales and purchase contract to deliver certain goods. The directors, based on the advice from the Group's external legal counsel, believe that the subsidiary has a reasonably good defence against the allegation and, accordingly, have not provided for any claim arising from the litigation, other than the related legal cost.

#### **CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

As at 30 June 2009, the Company had approximately 265.5 million shares in issue with total shareholders' fund of the Group amounting to approximately HK\$154.8 million.

Pursuant to the Scheme, the Board granted share options to certain supplier of services, senior executives, and employees, of the Group. The exercise in full of those share options granted but remaining not exercised would result in the issue of 1.9 million additional shares and proceeds of approximately HK\$0.49 million.

#### **FUND RAISING**

Other than obtaining additional general banking facilities to finance the Group's trading requirements, we did not have any special fund raising exercise during the period ended 30 June 2009.

#### **EMPLOYEES**

As at 30 June 2009, the Group had a total workforce of approximately 2,150 of which approximately 65 were based in Hong Kong, approximately 15 were based overseas and approximately 2,070 were based in the Mainland China.

The Group remunerates its employees largely based on the prevailing industry practice and labor laws. Since December 1996, the Company has adopted a share option scheme for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to the employees of the Group.

Moreover, under the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme Ordinance of Hong Kong, the Group has operated a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme for all its Hong Kong employees. For overseas and Mainland China employees, the Group is required to contribute a certain percentage of its payroll costs to the central pension scheme operated by the respective local government.

#### PURCHASE, REDEMPTION OR SALE OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the period.

#### CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

In the opinion of the directors, saved for the deviation discussed below, the Company has complied with all the code provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices, as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules throughout the accounting period covered by the interim report.

Code Provision A.2.1 stipulates that the roles of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual.

The roles of the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer are not separate and are performed by Mr. Lai Pei Wor. Since the Board will meet regularly to consider major matters affecting the operations of the Company, the Board considers that this structure will not impair the balance of power and authority between the Board and the management of the Company and believes that this structure will enable the Company to make and implement decisions promptly and efficiently.

#### **DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS**

The Company has adopted the code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions as set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") of Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. Based on specific enquiry of the Company's directors, all directors have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code throughout the period.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Company has an audit committee which was established in compliance with Rule 3.21 of the Listing Rules for the purpose of reviewing and providing supervision over the Group's financial reporting process and internal controls. The audit committee of the Company comprises three independent non-executive directors, namely, Mr. Kung Fan Cheong, Mr. Leung Man Kay and Mr. Li Yuen Kwan, Joseph. The audit committee has reviewed the unaudited interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2009.

#### PUBLICATION OF INTERIM REPORT

The Company's interim report containing all the relevant information required by the Listing Rules will be published in due course on the websites of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) and of the Company (www.kpihl.com).

On behalf of the Board
K & P International Holdings limited
Lai Pei Wor
Chairman

Hong Kong, 8 September 2009

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Messrs. Lai Pei Wor and Chan Yau Wah (being executive directors) and Messrs. Kung Fan Cheong, Leung Man Kay and Li Yuen Kwan, Joseph (being independent non-executive directors).

\* For identification purposes only