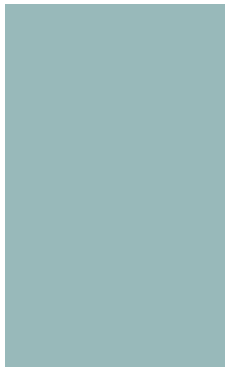
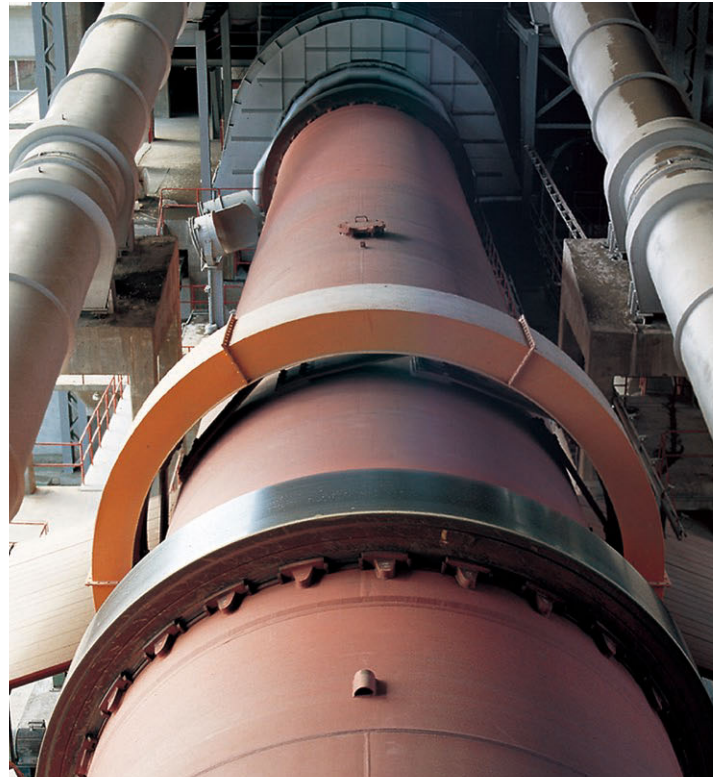
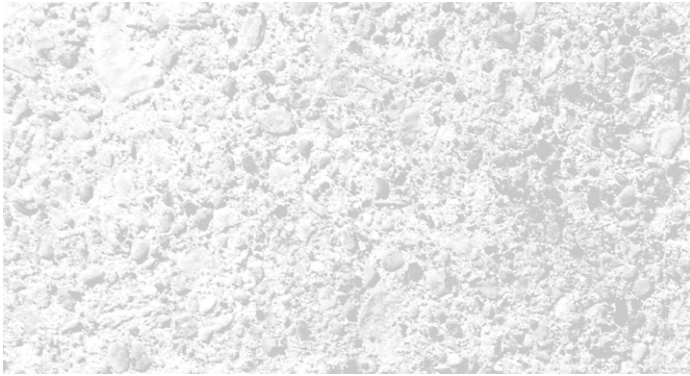




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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Six months ended 30 June

	Notes	2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	2014 RMB'000 (unaudited)	% Change (Decrease)
Revenue		3,006,396	3,908,966	(23)
Gross profit		427,731	930,205	(54)
Profit for the period		12,586	394,329	(97)
Profit attributable to owners of the Company		9,854	383,153	(97)
Gross profit margin		14%	24%	(42)
Net profit margin	1	0.4%	10.1%	(96)
Earning per share				
— Basic		RMB0.006	RMB0.246	(97)
— Diluted		RMB0.006	RMB0.246	(97)

		30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	31 December 2014 RMB'000 (audited)	% Change (Decrease)
Total assets		19,371,180	20,022,989	(3)
Net assets		9,874,859	10,105,134	(2)
Liquidity and Gearing				
Current ratio	2	1.41	1.13	
Quick ratio	3	1.20	0.97	
Gearing ratio	4	0.49	0.50	

Notes:

1. Net profit margin is calculated as profit for the period divided by revenue.
2. Current ratio is calculated as current assets divided by current liabilities.
3. Quick ratio is calculated as current assets less inventories divided by current liabilities.
4. Gearing ratio is calculated as total liabilities divided by total assets.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2015

Six months ended 30 June

	<i>Notes</i>	2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	2014 RMB'000 (unaudited)
Revenue		3,006,396	3,908,966
Cost of sales		(2,578,665)	(2,978,761)
Gross profit		427,731	930,205
Other income	4	51,532	79,208
Other gains and losses	5	10,068	(47,156)
Distribution and selling expenses		(187,531)	(191,703)
Administrative expenses		(169,059)	(151,186)
Share of profit of jointly controlled entities		387	2,146
Share of profit of an associate		(897)	435
Finance costs		(89,494)	(90,389)
Profit before tax		42,737	531,560
Income tax expense	6	(30,151)	(137,231)
Profit for the period	7	12,586	394,329
Other comprehensive income:			
Fair value gain on hedging instruments designated in cash flow hedges		1,512	1,633
Total comprehensive income for the period		14,098	395,962
Profit for the period attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		9,854	383,153
Non-controlling interests		2,732	11,176
		12,586	394,329
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		11,366	384,786
Non-controlling interests		2,732	11,176
		14,098	395,962
		RMB	RMB
Earnings per share:	9		
Basic		0.006	0.246
Diluted		0.006	0.246

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 June 2015

	<i>Notes</i>	As at 30 June 2015 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2014 RMB'000 (Audited)
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	10	11,097,943	11,364,794
Quarry	11	258,641	266,118
Prepaid lease payments	12	650,989	663,148
Goodwill		693,000	693,000
Other intangible assets		4,352	8,554
Interest in a joint venture		74,075	75,613
Interest in an associate		16,216	17,113
Restricted bank deposits		28,467	25,840
Deferred tax assets		29,153	29,766
Long term receivables		22,380	22,380
Long term prepaid rental		30,094	31,864
		12,905,310	13,198,190
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories	14	974,117	966,335
Long term receivables – due within one year		25,873	20,573
Trade and other receivables	15	2,833,537	3,039,842
Prepaid lease payments	12	18,118	18,118
Loan to a related company	16	430,196	437,000
Amount due from an associate		12,096	–
Restricted bank deposits		200	18,347
Bank balances and cash		2,171,733	2,324,584
		6,465,870	6,824,799
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	17	952,816	1,201,699
Amount due to a joint venture		15,996	6,668
Tax payables		15,768	46,874
Derivative liabilities	13	1,362	2,876
Borrowings – due within one year		3,602,128	4,804,222
		4,588,070	6,062,339
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,877,800	762,460
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		14,783,110	13,960,650
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Borrowings – due after one year		4,872,431	3,814,465
Deferred tax liabilities		20,771	27,839
Provision for environmental restoration		15,049	13,212
		4,908,251	3,855,516
NET ASSETS		9,874,859	10,105,134
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share capital	18	140,390	140,390
Reserves		9,466,565	9,690,227
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		9,606,955	9,830,617
Non-controlling interests		267,904	274,517
TOTAL EQUITY		9,874,859	10,105,134

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 June 2015

	Attributable to owners of the Company											Non-controlling interests RMB'000	Total RMB'000
	Share capital RMB'000	Share premium RMB'000	Statutory reserves RMB'000	Other reserves RMB'000	Special reserve RMB'000	Share option reserve RMB'000	Hedging reserve RMB'000	Investment revaluation reserve RMB'000	Retained profits RMB'000	Sub-total RMB'000			
At 1 January 2014 (audited)	139,549	3,376,570	965,755	286,038	1,635,906	22,639	(6,300)	379	2,814,813	9,235,349	242,474	9,477,823	
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	383,153	383,153	11,176	394,329	
Other comprehensive expense for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,633	-	-	1,633	-	1,633	
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,633	-	383,153	384,786	11,176	395,962	
Appropriation	-	-	196,748	-	-	-	-	-	(196,748)	-	-	-	
Fair value change of available-for-sales investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(593)	-	(593)	-	(593)	
Dividends recognised as distribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(233,439)	(233,439)	(9,441)	(242,880)	
Acquisition of Sichuan Lanfeng	-	-	-	-	(12,408)	-	-	-	12,408	-	-	-	
At 30 June 2014 (unaudited)	139,549	3,376,570	1,162,503	286,038	1,623,498	22,639	(4,667)	(214)	2,780,187	9,386,103	244,209	9,630,312	
At 1 January 2015 (audited)	140,390	3,431,806	1,162,503	286,038	1,635,906	-	(2,876)	-	3,176,850	9,830,617	274,517	10,105,134	
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,854	9,854	2,732	12,586	
Other comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,512	-	-	1,512	-	1,512	
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,512	-	9,854	11,366	2,732	14,098	
Appropriation	-	-	200,973	-	-	-	-	-	(200,973)	-	-	-	
Recognition of equity-settled share-based payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Dividends recognised as distribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(235,028)	(235,028)	(9,345)	(244,373)	
At 30 June 2015 (unaudited)	140,390	3,431,806	1,363,476	286,038	1,635,906	-	(1,364)	-	2,750,703	9,606,955	267,904	9,874,859	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 June 2015

Six months ended 30 June

	2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	2014 RMB'000 (unaudited)
Net cash from operating activities	471,950	630,528
Net cash used in investing activities	(145,912)	(1,361,311)
Net cash used in financing activities	(478,889)	(1,246)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(152,851)	(732,029)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	2,324,584	1,967,521
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period, represented by bank balances and cash	2,171,733	1,235,492

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 June 2015

1. Basis of Preparation

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and with International Accounting Standard 34 ("IAS 34"), "Interim Financial Reporting".

2. Principal Accounting Policies

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair values.

Except as described below, the accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2015 are the same as those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014.

In the current interim period, the Group has applied the following amendments to IFRSs which are mandatorily effective for the current interim period:

Amendments to IAS 19	Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions
Amendments to IFRSs	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2010-2012 Cycle
Amendments to IFRSs	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2011-2013 Cycle

The application of the amendments to IFRSs in the current interim period has had no material effect on the amounts reported in these condensed consolidated financial statements and/or disclosure set out in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

3. Segment Information

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable and operating segments for the period under review:

Six months ended 30 June 2015 (unaudited)

	Cement business RMB'000	Concrete business RMB'000	Total RMB'000	Elimination RMB'000	Consolidated RMB'000
REVENUE					
External sales	2,703,367	303,029	3,006,396	–	3,006,396
Inter-segment sales	52,944	–	52,944	(52,944)	–
Total	2,756,311	303,029	3,059,340	(52,944)	3,006,396
RESULT					
Segment result	177,243	16,208	193,451	(51,781)	141,670
Unallocated income					12,307
Central administration costs, directors' salaries and other unallocated expense					(21,236)
Share of profit of jointly controlled entities					387
Share of loss of an associate					(897)
Finance costs					(89,494)
Profit before tax					42,737

Six months ended 30 June 2014 (unaudited)

	Cement business RMB'000	Concrete business RMB'000	Total RMB'000	Elimination RMB'000	Consolidated RMB'000
REVENUE					
External sales	3,515,796	393,170	3,908,966	–	3,908,966
Inter-segment sales	78,650	–	78,650	(78,650)	–
Total	3,594,446	393,170	3,987,616	(78,650)	3,908,966
RESULT					
Segment result	646,246	17,249	663,495	(132,812)	530,683
Unallocated income					111,554
Central administration costs, directors' salaries and other unallocated expense					(22,869)
Share of profit of jointly controlled entities					2,146
Share of profit of an associate					435
Finance costs					(90,389)
Profit before tax					531,560

Segment result represents the profit earned (loss incurred) by each segment without allocation of central administration costs, directors' salaries, share of results of jointly controlled entities and associate, investment income and financial costs. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision maker for the purpose of resource allocation and performance assessment.

Inter-segment sales were charged at market price or where no market price was available at cost plus a percentage mark-up.

4. OTHER INCOME

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2015	2014
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Government grant	14,479	31,511
Transportation fee income	4,635	4,960
Sales of scrap materials	2,323	1,456
Interest income on bank deposits	21,675	27,944
Rental income, net of outgoings	1,510	2,963
Interest income on held-to-maturity investments	–	2,138
Others	6,910	8,236
	51,532	79,208

5. OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2015	2014
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Allowance for doubtful debts, net	5,194	(2,570)
Exchange gain, net	5,270	(43,926)
Gain on changes in fair value of held-for-trading investments	–	26
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(396)	(686)
	10,068	(47,156)

6. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2015	2014
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Current tax:		
— PRC Enterprise Income Tax ("EIT")	36,246	144,339
Withholding tax paid	—	—
Underprovision (overprovision) in prior years	359	(1,859)
Deferred tax credit	(6,454)	(5,249)
	30,151	137,231

For the six months ended 30 June 2015 and 2014, the relevant tax rates for the Group's subsidiaries in the PRC ranged from 15% to 25% and 15% to 25%, respectively.

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax and Singapore income tax has been made in the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income as the Group had no assessable profit arising in these jurisdictions for the six months ended 30 June 2015 and 2014.

7. Profit for the Period

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2015	2014
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Profit for the period has been arrived at after charging:		
Depreciation and amortisation	458,064	415,403

8. Dividends

A final dividend of RMB15 cents per share for the year ended 31 December 2014, amounting to RMB235,027,650, was paid during the six months ended 30 June 2015.

The directors of the Company do not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2015 and 2014.

9. Earnings Per Share

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Company is based on the following data:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2015	2014
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Earnings		
Earnings for the purposes of basic and diluted earnings per share (profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company)	9,854	383,153
	'000	'000
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share	1,566,851	1,556,250
Effect of dilutive employee share options	–	2,695
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share	1,566,851	1,558,945

10. Property, Plant and Equipment

	Carrying value
	RMB'000
At 1 January 2014 (audited)	10,313,948
Additions	1,668,715
Depreciation for the period	(520,203)
Disposals	(3,699)
At 30 June 2014 (unaudited)	11,458,761
At 1 January 2015 (audited)	11,364,794
Additions	169,759
Depreciation for the period	(432,309)
Disposals	(4,301)
At 30 June 2015 (unaudited)	11,097,943

11. Quarry

	Carrying value RMB'000
At 1 January 2014 (audited)	202,355
Additions	86,167
Amortisation during the period	(8,182)
Disposals	(2,811)
At 30 June 2014 (unaudited)	277,529
At 1 January 2015 (audited)	266,118
Additions	1,835
Amortisation during the period	(9,312)
At 30 June 2015 (unaudited)	258,641

12. Prepaid Lease Payment

	Carrying value RMB'000
At 1 January 2014 (audited)	602,179
Transfer from deposits paid for land use rights	–
Additions	118,743
Amortisation during the period	(15,510)
At 30 June 2014 (unaudited)	705,412
At 1 January 2015 (audited)	681,266
Additions	–
Amortisation during the period	(12,159)
At 30 June 2015 (unaudited)	669,107

13. Derivative Financial Instruments
Six months ended 30 June 2015 and 2014

At 30 June 2015, the Group had an outstanding US\$ interest rate swap contract designated as a highly effective hedging instrument in order to hedge the Group's cash flow interest rate exposure on US\$ denominated floating rate bank borrowings.

The terms of the US\$ interest rate swap contract has been negotiated to match the terms of the US\$ denominated floating rate bank borrowings.

Major terms of the US\$ interest rate swap are as follows:

Notional amount	Maturity	Swaps
US\$30,000,000	20.10.2015	From London Interbank Offering Rate ("LIBOR") to 1.75% per annum

As at 30 June 2015, fair value gain of RMB1,512,000 (2014: fair value gain of RMB1,633,000) has been recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity. It will be reclassified to profit or loss in the periods in which payments of interest on the US\$ denominated floating rate bank borrowings are recognised.

The fair value of the US\$ interest rate swap is measured at the present value of future cash flows estimated and discounted based on the applicable yield curves derived from quoted interest rates.

14. Inventories

	30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	31 December 2014 RMB'000 (audited)
Spare parts and ancillary materials	389,183	378,618
Raw materials	316,543	385,348
Work in progress	157,619	123,388
Finished goods	110,772	78,981
	974,117	966,335

15. Trade and Other Receivables

	30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	31 December 2014 RMB'000 (audited)
Trade receivables	1,487,749	1,502,968
Less: accumulated allowance	(96,040)	(101,156)
	1,391,709	1,401,812
Bills receivable	1,002,830	1,284,071
	2,394,539	2,685,883
Other receivables	441,330	356,291
Less: accumulated allowance	(2,332)	(2,332)
	2,833,537	3,039,842

The Group has a policy of allowing a credit period from 30 to 90 days for cement customers whereas longer credit term are occasionally allowed to certain selected customers with good credit histories. In addition, the Group's credit policy for the concrete customers are generally after the completion of the construction by the buyers, which on average is about 180 to 365 days.

The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables net of allowance for doubtful debts presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting period:

	30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	31 December 2014 RMB'000 (audited)
0 – 90 days	553,273	749,175
91 – 180 days	280,336	349,422
181 – 365 days	459,661	256,217
Over 365 days	98,439	46,998
	1,391,709	1,401,812

16. LOAN TO A RELATED COMPANY

Loan to a related company of RMB430,196,000 is unsecured, interest free and repayable in June 2016.

17. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	31 December 2014 RMB'000 (audited)
Trade and bills payables	502,243	525,649
Other payables and accruals	450,573	676,050
	952,816	1,201,699
Analysed for reporting purposes as:		
Non-current liabilities	–	–
Current liabilities	952,816	1,201,699
	952,816	1,201,699

The following is an aged analysis of trade and bills payables presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting period:

	30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	31 December 2014 RMB'000 (audited)
0 – 90 days	324,967	455,247
91 – 180 days	35,548	35,124
181 – 365 days	120,673	27,713
Over 365 days	21,055	7,565
	502,243	525,649

Trade payables principally comprise amounts outstanding for trade purchases. The average credit period for trade purchases is 30 to 90 days.

18. SHARE CAPITAL

Issued share capital as at 30 June 2015 amounted to RMB140,390,000. There were no movements in the issued share capital of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2015.

19. Commitments

	30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	31 December 2014 RMB'000 (audited)
Capital expenditure in respect of acquisition of property, plant and equipment and land use rights contracted for but not provided in the condensed consolidated financial statements	618,880	752,917

20. Related Party Transactions

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	2014 RMB'000 (unaudited)
Jointly controlled entities: Transportation expenses	42,139	51,499
Associate: Sale of goods	2,483	8,124

The remuneration of directors was as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	2014 RMB'000 (unaudited)
Short-term employee benefits	2,576	3,366
	2,576	3,366

The remuneration of directors is determined by having regard to the performance of individuals and market trends.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

Against the backdrop of the “new normal”, the overall economic development in China in the first half of 2015 was stable, while industrial restructuring continued at a steady pace. In line with expectations, economic growth slightly slowed down. The GDP growth rate for the first half of the year was 7.0%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 0.4 percentage point, while the growth rate of China’s fixed assets investment reached 11.4%, representing a decline of 5.9 percentage points as compared to that of the same period last year. The property development investment increased by 4.6% year-on-year, which was 9.5 percentage points lower than the growth rate of the same period last year.

Affected by the decline in the growth of China’s fixed assets investment and property development investment, the cement market saw sluggish demand. From January to June of 2015, the national cement output was 1,077 million tonnes, representing a decrease of 67 million tonnes or 5.9% from 1,144 million tonnes of the same period last year. According to the analysis conducted by authoritative media in the cement industry, the continued decline in demand had led to high inventory level, making cement companies to lower their price to reduce inventory; as a result, the consensus on energy saving, emission reduction as well as reducing supply could not be reached effectively among cement companies. This led to a continuous drop in cement price, with the price at the end of June being the lowest in 10 years. The operating environment in the cement industry was difficult, as cement prices in a number of regions had dropped below the production cost. The accumulated profit in the first half of the year decreased by over 70% when compared with that of the same period of the previous year.

The Group had taken various measures to proactively cope with the challenges brought by the depressed market conditions and intensified market competition. First, the silo in Taizhou (with a total storage capacity of 70,000 tonnes and annual cement intermediate storage capacity of over 1.5 million tonnes) commenced operation in April 2015, and started exporting products to overseas markets in May, thereby effectively helping adjust sales in accordance with the Group’s output. Second, companies under the Group had fully utilized the market network. Leveraging the good quality, service and reputation of “Skyscraper” brand cement, combined with dedicated efforts, the Group successfully won the tender for supplying to a number of key infrastructure projects (including subway, bridge, inter-city railway and expressway, etc.) in Wuhan, Chengdu, Nanchang, Jiujiang and Yangzhou. The total contract volume exceeded 2 million tonnes. The Group had also entered into strategic cooperation agreements with various large-scale construction companies in the process of its on-going tacit cooperation with them. Such was to achieve direct delivery to end-users, thereby minimising intermediate process and expenses. Third, the Group continued to enhance benchmarking led by the headquarters, to reduce costs through different effective measures. In the first half of the year, the consumption indicators of coal, electricity and other raw materials improved from those of the previous year, and the consolidated cost of cement reduced by more than 8% year-on-year. With the abovementioned efforts, the Group was able to achieve full disposal of all output. In the first half of the year, the Group sold a total of 12.95 million tonnes of cement and clinker, representing a drop of 3.6% year-on-year. This combined with an 19% year-on-year decline in the average selling price of cement had led to a significant decrease in the overall profitability.

Revenue

The table below shows the sales breakdown by region during the reporting period:

Region	For the six months ended	
	30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	30 June 2014 RMB'000 (unaudited)
Southeastern region	1,153,551	1,400,038
Central region	831,961	1,137,483
Southwestern region	720,199	901,239
Eastern region	300,685	470,206
Total	3,006,396	3,908,966

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Revenue (continued)

In the reporting period, the Group's revenue amounted to RMB3,006.4 million, representing a decrease of RMB902.6 million or 23% from that of RMB3,909.0 million for the corresponding period of 2014. The decrease in revenue was mainly attributable to the decrease in sales volume and average selling price of the Company's products.

In respect of revenue contribution for the six months ended 30 June 2015, sales of cement and related products accounted for 90% (2014: 90%) and the sales of ready-mix concrete accounted for 10% (2014: 10%). The table below shows the sales breakdown by product during the reporting period:

	For the six months ended	
	30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	30 June 2014 RMB'000 (unaudited)
Cement	2,536,376	3,319,504
Clinker	152,756	138,210
Blast-furnace slag powder	14,235	58,082
RMC	303,029	393,170
Total	3,006,396	3,908,966

Cost of Sales and Gross Profit

The Group's cost of sales primarily includes cost of raw materials, fuel expenses (consisting of coal and electricity), employee compensation and benefits, depreciation and amortization and other overhead costs. During the period under review, the Group's cost of sales was RMB2,578.7 million (2014: RMB2,978.8 million). The decrease in cost of sales was mainly due to the decrease in coal cost.

The gross profit for the six months ended 30 June 2015 was RMB427.7 million (2014: RMB930.2 million), representing a gross profit margin of 14% on revenue (2014: 24%). The decrease in gross profit was mainly attributable to a decrease in average selling price of cement products when compared with that of the corresponding period of the previous year.

Other Income

Other income mainly comprises government grants, transportation fee income, interest income and sales of scrap materials. For the six months ended 30 June 2015, other income amounted to RMB51.5 million, representing a decrease of RMB27.7 million or 35% from RMB79.2 million for the corresponding period in 2014. The decrease in other income was attributable to the decrease in government grant and interest incomes during the period under review.

Other Gains and Losses

Other gains and losses mainly comprise exchange gains and allowance of doubtful debts. For the period under review, other gains and losses amounted to the gains of RMB10.1 million, representing an increase of RMB57.3 million from the losses of RMB47.2 million for the corresponding period in 2014. The increase in other gains was principally attributable to the increase in exchange gain from US dollar denominated bank borrowings.

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Distribution and Selling Expenses, Administrative Expenses and Finance Costs

For the six months ended 30 June 2015, the distribution and selling expenses amounted to RMB187.5 million, representing a decrease of RMB4.2 million or 2% from RMB191.7 million for the corresponding period of 2014. The decrease in distribution and selling expenses was attributable to the decrease in transportation cost of cement products during the period under review.

Administrative costs, including employee compensation and benefits, depreciation expenses and other general office expenses increased by 12%, to RMB169.1 million from RMB151.2 million for the corresponding period of 2014. The increase was attributable to increase in expenses incurred by the Group after the acquisition of Sichuan Lanfeng Cement Co., Ltd (“Sichuan Lanfeng”).

The finance costs remained stable.

Profit for the Period

In the reporting period, the net profit of the Group amounted to RMB12.6 million, representing a decrease of RMB381.7 million or 97% from RMB394.3 million for the corresponding period of 2014, while the net profit margin also decreased from 10.1% to 0.4%. The deterioration in net profit was mainly attributable to a decrease of sales volume and average selling price of cement products.

Financial Resources and Liquidity

The Group maintained a healthy financial and liquidity position for the six months ended 30 June 2015. The total assets decreased by 3% to approximately RMB19,371.2 million (31 December 2014: approximately RMB20,023.0 million) while the total equity decreased by 2% to approximately RMB9,874.9 million (31 December 2014: approximately RMB10,105.1 million).

As at 30 June 2015, the Group’s cash and cash equivalents amounted to approximately RMB2,200.4 million (31 December 2014: approximately RMB2,368.8 million).

As at 30 June 2015, the Group’s gearing ratio was approximately 49% (31 December 2014: 50%). The calculation of the gearing ratio was based on total liabilities and total assets as at 30 June 2015 and 31 December 2014, respectively.

Borrowings

The maturity profiles of the Group’s borrowings outstanding as at 30 June 2015 and 31 December 2014 are summarized as below:

	30 June 2015 RMB'000 (unaudited)	31 December 2014 RMB'000 (audited)
Within one year	3,602,128	4,804,222
In the second year	2,745,966	1,447,782
In the third to fifth year	2,126,465	2,366,683
	8,474,559	8,618,687

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Capital Expenditure and Capital Commitments

Capital expenditure for the six months ended 30 June 2015 amounted to approximately RMB171.5 million (31 December 2014: approximately RMB709.9 million) and capital commitments as at 30 June 2015 amounted to approximately RMB618.9 million (31 December 2014: approximately RMB752.9 million). Both the capital expenditure and capital commitments were mainly related to the purchase of plant, equipment and investment projects. The Group anticipates funding those commitments from future operating revenue, bank borrowings and other sources of finance when appropriate.

Pledge of Assets

As at 30 June 2015, the Group did not have any pledge or charge on assets.

Contingent Liabilities

As at the date of this report and as at 30 June 2015, the Board was not aware of any material contingent liabilities.

Human Resources

As at 30 June 2015, the Group had 4,663 employees. The Group participates in retirement insurance, medicare, unemployment insurance and housing funds according to the applicable laws and regulations of the PRC for its employees in the PRC and makes contributions to the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme of Hong Kong for its employees in Hong Kong. The Group remunerates its employees in accordance with their work performance and experience. The remuneration packages are subject to review on a regular basis.

In addition, the Group also adopted Share Option Scheme, where eligible directors and employees are entitled to various share options to subscribe for ordinary shares in the Company in accordance with their past and potential contribution to the growth of the Group. As at 30 June 2015, no share options have been granted or agreed to be granted pursuant to the Share Option Scheme.

Material Acquisition and Disposals of Subsidiaries and Affiliated Companies

Save for the aforesaid, the Group had no significant investment, material acquisitions or disposals for the six months ended 30 June 2015.

Foreign Exchange Risk Management

The Group's sales and purchases during the reporting period were mostly denominated in Renminbi. However, some of the Group's bank borrowings were denominated in other foreign currencies.

The RMB is not a freely convertible currency. Future exchange rates of the RMB could vary significantly from the current or historical exchange rates as a result of controls that could be imposed by the PRC government. The exchange rates may also be affected by economic developments and political changes domestically and internationally, and the demand and supply of the RMB. The appreciation or devaluation of the RMB against foreign currencies may have an impact on the operating results of the Group.

The Group currently does not maintain a foreign currency hedging policy. However, the management monitors the foreign exchange exposure and will consider hedging significant foreign currency exposure should the need arise. At 30 June 2015, the Group had an outstanding US\$ interest rate swap contract of US\$30,000,000 to hedge the Group's cash flow interest rate exposure on certain US\$ denominated floating rate bank borrowings.

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Prospects

Looking into the second half of the year, the macro-economy will continue to pick up as key economic indicators showed gradual recovery in June. The government will also implement more powerful proactive fiscal policy and prudent monetary policy, with particular focuses. More and stronger measures to stabilise economic growth will be introduced. Regarding monetary policy, the People's Bank of China had lowered the reserve requirement ratio three times and cut the benchmark deposit and lending interest rates twice. These measures effectively increase liquidity. With respect to fiscal policy, the National Development and Reform Commission approved a large number of key construction projects. During the first half of the year, 35 large-scale infrastructure projects with a total investment amount of over RMB800 billion were approved, while approximately RMB1,970 billion worth of public and private partnership projects were launched. In addition, although the property market had been regulated for a long period of time, it starts to show moderate recovery as stimulus and relaxation measures, which have been successively introduced, are gradually taking effect. The Group expects the government's measures to stabilise growth in the first half of the year will gradually produce positive and significant results after a "lag period", which will in turn drive growth in cement demand. With strict implementation of environmental standards and the abolishment of PC 32.5 grade cement, the phase-out of uncompetitive small to medium-sized cement companies will accelerate. This will also help escalate industry upgrade and consolidation progress, raise the standard for concrete and guarantee the quality of construction projects, which will be beneficial to the development of the cement and construction materials industries. Methods for large enterprises' collaboration will become more diversified. Investing in the other's equities and signing of strategic cooperation agreements have become a norm. Strategic cooperation between strong industry players complementing each other will help create rational competition in the industry. It can also promote energy saving, emission reduction and a healthy development of the industry, thereby stabilising regional markets and improving cement prices.

All in all, the Group expects both market demand and price will remain at low levels due to the high temperature in July and August. But with the construction of various projects and rural housing reaching its peak in September, and the abolishment of PC 32.5 grade cement, which will have positive impact on high-grade cement, the overall demand and industry confidence will be boosted. Companies will gradually give up the competition concepts of "Law of the Jungle" and "Zero-Sum Game" they had in the first half of the year, and move towards regional consolidation through win-win cooperation. Starting from September, it is expected that both quantity and price will increase, bringing a turnaround to the industry development.

In 2015, the Group plans to sell a total of approximately 31 million tonnes of cement and clinker, representing a year-on-year increase of 1.1 million tonnes or 4%.

Crisis always comes with opportunity. The Group will strive to tackle the current difficulties by seizing development opportunities. The companies under the Group will strengthen market analysis and adopt a more flexible and targeted marketing strategy, to broaden sales in markets near the factories. Such is aimed to increase market influence in core markets. Meanwhile, the Group will continue to promote management reform as well as innovations in production, transportation and sales, reduce account receivables and achieve cost reduction and higher efficiency through various measures, in order to increase overall competitiveness. Besides, the Group will continue to look out for suitable targets for strategic collaboration for capacity expansion and sales network optimisation. Finally, the Group will adhere to green development strategy, in order to establish a corporate image associated with energy saving, emission reduction, clean production and environmental protection. In addition to integrated utilization of industrial wastes, the Group will, depending on the circumstances and at an appropriate time, start to utilise cement kilns to facilitate the treatment of domestic and solid waste, thereby making contribution to society and environmental protection.

OTHER INFORMATION

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Directors' and Chief Executives' Interests and Short Positions in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures

As at 30 June 2015, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executives of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")) which (a) were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or (b) were required to be entered in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to section 352 of the SFO or (c) were required, pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules"), to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, were as follows:

Long positions in shares and underlying shares of the Company

Name of Director	Number of ordinary shares			% of the Company's issued shares
	Personal interests	Equity derivatives	Total interests	
Mr. Chang, Tsai-hsiung	1,322,000	—	1,322,000	0.08%
Mr. Wu, Chung-lih	400,000	—	400,000	0.03%
Madam Chiang Shao, Ruey-huey	477,000	—	477,000	0.03%
Mr. Hsu, Shu-tong	3,000,000	—	3,000,000	0.19%
Mr. Chang, Chen-kuen	430,000	—	430,000	0.03%
Mr. Lin, Seng-chang	400,000	—	400,000	0.03%
Mr. Hsu, Shu-ping	200,000	—	200,000	0.01%

Long positions in shares and underlying shares of associated corporation

Name of Director	Name of associated corporation	Type of interest			Total No. of ordinary shares in the associated corporation	% of shareholding in the associated corporation
		Personal	Through spouse	Corporate		
Mr. Chang, Tsai-hsiung	Asia Cement Corporation ("Asia Cement")	459,350	60,877	—	520,227	0.02%
	Oriental Industrial Holdings Pte., Ltd ("Oriental Industrial")	2,000	—	—	2,000	0.0004%
Madam Chiang Shao, Ruey-huey	Asia Cement	67,431	2,442	—	69,873	0.002%
	Oriental Industrial	1,000	—	—	1,000	0.0002%
Mr. Hsu, Shu-tong	Asia Cement	23,278,334	8,124,332	—	31,402,666	0.93%
	Asia Cement (Singapore) Private Limited ("Asia Cement Singapore")	2	—	—	2	0.00002%
Mr. Chang, Chen-kuen	Oriental Industrial	4,000	—	—	4,000	0.0007%
	Asia Cement	11,877	5,358	—	17,235	0.0005%
Mr. Lin, Seng-chang	Asia Cement	16,892	476	—	17,368	0.0005%
Mr. Hsu, Shu-ping	Asia Cement	11,454,981	279,220	—	11,734,201	0.35%

Saved as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2015, none of the Directors and chief executives of the Company had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) that was required to be recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTEREST IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 30 June 2015 and to the best knowledge of the Directors and chief executives of the Company, persons (other than Directors or chief executives of the Company) who had an interest or short position, in the shares and underlying shares of the Company, as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO were as follows:

Long Positions in Shares Substantial shareholders

Name	Capacity	Number of Shares	Approximate % of issued share capital of the Company
Asia Cement (note 1)	Beneficial owner and interest by attribution	1,136,074,000	73.00%
Invesco Hong Kong Limited	Investment manager	78,512,000	5.04%

Note:

- Asia Cement beneficially owns approximately 68.19% interest of the Company. Asia Cement Singapore holds approximately 4.10% interest in the Company, which is approximately 99.96% owned by Asia Cement. Asia Cement is deemed to be interested in approximately 4.10% interest of the Company by virtue of its corporate interest in Asia Cement Singapore. Further, Falcon Investments Private Limited holds approximately 0.71% interest in the Company and is owned as to 100% by U-Ming Marine Transport (Singapore) Private Limited, which is in turn owned as to 99.99% by U-Ming Marine Transport Corporation. U-Ming Marine Transport Corporation is owned as to 38.66% by Asia Cement. Asia Cement is deemed to be interested in approximately 0.71% interest of the Company under the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2015, the Company had not been notified by any persons (other than the Directors or chief executives of the Company) also had interests or short positions on the shares or underlying shares of the Company which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 336 of the SFO.

SHARE OPTION SCHEMES

(a) Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme

Pursuant to the pre-IPO share option scheme adopted on 13 December 2007, the Company has granted certain options to eligible directors, senior management and employees of the Group (the "Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme") to subscribe for ordinary shares in the Company subject to the terms and conditions stipulated under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme. The exercise price shall be 85% of the final offer price to the public.

As disclosed in the 2014 Annual Report of the Company, 11,578,000 options were granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme, of which 977,000 share options have been cancelled and 10,601,000 share options have been exercised during the year ended 31 December 2014. Such options were exercised at HK\$4.2075 per share, representing 78.8% to the weighted average closing price of the shares (i.e. HK\$5.34 per share) of the Company immediately before the date on which the options were exercised.

The Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme had remained in force for a period of 6 years from the grant date and such period had been extended for one more year to 17 April 2015 as approved by the independent shareholders of the Company. As at the date of this Interim Report, no options remained outstanding and no further options may be granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme after the listing of the Company's shares on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange on 20 May 2008. Therefore, no shares were available for issue under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme as at the date of this Interim Report.

(b) Share Option Scheme

The terms of the share option scheme approved and adopted by the Company on 27 April 2008 (the "Share Option Scheme") are in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules. The purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to provide incentive or reward to eligible persons for their contribution to, and continuing efforts to promote the interests of, the Company and to enable the Company and its subsidiaries to recruit and retain high-calibre employees.

The Directors may, at their discretion, offer eligible persons (being full time or part time employees, executive directors, non-executive directors and independent non-executive directors or consultant of the Group or any person whom the Board considers, in its sole discretion, has contributed or contributes to the Group) who the Board may in its absolute discretion select to subscribe for the shares.

SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (CONTINUED)

Initially the maximum number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all the options to be granted under the Share Option Scheme or any other share option schemes adopted by the Company (and to which the provisions of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules are applicable) shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate number of the shares in issue as at the date of the Listing, equivalent to 150,000,000 shares of the Company, which is 9.57% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this Interim Report. The total number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all the options granted and yet to be exercised under the Share Option Scheme or any other share option schemes adopted by the Company (and to which the provisions of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules are applicable) must not exceed 30% of the aggregate number of the shares in issue from time to time.

Unless approved by the shareholders of the Company, the total number of shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of the options granted to each participant (including exercised, cancelled and outstanding options) under the Share Option Scheme or any other share option scheme adopted by the Company (and to which the provisions of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules are applicable) in any 12 month period must not exceed 1% of the shares in issue as at the date of grant.

The vesting periods, exercise periods and vesting conditions maybe specified by the Company at the time of the grant, and the share options shall expire no later than 10 years from the relevant date of grant. There is no general requirement that an option must be held for any minimum period before it can be exercised but the Board is empowered to impose at its discretion any minimum period at the time of grant of any particular option.

At the time of the grant of the options, the Company may specify any performance target(s) which must be achieved before the options can be exercised. The Share Option Scheme does not contain any performance targets.

The amount payable by a grantee on acceptance of a grant of options is HK\$1.00. The subscription price for the shares of the Company being the subject of the options shall be no less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the shares as stated in the daily quotation sheet issued by the Stock Exchange on the date of grant; (ii) the average closing price of the shares as stated in the daily quotation sheets issued by the Stock Exchange for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant; and (iii) the nominal value of a share on the date of grant.

The Share Option Scheme will expire on 26 April 2018. No options have been granted under the Share Option Scheme as at 30 June 2015, or as at the date of this Interim Report.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company has complied with all of the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code ("CG Code") as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules during the six months ended 30 June 2015, except the following:

Code provision A.1.8 of the CG Code requires that the Company should arrange appropriate insurance cover in respect of legal action against its directors. With regular and timely communications among the Directors and the management of the Group, the management of the Group believes that all potential claims and legal actions against the Directors can be handled effectively, and the possibility of actual litigation against the Directors is low. Nevertheless, the Board will review this arrangement from time to time in light of the prevailing circumstances and arrange for appropriate insurance coverage as soon as practicable.

Following the resignation of Mr. Lei Qian-zhi as an independent non-executive Directors on 30 September 2014 and the passing away of Mr. Liu Zhen-tao on 24 February 2015, the number of independent non-executive Directors has fallen below one-third of the Board as required under Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules. Upon the appointment of Mr. Wang Wei and Mr. Lee Kao-chao as independent non-executive Directors with effect from 13 April 2015, the Company has fulfilled the requirements under Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules.

Following the resignation of Dr. Wong Ying-ho Kennedy as an independent non-executive Director, the chairman of the Remuneration Committee and a member of each of the Audit Committee, the Nomination Committee and the Independence Committee of the Board on 3 August 2015, the number of members of the Audit Committee has fallen below the minimum number as required under Rule 3.21 of the Listing Rules. The number of independent non-executive Directors also does not represent at least one-third of the Board as required under Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules, nor represent a majority of each of the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee as required respectively under Rule 3.25 of the Listing Rules and Code Provision A.5.1 of the CG Code. Please refer to the Company's announcement dated 3 August 2015 for details.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company established the Audit Committee on 27 April 2008 with written terms of reference in compliance with the CG Code. The primary duties of the Audit Committee include the review of financial reporting processes and internal control system of the Group. Currently, the Audit Committee comprises Mr. Tsim, Tak-lung Dominic (Chairman) and Mr. Hsu, Shu-tong, all of whom are non-executive Directors. The Audit Committee has reviewed the unaudited interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2015 and considered that they were prepared in accordance with the relevant accounting standards and that the Company has made applicable disclosure under Appendix 16 to the Listing Rules.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The Company has established the Remuneration Committee with written terms of reference in compliance with the CG Code. The primary duties of the Remuneration Committee include the review of Directors' and senior management's remuneration packages, bonuses and other compensation. Currently, the Remuneration Committee comprises, Mr. Tsim, Tak-lung Dominic and Mr. Hsu, Shu-tong, all of whom are non-executive Directors.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The Company has established the Nomination Committee with written terms of reference in compliance with the Corporate CG Code. The primary duties of the Nomination Committee are to review the structure, size and composition of the Board, identify individuals suitably qualified to become members of the Board. Currently, the Nomination Committee comprises Mr. Hsu, Shu-tong (Chairman) and Mr. Tsim, Tak-lung Dominic, all of whom are non-executive Directors.

INDEPENDENCE COMMITTEE

The Company has established the Independence Committee. The primary duties of the Independence Committee include the review of transactions between the Group, Asia Cement and Far Eastern Group and assess any potential conflict of interest between them. Save as disclosed in the section headed "Relationship with Asia Cement" and "Connected Transactions" in the prospectus dated 5 May 2008 and the announcement dated 30 April 2015 that issued by the Company, no additional ongoing relationships or potential conflict of interests was identified in the period under review.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

During the six months ended 30 June 2015, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set forth in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules as its own code of conduct for dealing in securities by the Directors of the Company. Having made specific enquiry with all Directors, all the Directors confirmed that they have complied with the Model Code throughout the period under review.

SUFFICIENCY OF THE PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information publicly available to the Company and to the best knowledge, information and belief of the Directors, the Directors confirm that the Company had maintained a sufficient public float as required under the Listing Rules throughout the six months ended 30 June 2015.

APPRECIATION

The Board would like to express its sincere gratitude to the management of the Group and all the staff for their hard work and dedication, as well as its shareholders, business partners, bankers and auditors for their support to the Group throughout the period.

By Order of the Board
Asia Cement (China) Holdings Corporation
Mr. Hsu, Shu-tong
 Chairman

Hong Kong, 4 August 2015