

Petra Foods Limited
Unaudited Financial Statement and Dividend Announcement
For the 2nd Quarter and Half Year Ended 30 June 2009

PART I - INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUARTERLY (1Q, 2Q, 3Q & 4Q),
HALF YEAR AND FULL YEAR RESULTS

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1(a)(i) An income statement (for the group) together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

| | Notes | Group | | | Group | | |
|---|----------------|------------------|-----------------|--------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| | | 2Q ended 30 June | | | Half Year ended 30 June | | |
| | | 2009 | 2008 | % | 2009 | 2008 | % |
| | | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | |
| Sales | 1 | 289,466 | 266,537 | 8.6 | 571,241 | 516,076 | 10.7 |
| Cost of Sales | 2 ^a | (254,856) | (234,953) | 8.5 | (507,217) | (461,013) | 10.0 |
| Gross Profit | | 34,610 | 31,584 | 9.6 | 64,024 | 55,063 | 16.3 |
| Other operating income | | 997 | 299 | 233.4 | 2,465 | 3,950 | (37.6) |
| Selling and distribution costs | | (16,817) | (14,705) | 14.4 | (31,036) | (29,271) | 6.0 |
| Administrative expenses | | (8,214) | (7,795) | 5.4 | (14,813) | (14,162) | 4.6 |
| Finance costs | 3 | (4,154) | (4,346) | (4.4) | (8,401) | (7,958) | 5.6 |
| Other operating expenses | | (53) | (404) | (86.9) | (1,255) | (601) | 108.8 |
| | | 6,369 | 4,633 | 37.5 | 10,984 | 7,021 | 56.4 |
| Share of results of associates | | 229 | (119) | NM | 59 | (233) | NM |
| Profit before tax | 4 | 6,598 | 4,514 | 46.2 | 11,043 | 6,788 | 62.7 |
| Income tax expense | | (1,579) | (1,074) | 47.0 | (2,721) | (1,631) | 66.8 |
| Net Profit | | 5,019 | 3,440 | 45.9 | 8,322 | 5,157 | 61.4 |
| Attributable to: | | | | | | | |
| Equity holders of the company | | 6,055 | 3,885 | 55.9 | 10,368 | 6,774 | 53.1 |
| Minority Interest | | (1,036) | (445) | 132.8 | (2,046) | (1,617) | 26.5 |
| | | 5,019 | 3,440 | 45.9 | 8,322 | 5,157 | 61.4 |
| EBITDA | 5 | 15,624 | 13,587 | 15.0 | 29,094 | 23,644 | 23.1 |
| Earnings per share (US cents) - Basic and Diluted ^b | 6 | 1.14 | 0.73 | 55.9 | 1.95 | 1.27 | 53.1 |
| Return on equity ^c | | | | | 11.1% | 7.6% ^d | 3.5% pt |

a 2Q and 1H 2008's Cost of Sales include the negative impact of hedge re-designation of US\$2.353 million and US\$4.405 million respectively.

b As there are no potentially dilutive ordinary shares, diluted Earnings per Share is the same as basic Earnings per Share.

c For comparative purposes, ROE is computed based on annualized 1H2009 profit attributable to equity holders of the company divided by average shareholders equity.

d Relates to full year 2008 audited figures.

Explanatory notes on income statement

Note 1 - Breakdown of Sales by Division

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | | Half Year ended 30 June | | |
|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | Change | 2009 | 2008 | Change |
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> |
| Cocoa Ingredients Division | 216,947 | 202,340 | 7.2 | 434,724 | 392,882 | 10.7 |
| Branded Consumer Division | 72,519 | 64,197 | 13.0 | 136,517 | 123,194 | 10.8 |
| | <u>289,466</u> | <u>266,537</u> | 8.6 | <u>571,241</u> | <u>516,076</u> | 10.7 |

Note 2 - Cost of Sales

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | | Half Year ended 30 June | | |
|--|------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | Change | 2009 | 2008 | Change |
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> |
| Cost of goods sold | 260,679 | 226,879 | 14.9 | 508,481 | 446,197 | 14.0 |
| Cost of services | 2,509 | 3,367 | (25.5) | 4,946 | 7,051 | (29.9) |
| | <u>263,188</u> | <u>230,246</u> | 14.3 | <u>513,427</u> | <u>453,248</u> | 13.3 |
| Transfer from cash flow hedge reserve - derivatives | (9,422) | (5,520) | 70.7 | (12,865) | (5,719) | 125.0 |
| Hedge re-designation | - | 2,353 | NM | - | 4,405 | NM |
| Other adjustments to cost of sales: | | | | | | |
| - Fair value (gain)/loss on cocoa bean derivatives | (2,478) | 8,064 | NM | (2,059) | 7,796 | NM |
| - Fair value loss/(gain) on foreign exchange derivatives | 1,837 | (380) | NM | 2,470 | 1,212 | 103.8 |
| Net foreign exchange loss | 1,731 | 190 | 811.1 | 6,244 | 71 | NM |
| Cost of Sales | <u>254,856</u> | <u>234,953</u> | 8.5 | <u>507,217</u> | <u>461,013</u> | 10.0 |

Note 3 - Finance Costs (Net)

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | | Half Year ended 30 June | | |
|---|------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | Change | 2009 | 2008 | Change |
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> |
| Interest Expense | 3,534 | 4,064 | (13.0) | 7,336 | 7,616 | (3.7) |
| Transfer from cash flow hedge - interest rate swaps | 613 | 289 | 112.1 | 1,071 | 315 | 240.0 |
| | <u>4,147</u> | <u>4,353</u> | (4.7) | <u>8,407</u> | <u>7,931</u> | 6.0 |
| Net foreign exchange loss/(gain) | 7 | (7) | NM | (6) | 27 | NM |
| Total finance costs | <u>4,154</u> | <u>4,346</u> | (4.4) | <u>8,401</u> | <u>7,958</u> | 5.6 |

Note 4 - Profit before Income Tax

Profit before income tax is arrived after (deducting)/crediting the following:

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | | Half Year ended 30 June | | |
|---|------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | Change | 2009 | 2008 | Change |
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | (4,814) | (4,624) | 4.2 | (9,265) | (8,749) | 5.9 |
| Amortisation of intangible assets | (110) | (131) | (16.0) | (227) | (253) | (10.3) |
| Net foreign exchange (loss)/ gain | (1,212) | (2,390) | (49.3) | (5,744) | 2,034 | NM |
| Over/(Under) provision of tax in prior years | 136 | 76 | 81.3 | 318 | (167) | NM |
| Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 18 | 141 | (87.2) | 22 | 157 | (86.0) |
| Impairment loss on trade receivables | (53) | (1) | NM | (53) | (3) | NM |
| Inventories written off | (246) | (241) | 2.1 | (484) | (640) | (24.4) |
| Allowance made for inventory obsolescence | (241) | (144) | 67.4 | (405) | (320) | 26.6 |

Note 5 - EBITDA

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | | Half Year ended 30 June | | |
|---|------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | Change | 2009 | 2008 | Change |
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> |
| Profit Before Tax | 6,598 | 4,514 | 46.2 | 11,043 | 6,788 | 62.7 |
| Interest expense | 4,147 | 4,352 | (4.7) | 8,407 | 7,930 | 6.0 |
| Fair value loss on interest rate derivatives | (20) | - | NM | 214 | - | NM |
| Interest income | (25) | (34) | (26.5) | (62) | (76) | (18.4) |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | 4,814 | 4,624 | 4.1 | 9,265 | 8,749 | 5.9 |
| Amortisation of intangible assets | 110 | 131 | (16.0) | 227 | 253 | (10.3) |
| EBITDA | 15,624 | 13,587 | 15.0 | 29,094 | 23,644 | 23.1 |
| Adjusted for: | | | | | | |
| - Hedge re-designation | - | 2,353 | NM | - | 4,405 | NM |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 15,624 | 15,940 | (2.0) | 29,094 | 28,049 | 3.7 |

Note 6 - Earnings per Share

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

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | | Half Year ended 30 June | | |
|---|------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | Change | 2009 | 2008 | Change |
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>%</u> |
| Net profit attributable to shareholders | 6,055 | 3,885 | 55.9 | 10,368 | 6,774 | 53.1 |
| Adjustment for: | | | | | | |
| - Hedge re-designation (net of tax) | - | 2,118 | NM | - | 3,965 | NM |
| Adjusted net profit | 6,055 | 6,003 | 0.9 | 10,368 | 10,739 | (3.5) |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares | 532,277 | 532,277 | | 532,277 | 532,277 | |
| Basic and diluted earnings per share (US cents) | | | | | | |
| - Before adjustments | 1.14 | 0.73 | 55.9 | 1.95 | 1.27 | 53.1 |
| - After adjustments | 1.14 | 1.13 | 0.9 | 1.95 | 2.02 | (3.5) |

1(b)(i) A balance sheet (for the issuer and group), together with a comparative statement as at the end of the immediately preceding financial year.

| | Notes | Group | | Company | |
|--|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | 30-Jun-09 | 31-Dec-08 | 30-Jun-09 | 31-Dec-08 |
| | | US\$'000 | US\$'000 | US\$'000 | US\$'000 |
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | 36,469 | 16,391 | 29,160 | 5,847 |
| Derivative assets | | 3,082 | 932 | 552 | 932 |
| Trade receivables | | 125,871 | 90,039 | 179,105 | 161,643 |
| Inventories | 1 | 274,760 | 220,388 | 4,051 | 2,985 |
| Other current assets | | 18,782 | 32,065 | 6,691 | 19,710 |
| | | 458,964 | 359,815 | 219,559 | 191,117 |
| Non-current assets | | | | | |
| Investments in subsidiaries | | - | - | 103,114 | 98,874 |
| Investments in associated companies | | 1,937 | 1,773 | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Receivables from subsidiaries | | - | - | 33,622 | 17,490 |
| Loans to associated company | | 2,316 | 2,348 | - | - |
| Property, plant and equipment | 2 | 262,682 | 238,551 | 1,201 | 1,521 |
| Intangibles assets | | 21,930 | 22,156 | 1,784 | 1,784 |
| Deferred income tax assets | | 11,179 | 5,991 | - | - |
| Other non-current assets | | 769 | 501 | - | - |
| | | 300,813 | 271,320 | 142,721 | 122,669 |
| Total Assets | | 759,777 | 631,135 | 362,280 | 313,786 |
| LIABILITIES | | | | | |
| Current liabilities | | | | | |
| Trade payables | | 123,782 | 53,356 | 58,608 | 14,461 |
| Other payables | | 32,397 | 29,161 | 10,257 | 4,880 |
| Derivative liabilities | | 6,611 | 10,545 | 6,611 | 6,676 |
| Current income tax liabilities | | 3,560 | 2,719 | 1,012 | 1,476 |
| Borrowings | 3 | 217,023 | 165,053 | 73,513 | 73,465 |
| | | 383,373 | 260,834 | 150,001 | 100,958 |
| Non-current liabilities | | | | | |
| Borrowings | 3 | 160,169 | 155,323 | 88,269 | 86,010 |
| Deferred income tax liabilities | | 6,764 | 6,957 | 291 | 418 |
| Provisions for other liabilities and charges | | 5,509 | 4,774 | - | - |
| | | 172,442 | 167,054 | 88,560 | 86,428 |
| Total liabilities | | 555,815 | 427,888 | 238,561 | 187,386 |
| NET ASSETS | | 203,962 | 203,247 | 123,719 | 126,400 |
| Capital and reserves attributable to the Company's equity holders | | | | | |
| Share capital | | 95,767 | 95,767 | 95,767 | 95,767 |
| Foreign currency translation reserve | | (8,453) | (13,089) | - | - |
| Other reserves | | 637 | 4,755 | (1,715) | (1,891) |
| Retained earnings | | 101,068 | 96,129 | 29,667 | 32,524 |
| | | 189,019 | 183,562 | 123,719 | 126,400 |
| Minority interests | | 14,943 | 19,685 | - | - |
| Total equity | | 203,962 | 203,247 | 123,719 | 126,400 |

Explanatory notes on statement of Financial Position

Note 1 - Inventories

New 3rd Party agency lines and higher cocoa beans carried resulted in higher inventories for both divisions as shown below:

| | 30 June 2009 | 31 December 2008 |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> |
| Cocoa Ingredients | 224,423 | 187,195 |
| Branded consumer | 50,337 | 33,193 |
| | <u>274,760</u> | <u>220,388</u> |

Note 2 - Property, Plant and Equipment

Capital expenditure for 1H 2009 totaled US\$29.0 million of which US\$19.7 million was for the completion of Europe's investment program. To ensure that the objective of reduced spending in 2009 is achieved, the Group will significantly reduce capital expenditure to only the most critical and immediately income-generating.

| | 2Q 2009 | 1H 2009 |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> |
| Cocoa Ingredients | 12,313 | 23,391 |
| Branded consumer | 4,512 | 5,587 |
| | <u>16,825</u> | <u>28,978</u> |

Note 3 - Borrowings

| | Group | | Company | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | 30-Jun-09 | 31-Dec-08 | 30-Jun-09 | 31-Dec-08 |
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> |
| (a) Current | | | | |
| Bank overdraft | 33,627 | 30,692 | - | 180 |
| Bank loans | 35,926 | 29,110 | 799 | - |
| Lease liabilities | 604 | 945 | 154 | 154 |
| Trade Finance | 146,866 | 104,306 | 72,560 | 73,131 |
| | <u>217,023</u> | <u>165,053</u> | <u>73,513</u> | <u>73,465</u> |
| (b) Non Current | | | | |
| Bank loans | 94,480 | 89,281 | 22,650 | 20,000 |
| MTN | 65,459 | 65,773 | 65,459 | 65,773 |
| Lease Liabilities | 230 | 269 | 160 | 237 |
| | <u>160,169</u> | <u>155,323</u> | <u>88,269</u> | <u>86,010</u> |
| Total borrowings | <u>377,192</u> | <u>320,376</u> | <u>161,782</u> | <u>159,475</u> |

During 1H 2009, the Group raised an additional US\$21.5 million from term loans which were used to refinance part of working capital and fund capital expenditures. This reflected the Group's ongoing initiatives to manage liquidity risks by:

1. Extending the debt maturity profile to match the financing and investment needs of business; and
2. To further reduce reliance on short term working capital facilities.

In line with the increase in inventories as disclosed in Note 1, trade finance was higher by US\$42.6 million.

Note 4 - Key Ratios

| | Group | |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 30-Jun-09 | 31-Dec-08 |
| Current Ratio | 1.20 | 1.38 |
| Average Inventory Days | 89 | 74 |
| Average Receivable Days | 34 | 29 |
| Net Debt to Equity | 1.67 | 1.50 |
| Adjusted Net Debt to Equity* | 0.63 | 0.66 |

* Note: The Adjusted Net Debt to Equity Ratio is adjusted for banking facilities (excluding Trade Finance & MTN) which are used to finance cocoa beans/raw materials inventories.

1(b)(ii) Aggregate amount of the group's borrowings and debt securities

| | Group | | Company | |
|--|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 30-Jun-09 | 31-Dec-08 | 30-Jun-09 | 31-Dec-08 |
| Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand | | | | |
| - Secured | 75,223 | 44,296 | 154 | 154 |
| - Unsecured | 141,800 | 120,757 | 73,359 | 73,311 |
| | 217,023 | 165,053 | 73,513 | 73,465 |
| Amount repayable after one year | | | | |
| - Secured | 49,187 | 54,057 | 160 | 237 |
| - Unsecured | 110,982 | 101,266 | 88,109 | 85,773 |
| | 160,169 | 155,323 | 88,269 | 86,010 |

Details of collateral

Total bank borrowings of US\$124.4 million obtained by Group are secured on trade receivables, inventory, property, plant and equipment and legal mortgages of land and properties.

1(c) A cash flow statement (for the group), together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

| Notes | Half Year ended | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| | 30-Jun-09 | 30-Jun-08 |
| | US\$'000 | US\$'000 |
| Cash flows from operating activities | | |
| Profit before tax | 11,043 | 6,788 |
| Adjustments: | | |
| Depreciation & amortisation | 9,492 | 9,002 |
| Gain on disposals of property, plant and equipment | (22) | (157) |
| Interest (income) | (62) | (75) |
| Interest expense | 8,406 | 7,931 |
| Fair value of inventories | - | (10,378) |
| Fair value of derivatives | 11,101 | (3,899) |
| Net foreign exchange (gain)/loss | (5) | 27 |
| Share of (gain)/loss from associated companies | (59) | 233 |
| Operating cash flow before working capital changes | <u>39,894</u> | <u>9,472</u> |
| Change in working capital, net of effects from acquisition of subsidiaries | | |
| Inventories | (54,370) | (60,955) |
| Trade and other receivables | (36,580) | (19,601) |
| Trade and other payables | 62,859 | 4,994 |
| Cash generated from operations | <u>11,803</u> | <u>(66,090)</u> |
| Interest received | 62 | 75 |
| Interest paid | - | (2,971) |
| Income tax paid | (5,171) | (2,646) |
| Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities | <u>6,694</u> | <u>(71,632)</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (28,978) | (26,286) |
| Payments for patents & trademarks | (19) | (34) |
| Loan to associated companies | - | 110 |
| Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment | 60 | 445 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | <u>(28,937)</u> | <u>(25,765)</u> |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | |
| Proceeds from borrowings | 21,477 | 29,854 |
| Proceeds from trade finance and short term advances | 42,560 | 82,800 |
| Proceeds from issuance of Medium Term Notes | - | 14,000 |
| Repayments of borrowings | (10,132) | (7,284) |
| Repayment of lease liabilities – net | (433) | (479) |
| Interest paid | (8,360) | (4,960) |
| Dividend paid to equity holders of company | (5,429) | (5,429) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | <u>39,683</u> | <u>108,502</u> |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | <u>17,440</u> | <u>11,105</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year | (14,301) | (31,775) |
| Net effect of exchange rate changes in consolidating subsidiaries | (297) | (792) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period | <u>2,842</u> | <u>(21,462)</u> |

For the purposes of presenting the consolidated cash flow statement, the consolidated cash and cash equivalent comprise of the following:

| | 30-Jun-09 | 30-Jun-08 |
|------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | US\$'000 | US\$'000 |
| Cash and bank balances | 36,469 | 5,393 |
| Less: Bank overdrafts | (33,627) | (26,855) |
| | <u>2,842</u> | <u>(21,462)</u> |

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | Half Year ended 30 June | |
|--|------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 |
| | US\$'000 | US\$'000 | US\$'000 | US\$'000 |
| Profit for the period | 5,019 | 3,440 | 8,322 | 5,157 |
| Fair value gains on cash flow hedges | 2,450 | 8,062 | 3,182 | 6,725 |
| Transfers to income statement | (11,763) | (6,265) | (11,435) | (8,343) |
| Tax on fair value adjustments | 2,740 | 234 | 2,082 | 582 |
| Currency translation gain/(loss) | 9,814 | (558) | 3,993 | 4,332 |
| Other comprehensive expense for the period | 3,241 | 1,473 | (2,178) | 3,296 |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | 8,260 | 4,913 | 6,144 | 8,453 |
| Attributable to: | | | | |
| Shareholders of the Company | 10,723 | 3,638 | 10,886 | 7,040 |
| Minority interests | (2,463) | 1,275 | (4,742) | 1,413 |
| | 8,260 | 4,913 | 6,144 | 8,453 |

1(d)(i) A statement (for the issuer and group) showing either (a) all changes in equity or (b) changes in equity other than those arising from capitalization issues and distributions to shareholders, together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity for the Group

| | Attributable to equity holders of the Company | | | | | | | Total equity US\$'000 |
|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Share capital US\$'000 | Foreign Currency translation reserve US\$'000 | Cash flow hedge reserve US\$'000 | General reserve US\$'000 | Retained earnings US\$'000 | Total | Minority interest US\$'000 | |
| The Group | | | | | | | | |
| 1Q 2009 | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2009 | 95,767 | (13,089) | 3,217 | 1,538 | 96,129 | 183,562 | 19,685 | 203,247 |
| Total comprehensive income for the quarter | - | (3,858) | (292) | - | 4,313 | 163 | (2,279) | (2,116) |
| At 31 March 2009 | 95,767 | (16,947) | 2,925 | 1,538 | 100,442 | 183,725 | 17,406 | 201,131 |
| 2Q 2009 | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 April 2009 | 95,767 | (16,947) | 2,925 | 1,538 | 100,442 | 183,725 | 17,406 | 201,131 |
| Total comprehensive income for the quarter | - | 8,494 | (3,826) | - | 6,055 | 10,723 | (2,463) | 8,260 |
| Final dividend relating to 2008 | - | - | - | - | (5,429) | (5,429) | - | (5,429) |
| At 30 June 2009 | 95,767 | (8,453) | (901) | 1,538 | 101,068 | 189,019 | 14,943 | 203,962 |
| 1Q 2008 | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2008 | 95,767 | (175) | (1,070) | 1,178 | 93,076 | 188,776 | 17,672 | 206,448 |
| Total comprehensive income for the quarter | - | 3,580 | (3,067) | - | 2,889 | 3,402 | 138 | 3,540 |
| At 31 March 2008 | 95,767 | 3,405 | (4,137) | 1,178 | 95,965 | 192,178 | 17,810 | 209,988 |
| 2Q 2008 | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 April 2008 | 95,767 | 3,405 | (4,137) | 1,178 | 95,965 | 192,178 | 17,810 | 209,988 |
| Total comprehensive income for the quarter | - | (2,278) | 2,031 | 135 | 3,750 | 3,638 | 1,275 | 4,913 |
| Final dividend relating to 2007 | - | - | - | - | (5,429) | (5,429) | - | (5,429) |
| At 30 June 2008 | 95,767 | 1,127 | (2,106) | 1,313 | 94,286 | 190,387 | 19,085 | 209,472 |

Statement of Changes in Equity for the Company

| | <u>Share capital</u> US\$'000 | <u>Cash flow hedge reserve</u> US\$'000 | <u>Retained earnings</u> US\$'000 | <u>Total equity</u> US\$'000 |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------|
| <u>The Company</u> | | | | |
| <u>1Q 2009</u> | | | | |
| At 1 January 2009 | 95,767 | (1,891) | 32,524 | 126,400 |
| Total comprehensive income for the quarter | - | (1,814) | (423) | (2,237) |
| At 31 March 2009 | <u>95,767</u> | <u>(3,705)</u> | <u>32,101</u> | <u>124,163</u> |
| <u>2Q 2009</u> | | | | |
| At 1 April 2009 | 95,767 | (3,705) | 32,101 | 124,163 |
| Total comprehensive income for the quarter | - | 1,990 | 2,995 | 4,985 |
| Final dividend relating to 2008 | - | - | (5,429) | (5,429) |
| At 30 June 2009 | <u>95,767</u> | <u>(1,715)</u> | <u>29,667</u> | <u>123,719</u> |
| <u>1Q 2008</u> | | | | |
| At 1 January 2008 | 95,767 | (1,067) | 38,451 | 133,151 |
| Total comprehensive income for the quarter | - | (2,788) | (402) | (3,190) |
| At 31 March 2008 | <u>95,767</u> | <u>(3,855)</u> | <u>38,049</u> | <u>129,961</u> |
| <u>2Q 2008</u> | | | | |
| At 1 April 2008 | 95,767 | (3,855) | 38,049 | 129,961 |
| Total comprehensive income for the quarter | - | (2,103) | 2,742 | 639 |
| Final dividend relating to 2007 | - | - | (5,429) | (5,429) |
| At 30 June 2008 | <u>95,767</u> | <u>(5,958)</u> | <u>35,362</u> | <u>125,171</u> |

1(d)(ii) Details of any changes in the company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State also the number of shares that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles as at the end of the current financial period reported on and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

For 1H ended 30 June 2009, there was no change in the issued and paid up share capital of the Company.

1(d)(iii) To show the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares as at end of the current financial period and as at end of the immediately preceding year:

| | | |
|--|-----------------|-------------------|
| | 30.06.09 | 31.12.2008 |
| Number of issued shares excluding treasury shares ('000) | 532,277 | 532,277 |

1(d)(iv) A statement showing all sales, transfers, disposal, cancellation and/or use of treasury shares as at the end of the current financial period reported on.

There were no sales, transfers, disposal, cancellation and/or use of treasury shares as at 30 June 2009 (31 December 2008: Nil). The Company does not have any treasury shares.

2. Whether the figures have been audited, or reviewed and in accordance with which auditing standard or practice.

The figures have not been audited or reviewed.

3. Whether the figures have been audited or reviewed, the auditors' report (including qualifications or emphasis of matter).

Not applicable.

4. Whether the same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements have been applied.

Except as disclosed in paragraph 5 below, the Company and the Group have applied the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the preparation of the financial statements for the current reporting period compared with those for the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008.

5. If there are any changes in the accounting policies and methods of computation, including any required by an accounting standard, what has changed, as well as the reasons for, and the effect of, the change

The Group adopted the new/revised Financial Reporting Standards (FRS) and Interpretations of FRS ("INT FRS") that are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. Changes to the Group's accounting policies have been made as required, in accordance with the transitional provisions in the respective FRS and INT FRS.

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

| | | |
|----|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | FRS 1 (Revised) | Presentation of Financial Statements |
| 2. | Amendments to FRS 23 | Borrowing Costs |
| 3. | FRS 108 | Operating Segments |

The adoption of the above FRS did not result in any substantial change to the Group's accounting policies nor any significant impact on the financial statements.

6. Earnings per ordinary share of the group for the current period reported on and the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year, after deducting any provision for preference dividends.

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | Half Year ended 30 June | |
|---|------------------|------|-------------------------|------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 |
| (i) Based on weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue - (US cents) | | | | |
| - Before exceptional item | 1.14 | 1.13 | 1.95 | 2.02 |
| - After exceptional item | 1.14 | 0.73 | 1.95 | 1.27 |
| (ii) On a fully diluted basis - (US cents) | | | | |
| - Before exceptional item | 1.14 | 1.13 | 1.95 | 2.02 |
| - After exceptional item | 1.14 | 0.73 | 1.95 | 1.27 |

Notes

- Basic earnings per share for 2Q 2009 is computed based on 532,277,000 shares (2Q 2008: 532,277,000 shares).
- There are no potentially dilutive ordinary shares as at 30 June 2009 and 30 June 2008 respectively.
- For detail calculation, refer to para 1(a)(i) note 6 of the Explanatory Notes on Income Statement.

7. Net asset value (for the issuer and group) per ordinary share based on issued share capital of the issuer at the end of the

- (a) current period reported on; and**
- (b) immediately preceding financial year.**

| Group | | Company | |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 30 Jun 09 | 31 Dec 08 | 30 Jun 09 | 31 Dec 08 |

Net asset value per ordinary share based on issued share capital - (US cents)

| | | | |
|------|------|------|------|
| 35.5 | 34.5 | 23.2 | 23.7 |
|------|------|------|------|

8. A review of the performance of the group, to the extent necessary for a reasonable understanding of the group's business. It must include a discussion of the following:

- (a) any significant factors that affected the turnover, costs, and earnings of the group for the current financial period reported on, including (where applicable) seasonal or cyclical factors; and**
- (b) any material factors that affected the cash flow, working capital, assets or liabilities of the group during the current financial period reported on**

Key Figures for the Group (unaudited)

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | | Half Year ended 30 June | | |
|---|------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | % | 2009 | 2008 | % |
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> | |
| Cocoa Ingredients | 216,947 | 202,340 | 7.2 | 434,724 | 392,882 | 10.7 |
| Branded Consumer | 72,519 | 64,197 | 13.0 | 136,517 | 123,194 | 10.8 |
| REVENUE | 289,466 | 266,537 | 8.6 | 571,241 | 516,076 | 10.7 |
| Cocoa Ingredients | 6,570 | 7,685 | (14.5) | 11,906 | 10,876 | 9.5 |
| Branded Consumer | 9,054 | 8,255 | 9.7 | 17,188 | 17,173 | 0.1 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 15,624 | 15,940 | (2.0) | 29,094 | 28,049 | 3.7 |
| Adjustments (refer to Note 5 page 4) | - | (2,353) | NM | - | (4,405) | NM |
| EBITDA | 15,624 | 13,587 | 15.0 | 29,094 | 23,644 | 23.1 |
| Finance Costs | (4,154) | (4,346) | (4.4) | (8,401) | (7,958) | 5.6 |
| Adjusted Profit before tax | 6,598 | 6,867 | (3.9) | 11,043 | 11,193 | (1.3) |
| Adjustments (refer to Note 5 page 4) | - | (2,353) | NM | - | (4,405) | NM |
| Profit before tax | 6,598 | 4,514 | 46.2 | 11,043 | 6,788 | 62.7 |
| Adjusted net profit attributable to shareholders | 6,055 | 6,003 | 0.9 | 10,368 | 10,739 | (3.5) |
| Adjustments (refer to Note 6 page 5) | - | (2,118) | NM | - | (3,965) | NM |
| Net profit attributable to shareholders | 6,055 | 3,885 | 55.9 | 10,368 | 6,774 | 53.1 |

Key Indicators by Business Segments

| | 2Q ended 30 June | | | Half Year ended 30 June | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|---------|-----------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | % | 2009 | 2008 | % |
| | | | | | | |
| Branded Consumer | | | | | | |
| Gross Profit Margin | 28.6% | 29.5% | (0.9) | 28.8% | 30.1% | (1.3) |
| Cocoa Ingredients | | | | | | |
| Sales volume (MT) | 50,984 | 51,699 | (1.4) | 103,754 | 106,624 | (2.7) |
| Capacity utilisation | | | | 80.4% | 92.0% | (11.6 pt) |

| | 6-month moving average ended 30 June | | |
|--|---|-------------|------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | % |
| | <u>US\$</u> | <u>US\$</u> | |
| <u>Exclude the effect of hedge re-designation</u> EBITDA/metric ton | 115 | 102 | 12.5 |
| <u>Include the effect of hedge re-designation</u> EBITDA/metric ton | 115 | 61 | 88.5 |

Review of Group 1st Half 2009 Financial Performance

Despite the still weak economic conditions globally, the Group achieved strong financial performance in 1H 2009 with revenues of US\$571.2 million and EBITDA of US\$29.1 million generated - representing a Year-on-Year (Y-o-Y) growth of 10.7% and 23.1% respectively.

The Group's strong profit performance can be attributed to the following:

1. Good performance achieved by the Group's core businesses of Branded Consumer and Cocoa Ingredients (Asia and Latin America); and
2. The absence of any FRS 39 Hedge Re-designation charge (FRS 39 Accounting Charge) compared to 1H 2008's charge of US\$4.4 million (of which US\$2.0 million had been recognized in 1Q 2008 and US\$2.4 million in 2Q 2008). To recap, this US\$4.4 million charge was part of the US\$5.6 million which the Group incurred in Financial Year 2008 as a result of the change from Fair Value Hedge to Cash Flow Hedge for the Cocoa Ingredients Division.

A key point to highlight is that the Group's performance would have been significantly stronger if not for the weaker regional currencies which had the impact of distorting the local currency performance when translated into the Group's reporting currency in US Dollars. For example, the Indonesian Rupiah in 1H 2009 was weaker by 21% on a Y-o-Y basis.

To better illustrate the underlying performance of the Group and, more specifically, our Branded Consumer Division, we have shown, in the table below, the Group's performance adjusted for the translational impact on our Branded Consumer Division by using the 1H 2008 exchange rates.

Financial Performance of the Group (1H 2009 vs. 1H 2008)

| | 1H 2009 (US\$ Million) | 1H 2008 (US\$ Million) | % change Year on Year | % chg Y-o-Y In Constant Exchange Rates * |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Branded Consumer | 136.5 | 123.2 | 10.8% | 29.8% |
| Cocoa Ingredients | 434.7 | 392.9 | 10.6% | 10.6% |
| Total Revenue | 571.2 | 516.1 | 10.7% | 15.2% |
| Branded Consumer | 17.2 | 17.2 | 0.1% | 20.7% |
| Cocoa Ingredients | 11.9 | 10.8 | 9.5% | 9.5% |
| Group EBITDA before FRS Accounting Charge | 29.1 | 28.0 | 3.7% | 16.3% |
| FRS 39 Accounting Charge | - | (4.4) | N/M | N/M |
| Total EBITDA | 29.1 | 23.6 | 23.0% | 38.0% |

Note: * For comparative purposes only, this shows the effect of using the respective exchange rates of the regional currencies in 1H 2008 in translating the Branded Consumer Division's 1H 2009 results.

Review of Group 2Q 2009 Financial Performance

Financial Performance of the Group (2Q 2009 vs. 2Q 2008)

| | 2Q 2009 (US\$ Million) | 2Q 2008 (US\$ Million) | % change Year on Year | % chg Y-o-Y In Constant Exchange Rates * |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Branded Consumer | 72.5 | 64.2 | 13.0% | 30.0% |
| Cocoa Ingredients | 216.9 | 202.3 | 7.2% | 7.2% |
| Total Revenue | 289.5 | 266.5 | 8.6% | 12.7% |
| Branded Consumer | 9.1 | 8.3 | 9.7% | 29.1% |
| Cocoa Ingredients | 6.5 | 7.7 | (14.5%) | (14.5%) |
| Group EBITDA before FRS Accounting Charge | 15.6 | 16.0 | (2.0%) | 8.1% |
| FRS 39 Accounting Charge | - | (2.4) | N/M | N/M |
| Total EBITDA | 15.6 | 13.6 | 15.0% | 26.8% |

Note: * For comparative purposes only, this shows the effect of using the respective exchange rates of the regional currencies in 2Q 2008 in translating the Branded Consumer Division's 2Q 2009 results.

The drivers of the Group's 2Q 2009 EBITDA growth was (1) the strong performance of the Group's core businesses with higher sales volumes and higher margins achieved; and (2) the absence of the FRS 39 Accounting Charge. More significantly, if not for the weaker regional currencies which had the impact of distorting the growth rate of Branded Consumer's performance, the Group's EBITDA would have been higher by 26.8% YoY, vs. the 15.0% reported.

Review of the Core Businesses' 2Q 2009 Financial Performance

Key Financial Highlights of the Core Businesses - Excluding Europe (2Q 2009 vs. 2Q 2008)

| | 2Q 2009 (US\$ Million) | 2Q 2008 (US\$ Million) | % change Year on Year | % chg Y-o-Y In Constant Exchange Rates * |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Branded Consumer | 72.5 | 64.2 | 13.0% | 30.0% |
| Core Cocoa (Asia & Latin America) | 143.6 | 130.4 | 10.1% | 10.1% |
| Revenue | 216.1 | 194.6 | 11.1% | 16.7% |
| Branded Consumer | 9.1 | 8.3 | 9.7% | 29.1% |
| Core Cocoa (Asia & Latin America) | 8.4 | 7.6 | 11.3% | 11.3% |
| EBITDA (before FRS 39 Accounting Charge) | 17.5 | 15.9 | 10.4% | 20.6% |
| Branded Consumer | 9.1 | 8.3 | 9.7% | 29.1% |
| Core Cocoa (Asia & Latin America) | 8.4 | 5.2 | 61.3% | 61.3% |
| EBITDA (after FRS 39 Accounting Charge) | 17.5 | 13.5 | 29.7% | 41.6% |

Note: * For comparative purposes only, this shows the effect of using the respective exchange rates of the regional currencies in 2Q 2008 in translating the Branded Consumer Division's 2Q 2009 results.

Branded Consumer Division

Key Financial Highlights (2Q 2009 vs. 2Q 2008)

| | 2Q 2009 (US\$ Million) | 2Q 2008 (US\$ Million) | % change Year on Year | % chg Y-o-Y In Constant Exchange Rates* |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Indonesia | 46.6 | 47.3 | (1.4%) | 16.0% |
| The Regional Markets | 25.9 | 16.9 | 53.3% | 69.3% |
| Branded Consumer Revenue | 72.5 | 64.2 | 13.0% | 30.0% |
| Gross Profit Margin (%) | 28.6% | 29.5% | (0.9%) | Weighted lower by new 3rd Party Agencies |
| EBITDA | 9.1 | 8.3 | 9.7% | 29.1% |

Note: * For comparative purposes only, this shows the effect of using the respective exchange rates of the regional currencies in 2Q 2008 in translating the Branded Consumer Division's 2Q 2009 results.

For the Branded Consumer Division, the key highlights of the Division's 2Q 2009 performance are:

- In local currency terms, the Division's performance was significantly stronger with revenue growth of 30.0% and EBITDA growth of 29.1% achieved.
- For the Division as a whole, the growth was driven by the higher volume growth of our Own Brands and 3rd Party Brands products, as well as higher quarter-on-quarter (Q-on-Q) Own Brands margins achieved in 2Q 2009.

Core Operations in Indonesia

For Own Brands in Indonesia, we achieved double digit sales growth (in local currency terms) with higher sales generated in the Premium segment as a result of our marketing initiatives and new products launched over the last 15 months. For the Premium segment, the strong sales momentum from the last financial year is carrying through to 2Q 2009.

For 3rd Party Brands sales in Indonesia, the strong double digit revenue growth achieved was driven by organic growth for the existing agencies.

The Regional Markets

Reflecting the success of the Division's strategy of growing Own Brands and 3rd Party Brands distribution in the regional markets, contributions from the regional markets grew to form 35.7% of the Division's 2Q 2009 revenue (versus 26.3% a year ago) and achieved revenue growth of 53.3% Y-o-Y (in US\$ terms).

The Philippines operations achieved strong double digit revenue growth (in local currency terms) in Own Brands sales and contributed 7.3% of the Division's 2Q 2009 revenue. For Own Brands, the growth can be attributed to the successful launch of new products and our success in gaining greater penetration into the different channels and regions in the archipelago.

The growth of 3rd Party Brands distribution was not only due to new agencies secured but also from the existing agencies in the Philippines, Singapore and Malaysia where we have now successfully developed the size of the distribution business and grown in scale.

Profit Performance

The EBITDA growth of 29.1% Y-o-Y growth achieved (in local currency terms) was driven by the strong revenue growth of Own Brands and 3rd Party Brands. Furthermore in the period under review, we had achieved higher Q-on-Q Own Brands gross profit margin as a result of the price increase implemented in March 2009 and cost containment initiatives.

For 2Q 2009, the revenue contribution from 3rd Party Brands distributed formed 54% of the Branded Consumer Division's revenue, compared to 44.6% previously. This business whilst making a positive profit contribution has the impact of lowering the blended Gross Profit Margin computation. The Y-o-Y decline of 0.9 percentage point in the blended gross profit margin, therefore, is due to higher revenue contribution from 3rd Party Brands on the back of new large agency lines secured.

Cocoa Ingredients Division

Core Cocoa Ingredients Division (Asia & Latin America)

Key Financial Highlights for (2Q 2009 vs 2Q 2008)

| | 2Q 2009 (US\$ Million) | 2Q 2008 (US\$ Million) | % change Year on Year |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Revenue | 143.6 | 130.4 | 10.1% |
| EBITDA | 8.4 | 7.6 | 11.3% |
| EBITDA/mt (6 months moving average) in US\$ | 197 | 162 | 21.6% |
| Sales volume (mt) | 40,315 | 38,238 | 5.4% |

Note: - The 2Q 2008 EBITDA figure excludes the negative US\$2.4 million effect of FRS 39 Accounting Charge.

The Group's Core Cocoa Ingredients operations achieved good profit performance with EBITDA growth of 11.3% to US\$8.4 million, principally driven by the 21.6% improvement in EBITDA yield from US\$162/mt in 2Q 2008 to US\$197/mt in 2Q 2009. The higher EBITDA yield reflected the higher product pricing for our premium cocoa ingredients and our ability to pass on price increases. New markets penetrated and strong demand from global customers were the key drivers of the 5.4% Y-o-Y increase in sales volume.

The Europe Cocoa Ingredients Operations

Our state-of-the-art cocoa ingredients processing facility in Hamburg was commissioned in April 2009 and commenced commercial production in May 2009. Europe's 2Q 2009 net loss of US\$2.2 million and 1H 2009 net loss of US\$4.3 million reflected the facility at its pre-operating stage.

More significantly, we have begun delivering products manufactured in our state-of-the art Hamburg facility to customers in June and have increased our sales initiatives. The Hamburg plant has already received quality accreditations from some of our major customers. The ISO 22000 certification obtained by our Hamburg plant has played a major part in the achievement of these accreditations.

Financial strategies to minimize risks under the current Global Financial Environment

Given the continuing turmoil in the global financial environment, the Group's prudent risk management strategy resulted in the following achieved in 2Q 2009:

1. Reduced the Group's adjusted net debt/equity level to 0.63x from 0.66x for FY2008;
2. Reduced reliance on short term borrowings to fund working capital requirements - The percentage of short term borrowing to total borrowings is currently at 48% which is a significant reduction from 79% two years ago; and
3. Re-balanced debt portfolio to reduce exposure to credit refinancing risk with only US\$48 million due for repayment over 2009/2010.

In this environment of increased operating risks, we will continue to tightly manage our risks. The table below illustrates the identified risks for the Group in the current credit crunch but more significantly, what we believe to be the mitigating factors for the Group.

The Credit Crunch - Risks & Mitigants

| | |
|--|--|
| Liquidity Risk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Reduced exposure to liquidity or refinancing risk <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Of total loans, only 7% is due for repayment in 2009. Can be refinanced through internal cash flows 2. Of the working capital facilities, no significant amount is due for renewal ■ Preventive action already taken: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pursue options in the debt capital market to further reduce reliance on short term working capital facilities; and 2. Continued application of the Group's financing strategy which includes extending the debt maturity profile to match the financing and investment needs of the business |
| Credit Financing (Bank Exposure Risk) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Diversified sources of credit - The Group has more than 10 banks on the panel ■ In compliance with debt covenants ■ Our panel of banks have assured us that the Group's credit facilities (i.e. working capital and term loans) will continue to operate ■ Our Trade Finance facilities are used in the significant value add process of transforming cocoa beans to customized cocoa ingredients - favored by financial institutions as these facilities are used to fund highly liquid and hedged assets; backed by committed sales contracts ■ Credit headroom of US\$144 million or 28% of available credit lines ■ The expansion in Europe was funded through committed credit lines ■ Preventive action already taken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Exploring means of increasing credit headroom for contingencies. For example, working with several existing and new financial institutions to participate in our working capital financing |

| | |
|------------------------------|--|
| <p>Cash Flow Risk</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Core businesses generating strong operating cash flows ▪ With the completion of the Europe investment programme, significantly lower capital expenditure for the rest of 2009 - The Group is expected to generate positive free cash flow ▪ Action taken to further strengthen the Group's cash flow: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve working capital cycle through tighter working capital management; and 2. Deferring any capital expenditure that is not immediately income generating. |
| <p>Counterparty Risk</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Source cocoa beans through multiple suppliers to minimize supply risk ▪ In the event of any potential supply interruption from one of our suppliers, this risk can be effectively managed through our other suppliers ▪ Minimal exposure to our cocoa bean suppliers and trading houses if all committed positions were to be liquidated ▪ There have been no counterparty defaults to-date and we continue to monitor and minimize these risks ▪ Preventive action already taken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Tightened credit checks and controls on receivables collection to minimize our exposure and maximize collections |
| <p>Foreign Currency Risk</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minimize risk through matching borrowings with functional currency revenue <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For Cocoa Ingredients (Asia & Latin America) - USD revenue matches USD borrowings 2. For Cocoa Ingredients (Europe) - Euro revenue matches Euro borrowings 3. For Branded Consumer - Local currency revenue (e.g. Rupiah) matches local currency borrowings (eg. Rupiah) ▪ For the Indonesian operations, the impact of currency movement on raw material purchases is managed through price increases and cost reductions |

Operating Expenses

The increase in selling and distribution expenses and administrative expenses by US\$2.1 million and US\$0.4 million respectively can be attributed to the higher Group revenue achieved supported by advertising and promotion and strengthening of manpower to cater for the Group's expanded business.

Finance Cost

Finance cost for 2Q 2009 was US\$0.2 million lower Y-o-Y despite higher borrowings during the quarter. This arose from interest savings from sliding Euribor and Libor rates which offset the impact of increased borrowings.

Review of Financial Position and Cash Flow

| Balance Sheet as at | 30-Jun-09 | 31-Dec-08 | Change |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| | US\$'000 | US\$'000 | US\$'000 |
| Total Assets | 759,777 | 631,135 | 128,642 |
| Current assets | 458,964 | 359,815 | 99,149 |
| Non-current assets | 300,813 | 271,320 | 29,493 |
| Total Borrowings | 377,192 | 320,376 | 56,816 |
| Shareholders' Equity | 189,019 | 183,562 | 5,457 |
| Net Working Capital | 75,591 | 98,981 | (23,390) |

Shareholders' equity improved to US\$189 million driven by:

- (i) Strong 1H 2009 Group earnings; and
- (ii) Strengthening of Rupiah and Euro against the United States Dollar in 2Q 2009 - resulting in the Foreign Currency Translation Reserve in Shareholders' Equity at US\$(8.5) million vs US\$(13.1) million as at end 2008.

Total assets was higher by US\$128.6 million mainly attributable to: -

1. Higher receivables of \$35.9 million which is in line with revenue growth;
2. Increased inventories level of US\$54.4 million following new 3rd Party agencies secured and higher cocoa bean inventories carried for expanded capacity and seasonal factors; and
3. Capital expenditure of US\$29.0 million of which US\$19.7 million was for the completion of Europe's investment programme.

The higher working capital needs and capital expenditure was funded mainly by operating cash flow and trade finance. Additional trade finance of US\$42.6 million resulted in net debt to equity increasing from 1.50x to 1.67x. Excluding the funding of cocoa bean inventories, the adjusted net debt to equity was maintained at 0.63x (end-2008: 0.66x).

9. Where a forecast, or a prospect statement, has been previously disclosed to shareholders, any variance between it and the actual results.

The Group's results for 2Q and 1H ended 30 June 2009 are in line with the commentary made in Paragraph 10 of the Group 4Q 2008 and Full Year 2008 Unaudited Financial Statement and Dividend Announcement in February 2009.

10. A commentary at the date of the announcement of the competitive conditions of the industry in which the group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months.

For our Core Cocoa Ingredients Division, we expect the positive 1H momentum to continue into 2H 2009 while for Branded Consumer, we see the volume growth continuing and together with price increases implemented in March 2009, we expect the benefit to our Own Brands profit margin to continue into 2H 2009.

In 2H 2009, we expect lower losses for our Europe operations as we increase the production of the Hamburg facility (which started commercial operations in May 2009) to the optimum level. On a combined basis, we are positive on the Group's outlook for the remainder of 2009.

11. Dividend

a. Current Financial Period Reported On

Any dividend declared for the current financial period reported on? **Yes**

| | |
|--|---|
| Name of Dividend | Interim |
| Dividend Type | Cash |
| Dividend Amount per share (in Singapore cents) | 1.48 cents per ordinary share (one-tier tax exempt) |
| Tax Rate | N.A. |

As the Directors are confident of the Group's long term growth prospects, an interim dividend of 1.02 US cents (same as 2008) or 1.48 Singapore cents per share is declared based on 532,277,000 ordinary share issued, which will be payable on 15 September 2009.

Together with the final dividend for 2008 of 1.02 US cents or 1.55 Singapore cents paid on 20 May 2009, the total cash distributions received by Shareholders this year will amount to 2.04 US cents or 3.03 Singapore cents per share in 2009.

b. Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year

Any dividend declared for the preceding financial period reported on? **Yes**

| | |
|--|---|
| Name of Dividend | Interim |
| Dividend Type | Cash |
| Dividend Amount per share (in Singapore cents) | 1.39 cents per ordinary share (one-tier tax exempt) |
| Tax Rate | N.A. |

c. Date payable

The dividend is payable on 15 September 2009.

d. Books closure date

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that the Transfer Books and the Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 5:00 p.m. on 31 August 2009 (**Books Closure Date**) up to and including 1 September 2009 for the preparation of dividend warrants.

Duly completed registrable transfers received by the Company's Share Registrar, M&C Services Private Limited at 138 Robinson Road, #17-00 The Corporate Office, Singapore 068906 up to 5:00 p.m. on the Books Closure Date will be registered to determine shareholders' entitlements to the interim dividend. In respect of ordinary shares in securities accounts with The Central Depository (Pte) Limited (**CDP**), the interim dividend will be paid by the Company to CDP which will, in turn, distribute the interim dividend entitlements to the CDP account holders in accordance with its normal practice.

The interim dividend will be paid on 15 September 2009.

e. If no dividend has been declared/recommended, a statement to that effect.

Not applicable

12. Segmental revenue and results

Segmental revenue and results continued

| | Cocoa Ingredients | Branded Consumer | GROUP |
|---|-------------------|------------------|----------|
| 1H ended 30 June 2009 | | | |
| Sales | 434,724 | 136,517 | 571,241 |
| Inter-segment sales | 10,501 | - | 10,501 |
| | 445,225 | 136,517 | 581,742 |
| Elimination | | | (10,501) |
| | | | 571,241 |
| Segment results | 4,989 | 14,396 | 19,385 |
| Finance cost | | | (8,401) |
| Share of profit / (loss) from associates | | | 59 |
| Income tax expense | | | (2,721) |
| Net Profit | | | 8,322 |
| Assets and liabilities | | | |
| Segment assets | 567,233 | 179,428 | 746,661 |
| Associated companies | | | 1,937 |
| Unallocated assets | | | 11,179 |
| Consolidated total assets | | | 759,777 |
| Segment liabilities | 117,553 | 50,746 | 168,299 |
| Unallocated liabilities | | | 387,516 |
| Consolidated total liabilities | | | 555,815 |
| Other segment items | | | |
| EBITDA | 11,916 | 17,188 | 29,104 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 6,709 | 2,783 | 9,492 |
| Capital expenditure | 23,391 | 5,587 | 28,978 |
| Sales volume (for Cocoa Ingredients only) | 103,754 | - | 103,754 |

Segmental revenue and results continued

| 1H ended 30 June 2008 | Cocoa Ingredients | Branded Consumer | GROUP |
|---|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Sales | 392,882 | 123,194 | 516,076 |
| Inter-segment sales | 8,683 | - | 8,683 |
| | 401,565 | 123,194 | 524,759 |
| Elimination | | | (8,683) |
| | | | 516,076 |
| Segment results | 698 | 14,281 | 14,979 |
| Finance cost | | | (7,958) |
| Share of profit / (loss) from associates | | | (233) |
| Income tax expense | | | (1,631) |
| Net Profit | | | 5,157 |
| Assets and liabilities | | | |
| Segment assets | 487,791 | 154,189 | 641,980 |
| Associated companies | | | 2,619 |
| Unallocated assets | | | 4,989 |
| Consolidated total assets | | | 649,588 |
| Segment liabilities | 361,978 | 65,725 | 427,703 |
| Unallocated liabilities | | | 12,413 |
| Consolidated total liabilities | | | 440,116 |
| Other segment items | | | |
| EBITDA - incl. hedge redesignation | 6,471 | 17,173 | 23,644 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 5,588 | 3,159 | 8,747 |
| Capital expenditure | 25,212 | 1,074 | 26,286 |
| Sales volume (for Cocoa Ingredients only) | 106,624 | - | 106,624 |

Geographical segments

| For half year ended 30 June | Revenue | | Non-current assets | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 |
| | US\$'000 | US\$'000 | US\$'000 | US\$'000 |
| Indonesia | 104,088 | 100,275 | 64,488 | 74,950 |
| Singapore | 34,475 | 31,362 | 1,472 | 1,882 |
| Philippines | 20,505 | 18,866 | 11,350 | 10,932 |
| Thailand | 5,785 | 4,345 | 3,906 | 4,445 |
| Malaysia | 26,131 | 12,224 | 55,060 | 44,273 |
| Japan | 39,287 | 34,951 | - | - |
| Middle East | 15,345 | 16,585 | - | - |
| Other countries in Asia | 14,797 | 19,804 | - | - |
| Australia | 17,935 | 25,928 | - | - |
| Europe | 195,600 | 187,881 | 124,183 | 76,638 |
| North America | 38,735 | 20,364 | 3,070 | 3,142 |
| South America | 42,258 | 30,705 | 26,105 | 26,687 |
| Africa | 16,300 | 12,786 | - | - |
| | 571,241 | 516,076 | 289,634 | 242,949 |

13. Interested Person Transactions

| | ¹ Aggregate value of all transactions conducted under a shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920 of the SGX Listing Manual | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| | 2Q 2009 | Half Year 2009 |
| | <u>US\$'000</u> | <u>US\$'000</u> |
| PT Freyabadi Indotama | | |
| - Sales of goods | 1,356 | 2,508 |
| - Purchase of products | 1,712 | 3,026 |
| | 3,068 | 5,534 |
| PT Tri Keeson Utama | | |
| - Sales of goods | 2,021 | 2,608 |
| PT Fajar Mataram Sedayu | | |
| - Sales of goods | 394 | 670 |
| - Purchase of goods | 126 | 228 |
| | 520 | 898 |
| PT Sederhana Djaja | | |
| - Lease of properties | 14 | 28 |
| | 5,623 | 9,068 |

Note: ¹ Aggregate value of all interested person transactions include transactions less than S\$100,000.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

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