Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries Report and consolidated interim financial statements For the three-month and six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007

Review report of Independent Auditor

To the Shareholders of Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited

I have reviewed the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries as at 30 June 2008, the related consolidated statements of income for the three-month and six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007 and the related consolidated statements of changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for the six-month periods then ended, and the separate financial statements of Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited for the same periods. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management as to their correctness and completeness of the presentation. My responsibility is to report on these financial statements based on my reviews. The consolidated interim financial statements include the financial statements of an overseas subsidiary which were reviewed by another auditor. The financial statements for the three-month and six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007 of this subsidiary showed total assets as at 30 June 2008 of Baht 1,089 million (31 December 2007: Baht 1,009 million), total revenues for the three-month and six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 of Baht 193 million and Baht 330 million, respectively (30 June 2007: Baht 90 million and Baht 211 million, respectively) and net income for the three-month and six-month periods then ended of Baht 7 million and Baht 21 million, respectively (30 June 2007: net loss for the three-month and six-month periods of Baht 22 million and Baht 46 million, respectively). The review report of that auditor has been furnished to me; and my report, insofar as it relates to the amounts included in the consolidated financial statements in respect of that subsidiary, is based solely on the report of that auditor.

I conducted my review in accordance with the auditing standards applicable to review engagements. This standard requires that I plan and perform the reviews to obtain moderate assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. A review is limited primarily to inquiries of company personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data and thus provides less assurance than an audit. I have not performed an audit and, accordingly, I do not express an audit opinion. Based on my review and the report of the other auditor, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the accompanying financial statements are not presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

I have previously audited the consolidated financial statements of Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries, and the separate financial statements of Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited, for the year ended 31 December 2007 in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements, based on my audit and the other auditor's report, under my report dated 27 February 2008. The consolidated and separate balance sheets as at 31 December 2007, as presented herein for comparative purposes, formed an integral part of the financial statements which I audited and reported on. I have not performed any other audit procedures subsequent to the date of that report.

Narong Puntawong Certified Public Accountant (Thailand) No. 3315

Ernst & Young Office Limited Bangkok: 11 August 2008

Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries

Balance sheets

				(Expressed in Thousand Baht)		
		Consolidated fir	nancial statements	Separate fina	ncial statements	
	Note	30 June 2008	31 December 2007	30 June 2008	31 December 2007	
		(Unaudited	(Audited)	(Unaudited	(Audited)	
		but reviewed)		but reviewed)		
Assets						
Current assets						
Cash and cash equivalents		1,321,478	1,185,190	1,301,376	1,122,475	
Trade accounts receivable						
Related parties	2, 3	37,401	36,154	37,401	37,137	
Unrelated parties	3	1,434,408	1,163,802	1,372,437	1,137,846	
Total trade accounts receivable		1,471,809	1,199,956	1,409,838	1,174,983	
Inventories - net		943,569	1,138,672	789,098	984,123	
Other current assets						
Advances for purchases of raw materials		39,000	2,252	-	-	
Input tax refundable		68,534	88,990	27,683	59,278	
Others		93,520	32,841	90,971	30,751	
Total other current assets		201,054	124,083	118,654	90,029	
Total current assets		3,937,910	3,647,901	3,618,966	3,371,610	
Non-current assets						
Investments in subsidiary companies	4	-	-	668,444	668,444	
Investments in associated companies	5	1,885,649	1,622,847	706,768	706,768	
Investment in related parties	6	398,883	398,883	501,085	501,085	
Advances for purchases of property,						
plant and equipment		105,390	62,557	105,390	62,557	
Property, plant and equipment - net	7	2,331,056	2,295,910	1,598,692	1,572,325	
Other non-current assets		21,550	21,803	12,482	13,088	
Total non-current assets		4,742,528	4,402,000	3,592,861	3,524,267	
Total assets		8,680,438	8,049,901	7,211,827	6,895,877	

Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries

Balance sheets (continued)

				(Expressed in Thousand Baht)		
		Consolidated fir	ancial statements	Separate financial statements		
	Note	30 June 2008	31 December 2007	30 June 2008	31 December 2007	
		(Unaudited	(Audited)	(Unaudited	(Audited)	
		but reviewed)		but reviewed)		
Liabilities and shareholders' equity						
Current liabilities						
Short-term loans from financial institutions	8	358,683	361,014	-	-	
Trade accounts payable						
Related parties	2	15,607	6,858	45,702	6,858	
Unrelated parties		227,916	142,120	78,026	72,152	
Total trade accounts payable		243,523	148,978	123,728	79,010	
Current portion of long-term loans	9	66,129	66,559	-	-	
Other current liabilities						
Corporate income tax payable		96,855	109,894	96,855	109,894	
Accrued expenses		178,542	129,946	178,542	119,696	
Others		50,077	64,713	28,049	45,963	
		325,474	304,553	303,446	275,553	
Total current liabilities		993,809	881,104	427,174	354,563	
Non-current liabilities						
Long-term loans, net of current portion	9	70,701	104,439	-	-	
Provision for employee retirement benefits		70,851	72,506	70,851	72,506	
Total non-current liabilities		141,552	176,945	70,851	72,506	
Total liabilities		1,135,361	1,058,049	498,025	427,069	

Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries

Balance sheets(continued)

				(Expressed in Thousand Bah)		
		Consolidated fi	nancial statements	Separate financial statements		
	Note	30 June 2008	31 December 2007	30 June 2008	31 December 2007	
		(Unaudited	(Audited)	(Unaudited	(Audited)	
		but reviewed)		but reviewed)		
Shareholders equity						
Share capital						
Registered, issued and fully paid up						
300,000,000 ordinary shares of Baht1 each		300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	
Paid-in capital						
Share premium		930,000	930,000	930,000	930,000	
Translation adjustment						
Subsidiary companies		(23,300)	(44,855)	-	-	
Associated companies	5	(225,181)	(247,309)	-	-	
Retained earnings						
Appropriated- statutory reserve		30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	
Unappropriated		6,485,201	5,980,897	5,453,802	5,208,808	
Equity attributable to the companys			· ·			
shareholders		7,496,720	6,948,733	6,713,802	6,468,808	
Minority interest- equity attributable to						
minority shareholders of subsidiaries		48,357	43,119	-	-	
Total shareholders equity		7,545,077	6,991,852	6,713,802	6,468,808	
Total liabilities and shareholdersequity		8,680,438	8,049,901	7,211,827	6,895,877	
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

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Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries

Income statements

For the three-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007

		(Expressed in Thousand Baht except basic earnings per share in Baht)				
	Note	Consolidated finance	cial statements	Separate financial statements		
		2008	2007	2008	2007	
Revenues						
Sales		2,312,604	1,645,179	2,183,232	1,566,611	
Share of income from investments in						
associated companies	5	145,827	77,803	-	-	
Other income						
Dividend income		33,765	11,387	33,765	11,387	
Interest income		7,365	10,292	7,290	10,316	
Gain on exchange rate		27,700	-	19,008	-	
Others		8,003	10,892	4,169	2,959	
Total other income		76,833	32,571	64,232	24,662	
Total revenues		2,535,264	1,755,553	2,247,464	1,591,273	
Expenses						
Cost of sales		1,940,057	1,187,140	1,830,866	1,113,393	
Selling and administrative expenses		141,802	126,679	122,225	104,759	
Loss on exchange rate			13,859	-	8,573	
Total expenses		2,081,859	1,327,678	1,953,091	1,226,725	
Income before interest expenses and						
corporate income tax		453,405	427,875	294,373	364,548	
Interest expenses		(6,237)	(9,829)	-	(29)	
Corporate income tax	10	(44,224)	(70,081)	(44,225)	(70,081)	
Net income for the period		402,944	347,965	250,148	294,438	
		-	-	-	-	
Net income (loss) attributable to:						
Equity holders of the parent		402,114	350,684	250,148	294,438	
Minority interests of the subsidiaries		830	(2,719)			
		402,944	347,965			
Basic earnings per share						
Net income attributable to equity holders of the	e parent	1.34	1.17	0.83	0.98	

Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries

Income statements

For the six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007

		(Expressed in Thousand Baht except basic earnings per share in Bahi				
	Note	Consolidated finance	ial statements	Separate financial statements		
		2008	2007	<u>2008</u>	2007	
Revenues						
Sales		4,480,304	3,387,479	4,284,339	3,240,061	
Share of income from investments in						
associated companies		240,675	143,446	-	-	
Other income						
Dividend income		33,765	26,928	33,765	26,928	
Interest income		14,104	18,870	13,968	18,870	
Gain on exchange rate		27,847	-	1,289	-	
Others		12,559	22,346	8,447	10,169	
Total other income		88,275	68,144	57,469	55,967	
Total revenues		4,809,254	3,599,069	4,341,808	3,296,028	
Expenses						
Cost of sales		3,671,139	2,525,296	3,511,507	2,383,748	
Selling and administrative expenses		248,435	250,705	215,828	206,345	
Loss on exchange rate		-	18,740	-	17,687	
Total expenses		3,919,574	2,794,741	3,727,335	2,607,780	
Income before interest expenses and						
corporate income tax		889,680	804,328	614,473	688,248	
Interest expenses		(13,450)	(21,707)	(7)	(33)	
Corporate income tax	10	(99,472)	(128,761)	(99,472)	(128,761)	
Net income for the period		776,758	653,860	514,994	559,454	
		-	-	-	-	
Net income (loss) attributable to:						
Equity holders of the parent		774,304	659,458	514,994	559,454	
Minority interests of the subsidiaries		2,454	(5,598)			
		776,758	653,860			
Basic earnings per share						
Net income attributable to equity holders of	the parent	2.58	2.20	1.72	1.86	

Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries

Statements of cash flows

For the six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007

			(Expressed in Thousand Baht)		
	Consolidated finan	cial statements	Separate financia	I statements	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	
Cash flows from operating activities					
Net income before tax	876,230	782,621	614,466	688,215	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash					
provided by (paid from) operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortisation	115,822	118,682	79,620	83,911	
Gain on sales of equipment	(1,655)	(438)	(1,655)	(438)	
Allowance for stock obsolescences (reversal)	428	(16,193)	-	-	
Dividend income	(33,765)	(26,928)	(33,765)	(26,928)	
Share of income from investments		, , ,			
in associated companies	(240,675)	(143,446)	-	-	
Unrealised (gain)loss on exchange	(8,363)	1,928	(8,363)	5,811	
Unrealised loss on energy swap contracts	25,644	-	25,644	-	
Provision for employee retirement benefit	2,931	6,565	2,931	6,565	
Interest expenses	13,450	21,707	7	33	
Income from operating activities before changes					
in operating assets and liabilities	750,047	744,498	678,885	757,169	
Operating assets (increase) decrease					
Trade accounts receivable	(262,556)	74,927	(226,492)	70,492	
Inventories	194,675	170,759	195,025	34,251	
Other current assets	(76,972)	1,747	(28,625)	(10,151)	
Other assets	45	1,001	46	840	
Operating liabilities increase (decrease)					
Trade accounts payable	94,544	(10,350)	44,717	12,147	
Other current liabilities	14,684	28,245	15,288	20,128	
Payment for employee retirement benefit	(4,585)	(3,324)	(4,585)	(3,324)	
Cash flows from operating activities	709,882	1,007,503	674,259	881,552	
Cash paid for interest expenses	(7,083)	(21,680)	(7)	(28)	
Cash paid for corporate income tax	(112,511)	(115,024)	(112,511)	(115,025)	
Net cash flows from operating activities	590,288	870,799	561,741	766,499	

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Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries

Statements of cash flows (continuted)

For the six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007

			(Expressed in Thousand Baht)		
	Consolidated finance	cial statements	Separate financial statements		
	2008	2007	<u>2008</u>	2007	
Cash flows from investing activities					
Dividend income	33,765	26,928	33,765	26,928	
Addition investments in subsidiary companies	-	-	-	(181,327)	
Proceeds from capital reduction of shares					
of related company	-	20,037	-	20,037	
Advances for purchase of property, plant and equipment	(42,834)	(51,402)	(42,834)	(54,232)	
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(110,285)	(114,599)	(105,426)	(106,727)	
Cash receipt from sales of equipment	1,655	438	1,655	438	
Net cash used in investing activities	(117,699)	(118,598)	(112,840)	(294,883)	
Cash flows from financing activities					
Decrease in short-term loans					
from financial institutions	(2,330)	(163,732)	-	(6,690)	
Repayment of long-term loans	(34,169)	(40,408)	-	-	
Dividend paid	(270,001)	(210,000)	(270,000)	(210,000)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(306,500)	(414,140)	(270,000)	(216,690)	
Decrease in translation adjustment	(29,801)	(2,708)	-	-	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	136,288	335,353	178,901	254,926	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,185,190	875,667	1,122,475	824,442	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	1,321,478	1,211,020	1,301,376	1,079,368	

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(Unit : Thousand Baht)

Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries

Statements of changes in shareholders ' equity

For the six -month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007

Consolidated financial statements Minority interest equity attributable Issued and Translation adjustment Retained earnings to minority paid -up Subsidiary Associated shareholders of share capital Share premium companies companies Appropriated Unappropriated subsidiaries Total Balance as at 31 December 2006 (Audited) 300,000 930,000 (13,068) 30,000 21,962 (192,958) 4,893,438 5,969,374 Unrealised item in income statements Translation adjustment (42,174) (13,224) -31,995 (23,403) Dividend paid (Note 11) (210,000) (210,000) ----Net income (loss) for the period (5,598) 653,860 659,458 Balance as at 30 June 2007 300,000 930,000 (55,242) (206,182) 30,000 5,342,896 48,359 6,389,831 Balance as at 31 December 2007 (Audited) 300,000 930,000 (44,855) (247,309) 30,000 5,980,897 43,119 6,991,852 Unrealised item in income statements 21,555 22,128 Translation adjustment 2,784 46,467 --Dividend paid (Note 11) (270,000) (270,000) --Net income for the period 774 ,304 2,454 776 ,758 -Balance as at 30 June 2008 300,000 930,000 (23,300) (225,181) 30,000 6,485,201 48,357 7,545,077

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

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Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries

Statements of changes in shareholders' equity (continued)

For the six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007

Dividend paid (Note 11)

Net income for the period

Balance as at 30 June 2008

	Separate financial statements						
	Issued and						
	paid-up		Retained e	arnings			
	share capital	Share premium	Appropriated	Unappropriated	Total		
Balance as at 31 December 2006 (Audited)	300,000 -	930,000	30,000 -	4,335,782	5,595,782		
Dividend paid (Note 11)	-	-	-	(210,000)	(210,000)		
Net income for the period	<u> </u>	-	<u> </u>	559,454	559,454		
Balance as at 30 June 2007	300,000	930,000	30,000	4,685,236	5,945,236		
Balance as at 31 December 2007 (Audited)	300,000	930,000	30,000	5,208,808	6,468,808		

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Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries Notes to consolidated interim financial statements For the three-month and six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007

1. General information

1.1 Corporate information

Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited is a public company incorporated and domiciled in Thailand. It is principally engaged in the manufacture and distribution of carbon black for sales to both local and overseas markets. The Company has a registered address at 44 Moo 1, Ayuthaya-Angthong Highway, Tambol Posa, Amphur Muang, Angthong while its head office is located at 888/122,128 Mahatun Plaza Building, Ploenchit Road, Lumpini, Patumwan, Bangkok.

1.2 Basis for the preparation of interim financial statements

These interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards Pronouncement No. 41 (revised 2007) "Interim Financial Statements", with the Company choosing to present condensed interim financial statements. However, the Company has presented the balance sheets, and the statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows in the same format as that used for the annual financial statements.

The interim financial statements are intended to provide information additional to that included in the latest annual financial statements. Accordingly, they focus on new activities, events and circumstances so as not to duplicate information previously reported. These interim financial statements should therefore be read in conjunction with the latest annual financial statements.

1.3 Accounting Standards which are effective for the current year

TAS 25 (revised 2007)	Cash Flow Statements
TAS 29 (revised 2007)	Leases
TAS 31 (revised 2007)	Inventories
TAS 33 (revised 2007)	Borrowing Costs
TAS 35 (revised 2007)	Presentation of Financial Statements
TAS 39 (revised 2007)	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates
	and Errors
TAS 41 (revised 2007)	and Errors Interim Financial Reporting
TAS 41 (revised 2007) TAS 43 (revised 2007)	

TAS 51 Intangible Assets

These accounting standards become effective for the financial statements for fiscal years beginning on or after 1 January 2008. The management has assessed the effect of these accounting standards and believes that TAS 29, TAS 33, TAS 43 and TAS 49 are not relevant to the business of the Company, whereas TAS 25, TAS 31, TAS 35, TAS 39, TAS 41 and TAS 51 do not have any significant impact on the financial statements for the current period.

1.4 Basis of consolidation

These consolidated interim financial statements include the financial statements of Thai Carbon Black Public Company Limited and its subsidiaries and have been prepared on the same basis as that applied for the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007, with no changes in the shareholding structure of the subsidiary companies during the period.

1.5 Significant accounting policies

The interim financial statements are prepared using the same accounting policies and methods of computation as were used for the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007.

2. Related party transactions

During the periods, the Company had significant business transactions with related parties. These transactions arose in the ordinary course of businesses and were concluded on commercial terms and conditions agreed between the Company and those companies. The transactions have been charged at prices comparable to the market prices. Below is a summary of those transactions.

(Unit: Million Baht)

	For the three-month periods ended 30 June						
	Consolic	lated	Separate financial statements				
	financial sta	itements					
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	2008	2007			
Transactions with subsidiary company							
(eliminated from the consolidated financ	ial statements)						
Purchase of goods	-	-	49.4	11.3			
Transactions with related parties							
Purchase of goods	7.9	-	7.9	-			
Share of production cost - steam							
power and electric power	103.9	97.0	103.9	97.0			

(Unit: Million Baht)

	For the six-month periods ended 30 June					
	Consolio	dated	Separa	ite		
	financial sta	atements	financial statements			
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	2007		
Transactions with subsidiary compan	Y					
(eliminated from the consolidated financi	al statements)					
Purchase of goods	-	-	119.5	51.5		
Transactions with related parties						
Purchase of goods	7.9	-	7.9	-		
Share of production cost - steam						
power and electric power	198.3	187.6	198.3	187.6		

The outstanding balances of the accounts as at 30 June 2008 and 31 December 2007 between the Company and those related parties are as follows:

			(Unit: Million Baht)	
	Cons	olidated	Se	oarate
	financial statements		financial statements	
	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Trade accounts receivable related parties				
Subsidiary company				
Liaoning Birla Carbon Co., Ltd.	-	-	-	1.0
Total trade accounts receivable - subsidiary company	-	-	-	1.0
Related company				
Thai Rayon Public Co.,Ltd.	37.4	36.1	37.4	36.1
Total trade accounts receivable - related company	37.4	36.1	37.4	36.1
Total trade accounts receivable - related parties	37.4	36.1	37.4	37.1
Trade accounts payable related parties				
Subsidiary company				
Liaoning Birla Carbon Co., Ltd.	-	-	30.1	0.6
Total trade accounts payable subsidiary company	-	-	30.1	0.6
Associated company				
Aditya Birla Chemicals (Thailand) Ltd.	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.6
Total trade accounts payable associated company	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.6
Related company				
Alexandria Carbon Black CO.S.A.E.	14.6	5.4	14.6	5.4
Thai Rayon Public Co.,Ltd.	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Total trade accounts payable - related company	15.4	6.2	15.4	6.2

			(Unit: Million Baht)			
	Consolidated		Separate			
	financial	statements	financial statements			
	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December		
	2008	2007	2008	2007		
Total Trade accounts payable - related parties	15.6	6.8	45.7	6.8		

Guarantees of subsidiary company's credit facilities

Liaoning Birla Carbon Co., Ltd. entered into the credit facility agreements with two commercial banks in China. The facilities have been guaranteed by the Company for a maximum limit of USD 1.5 million for long-term loan facility and USD 3.6 million for the short-term loan facility.

Guarantees of related company's credit facilities

Alexandria Fiber Co., S.A.E. entered into credit facility agreements with two overseas financial institutions to obtain various types of credit facilities from them, with respective maximum credit lines of not exceeding USD 36.6 million and USD 8.0 million. The facilities have been guaranteed by the Company for a maximum limit of USD 6.3 million.

3. Trade accounts receivable

Most of the trade accounts receivable at the balance sheet date were within the credit terms and no receivables were more than 3 months past due.

4. Investments in subsidiary companies

These represent investments in ordinary shares in the following subsidiary companies:

(Unit: Thousand Baht)

	Separate financial statements								
Company's name	Paid-up capital		Shareholdi	ng percentage	Cost				
	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December			
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007			
			(%)	(%)					
Liaoning Birla	Renminbi	Renminbi	89	89	662,469	662,469			
Carbon Co., Ltd.	157 Million	157 Million							
Birla Carbon Mexico,	Mexico Pesos	Mexico Pesos	98	98	5,975	5,975			
S.A DE C.V.	1.9 Million	1.9 Million							
Total investment in su	ibsidiary compai	nies			668,444	668,444			

During the three-month and six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007, the Company received no dividend income from its investments in subsidiaries.

5. Investments in associated companies

5.1 Details of investments in associated companies:

Consolidated financial

				Carry
Shareholdi	ng percentage	(
30 June 2008	31 December 2007	30 June 2008	31 December 2007	30 2
(%)	(%)			
40	40	196,948	196,948	60
30	30	509,820	509,820	1,50
14.4	14.4	-	-	
		-	-	(22
		706,768	706,768	1,88
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	Separate financial statements						
Company's name	Shareholdi	Cos					
	30 June 2008	31 December 2007	30 June 2008 3				
	(%)	(%)					
P.T. Indo Liberty Textiles	40	40	196,948				
Aditya Birla Chemicals (Thailand) Ltd.	30	30	509,820				
Total			706,768				

(*Investment in this company has been transferred to investments in related parties during the second quarter of year 2007.)

During the six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007, the Company received no dividend income from its investments in associated companies.

5.2 Summarised financial information of associated companies

Company's name	Paid-up o	Paid-up capital as at		Total assets as at		
	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	
P.T. Indo Liberty Textiles	Indonesian	Indonesian	1,281	1,426	379	
	Rupiah 42.5	Rupiah 42.5				

	million	million			
Aditya Birla Chemicals	Baht 1,700	Baht 1,700	8,635	7,194	3,562
(Thailand) Ltd.	million	million			
Alexandria Fiber S.A.E.*	-	-	-	-	-

(*Investment in this company has been transferred to investments in related parties during the second quarter of year 2007.)

Share of income (loss) from investments in associated companies for the six-month periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007 were determined based on the financial statements which were reviewed by their auditors.

6. Investments in related parties

These represent investments in ordinary shares of the following companies:

					(Unit: 1	Fhousand Baht)	
			Conso	olidated	Sep	arate	
	Shareholding percentage		financial s	statements	financial statements		
	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	
	(%)	(%)					
Alexandria Fiber S.A.E	14.40	14.40	163,754	163,754	265,956	265,956	
Thai Epoxy and Allied							
Products Co., Ltd.	19.88	19.88	11,925	11,925	11,925	11,925	
Thai Acrylic Fiber Co., Ltd.	15.98	15.98	223,204	223,204	223,204	223,204	
			398,883	398,883	501,085	501,085	

7. Property, plant and equipment

Movements of the property, plant and equipment account during the six-month period ended 30 June 2008 are summarised below.

		(Unit: Thousand Baht)
	Consolidated	Separate
	financial statements	financial statements
Net book value as at 1 January 2008	2,295,910	1,572,325
Acquisitions during period - at cost	109,387	104,528
Depreciation for period	(114,220)	(78,161)
Translation adjustment	39,979	-
Net book value as at 30 June 2008	2,331,056	1,598,692

8. Short-term loans from financial institutions

Short-term loans from financial institutions as at 30 June 2008 and 31 December 2007 consist of the following:

(Unit: Thousand Baht)

	Consolidated fir	nancial statements	Separate financial statements		
	<u>30 June 2008</u>	31 December 2007	<u>30 June 2008</u>	31 December 2007	
		(Audited)		(Audited)	
Short-term loans	358,683	361,014		-	
Total	358,683	361,014			

Short-term bank loans of the subsidiary amounting to Baht 238 million are guaranteed by the Company.

9. Long-term loans

These represent long-term loans, denominated in US dollar, obtained from two commercial banks by Liaoning Birla Carbon Co., Ltd. The first loan, with an outstanding balance at 30 June 2008 of USD 3.4 million, bears a SIBOR+1.25% interest rate and the second loan with an outstanding balance at 30 June 2008 of USD 0.7 million bears a LIBOR+0.75% interest rate the loans are repayable in semiannual installments until 2011. The second loan is guaranteed by the Company.

10. Corporate income tax

Interim corporate income tax of the Company were calculated on net income before income tax for the periods, after adding back expenses and deducting income which are disallowable for tax computation purposes, using the estimated effective tax rate for the year.

11. Dividends

<u>Dividends</u>	Approved by	<u>Total dividends</u>	Dividend per share
		(Thousand Baht)	(Baht)
Final dividends for 2006	The Annual General Meeting of		
	the Company's shareholders		
	on 26 April 2007	210,000	0.70
Total for 2007		210,000	0.70
Final dividends for 2007	The Annual General Meeting of		
	the Company's shareholders		
	on 29 April 2008	270,000	0.90
Total for 2008		270,000	0.90

12. Segment information

The Company's and its subsidiaries' business operations involve one principle segment i.e. manufacture and distribution of carbon black, which is carried on both in Thailand and overseas.

The financial information of the Company and its subsidiary companies regarding geographic segment are as follows:

(Unit: Million Baht)

	The consolidated financial statements								
		for the three-month periods ended 30 June							
					Eliminatio	n of inter-	Consolidated		
	Domestic	segment	Overseas	Overseas segment		segment revenues		financial statements	
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	
Revenue from sales	2,183	1,567	129	79	-	-	2,312	1,646	
Inter-segment revenues	-	-	33	8	(33)	(8)		-	
Total revenues	2,183	1,567	162	87	(33)	(8)	2,312	1,646	
Segment income	220	349	1	(17)	-	-	221	332	
Unallocated income and expenses									
Other income							49	32	
Share of income of associated companies							146	77	
Gain/(loss) on exchange							37	(14)	
Interest expenses							(6)	(9)	
Corporate income tax							(44)	(70)	
Net income for the period							403	348	

(Unit: Million Baht)

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	for the six-month periods ended 30 June							
					Eliminatio	n of inter-	Consc	olidated
	Domestic segment		Overseas segment		segment revenues		financial statements	
	<u>2008</u>	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Revenue from sales	4,284	3,240	196	148	-	-	4,480	3,388

Inter-segment revenues		-	103	51	(103)	(51)	-	-
Total revenues	4,284	3,240	299	199	(103)	(51)	4,480	3,388
Segment income	556	650	4	(38)	-	-	560	612
Unallocated income and expenses:								
Other income							60	68
Share of income of associated companies							241	143
Gain/(loss) on exchange							28	(19)
Interest expenses							(13)	(21)
Corporate income tax							(99)	(129)
Net income for the period							777	654

(Unit: Million Baht)

Transfer price between business segments are as set out in Note 2 to the financial statements.

The financial information by segment in the consolidated balance sheets are as follows:

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					Elimi	nation of	Consolidated financial	
	Domestic segment		Overseas segment		inter-segm	ent revenues	statements	
	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Property, plant and								
equipment-net	1,598	1,572	733	724	-	-	2,331	2,296
Unallocated assets	5,614	5,324	1,140	766	(405)	(336)	6,349	5,754
Total assets	7,212	6,896	1,873	1,490	(405)	(336)	8,680	8,050

13. Commitments and contingent liabilities

13.1 Capital commitments

As at 30 June 2008, the Company had capital commitments of approximately Baht 247.9 million relating to purchases of machinery.

13.2 License agreement

In 1987, the Company entered into a license agreement with an overseas licensor, who agreed to provide the Company with technical know-how for the production and manufacture of carbon black. In return, the Company agreed to pay the licensor a license fee, to be calculated at a percentage of sales.

13.3 Bank guarantees

As at 30 June 2008, the Company had outstanding letter of bank guarantees amounting to approximately Baht 13 million (31 December 2007: Baht 13 million) issued by the banks to meet normal business requirement of the Company.

14. Financial instruments

The Company and its subsidiaries are exposed to foreign currency risk arises mainly from trading transactions and borrowings that are denominated in foreign currencies. The Company seeks to reduce this risk by entering into forward exchange contracts when it considers appropriate. Generally, the forward contracts mature within one year.

Foreign exchange contracts outstanding at 30 June 2008 are summarised below.

Foreign currency	Bought amount	Contract exchange rate			
	(Million)				
US dollar	45.0	31.4280 - 33.6200			
Euro	0.3	48.1700 – 48.6700			
Yen	155.0	0.3068 – 0.3167			

15. Approval of financial statements

These interim financial statements were authorised for issue by the Company's Board of Directors on 11 August 2008.