

GROUP FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2018

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	2018 S\$'000	2017 S\$'000	Change %
Operating revenue	982,555	1,032,515	(4.8)
Operating profit[#]	206,346	205,448	0.4
Profit before taxation	370,505	431,492	(14.1)
Profit after taxation	323,997	395,216	(18.0)
Non-controlling interests	(42,887)	(45,131)	(5.0)
Profit attributable to shareholders	281,110	350,085	(19.7)
Shareholders' interests	3,466,932	3,488,398	(0.6)
Total assets	6,196,688	6,106,410	1.5
Total liabilities	1,968,604	1,883,086	4.5
Non-controlling interests	761,152	734,926	3.6
Dividends declared for the financial year	209,991	242,276	(13.3)
Profitability ratios			
	%	%	% points
Operating margin [^]	21.0	19.9	1.1
Return on operating revenue	28.6	33.9	(5.3)
Return on shareholders' funds	8.1	10.0	(1.9)
Per share data			
			%
Net assets attributable to shareholders (S\$)	2.15	2.16	(0.5)
Profit attributable to shareholders (S\$)	0.17	0.22	(22.7)
Dividends declared for the financial year (cents) ^{##}	13	15	(13.3)
Dividend cover for the financial year (times)	1.3	1.5	(13.3)
Value added			
	S\$	S\$	%
Per employee	163,219	162,996	0.1
Per \$ employment costs	1.91	2.01	(5.0)
Per \$ investment in property, plant and equipment (before depreciation)	0.68	0.70	(2.9)
Per \$ operating revenue	0.70	0.71	(1.4)

[#] This represents the recurring earnings of the media, property and other businesses.

[^] Computed based on recurring earnings.

^{##} These dividends are tax-exempt. The proposed final dividend of 7 cents per share, comprising a normal dividend of 3 cents per share and a special dividend of 4 cents per share, is subject to approval by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on 3 December 2018.