

1H06 Results Briefing

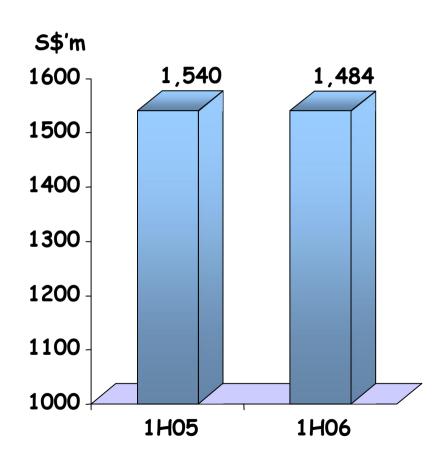
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1H Performance Snapshot

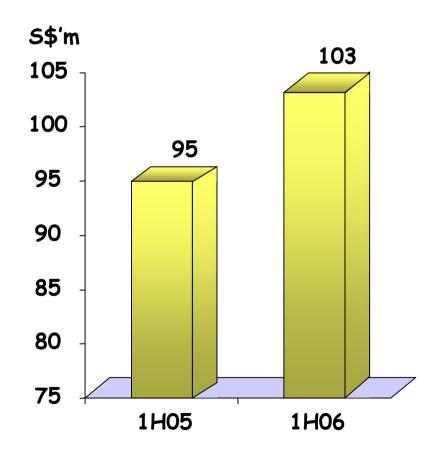






▼ 1H06 vs. 1H05 : 4%

Profit After Income Tax



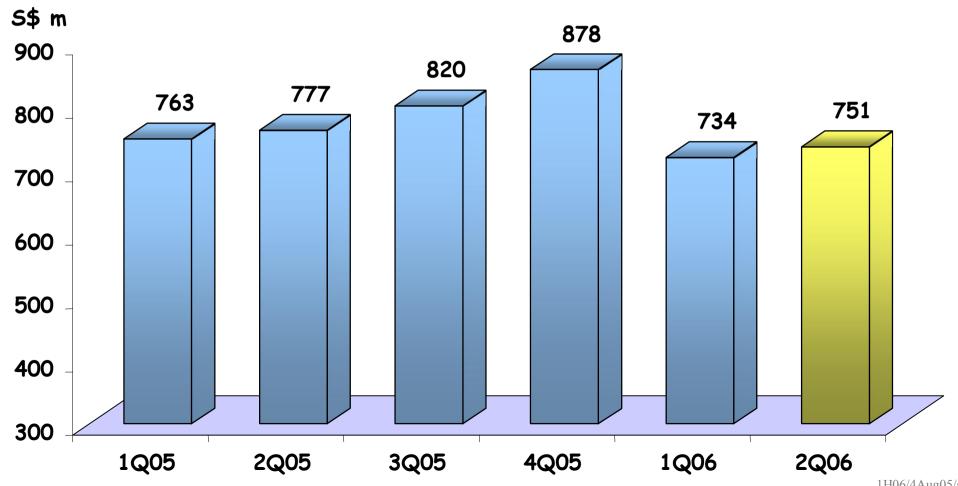
▲ 1H06 vs. 1H05 : 8%

Group Revenue by Quarter



2Q06 vs. 2Q05 : 3%

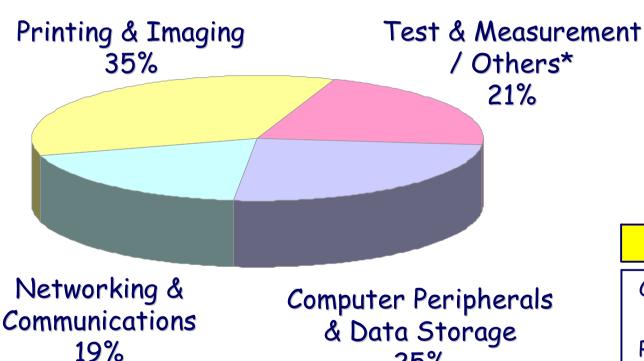
△ 2Q06 vs. 1Q06 : 2%



1H06 Revenue Breakdown



Total: **5\$** 1.48b



25%

1H05 (Total: S\$ 1.54b)

Computer Peripherals

& Data Storage 29%

: 27% Printing & Imaging

Networking &

Communications : 29%

Others* 15%

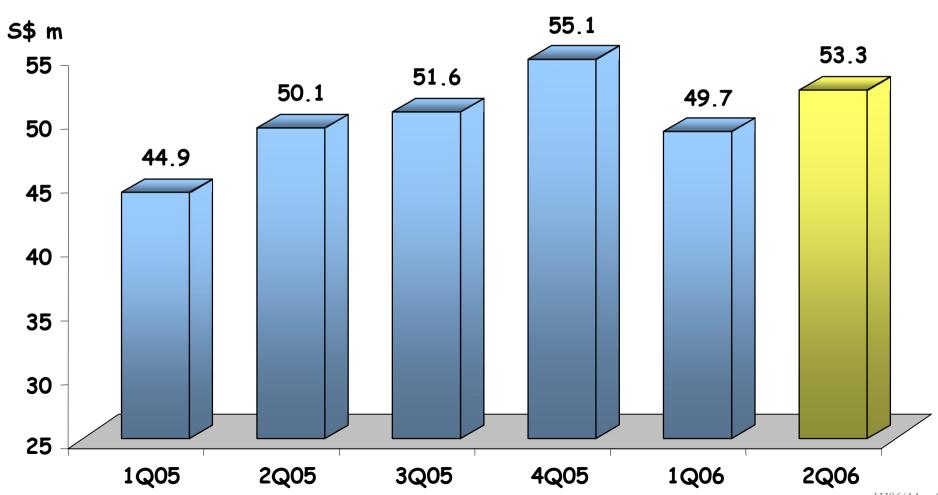
^{*} includes medical & automotive products

Profit After Income Tax by Quarter



△ 2Q06 vs. 2Q05 : 6%

△ 2Q06 vs. 1Q06 : 7%



1H06 Performance Review



- Little change in revenue dollars, but big change in content
 - contribution from high volume telco products in 1H05 replaced by a number of new customers from high-mix sectors
- Net margin improvement contributed by:
 - replacement of low margin with higher value add businesses
 - increase in design and engineering activities
 - improved productivity and cost management

1H06 Performance Review



- Foreign exchange losses in view of sharp decline in US\$ against Asian currencies
- > Fair value gain on derivative financial instruments
- > Lower taxation due to tax credit received in 1Q06
- > Increase in share of profits of associates'
- > Increase in minority interest

Financial Highlights



	<u>1H06</u>	<u>1H05</u>	Change
> Revenue	\$ 1,484 m	\$ 1,540 m	(4%)
> EBITDA* (excl. forex adjustment)	\$ 135.2 m	\$106.8 m	27%
• Forex Adjustment	(\$ 25.8 m)	\$ 4.1 m	
• Depreciation & Amortization	(\$ 21.0 m)	(\$ 24.4 m)	
• Net Interest Income	\$16.2 m	\$ 11.6 m	
> Profit Before Tax	\$ 104.4 m	\$ 98.1 m	6%
• Tax	(\$ 1.4 m)	(\$ 3.1 m)	
> Profit After Income Tax	\$ 103.0 m	\$ 95.0 m	8%
> Profit Attributable to Shareholders	\$ 101.9 m	\$ 94.8 m	7%

^{*} includes fair value changes on derivative financial instruments : gain of S\$15.5m in 1H06, and loss of S\$4.9m in 1H05

Net Margin Analysis



	<u>1H06</u>	<u>2H05</u>	<u>1H05</u>
Revenue	\$ 1,484 m	\$ 1,698 m	\$ 1,540 m
Profit After Income Tax	\$ 103.0 m	\$ 106.3 m	\$ 94.8 m
Net Profit Margin	6.9%	6.3%	6.2%
	<u>2Q06</u>	<u>1Q06</u>	<u>4Q05</u>
Revenue	\$ 751 m	\$ 734 m	\$ 878 m
Profit After Income Tax	\$ 53.3 m	\$ 49.7 m	\$ 55.1 m
Net Profit Margin	7.1%	6.8%	6.3%

Summary of Other Ratios



	<u>1H'06</u>	<u>1H'05</u>	<u>Change</u>
> EPS (fully diluted)	37.6 cts	35.3 cts	7%
> Net Assets per Share	\$ 6.02	\$ 5.75	5%
> Shareholders' Equity	\$ 1,623 m	\$ 1,544 m	5%
> Cash & Cash Equivalents*	\$ 500 m	\$ 571 m	(12%)
> Long-Term Investments	\$ 257 m	\$ 268 m	(4%)
> Capital Expenditure	\$ 15.1 m	\$ 20.8 m	(27%)

^{*} includes investments in short-term, available-for-sale fixed income instruments





Outlook

Process Improvements



- > Centre of excellence for medical products
 - Singapore : centre for development
 - Penang: centre for manufacturing
 - ISO 13485 / FDA certifications achieved for Penang facility
- Boost in supply chain management processes, specifically in procurement and supplier quality engineering
 - enhances service quality for customers in niche product segments
- Expansion of direct launch activity for test & measurement products in JB
 - helps customers reduce time-to-volume and time-to-market

Customers



- Continued expansion of customer portfolio
 - addition of new customers from automotive, medical, storage, and computer peripherals industries in 1H06
- Greater engagement with customers looking for design services
 - establishment of new R&D labs
- > Increasing demand for e-fulfillment services

Reflects general trend of customers looking for complete value chain solutions

New Projects in Pipeline



- Some examples:
 - new generation multi-function printers and photo kiosks
 - thermal bar code and receipt printers with built-in RF readers
 - drug delivery device for medical industry
 - next generation tape library products
 - next generation Disk Enclosure Blades (DEB)
 - variety of test & measurement equipment

General Outlook



- Venture is making good progress with its product and customer diversification strategy
- At the same time, we continue to focus on operational excellence, and to build more capabilities along the value chain
- With these fundamentals in places, we look forward not just to a better 2H06, but to sustainable growth and profitability for the long haul



Thank You

