

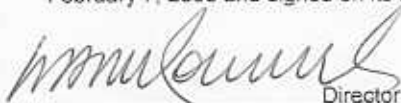


The Directors of
LASCELLES, deMERCADO & CO. LIMITED
are pleased to report the consolidated unaudited results
for the Three Months Ended December 31, 2007 as follows:

Group Balance Sheet
December 31, 2007

	Unaudited 31/12/2007 \$000s	Audited 30/9/2007 \$000s
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,779,947	3,212,110
Short-term investments	1,362,791	1,080,982
Accounts receivable	4,012,048	3,278,301
Reinsurance assets	1,016,636	1,041,430
Taxation recoverable	304,226	309,171
Inventories	5,669,184	5,906,158
Biological assets	183,809	155,325
	<u>15,328,641</u>	<u>14,983,477</u>
Current liabilities:		
Bank loans & overdrafts	332,453	187,399
Unsecured loans	474,901	493,850
Current maturities of long term liabilities	50,847	50,995
Accounts payable	2,465,738	3,397,159
Insurance contract provisions	2,679,818	2,654,406
Taxation payable	319,421	166,356
	<u>6,323,178</u>	<u>6,950,165</u>
Net current assets	9,005,463	8,033,312
Non-current assets:		
Employee benefits assets	2,405,900	2,405,900
Investments	10,656,877	10,028,218
Interest in associated companies	10,752	10,752
Intangible assets	105,481	105,481
Property, plant & equipment	3,380,429	3,378,215
Deferred tax assets	41,490	10,443
	<u>16,600,929</u>	<u>15,939,009</u>
	<u>25,606,392</u>	<u>23,972,321</u>
Financed by:		
Stockholders' equity	24,140,493	22,532,031
Non-current liabilities:		
Employee benefits liabilities	394,916	354,900
Long term liabilities	48,424	61,168
Deferred tax liabilities	1,022,559	1,024,222
	<u>25,606,392</u>	<u>23,972,321</u>

Approved for release to the Jamaica Stock Exchange by the Board of Directors on
February 7, 2008 and signed on its behalf by:


Director
William A. McConnell


Director
Anthony J. Bell

Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity
December 31, 2007

	Share capital	Capital reserve	Unappropriated profits	Total
	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s	\$000s
Unaudited				
Balances at September 30, 2007 (audited)	20,400	14,849,636	7,661,995	22,532,031
Net profit attributable to members			935,755	935,755 (a)
Changes in fair value of investments		654,502		654,502 (a)
Released on sale of investments		(367)		(367)(a)
Translation adjustment arising on consolidation of foreign subsidiaries		18,572		18,572 (a)
December 31, 2007	<u>20,400</u>	<u>15,522,343</u>	<u>8,597,750</u>	<u>24,140,493</u>
Unaudited				
Balances at September 30, 2006 (audited)	20,400	12,910,698	5,501,899	18,512,997
Net profit attributable to members			849,437	849,437 (a)
Changes in fair value of investments		660,430		660,430 (a)
Released on sale of investments		(4,140)		(4,140)(a)
Transfers, net		29,843	(29,843)	- (a)
Translation adjustment arising on consolidation of foreign subsidiaries		9,365		9,365 (a)
December 31, 2006	<u>20,400</u>	<u>13,606,196</u>	<u>6,401,493</u>	<u>20,028,089</u>
Recognised gains:				
	Unaudited 31/12/2007	Unaudited 31/12/2006		
(a) Total recognised gains for the period (\$' 000)	<u>1,606,462</u>	<u>1,515,092</u>		
(b) Recognised gains per ordinary stock unit (\$)	<u>15.75</u>	<u>15.76</u>		

Group Income Statement
 Three Months Ended December 31, 2007

	Unaudited	
	Three Months Ended	
	31/12/2007	31/12/2006
	\$000s	\$000s
Operating revenue	5,999,187	4,836,416
Cost of operating revenue	3,516,094	2,759,648
Gross profit	2,483,093	2,076,768
Administrative, marketing and selling expenses	1,499,704	1,166,879
Operating profit	983,389	909,889
Other income	25,175	18,592
Profit before net finance income and taxation	1,008,564	928,481
Net finance income	116,277	106,156
Profit before taxation	1,124,840	1,034,637
Taxation	(189,086)	(185,200)
Net profit attributable to members	935,755	849,437
Earnings per ordinary stock unit	\$9.75	\$8.85

Group Statement of Cash Flows
 Three Months Ended December 31, 2007

	Unaudited	
	Three Months Ended	
	31/12/2007	31/12/2006
	\$000s	\$000s
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Profit for the period attributable to the group	935,755	849,437
Items not affecting cash	277,555	196,522
	<u>1,213,310</u>	<u>1,045,959</u>
Decrease in non-cash working capital	(1,460,127)	(720,241) *
Cash (used) / provided by operating activities	<u>(246,817)</u>	<u>325,718</u> *
Cash (used) / provided by investing activities	<u>(298,557)</u>	<u>423,968</u> *
Cash provided by financing activities	<u>27,574</u>	<u>40,180</u>
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents	<u>(517,800)</u>	<u>789,866</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	3,120,936	2,140,296
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u><u>2,603,136</u></u>	<u><u>2,930,162</u></u>
Comprised of:		
Cash and bank balances	1,559,504	975,564
Short term deposits and monetary instruments	1,220,444	2,001,196
Less: Bank overdrafts	<u>(176,812)</u>	<u>(46,598)</u>
	<u><u>2,603,136</u></u>	<u><u>2,930,162</u></u>

* Reclassified to conform to current period's presentation

1. General

Lascelles, deMercado & Co. Limited is incorporated in Jamaica under the Companies Act and is domiciled in Jamaica. Its ordinary and preference stock units are listed on the Jamaica Stock Exchange. Certain members of Board of Directors control 50.76% of the voting rights in the company. The registered office of the company is situated at 23 Dominica Drive, Kingston 5.

The principal activities of the company are the provision of management services to its subsidiaries and the holding of investments. The company and its subsidiaries are collectively referred to as "group".

The activities of the company are organised into the following primary segments:

- (i) Liquor, rums, wines and sugar: This includes cane cultivation, sugar manufacturing, distillation, ageing, blending, bottling, distribution and export of alcohol, rums, wines and other liquor based products.
- (ii) General merchandise: This includes the manufacture, the wholesale and retail merchandising of provisions, household goods and electronic telephone cards, and the manufacture and distribution of pharmaceutical preparations and agricultural chemicals.
- (iii) General insurance: This comprises the underwriting of property, casualty and other general insurance risks and the holding of investments.
- (iv) Investments: This primarily comprises the holding of investments.
- (v) Transportation services: This includes aircraft handling, distribution of motor vehicles and spares, servicing and repair of motor vehicles.

Segment information is set out in note 6 below.

2. Statement of compliance and basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and their interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), and comply with the provisions of the Companies Act.

These financial statements have been prepared using the same accounting policies and methods of computation as compared with the audited financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2007.

These financial statements are presented in Jamaica dollars (\$), which is the functional currency of the company i.e. the currency in which it conducts the majority of its operations and formulates economic decisions.

2. Statement of compliance and basis of preparation, cont'd

The financial statements are prepared using the historical cost basis, modified for the inclusion of available-for-sale investments at fair value.

The accounting policies have been applied consistently by the company and its subsidiaries. Where necessary, prior period comparatives have been reclassified to conform to current period presentation.

The preparation of the financial statements to conform to IFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, contingent assets and contingent liabilities at the balance sheet date, and the income and expense for the year. Actual amounts could differ from these estimates.

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial results of the company and its subsidiaries prepared to December 31, 2007 and include the group's share in associates, of the total recognised gains and losses on an equity accumulated basis.

3. Revenue recognition

- Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised in the income statement when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer. No revenue is recognised if there are significant uncertainties regarding recovery of the consideration due or material associated costs on the possible return of goods.
- The proceeds from the sale of the sugarcane crop of the group's estates are recognised in accordance with the accounting practices of the Jamaican sugar industry. Revenue relating to the current crop of cane is estimated based on the latest available prices and any differences arising on final settlement are consistently accounted for in subsequent periods.
- Premium and commission income is recognized over the period of insurance policies written. Unearned premiums and commissions are calculated on the twenty-fourths method in accordance with industry practice.
- Interest and other investment income are recognised on the accrual basis on the effective interest rate basis, except when collectibility is considered doubtful.
- Dividend income is recognised in the income statement on the date of declaration.

4. Other income

Other Income is comprised mainly of gains and losses on disposal of investments and fixed assets. It also includes rental and other miscellaneous income.

5. Net finance income

This is comprised of interest income, interest expense, bank charges and net gains on foreign exchange.

6. Segment financial information

A segment is a distinguishable component of the group that is engaged either in providing products (business segment), or in providing products within a particular economic environment (geographical segment), which is subject to risks and rewards that are different from those of other segments.

Segment information is presented in respect of the group's business segments. This format is based on the Group's management and internal reporting structure. Inter-segment pricing is determined on an arm's length basis.

Segment results, assets and liabilities include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Segment capital expenditure is the total cost incurred during the period to acquire segment assets that are expected to be used for more than one period.

Notes to the Abridged Financial Statements (unaudited), cont'd
December 31, 2007

6. Segment financial information, cont'd

Business segments:

	Unaudited December 31, 2007						Total \$'000
	Liquors, Rums Wines and Sugar \$'000	General Merchandise \$'000	General Insurance \$'000	Investments \$'000	Transportation Services \$'000	Eliminations \$'000	
Revenue							
External	3,665,977	1,408,251	504,610	77,100	343,239		
Inter segment	-	67,751	118,844	-	9,439		
Total revenue	<u>3,665,977</u>	<u>1,476,012</u>	<u>623,454</u>	<u>77,100</u>	<u>352,678</u>	(196,034)	<u>5,999,187</u>
Segment results	<u>756,002</u>	<u>48,059</u>	<u>187,251</u>	<u>117,363</u>	<u>16,165</u>		<u>1,124,840</u>
Segment assets	<u>11,454,479</u>	<u>1,519,150</u>	<u>4,589,396</u>	<u>13,385,496</u>	<u>624,580</u>		<u>31,573,101</u>
Unallocated assets							<u>356,469</u>
							<u>31,929,570</u>
Segment liabilities	<u>2,702,745</u>	<u>336,687</u>	<u>2,877,650</u>	<u>282,633</u>	<u>246,571</u>		<u>6,446,286</u>
Unallocated liabilities							<u>1,342,791</u>
							<u>7,789,077</u>
Other segment items:							
Additions to property, plant and equipment	<u>91,921</u>	<u>11,191</u>	<u>1,543</u>	<u>1,345</u>	<u>3,246</u>		<u>109,246</u>
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	<u>82,004</u>	<u>8,867</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>4,778</u>	<u>6,195</u>		<u>102,068</u>
Other non-cash items	<u>151,035</u>	<u>(18,441)</u>	<u>66,417</u>	<u>(23,148)</u>	<u>(377)</u>		<u>175,486</u>

Notes to the Abridged Financial Statements (unaudited), cont'd
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6. Segment financial information, cont'd

Business segments:

	Unaudited December 31, 2006						Total \$'000
	Liquors, Rums Wines and Sugar \$'000	General Merchandise \$'000	General Insurance \$'000	Investments \$'000	Transportation Services \$'000	Eliminations \$'000	
Revenue							
External	2,932,134	967,217	567,973	76,469	292,623		
Inter segment	-	7,914	100,437	-	7,877		
Total revenue	<u>2,932,134</u>	<u>975,131</u>	<u>668,410</u>	<u>76,469</u>	<u>300,500</u>	(116,228)	<u>4,836,416</u>
Segment results	<u>683,140</u> *	<u>35,070</u> *	<u>180,494</u> *	<u>152,093</u> *	<u>(16,160)</u> *		<u>1,034,637</u> *
Segment assets	<u>9,730,763</u> *	<u>1,292,375</u>	<u>3,836,725</u>	<u>10,959,967</u> *	<u>765,935</u>		<u>26,587,765</u>
Unallocated assets							<u>177,573</u>
							<u>26,765,338</u>
Segment liabilities	<u>2,420,356</u> *	<u>399,882</u>	<u>2,462,847</u>	<u>51,144</u> *	<u>276,169</u>		<u>5,610,398</u>
Unallocated liabilities							<u>1,126,851</u>
							<u>6,737,249</u>
Other segment items:							
Additions to property, plant and equipment	<u>24,359</u>	<u>4,431</u>	<u>1,050</u>	<u>13,045</u>	<u>4,433</u>		<u>47,318</u>
Depreciation and amortisation	<u>76,399</u>	<u>7,962</u>	<u>279</u>	<u>2,557</u>	<u>6,579</u>		<u>93,776</u>
Other non-cash items	<u>(220,999)</u> *	<u>16,967</u>	<u>35,629</u>	<u>260,607</u> *	<u>10,543</u>		<u>102,747</u>

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7. Other information

On November 23, 2007, the Board of Directors received notice from Angostura Limited, a subsidiary of Angostura Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in Trinidad and Tobago and listed on the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange, that it proposed to make a bid to acquire shares, which in aggregate, constitute 49.24% of the voting rights in the company. The offer commenced on December 18, 2007 and was closed on January 28, 2008. The offer contemplates a partial cash payment 14 days after closing, with the balance due on or before January 15, 2011.