

#### 大成糖業控股有限公司 Global Sweeteners Holdings Limited

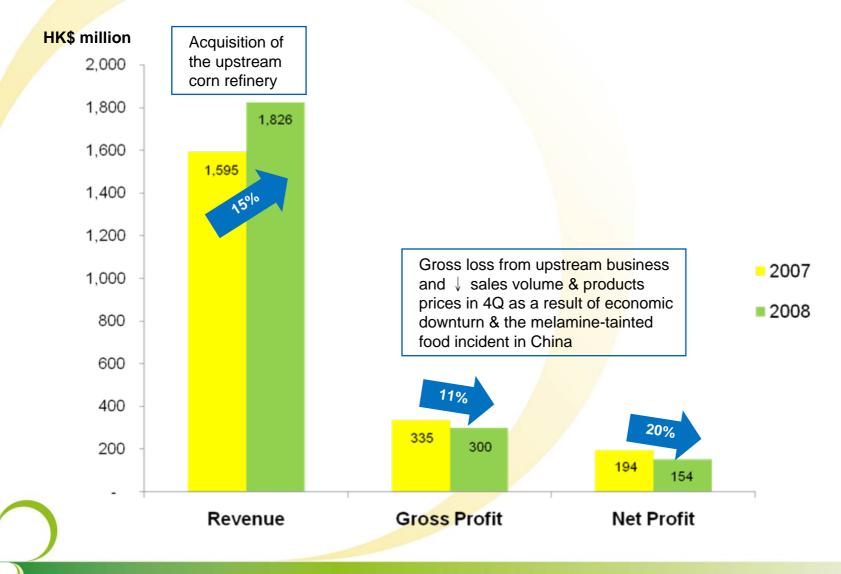
# **2008** Annual Results Presentation

23 April 2009

## AGENDA

- Financial Review
- Operation Overview
- Business Outlook & Development Plans

#### **RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS**





### **OPERATING RESULTS**

HK\$ million	2008	2007	Change
Revenue	1,826	1,595	15%
<ul> <li>Corn Refined Products*</li> <li>Corn Sweeteners</li> </ul>	<mark>216</mark> 1, <mark>610</mark>	- 1,595	N/A 1%
Gross Profit	300	335	(11%)
<ul> <li>Corn Refined Products*</li> <li>Corn Sweeteners</li> </ul>	(12) 312	- 335	N/A (7%)
Gross Margin	16%	21%	(5%)
<ul> <li>Corn Refined Products*</li> <li>Corn Sweeteners</li> </ul>	(5%) 19%	- 21%	N/A (2%)
EBITDA	273	291	(6%)
Net Profit	15 <mark>4</mark>	194	(20%)
Net Margin	8%	12%	(4%)
Basic Earnings Per Share (HK cents)	14.8	18.5	
Dividend Per Share (HK cents)	-	-	

After the completion in September 2008, Jinzhou Yuancheng, a corn refinery in Jinzhou, became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group.

# **BALANCE SHEET**

HK\$ million	31 Dec 2008	31 Dec 2007	Change
Non-current Assets	1,604	789	103%
Current Assets	1,100	1,394	(21%)
Current Liabilities	831	500	66%
Cash and Bank Balances	456	906	(50%)
Shareholder's Equity	1,526	1,280	19%
Interest Bearing Loan	622	525	19%

#### **KEY FINANCIAL RATIOS**

	31 Dec 2008	31 Dec 2007
Current Ratio	1.32	2.79
Quick Ratio	1.02	2.69
Gearing Ratio (net debt/equity)	11%	(30%)
ROE	<mark>10%</mark>	15%
Inventories Turnover Days	60 days	15 days
Trade Receivables Turnover Days	<mark>56 da</mark> ys	81 days
Trade Payables Turnover Days	21 days	11 days



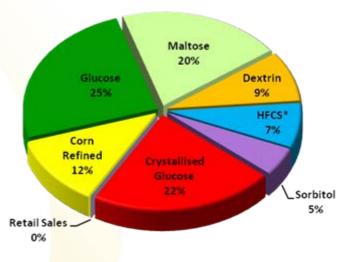
#### **REVENUE BREAKDOWN**

<b>Revenue</b> (HK\$ million)	2008	2007	Change
<u>Upstream</u>			
Corn Refined Products**	216	-	N/A
Downstream			
Glucose Syrup	455	696	(35%)
Maltose Syrup	364	405	(10%)
Maltodextrin	158	133	19%
HFCS *	140	128	9%
Sorbitol **	88	11	696%
Crystallised Glucose	405	222	82%

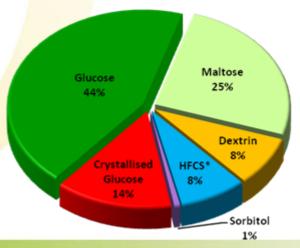
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\*\* The Group completed the acquisitions of the 49% interests in the sorbitol plant in Feb 2008 and an upstream corn refinery in Sep 2008 which made them its wholly-owned subsidiaries since then.

2008 REVENUE BY PRODUCTS



**2007 REVENUE BY PRODUCTS** 



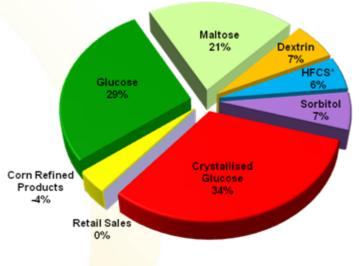
#### **GROSS PROFIT BREAKDOWN**

<b>Gross Profit</b> (HK\$ million)	2008	2007	Change
<u>Upstream</u>			
Corn Refined Products**	(12)	-	N/A
<u>Downstream</u>			
Glucose Syrup	88	153	(42%)
Maltose Syrup	64	99	(35%)
Maltodextrin	20	23	(14%)
HFCS *	17	22	(23%)
Sorbitol **	20	0	N/A
Crystallised Glucose	103	38	172%

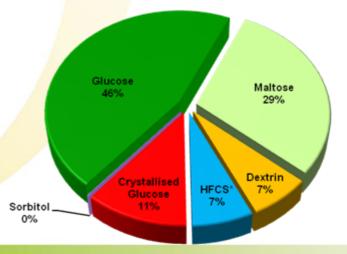
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2007 GROSS PROFIT BY PRODUCTS



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### **SALES ANALYSIS**

	Sales Volume ('000 MT)		Gross Profit Margin			
	2008	2007	Change	2008	2007	Change
<u>Upstream</u>						
Corn Refined Products	107	-	N/A	(5%)	-	N/A
Downstream						
Glucose Syrup*	233	406	(43%)	19%	22%	(3%)
Maltose Syrup	152	202	(25%)	<mark>1</mark> 8%	24%	(6%)
Maltodextrin	63	56	12%	12%	17%	(5%)
HFCS **	59	55	8%	12%	18%	(6%)
Sorbitol	27	4	572%	23%	3%	20%
Crystallised Glucose	242	110	12 <mark>0%</mark>	25%	17%	8%
TOTAL	883	833	6%			

 During 2008, approx. 344,000 MT of glucose syrup (2007: 193,000 MT) has been consumed internally for downstream production.

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#### SALES TO AND PURHCASE FROM PARENT GROUP



### **OPERATING COST STRUCTURE**

	2008	2007
Raw Material	76.0%	81.0%
Utilities	<mark>9.1</mark> %	6.6%
Labour	0.6%	0.8%
Depreciation	<mark>3.4</mark> %	2.5%
Production Overhead	2.4%	1.6%
Selling and Distribution Expenses	4.8%	3.5%
Administrative Expenses	3.7%	2.7%
Other Operating Expenses	-	1.3%

# 2008 BUSINESS OUTLOOK & DEVELOPMENT PLANS

#### **UPSTREAM:** RAW MATERIAL - CORN



**Corn Price Movement in China (Jan 2007 – Mar 2009)** 

Source: eFeedlink. Based on average price from Northeast China (Jilin, Dalian and Shangdong)

- Current corn purchasing price (incl. VAT) in Jinzhou area: approx. RMB 1,650 / MT
- Harvest in 2008: approx. 156 million MT (Industrial use: approx. 20%)
- Positive outlook on corn refinery: price recovery on corn starch since mid-March
- Vertical integration: the Group's corn processing annual capacity: approx. 600,000 MT

#### **PRC SUGAR PRICE**



Sugar Price Trend in China (Mar 01 – Mar 09)

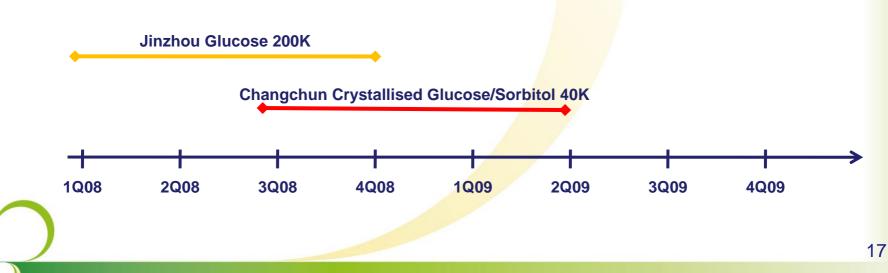
Source: www.ec-sugar.com

- Current cane sugar price rose to approx. RMB 3,800/MT from the lowest in 2008  $(\leq \text{RMB 2,900/MT})$
- Expect sugar price would be stabilised in 2009

#### **CAPACITY EXPANSION**

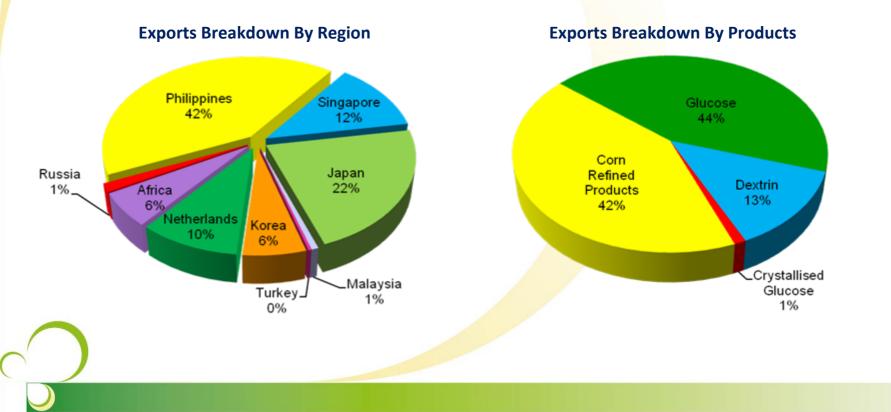
- Flexible expansion timetable according to market needs
- Minimise CapEx in face of economic downturn
- Expect to complete current construction plan by 2Q 2009
- 200,000 mtpa glucose/maltose plant in Jinzhou (Completed; Commercial production expects to commence by end of 2Q 2009)
- 40,000 mtpa crystallised glucose production line (with sorbitol production capability) in Changchun

#### **Construction Timetable:**



#### SALES & MARKETING

- Strive to increase the Group's domestic market share taking adv. on its leading position with present sweeteners capacity → 1.22 million MT
- Continue to explore new markets with a target of 20% of exports to turnover
  - In 2008, exports to turnover: approx. 5.5%; export volume: approx. 32,658 MT



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### **RETAIL BUSINESS**

Established sales and marketing strategies for our retail brand:



- Target customers:
  - Food catering industries: hotels, cafes and restaurants
  - Domestic users: supermarkets and chain stores
  - Small amount of sales by end of 4Q 08, expects to breakeven by end of 2009

### **DESIGNED CAPACITY**

Designed Capacity (mtpa)	2008	2009	2010
<u>Upstream</u> <sup>1</sup>			
Corn Starch <sup>3</sup>	420,000	420,000	420,000
Other Corn Refined Products	180,000	180,000	180,000
<u>Downstream</u>			
Glucose/Maltose Syrup <sup>3</sup>	820,000	820,000	820,000
Maltodextrin	20,000	20,0 <mark>0</mark> 0	20,000
HFCS <sup>2</sup>	120,000	120,000	120,000
Sorbitol <sup>1</sup>	60,000	<mark>60</mark> ,000	60,000
Crystallised Glucose	200,000	240,000	240,000
TOTAL	1,820,000	1,860,000	1,860,000

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<sup>3</sup> Starting from 2009, approx. 250,000 MT of corn starch & 400,000 MT of glucose will be used for internal consumption.



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