



FORBES & COMPANY LIMITED

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Date: 27th October, 2008

Secretary,
Bombay Stock Exchange Ltd.
Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers,
Dalal Street,
Mumbai - 400 001.

Dear Sirs,

**Compliance with the requirements of Clause 41 of the Listing Agreement -
Unaudited Financial Results for the half year ended 30th September, 2008**

We set out the unaudited financial results for the half year ended 30th September, 2008.

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Particulars	3 months	Corresponding	Year to Date	Year to Date	Previous accounting Year ended 31.03.2008 (Audited)
	ended 30.09.2008 (Unaudited)	3 months ended previous year 30.09.2007 (Unaudited)	figures for current period ended 30.09.2008 (Unaudited)	figures for previous period ended 30.09.2007 (Unaudited)	
1 Net Sales / Income from Operations	5063.88	7035.35	9872.79	13756.26	23514.84
2 Other Operating Income	289.69	117.02	804.39	234.42	532.50
3 Total (1+2)	5353.57	7152.37	10677.18	13990.68	24047.34
4 Total Expenditure					
a) (Increase)/Decrease in Stock and Work in Progress	(208.91)	610.32	(295.84)	854.17	448.03
b) Consumption of Raw Materials	1038.87	1579.48	1755.91	3480.38	5957.40
c) Purchase of Traded Goods	1057.26	1531.36	2211.71	2523.52	4460.06
d) Employees Cost	985.76	911.95	1954.73	1902.41	3832.18
e) Depreciation	289.82	283.89	568.15	555.76	1125.54
f) Other Expenditure	2398.49	2614.73	4452.46	4837.95	9784.36
Sub Total	5561.29	7531.73	10647.12	14154.19	25607.57
5 Profit from Operations before Other Income, Interest and Exceptional Items (3-4)	(207.72)	(379.36)	30.06	(163.51)	(1560.23)
6 Other Income (See Note 2)	714.22	1105.62	912.34	2300.95	3444.02
7 Profit before Interest and Exceptional Items (5+6)	506.50	726.26	942.40	2137.44	1883.79
8 Interest (Net) (See Note 4)	327.91	297.73	580.42	489.46	1047.75
9 Profit after Interest but before Exceptional Items	178.59	428.53	361.98	1647.98	836.04
10 Exceptional Items	(238.00)	9.00	(358.00)	9.00	(466.00)
11 Profit/(Loss) from Ordinary Activities before Tax	(59.41)	437.53	3.98	1656.98	370.04
12 Tax Expense					
Income-tax-Current	(5.00)	19.00	-	154.00	(189.28)
Fringe Benefits tax	21.82	18.97	41.63	38.14	86.31
Wealth tax & Adjustment of taxes of earlier periods	20.83	372.85	49.83	651.85	230.36
Sub total	37.65	410.82	91.46	843.99	127.39
13 Net Profit/(Loss) from Ordinary Activities after tax	(97.06)	26.71	(87.48)	812.99	242.65
14 Extraordinary Items (net of tax expense)	-	-	-	-	-
15 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (13-14)	(97.06)	26.71	(87.48)	812.99	242.65
16 Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face Value of Rs.10 each)	1289.86	1289.86	1289.86	1289.86	1289.86
17 Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserve					18157.06
18 Basic and diluted Earning per Share	Rs.(0.75) (for 3 months period)	Rs.0.21 (for 3 months period)	Rs.(0.68) (for 6 months ended)	Rs.6.30 (for 6 months ended)	Rs.1.88 (for the year)
19 Aggregate of Public Shareholding					
No. of Shares	3436925	3436925	3436925	3436925	3436925
Percentage	26.65%	26.65%	26.65%	26.65%	26.65%



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Quarterly Reporting of Segmentwise Revenue, Results & Capital Employed under clause 41 of the Listing Agreement

(Rs. in Lakhs)

	3 months ended 30.09.2008 (Unaudited)	Corresponding 3 months ended previous year 30.09.2007 (Unaudited)	Year to Date figures for current period ended 30.09.2008 (Unaudited)	Year to Date figures for previous period ended 30.09.2007 (Unaudited)	Previous accounting Year ended 31.03.2008 (Audited)
1 Segment Revenue :(net sales / income from each segment)					
(a) Engineering	2579.66	2267.61	5087.02	4434.76	9075.76
(b) Business Automation	1220.91	1410.81	2583.41	2669.47	5218.95
(c) Contract Manufacturing	273.99	1673.85	521.17	3561.02	5480.15
(d) Logistics Services	1064.35	888.96	2030.50	1778.86	3035.74
(e) Others	244.18	924.85	500.54	1585.57	1099.19
(f) Unallocated	5.96	1.89	8.61	0.01	215.72
Total	5389.05	7167.97	10731.25	14029.69	24125.51
Less: Inter Segment Revenue	35.48	15.60	54.07	39.01	78.17
	5353.57	7152.37	10677.18	13990.68	24047.34
2 Segment Results (Profit before Tax and interest from each Segment)					
(a) Engineering	337.43	310.77	758.31	639.60	1372.55
(b) Business Automation	(163.01)	91.31	(102.99)	172.58	126.34
(c) Contract Manufacturing	(204.50)	275.61	(226.37)	313.74	(483.54)
(d) Logistics Services	180.74	(206.66)	395.96	(247.06)	(229.22)
(e) Others	(171.55)	84.17	(320.61)	177.44	(373.56)
Total	(20.89)	555.20	504.30	1056.30	412.57
Less: Interest (Net)	327.91	297.73	580.42	489.46	1047.75
Balance	(348.80)	257.47	(76.12)	566.84	(635.18)
Add/(Less): Unallocated Income (net of Unallocated Expenditure)	289.39	180.06	80.10	1090.14	1005.22
Profit before Tax	(59.41)	437.53	3.98	1656.98	370.04
3 Capital Employed (Segment assets Less Segment Liabilities)					
(a) Engineering	7893.36	7179.77	7893.36	7179.77	7812.95
(b) Business Automation	1274.53	1644.79	1274.53	1644.79	1359.01
(c) Contract Manufacturing	1653.92	2283.02	1653.92	2283.02	1827.08
(d) Logistics Services	4944.00	6000.35	4944.00	6000.35	4792.28
(e) Others	(1896.39)	(554.62)	(1896.39)	(554.62)	(1075.25)
	13869.42	16553.31	13869.42	16553.31	14716.07

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NOTES:

1. Previous period's / year's figures have been regrouped / recast wherever necessary.
2. Other Income includes:

(Rs. in Lakhs)

	Three months ended 30.09.08	Three months ended 30.09.07	Year to Date current period 30.09.08	Year to Date previous period 30.09.07	Previous accounting Year ended 31.03.08
Profit on sale of Investments / Property / Other Assets	0.10	655.07	0.83	1,144.23	985.56
Dividend received	516.10	245.09	527.02	840.96	1,525.81

3. Exceptional items:

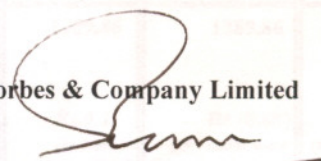
Discontinued Operations	(120.00)	9.00	(180.00)	9.00	(466.00)
VRS & Employee Cost	(118.00)	-	(178.00)	-	-
TOTAL	(238.00)	9.00	(358.00)	9.00	(466.00)

4. Auditors in their report for the year ended 31.03.2008, have made observation on value of certain Investments. The Company has long term interest in these investments and no provision for diminution in the value of said investment is considered to be necessary. As regards the observation of the Auditors in the report, regarding revaluation of certain assets, the practice followed by the Company was based on the legal advice received by the Company and after 31st March, 2007 and before 31st March, 2008, these assets have been sold and therefore the question of basis of valuation of these assets as at 31st March, 2008, does not remain.

The Company has recognized deferred tax assets on timing differences relating Employee Benefits which, as at 30th September, 2008, aggregated Rs.348.51 Lakhs. The Company is confident of availing the benefits from such assets in the foreseeable future.

5. Interest cost shown in item 8 above is net after deducting interest income Rs.96.13 Lakhs for the quarter ended 30th September, 2008 (*corresponding previous quarter Rs.71.41 Lakhs*); Rs.204.24 Lakhs for the half year ended 30th September, 2008 (*corresponding previous period Rs.229.52 Lakhs*); and Rs.435.59 Lakhs for the year ended 31st March 2008.
6. During the quarter the Company has made an additional investment of Rs.3,025.00 Lakhs in the equity shares of SCI Forbes Ltd. (Joint Venture Company).
7. As on 1st July, 2008, no Shareholder's complaint was pending. The Company received 1 (one) complaint during the quarter ended 30th September, 2008 and the same was resolved to the satisfaction of the shareholder. Further, as on 1st July, 2008, there were 11 (eleven) pending court cases and 1 (one) court case was filed against the Company during the quarter. All the 12 (twelve) court cases remained pending as at 30th September, 2008.
8. The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at its meeting held on 27th October, 2008.

For Forbes & Company Limited


(Ashok Barat)
Managing Director

Mumbai, 27th October, 2008

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