

CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW

The West Indian Tobacco Company Limited recorded a Profit Before Tax of \$19.9 million for the three months ended 31 March 2025. This represents an increase of \$0.3 million or 1.4% above the corresponding period in 2024. Profit for the period was \$14.7 million, reflecting an increase of 9.0% or \$1.2 million over 2024.

Revenue for the period was increased by 11.3% versus the prior year to \$83.1 million. Having launched Vuse, as a premium vaping product one year ago, we have moved to a multi-category portfolio and will continue to explore and maximize opportunities for innovation and portfolio growth that will ensure the sustainability of the business. We acknowledge an overall decline in sales in the domestic market but are encouraged by some improvement in the premium segment and increases in the export markets. We continue to be guided by the principles of putting the consumer first and being responsive to their needs.

We continue to work steadfastly toward ensuring that our strategic direction and tactical execution yield results that provide continued value creation for all stakeholders. We are, however, mindful of uncertainty and volatility of our 2025 environment and markets. Directors have therefore decided to defer the consideration of dividend for this quarter.



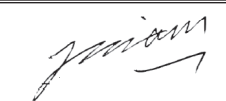
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Chairman
7 May 2025

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	UNAUDITED 31.03.25 TT\$'000	UNAUDITED 31.03.24 TT\$'000	AUDITED 31.12.24 TT\$'000
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	267,334	278,047	271,496
Deferred income tax asset	1,260	14,238	1,449
Retirement benefit asset	17,956	–	16,450
	<u>286,550</u>	<u>292,285</u>	<u>289,395</u>
Current assets			
Inventories	61,715	71,030	55,949
Trade and other receivables	148,981	158,333	307,018
Taxation recoverable	1,888	1,888	1,888
Cash and cash equivalents	287,130	319,005	199,280
	<u>499,714</u>	<u>550,256</u>	<u>564,135</u>
Total assets	<u>786,264</u>	<u>842,541</u>	<u>853,530</u>
EQUITY			
Share capital	42,120	42,120	42,120
Revaluation surplus	59,559	60,645	59,776
Retained earnings	417,121	448,866	402,207
Total equity	<u>518,800</u>	<u>551,631</u>	<u>504,103</u>
LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities			
Deferred income tax liability	53,497	49,878	56,274
Retirement benefit obligation	–	849	–
Post-employment medical benefit obligation	4,648	4,707	5,269
Lease liabilities	2,857	3,503	3,184
	<u>61,002</u>	<u>58,937</u>	<u>64,727</u>
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	102,124	119,374	155,342
Due to parent company	54,096	72,582	64,597
Dividends payable	43,293	38,067	44,415
Taxation payable	4,162	–	17,537
Lease liabilities	2,787	1,950	2,809
	<u>206,462</u>	<u>231,973</u>	<u>284,700</u>
Total liabilities	<u>267,464</u>	<u>290,910</u>	<u>349,427</u>
Total equity and liabilities	<u>786,264</u>	<u>842,541</u>	<u>853,530</u>



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Chairman



Hiram Murillo
Managing Director

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	UNAUDITED Three Months Ended 31.03.25 TT\$'000	UNAUDITED Three Months Ended 31.03.24 TT\$'000
Revenue	83,080	74,640
Cost of sales	(40,525)	(34,065)
Gross profit	42,555	40,575
Selling and distribution costs	(6,653)	(4,652)
Administrative expenses	(13,516)	(18,378)
Other operating (expenses)/income	(2,746)	1,408
Operating profit	19,640	18,953
Finance income	362	795
Finance cost	(101)	(114)
Profit before taxation	19,901	19,634
Taxation	(5,204)	(6,154)
Profit for the period	14,697	13,480
Other comprehensive income:		
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	–	–
Total comprehensive income for the period	14,697	13,480
Earnings per ordinary share	\$0.06	\$0.05

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Share Capital TT\$'000	Revaluation Surplus TT\$'000	Retained Earnings TT\$'000	Shareholders' Equity TT\$'000
Unaudited Three Months Ended 31 March 2025				
Balance at 1 January 2025	42,120	59,776	402,207	504,103
Comprehensive income				
Profit for the period	–	–	14,697	14,697
Other comprehensive income				
Depreciation transfer on buildings - net of tax	–	(217)	217	–
Balance at 31 March 2025	42,120	59,559	417,121	518,800
Unaudited Three Months Ended 31 March 2024				
Balance at 1 January 2024	42,120	60,645	435,386	538,151
Comprehensive income				
Profit for the period	–	–	13,480	13,480
Balance at 31 March 2024	42,120	60,645	448,866	551,631

UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	UNAUDITED Three Months Ended 31.03.25 TT\$'000	UNAUDITED Three Months Ended 31.03.24 TT\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit before taxation	19,901	19,634
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation	4,737	4,597
Net decrease in retirement and other post-employment benefit obligations excluding actuarial losses	(2,127)	(1,547)
Interest Income	(362)	(795)
Interest Expense	101	114
Operating profit before working capital changes	22,250	22,003
Changes in working capital:		
Increase in inventories	(5,766)	(9,379)
Increase in trade and other receivables	159,082	107,937
Decrease in trade and other payables	(54,340)	(41,478)
Decrease in due to parent company	(998)	(1,279)
Cash generated from operating activities	120,228	77,804
Interest paid	(101)	(114)
Taxation paid	(21,170)	(26,858)
Net cash from operating activities	98,957	50,832
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(575)	(236)
Interest received	362	795
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities	(213)	559
CASH FLOWS USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Dividends paid	(10,703)	–
Lease payments	(191)	(488)
Net cash used in financing activities	(10,894)	(488)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	87,850	50,903
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	199,280	268,102
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	287,130	319,005
Represented by:		
Cash at bank and in hand	206,311	224,364
Short-term deposits	80,819	94,641
	287,130	319,005

NOTES TO THE SUMMARY INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Note 1: General Information

The West Indian Tobacco Company Limited is incorporated in the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago. The Company is listed on the Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange. The address of the registered office is Corner Eastern Main Road and Mount D'or Road, Champs Fleurs, Trinidad, West Indies. It is a subsidiary of British American Tobacco (Investments) Limited, a company registered in the United Kingdom. Its ultimate parent company is British American Tobacco p.l.c., a company registered in the United Kingdom. The principal business activities of the Company are the manufacture and sale of nicotine products. This summary financial information was approved for issue on 7 May 2025.

Note 2: Basis of Preparation

This summary financial information for the three-month period ended 31 March 2025, has been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 (IAS 34), 'Interim Financial Reporting' as well as the requirements of the Securities Act 2012 which goes beyond IAS 34. The summary interim financial information should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024, which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

Note 3: Material Accounting Policy

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis except for the inclusion of the net defined benefit asset (obligation) which is recognised at the fair value of plan assets, adjusted by remeasurement through other comprehensive income ("OCI"), less the present value of the defined benefit obligation adjusted by experience gains/losses on revaluation. Revaluation of land and building are recorded at fair value less depreciation and impairment losses.

Note 4: Expense Reclassification

Comparative amounts in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income were reclassified for consistency. As a result, \$3,147,747 was reclassified to Selling and distribution costs; \$647,846 was reclassified to Administrative expenses; \$15,472 was reclassified from cost of sales; and \$3,780,141 was reclassified from Other operating expenses, for the income period ending 31 March 2024.

Note 5: Segment Information

Primary reporting format – geographical segment

	Domestic TT\$'000	CARICOM TT\$'000	Unallocated TT\$'000	Total TT\$'000
Three months ended 31 March 2025				
Revenue	60,487	22,593	–	83,080
Gross Profit/(Loss)	42,794	(239)	–	42,555
Profit for the year includes:				
- Depreciation	–	–	(4,737)	(4,737)
Three months ended 31 March 2024				
Revenue	58,483	16,157	–	74,640
Gross Profit/(Loss)	40,928	(353)	–	40,575
Profit for the year includes:				
- Depreciation	–	–	(4,597)	(4,597)
Total segment assets				
31 March 2025	148,511	61,986	575,767	786,264
31 March 2024	166,449	61,055	615,037	842,541
Total segment assets include additions to property, plant and equipment as follows:				
31 March 2025	–	–	575	575
31 March 2024	–	–	236	236

The Company is organised and managed on the basis of two geographic regions, namely the Domestic market and the CARICOM market. These are the reportable segments for the Company as they form the focus of the Company's internal reporting systems and are the basis used by the Managing Director and the local management team, as the chief operating decision makers, for assessing performance and allocating resources.

The Company is a single product business providing cigarettes. While the Company has clearly differentiated brands, segmentation among a wide portfolio of brands is not part of the regular internally reported financial information.

Primary reporting format – geographical segment

With the exception of the Domestic market, no other individual country within the CARICOM market contributes more than 10% of total revenue. Information is analysed by segment only where relevant and applicable. Where there is no logical allocation basis, items have been disclosed as unallocated.

All the Company's non-current assets are located in Trinidad and Tobago. Revenues from the one customer of the Company's Domestic segment represented approximately \$87,931,196 (2024: \$96,901,182) of the Company's total revenues.

	31.03.25 TT\$'000	31.03.24 TT\$'000
Note 6: Related Party Transactions		
Sale of goods and services:		
Sale of goods - related parties	22,592	16,157
Recharge of services - related parties	12,625	4,984
Purchase of goods and services:		
Purchase of goods - related parties	5,970	17,246
Purchase of services - related parties	9,862	9,845
Purchase of services - parent company	3,034	2,832
Period end balances arising from sales/ purchases of goods and services:		
Receivables from related parties	20,493	36,231
Payables to related parties	38,413	40,409
Payables to parent company	11,235	3,590
Key management compensation		
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	3,863	3,270
Post-retirement medical obligations	–	2
Post-retirement benefits	26	141
Note 7: Capital Commitments		
Authorised and contracted for, and not provided for in the financial statements	2,723	11,061
Note 8: Contingent Liabilities		
Customs & immigration bonds	24,952	24,982
Note 9: Dividends Paid/Payable On Ordinary Shares		
Final dividend – prior year	80,870	131,414
	80,870	131,414

The Board has taken the decision to not pay an interim dividend for the three months ended 31 March 2025.