

Ceylon Petroleum Corporation



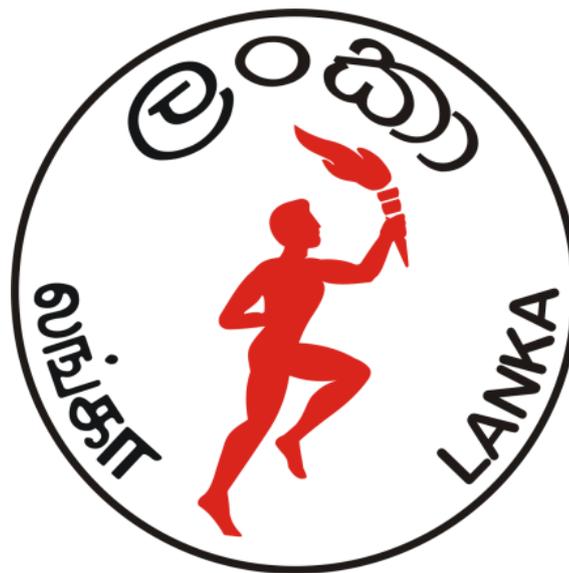
Annual Report- 2008

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OUR VISION

To be the premier customer driven, environmental friendly, enterprise in the petroleum and related industries in the region while contributing towards the prosperity of our nation.



OUR MISSION

To achieve excellence in petroleum refining, sales and marketing of high quality products through a loyal and efficient dealer network and by providing total solutions and services exceeding customer expectations, while utilizing a high technology base for growth and development of the enterprise by employee participation and innovation and maintaining high ethical norms in all its activities with highest concern for health, safety and environment and meet the expectations of the stakeholders.

CORPORATE INFORMATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CHAIRMAN & MANAGING DIRECTOR

Mr. Asantha L.F.De Mel (from 01/01/2008 -28/11/2008)

Major General Asoka Thoradeniya, USP (from 01/12/2008)

DIRECTORS

Mr. Methsiri Wijegunawardana

Mr. Saliya Rajakaruna

Ms. Kanthi Wijetunge

Mr. David Charitha Goonaratne

Mr. M.U.M. Ali Sabry (from 01/01/2008 to 04/04/2008)

Mr. W.K.B. Weragama (from 05/06/2008)

Mr. Nihal Keppitipola

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The Auditor General

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BANKERS

People’s Bank

Bank of Ceylon

Hatton National Bank Ltd.

Commercial Bank of Ceylon Ltd.

Citi Bank N.A.

Standard Chartered Bank

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Major General Asoka Thoradeniya, USP
Chairman/Managing Director

B.C. Jayawardhana
Actg. Refinery Manager

Lalith Karunaratne
Deputy General Manager (Finance)

S.K.Cyril
Deputy General Manager(Administration)

P.G.H. Samara Wickrama
**Actg. Deputy General Manager (Planning
& Development) /
Engineering & Premises Manager**

N.R.R. Jayasekara
**Deputy Refinery Manager (Maintenance
& Projects)**

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**Deputy Refinery Manager (Technical
Services)**

E.M. Piyasena
**Deputy Refinery Manager (Manufacturing
& Operations)**

Ms. R.T.A. Dabare
Finance Manager

Ms. G. De Fonseka
Chief Legal Officer

A.R. Abel
**Marketing Manager (Business
Development)**

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Commercial Manager

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Supplies Manager

A. Lambiyes
Manager (Agro Chemical)

M. K. Garusinghe
Manager (Development)

Maj. M.R.S.P. Samarasinghe
Manager (Security& Investigations)

W. Sarath Perera
Manager- Internal Audit

DIRECTORS' REPORT

In accordance with Section 32(3) of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation Act No. 28 of 1961, the Board Directors of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation has pleasure in presenting their report together with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2008. The Draft Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Directors at the Board Meeting held on 19th March 2009 and submitted to the Auditor General on 17th March 2010. The Audited Financial Statements were authorized to be issued on 30th September 2009.

The Annual Report and Accounts, together with the Auditor General's Report have already been submitted to the Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development.

Principal Activities

The main activities of the Corporation are importing, refining, selling and distributing petroleum products in Sri Lanka.

Associate Company

An associate company of CPC is **Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminal Ltd (CPSTL)** which is engaged in provision of storage and distribution facilities and information technology services to CPC.

Review of Business

The Chairman's Review on pages 12 to 21 deals with the year's performance of the Corporation and on the Sri Lanka's economy.

Systems of Internal Controls

The Board of Directors has instituted an effective and comprehensive system of Internal Controls required to carry on the business of the Corporation in an orderly manner, to safeguard its assets and secure as far as possible the accuracy and reliability of the Corporation's records.

Human Resources

Corporation continued to implement appropriate Human Resource Management policies and practices to enhance employees' skills, provide them with new opportunities including foreign training and ensuring their optimum contribution towards implementing objectives. An Initiative has been taken to revise the present cadre of the organization to improve the efficiency of the management.

Audit Committee

An Audit Committee consists of three members, all of whom are Non-Executive Directors including Chairman of Audit Committee. The Committee operates within a clearly defined Terms of Reference (TOR) given by the Public Finance Circular No. PF/PE 7 dated 15th March 2000.

Financial Performance Review

Turnover

The turnover for the year had reached Rs. 358.002Bn with a 41.31% increase in comparison to previous year. The total turnover of the Corporation comprises of domestic Sales (96.4%) and Indirect Exports (3.6 %) for the year. Diesel, Petrol, Kerosene and Furnace Oil are the major components of the domestic sales. The Corporation was responsible for over 74% of the Petrol and 85% of the Diesel sales in the country.

Profit/ (loss)

In contrast to the recorded profit before tax of Rs. 3.984.18 Mn in 2007, Corporation has incurred a loss of Rs.14,735.028 Mn inclusive of Rs. 1,321.573Mn. incurred due to derivative financial instrument during the year under review.

The main contributing factor for this loss was the concessions granted to the general public, power plants and airlines, despite the recorded highest oil prices prevailed during the year. Sale of auto diesel for both consumers and power plants itself has recorded a loss of Rs. 14,864.87 Mn, while the loss due to sale of both grades of high Sulphur Furnace oil (1500 sec. and 3500 sec.) to CEB and private power plants was Rs. 2,685.99 Mn. The loss due to sale of kerosene was recorded as Rs. 6,059.458 Mn., which is the second largest concession granted to the general public. Value of the third highest concession granted to airlines on account of JetA1 supplied to them was Rs. 3,120.329 Mn. The other major contributory factor was non-adjustment of domestic retail prices revisions inline with international oil price movements.

The profits earned by the sale of petrol to the general public, furnace oil to the industries and asphalt to the RDA and other road development companies have contributed to restrict the overall loss at Rs. 14,735.028 Mn.

The net profit / (loss) for the year was Rs. (14,952.52)Mn.

The details of our profits / (loss) are given below:

	2008	2007
	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn.
Revenue	341,670.329	238,364.36
Cost of Sales	(339,835.291)	(221,723.53)
Gross Profit	1,835.038	16,640.83
Other Operating Income	1,070.740	1,789.24
	2,905.778	18,430.07
Selling & Distribution Exp.	(10,516.235)	(10,052.83)
Administrative Exp.	(3,961.366)	(1,288.71)
Financial Charges	(3,163.204)	(3,104.36)
Profit/(loss) Before Tax	(14,735.028)	3,984.18
Taxation	(217.490)	(1,121.84)
Profit/(loss) after Taxation	(14,952.518)	2,862.33

Contribution to the Government

	2008 Rs. Mn.	2007 Rs. Mn
Value Added Taxes	5,817	8,110
Excise Duty	14,881	13,757
Social Responsibility Levy	-	149
Cess	3,981	-
Debit Tax	205	-
Dealers Turnover Tax & Import Turnover Tax	3,289	2,314
PAL	4,967	5,429
Custom Duty	3,777	580
Income Tax	-	833
Deemed Dividend	-	381
TOTAL	36,917	31,553

Operating Expenses

The total operating expenses increased to Rs. 17,640.81 Mn during the year under review, when compared to the previous year figure of Rs. 14,445.90 Mn in 2007 which is an 22.11% increase.

Capital Expenditure

The total Capital Expenditure for the year was Rs. 468.128Mn whereas the same for year 2007 recorded as Rs. 245.912 Mn.

Property, Plant & Equipment

Details of Property, Plant & Equipment of the Corporation and their movements are given in Note 6 to the Financial Statements on page 49.

Reserves

The total reserves of the Corporation stood at Rs. 5,586.20Mn as at 31December 2008, in comparison to the figure recorded as Rs. 5,541.46Mn in 2007. Movements are given in the Statement of Changes in Equity on page 32.

Contributed Capital

The total Contributed Capital of the Corporation as at 31 December 2008 was Rs. 1,000 Mn.

Board of Directors

The Board comprises of seven Directors including the Chairman/ Managing Director. The Directors of the Corporation during the year under review were:

Mr. Asantha L.F. De Mel (from 01/01/2008 to 28/11/2008)

Major General Asoka Thoradeniya, USP – Chairman

Mr. Methsiri D. Wijegoonawardane

Mr. Saliya Rajakaruna

Mrs. Kanthi Wijetunge

Mr. David Charitha Gooneratne

Mr. M.V.M. Ali Sabry (from 01/01/2008 to 04/04/2008)

Capt. Nihal Keppetipola

Mr. W.K.B. Weragama (from 05/06/2008)

Directors' Interest in Contracts & Related Party Transaction

Directors' interests in the contracts with the Corporation are referred in Note 22 to the Financial Statements.

Compliance with Laws and Regulations

The Corporation has not engaged in any activities contravening the laws and regulations. All those responsible for ensuring compliance with the provisions in various laws and regulations confirm their compliance to the Board.

Future Developments

The foundation ceremony was held on 29th April 2008 with the participation of H.E. the President of Iran, for the expansion and modernization of the CPC Refinery. Efforts will also be taken to carryout this project with the assistance of the Government of Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Corporation is planning to strengthen its presence in the Bunkering and Lubricant markets, while planning to enter in to LPG business.

Environmental Protection

CPC is fully committed to minimize environmental pollution, being the market leader of petroleum products in the island and the owner of the only local refinery in the country. Maximum care has been taken by CPC for the environmental safety in handling and usage of petroleum product.

A capital project which enables to reduce Sulphur content in diesel to less than 0.5% was commissioned in 2003 in refinery and the Corporation restricts its diesel sales of more than 0.3% Sulphur from 2004 onwards. However, the Sulphur content of the imported diesel was restricted 0.25% while the availability of Super diesel having Sulphur content of 0.05% had been assured from this date.

Statutory Payments

The Directors, to the best of their knowledge and belief are satisfied that all statutory payments due to the Government and in relation to employees have been made on time.

Events Occurring after the Balance Sheet Date

In the opinion of the Directors, no material event of an unusual nature (except for the position of cases relating to two hedging cases noted below) has arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this Report, which could affect substantially the results of the operation of the Corporation for the financial year in respect of which the report is prepared.

Citi Bank NA vs. CPC Arbitration in London

The claim of the Citi Bank NA was for two derivative transactions between July 2007 and July 2008 made by reference to a master agreement.

Citi Bank claimed US\$.195,458,092.67 as a principal sum due from CPC with interest.

The award delivered was on 31.07.2011. Accordingly, to award transactions numbered 1-16 made by Citi Bank between 11.07.2007 and 16.07.2008 by reference to master agreement are each declared to have been and to remain legally null and void as being ultra vires and beyond the capacity of Respondent (CPC).

The CPC was liable to pay to Citi Bank US\$.17,926,300 together with interest. Citi Bank was liable to pay to CPC a sum of US\$.16,723,750 together with interest. The net amount payable by CPC was US\$. 1,202,550.

Both parties are entitled to interest on each payment made to the other from the date of payment to date of re-payment.

Standard Chartered Bank vs. CPC

Standard Chartered Bank (SCB) claimed US\$.161,733,500 plus interest being the sum allegedly due under two derivative transactions entered into with CPC on 28.05.2008 and 09.07.2008 (Transactions 08 and 09).

CPC made a counter claim on various grounds. The Court concluded that SCB's claim respect of transactions 08 & 09 succeeds and that CPC's counter claim be dismissed. The Court ordered that CPC should pay SCB a sum of US\$.166,476,281.77 plus 50% of cost to be paid is(Great Britain Pound) GBP.2,963,546.02.

Hon. Attorney General legally represented CPC for two cases. CPC appealed against the ruling given to Court of Appeal in U.K. and the decision is pending.

Going Concern

The Board of Directors has reviewed the Corporation's business plan, and is satisfied that the Corporation has adequate resources to continue its operations in the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the Financial Statements are prepared based on the going concern basis.

Appointment of Auditors

The Auditor General is the Auditor of the Corporation. He has been appointed in terms of the provisions in Article 154 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, for and on behalf of the Board of Directors. The responsibilities in relation to the financial statements are set out in the report of the Auditor General on page 62 of this Annual Report.



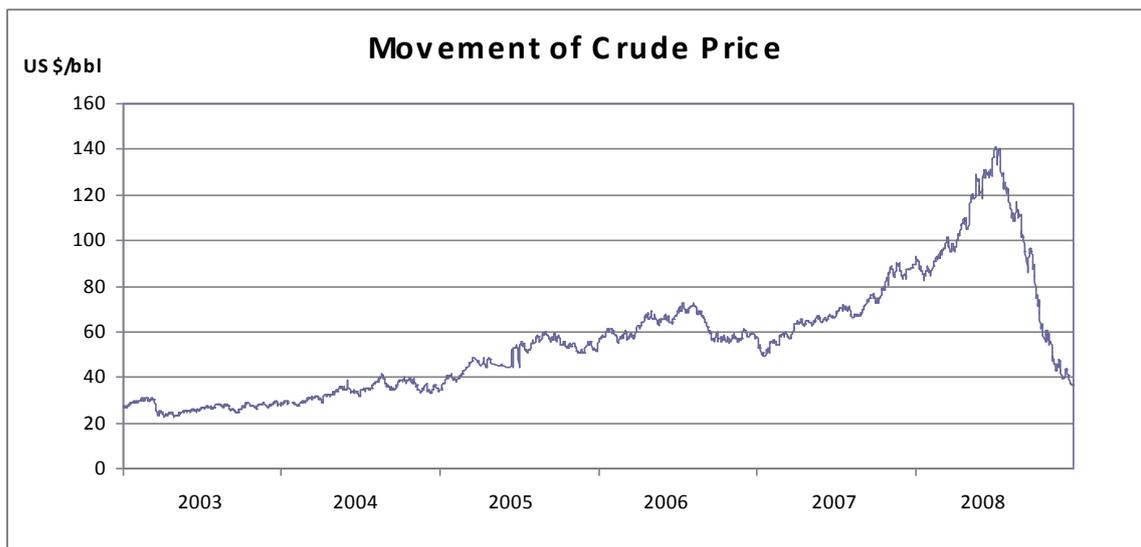
Major General Asoka Thoradeniya, USP
Chairman/Managing Director
19-08-2011

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Introduction

Since the world's first commercial oil well which was drilled in Poland in 1853, international Crude Oil prices reached its ever recorded highest level of 141.035 US\$/Bbl on the 04th July 2008. This was a 205.8% increase over the annual average Crude Oil price of 68.50 US\$/Bbl in 2007. Some of the factors behind this unusual oil price hike were;

1. OPEC announced an output increase lower than expected.
2. Falling of US stocks lower than prediction made by experts.
3. Changes in federal oil prices.
4. Six oil pipelines were attacked by leftist groups in Mexico.
5. Reduction in the strength of the US dollar.
6. Iranian missile tests.
7. Lifting of the executive order removing the ban on offshore drilling.



Source: Platt's Singapore prices

Towards the latter part of the year 2008, Crude Oil prices dropped drastically, recording a monthly average of 40.76 US\$/BBL in the month of December 2008. Significant contributing factors for this reduction of oil prices were the drop in demand for oil in the United States and the second wave of the global financial crisis, which originated from the sub-prime mortgage issue in the United States.

During the review period, the domestic selling prices of all petroleum prices were revised up and down on several occasions, reflecting the international price variations, while passing the maximum benefit to the customers. This situation has created a good public image about the organization with transparency. Despite very high oil bills paid for Crude Oil and Refined products purchases during 2008, the Government continued to sell Kerosene and Auto diesel at subsidized prices to general public, Auto Diesel and Furnace Oil for Power Generation. Provisions of subsidized prices for power generation had contributed significantly to stabilize the national economy as a whole. During the review period, fuel subsidies on JetA1 were also provided to the National carrier on the request of the Government. Total losses incurred due to subsidy granted on the account of Auto diesel for transport sector was Rs.7, 991.546Mn. and the same for power generation was Rs. 6,873.326 Mn. The amount of losses incurred due to Kerosene subsidy was Rs.6, 059.458Mn., whereas the Furnace Oil subsidy for power generation was Rs. 2,685.999 Mn. The losses made on the account of the local Airlines was Rs.3,120.329Mn.

Accordingly the total losses incurred on the account of Auto diesel and Furnace oil for power generation were Rs. 9,559.325 Mn. which are presented the highest amount granted for one sector. Subsidized prices maintained for power generation had contributed significantly to stabilize the National economy as a whole.

As reported by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka the Sri Lankan Economy demonstrated its resilience by recording a real growth of 6 percent in 2008, despite the unprecedented and unfavorable developments existed globally and domestically.

Financial Performance

The Corporation recorded a loss of Rs. 14.9 Bn in the financial year 2008. Selling of Kerosene to general public, Auto Diesel and Furnace Oil for power generation, and JetA1 for Airlines at subsidized prices was the main reason for the loss.

The Refinery has recorded an impressive Profit Margin of around US\$. 70 Million up to August 2008. However with the reduction of the international prices of crude oil and finished products towards the latter part of the year 2008, the cumulative Refinery Profit Margin for the year 2008 was approximately Rs. 3.1 billion negative.

Same as in the year 2007, the mounting trade debt of the CEB and other Government agencies is a continuing critical issue to CPC; these debts totaled Rs.46.436Bn as at 31stDecember 2008. An attention of the treasury was drawn for the recovery of the debts from these institutions, as the increasing Government trade debt has created an undue pressure to CPC's working capital.

A positive factor throughout the year was the stability in the Rupee value, which had been slightly depreciated after mid December 2008.

In total, the Corporation made a massive contribution of Rs.36.917Bn to Government revenue during the year under review. During the period of review, CPC maintained the strategic stock levels required to meet the domestic demand through effective storage operations coupled with efficient planning of imports.

Serving the Nation

Arising from our vision, CPC continuously committed to contribute to enhance the living standards of people in our country. During the year, all possible efforts were taken to adjust the domestic prices reflecting the fluctuations in the international market, passing the benefits to the people. Despite the fact that the oil prices reached to its highest levels ever recorded in the history during the first three quarters of the year, the domestic prices were maintained as low as possible.

In addition to protecting the nation from the greatest oil price surge in history, the Corporation also continued to provide fuel at subsidized rates as decided by the government to the Ceylon Electricity Board, thus helping to maintain steady energy prices for Sri Lankan consumers, despite the CEB's poor payment patterns. As a Government-owned enterprise, CPC successfully undertook to provide an uninterrupted fuel supplies to Sri Lanka Railways and the armed forces, helping these organizations discharge their responsibilities to the nation. Under the circumstance of the involvement of the armed forces in the humanitarian operations, contribution by CPC for their logistics was commendable. In addition, the Corporation continued to supply fuel island-wide, even to the '**uncleared**' areas in North and East.

It is also important to note that CPC is the only organization providing energy for the poor in the form of kerosene at a subsidized price, from which the revenue loss to CPC in 2008 was Rs. 6.059 Bn.

CPC, while transferring all internally-generated cost advantages to the national economy, is determined to guarantee the best possible domestic energy prices. In line with this, we maintained our pricing policy with respect to agrochemicals, in order to protect farmers from the effect of unusually inflated prices of the private sector competitors.

CPC, as a responsible corporate citizen, has recognized the importance of minimizing the environmental pollution especially in terms of the handling and usage of petroleum products for the safety of the environment. In line with world environmental standards, it has developed plans to modernize the refinery to deliver products which have lower environmental impact, as well as to produce low-sulphur diesel and furnace oils.

Strategic Priorities

An effective and efficient operation of the refinery, optimum utilization of storage facilities including pipelines and discharging infrastructure both offshore and onshore, implementation of efficient procurement and effective risk management practices were identified as our strategic priorities.

In association with Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminals Limited (CPSTL), CPC has embarked on an “Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)” project, with the intention of providing timely and accurate information to the management. The new ERP system planned to be launched in early 2010.

Our current refinery expansion projects the most critical element in CPC’s future sustainability. We are proud to announce that the Government of Iran has come forward to help financing this project. President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad of the Islamic Republic of Iran visited the Sapugaskanda Refinery on 29th April 2008, to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and to lay the foundation stone for the project. However due to ongoing economic sanctions on Iran, CPC has to seek an alternative mechanism for financing this project.

New Markets

CPC has entered into bunkering and lubricant business and begun commercial operations of both during the 4th quarter of the year 2008. These businesses will be developed to provide value and generate sufficient margins capable of cross-subsidizing the mainstream customers. Introduction of more farmer friendly pricing scheme and opening a number of CPC owned outlets covering the entire geographical areas will be continued to expand our agrochemical business.

New CPC Head Office Building

In the year under review, the Corporation commenced construction of a new state-of-the-art Head Office building at Dematagoda- Colombo 09 at a cost of Rs. 2.Bn. The project is planned for completion in 2011.

Corporate Governance

In our efforts to enhance corporate governance, CPC has recruited professionally qualified manager to internal audit function to handle the affairs of internal audit. Staff of the internal audit is currently working to develop stronger internal controls and help to increase operational and financial transparency.

An Audit Committee, which consists of three Board Members, has been appointed to bring our corporate governance in par with global standards. A new Transfer Committee has also been set up to look into personnel issues pertaining to staff transfers, and make appropriate suggestions to management.

Corporate Social Responsibility

Corporate Social Responsibility is our main focus of attention and all attempts are made to meet the needs of the entire nation at the least possible cost to the consumer. As mentioned above, fuel supplies are made even to 'uncleared areas' in the Northern and Eastern Provinces and also guaranteed uninterrupted fuel supplies to Government institutions at any cost.

CPC has contributed a massive amount of Rs.36.917 billion to the Government coffers by duties and taxes during the year 2008.

Production

Refinery completed 39 years of operation on 6th August 2008 and processed 1,776,787 metric tons (t) of crude oil equivalent to 5110 TPCD and 5847 TPSD, against a budgeted 2,015,000 metric tons of crude oil intake. Total operating time efficiency was 88.17%. The Refinery throughput was brought down to 4,000 MT during the latter part of the year to minimize the negative profit margin, and to maintain an uninterrupted product supply.

Import of Crude Oil and Refined Products

The Corporation has imported 1.85 Mn metric tons of Crude Oil at a C&F cost of USD 1.33Bn. The average Crude Oil (C&F) cost is USD 97.65 per bbl. compared to USD 71.97 per bbl. during the previous year. The freight charges for importing Crude Oil average to USD 13.77 per metric ton, when compared to 6.36 per MT in the previous year.

Refined Bulk Products Imports were metric tons of 1.588 Mn and C & F value was USD 1.449 Bn.

Services Provided by Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminal Ltd., (CPSTL)

With the restructuring of CPC, the storage and operations of Kolonnawa, Muthurajawela and 12 regional bulk depots located island wide, Data Processing and Distribution activities were segregated and brought under the Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminal Limited (CPSTL.)

CPSTL along with CPC and other power producers hold regular stock review meetings with marketing companies, to monitor and ensure product availability to meet the country's demand. It recovers a Terminal Fee for the provision of storage and operation services, and specific charges for distribution and data processing services rendered to CPC.

Operational facilities at Muthurajawela Tank Farm have been developed to unload large tankers which help to build up stocks when oil prices are low. Muthurajawela Terminal has been able to save Rs. 30 million (approximately) per shipment by way of reduced freight and avoiding pipeline and jetty charges.

An initiative has been taken to install a separate offshore pipeline with a dual path Buoy, to supply fuel to the 300 MW Westcoast Power Plant in Kerawalapitiya. In order to improve operational efficiency, CPSTL will venture into a pipeline project which links Kolonnawa and Muthurajawela storage tanks in future.

Revenue

The Corporation was responsible for over 74% of Petrol, 85% of Diesel and 100 % of Kerosene sales in the country. Revenue for the year had reached Rs. 341.67Bn, when compared to the previous year revenue of Rs. 238.364Bn. An Increase in domestic prices was the main reason to increase the revenue by Rs. 103.306 Bn.

There wasn't a noticeable demand increase or decrease in all kinds of petroleum products except for Auto Diesel and Kerosene. Auto diesel demand dropped to 1,620.849Mn.liters and Kerosene demand dropped to 192.596 Mn. Liters, when

compared to the figures 1,713.54 Mn. liters and of 214.451 Mn.liters respectively recorded during the previous year.

During the year 2008, 414 Mn. liters of Diesel, 794Mn.liters of Furnace Oil and 206Mn.liters of Naphtha had been sold to CEB and to Private Power Producers, to generate electricity.

Agrochemicals

CPC continued its pricing policy of maintaining reasonable prices for Agro Chemicals used by cultivators and Plantation Sector, thus making useful contribution towards lower production cost, thereby boosting overall agriculture sector.

The current "Ceypetco" agro chemical product range consist of 5 Weedicides, 4 Fungicides and 6 Insecticides. Serious consideration has been given to extend our product range to cover other agro based areas in the future. We also plan to promote sales of Ceypetco agro Sales Centers, which would be set up in agro based areas of the country.

Human Resource Development and Welfare

The employee strength by the end of year 2008 was 2682 in the permanent cadre and 150 in the casual cadre.

CPC has provided its employees and their families a Medical Assistance Scheme which is managed by the Thrift Society of the Corporation. The Corporation employs two Medical Officers on fulltime basis to serve employees. The hospitalization costs and indoor treatments amounted to Rs. 30 Million during the year under review. A monthly allowance of Rs. 250/= is also paid to all employees for outdoor medical treatment.

A gratuity equivalent to ½ month pay for every year of service is paid under the Gratuity Act and additional retirement and death benefits are paid out of Thrift Society funds. A Death Gratuity is also paid for death of an employee CPC has also established a Sports Club with a view to encourage sports activities. CPC maintains four Holiday Homes in

outstation, exclusively for the usage of employees and their families. There are several loan facilities granted at concessionary interest rates to fulfill many necessities of employees.

We have also allocated funds for training employees locally and abroad. Funds are also allocated for improving the knowledge of languages and computer literacy of employees to upgrade their working environment.

The practice of awarding employees who have satisfactorily completed their services is as follows;

20 years	-	Rs. 10,000/=
25 years	-	Gold Coin of 2.5 sovereign
30 years	-	Rs. 20,000/=
35 years	-	Rs. 25,000/=
40 years	-	Rs. 40,000/=

Employees' children who are selected for government University education are awarded scholarships as a welfare activity by the Corporation. During the year under review 15 such scholarships were granted to pursue higher studies in the field of medicine, engineering, bio-science, physical science, management studies and art.

Environment Safety

CPC being the market leader of petroleum products in the island and the owner of the only local refinery in the country, is fully aware of its obligations to minimize environmental pollution, and concerned about the environment safety in handling and usage of petroleum products. In line with world environmental standards, CPC is planning a modernization project at refinery, in order to produce low Sulphur Diesel.

Looking Ahead to 2008

We have realized the increasing demand for refined petroleum products, especially for power generation during the coming year. The increasing demand for refined petroleum products will have to be currently catered purely through importation. As mentioned previously, we eagerly look forward to the implementation of the refinery expansion project, to cater to the domestic demand increase.

It is to be noted that, with our committed and experienced management team, with clear market leadership and a knowledgeable and experienced workforce, we will take every endeavor to achieve all targets while facing all the challenges ahead of us in the coming year.

Acknowledgement

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation, I would like to thank all members of the CPC team, who had stood with me to take all the challenges during this period. I also thank the Hon. Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development and his Officials, the Treasury, the Central Bank, our business partners and customers for their co-operation and support.

I take this opportunity to convey my gratitude to the Board of Directors for an excellent job done, and for their valuable support extended to me throughout the year. I also thank our corporate and executive management, staff, customers and all stakeholders for their dedication, loyalty and support in making the year under review a successful one.

I further extend my appreciation to the Government; the Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development, the Hon. Minister A.H.M. FOWZIE, the Secretary of the Ministry of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development and his officials, the Secretary to the Treasury and his officials and the Governor of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, and his officials for their invaluable guidance and support.



Major General Asoka Thoradeniya, USP

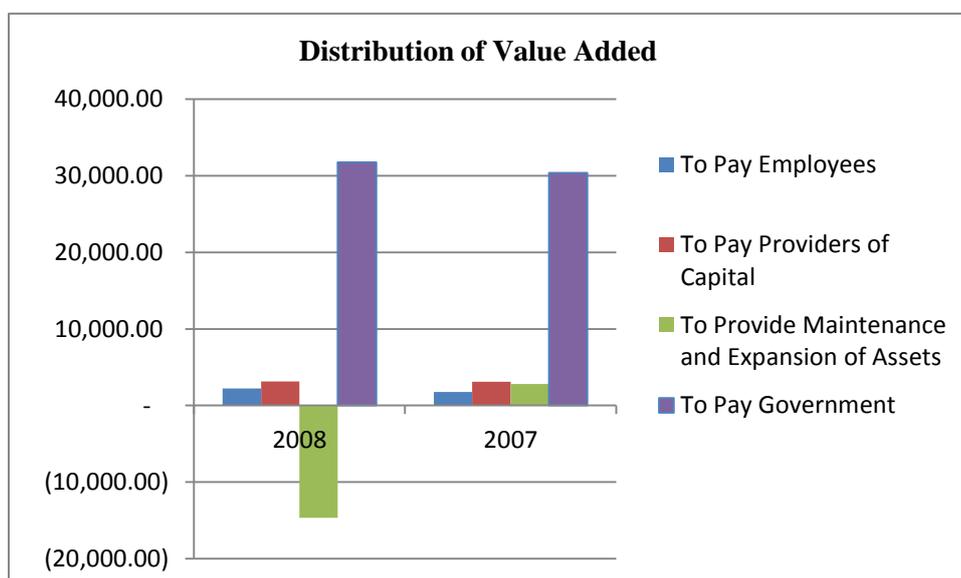
Chairman & Managing Director

CYELON PETROLEUM CORPORATION

19th August, 2011

STATEMENT OF VALUE ADDED

Rupees Million	2008	2007
Turnover	358,002.00	253,344.00
Bought in materials & services	(335,551.00)	(215,331.00)
Value Added	<u>22,451.00</u>	<u>38,013.00</u>
Applied the following way		
Employees Wages & fringe benefits	2,237.00	1,765.00
To pay providers of capital		
Interest on loans	3,163.00	3,104.00
To provide maintenance and expansion of assets		
Depreciation	366.00	324.00
Retained Profit	(15,029.00)	2,481.00
To pay Government		
Taxes, Duties, Stamp duty and Contribution to the general Treasury	31,714.00	30,339.00
Value Added	<u>22,451.00</u>	<u>38,013.00</u>



HIGHLIGHTS

FINANCIAL	UNIT	2008	2007
Gross Revenue	Rs. Mill.	341,670.329	238,364.361
Gross Profit	Rs. Mill.	3,156.610	16,640.826
Operational Profit/(Loss)	Rs. Mill.	3,393.613	18,430.070
Finance Charges	Rs. Mill.	5,307.769	3,104.359
Profit before Taxation	Rs. Mill.	(14,735.028)	3,984.181
Net profit after Taxation	Rs. Mill.	(14,952.518)	2,862.337
Capital and Reserves	Rs. Mill.	(1,416.432)	13,567.810
Long Term Borrowings	Rs. Mill.	10,908.413	13,728.234
Capital Expenditure	Rs. Mill.	468.128	245.912
IMPORTS			
Crude Oil Imports	Metric Tons	1,846,453	1,938,656
Refined Bulk Product	Metric Tons	1,625,720	1,631,381
C&F Value	Rs. Million	144,505.386	114,319.991
OPERATIONS			
Sales	Metric Tons	3,459.619	3,478,861
Refinery Throughput	Metric Tons	1,870,237	1,795,672
MARKETING			
CPC Owned Outlets	Nos.	253	253
Dealer Owned Outlets	Nos.	686	679
Dealer Controlled Outlets	Nos.	48	48
EMPLOYEES			
No. of employees at the year end	Nos.	2,832	2,931
Total emoluments for the year	Rs. Million	1,880.570	1,578.803
Value added per employee	Rs.	664,043	538,657

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Corporate Governance

As the major supplier of fuel, one of the key intermediary products of the Sri Lankan economy, the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation affects the lives of all individuals and institutions in the country. Considering the stakeholder groups, the Board of Directors believes in and is committed to the practice of strong corporate governance, revising governance practices to maintain the highest standards in the operation of the Corporation. The Board believes that strong corporate governance helps to discharge its responsibilities relating to transparency, disclosure and accountability. Moreover, they are of the view that strengthening corporate governance is continuous process. This section describes some of the structures, processes and procedures of corporate governance at the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation.

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors comprises seven members, including the Chairman, all appointed by the Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resource Development, in accordance with the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation Act. No. 28 of 1961 and its subsequent amendments. One such Director is a representative of the General Treasury (Ministry of Finance). All the Directors are Non-Executive Directors, except the Chairman who is also the Managing Director.

Subject to reappointment, the Directors have initial tenures not exceeding a period of three years on the Board. In taking decisions, the Board obtains relevant information from corporate management and if required obtains information from external professionals.

The Board of Directors is responsible for conducting the business affairs of the Corporation, while adhering to the statutory requirements under which the Corporation is governed. They are also responsible for granting approval for annual accounts, the annual budget, corporate plan and reviewing financial performance on a regular basis.

The Board oversees the granting of approvals relating to key appointments, staff promotions, major capital expenditure investment and credit Facilities.

Board Meetings

Regular Board Meetings are held on a monthly basis, while special Board Meetings are convened as and when required. Senior Managers also attend meetings on invitation.

The Board Meetings are conducted on a formal agenda and Directors are provided with relevant background information by the corporate management prior to meetings. Eleven Board Meetings were held during the year under review.

Compliance and Transparency

The Ceylon Petroleum Corporation is committed to maintaining transparency in all its dealings. The Corporation complies with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards and relevant regulations to ensure accountability. Strong internal compliance measures have been integrated into the Corporation's daily operations. In accordance with the Finance Act and Act of the Corporation, Financial Statements are published annually and tabled in Parliament. Also in compliance with the Finance Act, the Auditor General carries out the external audit of the Corporation.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is governed by the specific terms of reference as set out in the Audit Committee Charter which is reviewed on an annual basis. Review of annual financial statements, internal control systems, oversee the financial statements to ensure that the Management responses to the recommendations made by the external auditors are properly implemented and review of organizational internal control systems and risk management were the major activities performed during the year. During the year Audit Committee consisted of three non executive directors of whom Mr. Saliya Rajakaruna who represented the General Treasury functioned as the Chairman of the

Audit Committee. The Manager Internal Audit acts as the Secretary to the Audit Committee while external auditors and Government Audit Superintendent take part in as the observers to the Committee. All recommendations made by the Committee are submitted for approval of the Board of Directors for the successful implementation.

Management Committee

The Management Committee sits once a month to discuss current issues, especially in relation to functional areas. The Committee is headed by two Directors who assist the Chairman of the Committee. In this Committee, issues are discussed in detail and decisions taken are forwarded to the Board of Directors for final approval.

Financial Disclosure

The Board of Directors is responsible for presenting Financial Statements that provide a true and fair view of the operations of the Corporation. These statements are prepared in accordance with the requirements of Sri Lanka Accounting Standards, the Finance Act and the Act of the Corporation.

Internal Controls

The Board of Directors is responsible for maintaining a sound system of internal controls and reviewing its effectiveness and efficiency. The system is intended to safeguard the assets of the Corporation and to ensure that proper records are maintained and reliable information is produced. This responsibility covers all types of controls, including financial, operational and compliance controls as well as risk management. It is vital to state, however, that any system of internal control can ensure only reasonable and not absolute assurance that errors and irregularities will be presented or detected within a reasonable period of time.

The Internal Audit Department of the Corporation is responsible for ensuring the adequacy of internal control procedures, and making regular recommendations for improvements.

Internal Audit

In order to enhance the objectivity and performance of the internal audit function, the Corporation has created a direct reporting line from the internal auditors to the Chairman/Managing Director, the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors.

The Internal Audit Function has established its annual risk-based audit programme for identifying, assessing, monitoring and managing material risk-based activities throughout the Corporation. Under the programme, the risk management system is reviewed regularly, in order to fulfill the objectives stated in the Audit Plan. Financial and operational risks based audits, reviews and compliance & control procedures as well as assessments of the effectiveness of all mechanisms established to improve efficiency of the Corporation, are all carried out as part of the risk management system.

The main focus of the internal audit is to provide independent assurance on the overall system of internal controls, risk management and governance processes by evaluating the adequacy, integrity and effectiveness of the internal controls established by the Corporation.

In its annual audit plan the internal audit designs plans to carry out audit investigations relating to stock losses at terminals and bulk depots.

The Chairman/Managing Director established the Stock Control Loss Steering Committee (SCLSC) for identifying assessing, monitoring and recommending stock-related risks and losses.

The SCLSC comprises members with professional qualifications in diverse fields such as engineering and technology, finance, audit and security. On the recommendation of the SCLSC, stock control and loss unit was established during the year 2007 with a view to establishing comprehensive controls to minimize stock losses and the various risks

associated with petroleum products, with the aim of designing and implementing workable strategies to minimize stock losses.

The Internal Audit Department undertook several audit assignments during the financial year 2008 covering the aforementioned areas. In addition, the Internal Audit Department coordinated and updated a follow-up review on external audit issues.

Relationship with Treasury

The Corporation is closely associated with the Central Bank and the Treasury and obtains their advice when managing Corporation's treasury operations. The Corporation also seeks advice and guidance for major expansion programmes and borrowings.

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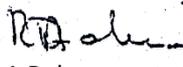
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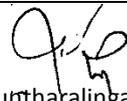
	Note	2008 Rs. Mn	2007 Rs. Mn
Revenue	1	341,670.329	238,364.361
Cost of Sales		(338,513.719)	(221,830.205)
Gross Profit		3,156.610	16,534.156
Other Operating Income	2	236.493	758.075
Gain /(Loss) on Derivative Financial Instruments		(1,321.572)	106.669
Selling & Distribution Expenses		(10,516.235)	(10,052.825)
Administrative Expenses		(3,961.367)	(1,288.705)
Finance Charges	3.1	(3,163.204)	(3,104.359)
Finance Income	3.2	834.247	1,031.170
Profit /(Loss) Before Tax	4	(14,735.028)	3,984.181
Income Tax Expense	5	(217.490)	(1,121.844)
Profit /(Loss) for the year		(14,952.518)	2,862.337

BALANCE SHEET

BALANCE SHEET As at December 2008	Note	2008 Rs. Mn	2007 Rs. Mn
ASSETS			
Non - Current Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipments	6	4,624.068	4,374.649
Investment in Associated Companies	7.1	2,500.000	2,500.000
Other Investments	7.2	41.876	46.876
Trade and Other Receivables - More than one year	8	4,788.333	5,087.803
Deferred Tax Asset	5	689.623	689.623
		12,643.900	12,698.951
Current Assets			
Inventories	9	31,537.495	40,193.145
Trade & Other Receivables – Due within one year	8	66,962.369	34,236.898
Income Tax Recoverable		243.672	-
Cash and Cash Equivalents	10	9,244.432	10,744.471
		107,987.968	85,174.514
Total Assets		120,631.868	97,873.465
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Capital and Reserves			
Contributed Capital	11	1,000.000	1,000.000
Capital Reserve	12	4,992.686	4,992.686
Revaluation Reserve	13	25.696	25.696
Insurance Reserve	14	567.814	523.079
Retained Earnings		(8,002.628)	7,026.349
Total Equity		(1,416.432)	13,567.810
Non - Current Liabilities			
Retirement Benefits Liability	15	566.542	541.367
Interest Bearing Loans & Borrowings	16	10,908.413	13,728.234
		11,474.955	14,269.601
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	17	63,802.285	23,855.490
Income Tax Liabilities		-	594.686
Current Portion of Interest Bearing Loans & Borrowings	18	46,697.413	45,204.414
Provision for Deemed Dividend		73.647	381.464
		110,573.345	70,036.054
Total Equity and Liabilities		120,631.868	97,873.465


Major General Asoka Thoradeniya, USP
Chairman/Managing Director


R.T.A. Dabare
Finance Manager


R S Suntharalingam
Addl. Finance Manager

2nd March 2009

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

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Year ended 31 December 2008

	Contributed Capital	Capital Reserve	Revaluation Reserve	Insurance Reserve	Retained Earnings
	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn
Balance as at 1st January 2006 as previously stated	1,000.000	4,992.686	25.696	482.210	6,172.863
<u>Correction of Prior Period Errors Prior to 01.01.2006</u>					
(a) Reversal of Over provision made to Thrift Society in 2004					100.00
(b) Provisioning for non recoverable ACT					(376.00)
(c) Recognition of Deferred Taxation					(109.38)
Balance as at 1st January 2006 (restated)	1,000.000	4,992.686	25,696.000	482.210	5,787.483
Accounting Period 2006					
(d) Correction of the excess Finance Cost to accounting period 2006					(82.42)
(f) Correction of non provisioning for arrears in Turnover Tax related to the accounting period 30.09.2003 to 30.09.2005					(158.80)
Deemed Dividend					(54.57)
Surplus during the year				19.88	
Net Loss for the Period					(946.22)
Balance as at 1st January 2006 (restated)	1,000.000	4,992.686	25.696	502.088	4,545.476
Accounting Period 2007					
Surplus during the year				20.99	
Net Profit for the period					2862.34
Deemed Dividend					(381.46)
Balance as at 1st January 2007	1,000.000	4,992.686	25.696	523.079	7,026.349
Surplus during the year				44.74	
Net Loss for the period					(14952.52)
Deemed Dividend					(76.46)
Balance as at 31st December 2008	1,000.000	4,992.686	25.696	567.814	(8,002.628)

Note : 1. Deemed Dividend-Provision is made as per Sce53(1)(d) of Inland Revenue Act No: 38 of 2000.

CASHFLOW STATEMENTS

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CASH FLOW STATEMENTS

Year ended 31 December 2008

	2008 Rs.Mn	2007 Rs.Mn
Cash Flows From/(Used in) Operating Activities		
Profit/(Loss) before tax from continuing operations	(14,735.028)	3,984.181
Adjustment for :		
Depreciation	366.722	323.622
Foreign Currency Translation	(1,013.785)	(198.335)
Investment Income	(0.111)	(437.500)
Interest Received	(654.726)	(954.070)
Provision for Insurance Reserve	44.735	20.991
Provision for Stores Non Moving Items	(18.181)	27.408
Provision for Bad & Doubtful Debts & Recoveries	(16.152)	(4.309)
Interest Expenses	3,163.204	3,104.359
Adjustment for Valuation of Shares	5.000	6.250
Provision for Retirement Obligation	47.226	48.999
Profit/(Loss) on Sale of Property, Plant & Equipment	(1.908)	(9.216)
Operating Profit/(Loss) before Working Capital changes	(12,813.004)	5,912.381
Changes in Working Capital		
(Increase)/ Decrease in Inventories	8,673.831	(13,321.526)
(Increase)/ Decrease in Trade and Other Receivable	(32,409.849)	(13,098.772)
Increase/ (Decrease) In Trade and Other Payables	39,946.795	23,813.340
Cash Generated from/ (Used in) operating activities	3,397.773	3,305.423
Interest Paid	(3,163.204)	(3,104.359)
Retiring Gratuity Paid	(22.051)	(21.981)
IT/WHT paid	(1,440.124)	(142.140)
Net Cash Generated from Operating activities	(1,227.606)	36.943
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of Property, Plant & Equipment	(630.180)	(249.305)
Proceeds from Sale of Property, Plant & Equipment	15.948	23.723
Income from Investment	0.111	437.500
Interest Received	654.726	954.070
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	40.605	1,165.988
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Repayment of Long Term Loans	(1,001.410)	(3,326.039)
Net Cash From/(Used in) Financing Activities	(1,001.410)	(3,326.039)

The accounting policies on pages 34-44 and Notes on pages 45-58 are integral part of the Financial Statements.

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

1.1 General

Ceylon Petroleum Corporation is a Public Corporation incorporated under Ceylon Petroleum Corporation Act No.28 of 1961 and domiciled in Sri Lanka. The registered office of the Corporation is located at No.109, Galle Road, Colombo 03.

1.2 Principal Activities and Nature of Operations

The principal activities of the Corporation are importing & refining of crude oil, importing of refined petroleum products and selling & distribution of Petroleum Products in Sri Lanka.

1.3 Parent Entity and Ultimate Parent Entity

The Corporation is under the purview of the Ministry of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development. In the opinion of the Directors, the Corporation's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is the Government of Sri Lanka.

1.4 Date of Authorization for issues.

The Financial Statements of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation for the year ended 31 December 2008 was authorized for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors on 24 February 2009.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The Financial Statements are prepared under the historical cost basis (except revaluation) in accordance with general accepted accounting principles of the Accounting Standards laid down by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka and the Provisions of the Finance Act No.38 of 1971 and subsequent amendments.

The Financial Statements are presented in Sri Lankan Rupees and all values are rounded to the nearest Million except when otherwise indicated.

2.1 Statement of Compliance

The Financial Statements of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation has been prepared in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards (SLAS).

2.1.1 Going Concern

The Directors have made an assessment of the Corporation's ability to continue as a going concern and they do not intend either to liquidate or to cease trading.

2.1.2 Comparative Information

The accounting policies have been consistently applied by the Corporation consistent with these used in the previous year. The changes made to comparative figures are discussed more fully in note 21.

2.2 Summary of Significant Accounting Judgments, Estimates and Assumptions.

In the process of applying the Corporation's accounting policies, management has made the following judgments, apart from those involving estimation, which has the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the Financial Statements.

Deferred Tax Assets

Deferred tax assets are recognized for all unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the losses can be utilized. Significant management judgment is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognized, based upon the likely timing and level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies.

2.3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

2.3.1 Foreign Currency Transactions

The Financial Statements are presented in Sri Lanka Rupees, which is the Corporation's functional and presentation currency. Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded at the functional currency rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the functional currency rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to profit or loss. Non-Monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates as at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined.

2.3.2 Taxation

(a) Current Tax

Current income tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheets date.

The provision for income tax is based on the elements of income and expenditure as reported in the Financial Statements and computed in accordance with the provisions of the relevant tax legislations.

(b)Deferred Taxation

Deferred income tax is provided, using the liability method, on temporary differences at the balance sheet date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred income tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences except where the deferred income tax liability arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss.

Deferred income tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences, carry forward of unused tax assets and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and;

The carrying amount of deferred income tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred income tax asset to be utilized.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the year when the asset is realized or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred income tax relating to items recognized directly in equity is recognized in equity and not in the income statement.

(c) Sales Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognized net of the amount of sales tax except where the sales tax incurred on a purchase of assets or service is not recoverable from the taxation authorities in which case the sales tax is recognized as a part of the cost of the asset or part of the expense items as applicable and receivable and payable that are stated with the amount of sales tax included. The amount of sales tax recoverable and payable in respect of taxation authorities is included as a part of receivables and payables in the Balance sheet.

2.3.3 Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs are recognized as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

2.3.4 Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value after making due allowances for obsolete and slow moving items. Net realizable value is the price at which inventories can be sold in the ordinary course of business less the estimated cost of completion and the estimated cost necessary to make the sale.

The cost incurred in bringing inventories to its present location and conditions are accounted using the following cost formulae:-

Raw Materials	At purchase cost on first-in first-out basis
Finished goods	
(a) Refined Products	At the cost of direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of manufacturing overheads based on normal operation capacity, but excluding borrowing costs.
(b) Imports	At purchase cost on first-in-out basis.
Work in progress	
(a) Refined products	At the cost of direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of manufacturing overheads based on normal operating capacity, but excluding borrowing Costs.
(b) Imports	At purchase cost on first-In-First-out basis
Other Finished Goods	At purchase cost on weighted average basis.
Consumables and Spares	At purchase cost on weighted average basis.
Good in Transit	At Purchase

(By Location)

Net realizable Value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated cost of completion and estimate costs necessary to make the sale.

2.3.5 Trade and other Receivables

Trade receivables are stated at the amount they are estimated to realize net of allowances for bad and doubtful receivables. In case specific provisions are provided on specified Trade Receivable other than the normal provision made for Trade Receivables.

Other receivables and dues from Related Parties are recognized at cost less allowances for bad and doubtful receivables.

2.3.6 Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are cash in hand demand deposits and short-term highly liquid investment, readily convertible to known amount of cash and subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

For the purpose of cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash in hand and deposits in banks net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Investments with short maturities i.e. three months or less from the date of acquisition are also treated as cash equivalents.

2.3.7 Property, Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment is stated at cost, excluding the cost of day to day servicing, less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment in value. Such cost includes the cost of replacing part of the plant and equipment when that cost is incurred, if the recognition criteria are met.

Land and Buildings are measured at cost less depreciation on buildings.

When each major inspection is performed, its cost is recognized in the carrying amount of the plant and equipment as a replacement if the recognition criteria are met.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognized upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognizing of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the income statement in the year the asset is derecognized.

The asset's residual values, useful lives and methods of depreciation are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each financial year end.

2.3.8 Investments

(a) Initial Recognition:

Cost of investment includes purchase cost and acquisition charges such as brokerages, fees, duties and bank regulatory fees. The Corporation distinguishes and presents current and non current investment in the balance sheet.

(b) Measurement

i. Current Investment

Current investments are carried at the lower of cost and market value, determined on the basis of aggregate portfolio.

ii. Long Term Investments

Long Term investments are stated at cost. Carrying amounts are reduced to recognize a decline other than temporary determined for each investment individually. These reductions for other than temporary declined in carrying amounts are charged to income statement.

iii. Investments in Associate Companies

Investments in Associate Companies are stated at cost.

iv. Disposal of Investment

On disposal of an investment, the difference between net disposals and proceeds and the carrying amount is recognized or expense.

2.3.9 Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the Corporation has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, where it is probable that

an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. When the Company expects some or all of a provision to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognized as a separate asset but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. The expenses relating to any provision is presented in the income statement net of any reimbursement. If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre- tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability. Where discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognized as an interest expense.

2.3.10 Retirement Benefit Obligations

(a) Defined Benefit Plan – Gratuity

Gratuity is a Defined Benefit Plan. The Corporation is liable to pay gratuity in terms of the relevant statute. In order to meet this liability, a provision is carried forward in the balance sheet, equivalent to an amount calculated based on a half month's salary of the last month of the financial year of all employees for each completed year of service, commencing from the first year of service. The resulting difference between brought forward provision at the beginning of a year net of any payments made, and the carried forward provision at the end of a year is dealt with in the income statement.

The gratuity liability is not funded nor actuarially valued.

Defined Contribution Plans – Employees' Provident Fund & Employees' Trust Fund.

Employees are eligible for Employees' Provident Fund Contributions and Employees' Trust Fund Contributions in line with the respective statutes and regulations. The Corporation contributes 15% and 3% of

gross emoluments of employees to Employees' Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund respectively.

2.3.11 Capital Reserve

Specific amounts received from Government Consolidated Fund and the net value of restructuring sale proceeds which will eventually form the issued capital of the successor to Ceylon Petroleum Corporation are credited to a Capital Reserve.

2.3.12 Insurance Reserve

An amount equivalent to the actual cost of insurance on imports which are not insured with a third party while in transit is credited to insurance reserve.

2.3.13 Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Corporation and the revenue and associated costs incurred and to be incurred can be reliably measured.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable net of trade discounts and sales taxes. The following specific criteria are used for the purpose of recognition of revenue.

(a) Sale of Goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognized when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have passed to the buyer, usually on dispatch of the goods.

(b) Interest

Revenue is recognized on a time proportion basis that takes in to account the effective interest rate on asset.

(c) Dividends

Dividend income is recognized when the shareholders' right to receive the payment is established.

(d) Hedging Proceeds

Hedging gain or loss in relation to hedging of Petroleum products has been presented on the Income Statement as a separate line item.

(e) Rental Income

Rental income is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease terms.

(f) Others

Other income is recognized on an accrual basis.

2.3.14 Segment Information

The activities of the segments are described in the segmental review of operation. Segments have been determined based on primary format. Primary format represents the business segments, identified based on the products which have similar risk and return faced by the customers. Since the Corporation's activities are geographically within Sri Lanka Secondary segment format is not available.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 31 December 2008

1. REVENUE

DOMESTIC SALES	2008		2007	
	QTY.	Value	QTY.	Value
	M.Ltrs	Rs. Mn	M.Ltrs	Rs. Mn
90 Octane Petrol	477.548	62,778.103	474.673	43,967.826
95 Octane Petrol	26.618	3,655.623	27.380	2,611.795
Auto Diesel	1,620.849	151,070.451	1,713.540	113,737.174
Super Diesel	8.495	885.249	6.410	467.764
Kerosene	192.596	14,000.051	214.451	12,459.330
Furnace Oil	1,048.919	66,220.151	1,039.112	43,941.105
Naphtha	206.406	15,255.831	141.382	5,675.573
Avn. Gasoline	0.231	62.761	0.217	51.021
Avn. Turbine Fuel	239.296	21,755.668	251.549	16,253.594
Others	105.886	9,412.025	93.924	5,914.513
Total Domestic sales	3,926.844	345,095.913	3,962.638	245,079.695

EXPORTS

a) Indirect Exports

Avn.Turbine Fuel	122.656	11,262.986	129.523	8,264.684
Bunkering	25.097	1,643.217	-	-
	147.753	12,906.203	129.523	8,264.684
Total Sales		358,002.116		253,344.379
Less : T.T, Ex Duty		(16,331.787)		(14,980.018)
		341,670.329		238,364.361

** VAT amounting to RS : 4,533.072 Mn (2007-Rs:5,857.983 Mn) included in the sales has been removed to show the actual sales of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and comparative figures have been adjusted accordingly.

Segment Information & Revenue

The following table presents revenue , cost of sales and gross profit of the corporation classified based on the class of the customers served.

Class of the Customers	2008			2007		
	Sales Value Rs. Mn	Cost of sales Rs. Mn	Gross Profit Rs. Mn	Sales Value Rs. Mn	Cost of sales Rs. Mn	Gross Profit Rs. Mn
a) Transport	180,710.894	(169,338.45)	11,372.449	112,949.719	(102,287.581)	10,662.138
	180,710.894	(169,338.445)	11,372.449	112,949.719	(102,287.581)	10,662.138
b) Power Generation	97,501.49	(97,133.65)	367.838	65,236.585	(64,482.642)	753.943
	97,501.49	(97,133.65)	367.838	65,236.585	(64,482.642)	753.943
c) Aviation	31,629.713	(34,948.506)	(3,318.793)	24,569.477	(22,787.521)	1,781.956
	31,629.713	(34,948.506)	(3,318.793)	24,569.477	(22,787.521)	1,781.956
d) Others	31,828.231	(37,093.115)	(5,264.884)	35,608.580	(32,272.461)	3,336.119
	31,828.231	(37,093.115)	(5,264.884)	35,608.580	(32,272.46)	3,336.119
Gross profit as per Income Statement	341,670.329	(338,513.719)	3,156.610	238,364.361	(221,830.205)	16,534.156

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2. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

	2008	2007
	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn
Dividend Income	0.111	437.500
Fines Recovered from Contractors	7.858	169.157
Sundry Income	184.812	95.284
Rent Income	12.583	11.731
Commission On Lubricants Sales	31.129	44.403
	236.493	758.075

3. FINANCE COST AND INCOME

	2008	2007
	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn

3.1 FINANCE COST

Interest on Long Term Loans	135.588	2,954.092
Interest on Bank Overdrafts	-	-
Interest on Foreign Bills Payables & Other Bank Loans	3,027.616	150.267
	3,163.204	3,104.359

3.2 FINANCE INCOME

Treasury Bill Interest Income	484.615	785.728
Interest on R.F.C. A/C	170.111	168.342
Interest on Credit invoice	179.521	77.100
	834.247	1,031.170

4. PROFIT / (LOSS) FOR THE YEAR

	2008	2007
	Rs. Mn	Rs. Mn
stated after charging /(Crediting)		
Included in Cost of Sales		
Written Down of Inventories to Net Realizable Value	6,553.910	797.684
Depreciation –Refinery	153.261	159.428
Exchange Rate Differences - Gain / (Loss)	2,661.474	(189.663)
Included in Administrative Expenses		
Employees Benefits including following		
- Defined Benefit Plans Costs –Gratuity	47.226	48.999
- Defined Contribution Plans Costs-EPF &ETF	192.719	185.882
Change in the value of Long Term Investments	5.000	6.250
Exchange Differences-(Gain)/Loss	1,004.824	(743.215)
Profit on Disposal of Property, Plants and Equipment	1.908	9.216
Reversal of Provisions	11.196	-
Auditors Remuneration	2.368	1.500
Depreciation -Head Office	213.495	164.185
Donation to Sri Lanka Sumithrayo	0.621	0.551

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5. INCOME TAX		
	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Current Tax Expense on Ordinary Activities for the Year (5.1)	158.625	821.616
Social Responsibility Levy	3.484	11.170
Under /(Over) Provision of Current Taxes in respect of Prior Years	55.381	-
	217.490	832.786
Deferred Income Tax		
Deferred Taxation Charge/(Reversal)	-	289.058
Income Tax Expense reported in the Income Statement	217.490	1,121.844
5.1 Reconciliation between Current Tax Expense and the product of Accounting Profit.		
Accounting Profit /(Loss) before Tax	(14,735.028)	3,973.611
Aggregate Disallowed Items	499.557	434.404
Aggregate Allowable Expenses	(1,111.513)	(1,702.506)
Adjustment of Income / (Loss) not subject to Tax	15,372.044	-
	-	2,705.509
Other Source of Income - Interest Income	664.137	905.989
Less : Utilization of brought forward tax losses	(232.442)	(1,264.024)
Taxable Profits	431.695	2,347.474
Tax on Profit from Operations		
Operating Income	-	504.520
Other Source of Income - Interest Income	151.093	317.096
Income Tax Expenses	151.093	821.616
Income Tax Expenses (provisional)	158.625	-
Tax Rate Applicable for Operating Income	35%	35%
Social Responsibility Levy	1.5%	1%
Deemed Dividend Tax	25%	25%
Income Tax	214.006	821.616
Social Responsibility Levy	3.484	11.170
	217.490	832.786
Deemed Dividend Tax	2.812	-
Under /(Over) Provision of current taxes in respect of prior years	73.647	381.464
	76.459	381.464
5.2 Deferred Tax (Assets), liabilities and Income Tax relates to the followings		
At the Beginning of the year	(689.623)	(978.681)
Transferred from /(to) Income Statement	-	289.058
At the End of the year	(689.623)	(689.623)
Balance Sheet		
	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Deferred Tax Liability		
Capital Allowance for Tax purpose	989.460	989.460
	989.460	989.460
Deferred Tax Assets		
Define Benefit Plans	(189.478)	(189.478)
Unutilized Tax Losses	(965.182)	(965.182)
Other Provisions	(524.424)	(524.424)
	(1,679.084)	(1,679.084)
Net Deferred Tax (Asset)/Liability	(689.623)	(689.623)

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6. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT
6.1 Gross carrying Amounts

Cost	2008							Total Rs.Mn
	Land & Buildings	Vested Property	Plant, Mach & Equip	SPM Facility	Motor Vehicles	Furn/Fittings Off.Equip & Other Assets		
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn		
Bal as at 01/01/08	1,186.254	1.016	4,604.203	2,141.322	326.285	316.639	8,575.719	
Additions	186.297	-	205.205	1.100	49.247	26.279	468.128	
Disposals	-	-	(15.363)	-	(2.88)	-	(18.241)	
Adjustment	(18.504)	-	0.149	-	0.243	-	(18.112)	
Bal as at 31/12/08	1,354.047	1.016	4,794.194	2,142.422	372.897	342.918	9,007.494	
Depreciation								
Bal as at 01/01/08	154.057	0.328	2,327.241	1,228.196	253.504	277.337	4,240.663	
Charge for the Year	19.607	0.010	279.249	31.219	15.751	20.920	366.756	
Disposals	(0.034)	-	(1.324)	-	(2.878)	-	(4.236)	
Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Bal as at 31/12/08	173.630	0.338	2,605.166	1,259.415	266.377	298.257	4,603.183	
Net Book Value as at 31.12.2008	1,180.417	0.678	2,189.028	883.007	106.520	44.661	4,404.311	
			2007					
Cost as at 31/12/07	1,186.254	1.016	4,604.203	2,141.322	326.285	316.639	8,575.719	
Acc.Dep as at 31/12/07	154.057	0.328	2,327.241	1,228.196	253.504	277.337	4,240.663	
Net Book Val as at 31.12.2007	1,032.197	0.688	2,276.962	913.126	72.781	39.302	4,335.056	

6.2 Assets and Capital Project in Progress

	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Buildings	144.447	24.964
Plant & Machinery	8.043	7.545
Storage Facility	14.929	5.392
Re-structuring of Filling Stations	49.807	-
Others	2.531	1.692
	219.757	39.593

6.3 Net Book Values

	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Property Plant & Equipment	4,404.311	4,335.056
Assets & Capital Projects in Progress	219.757	39.593
	4,624.068	4,374.649

6.4 The useful lives of the assets is estimated as follows

	2008	2007
Freehold Land	Nil	Nil
Buildings	40 Years	40 Years
Refinery Tanks & Pipelines	40 Years	40 Years
Refinery Plant & Machinery	10 Years	10 Years
Other Location Tanks	40 or 20 Years	40 or 20 Years
Other Locations Pipelines	10 or 5 Years	10 or 5 Years
Plant & Machinery	10 or 5 Years	10 or 5 Years
Browsers & Tank Lorries	5Years	5Years
Vans & Coaches	4Years	4Years
Furniture/Fittings & Office Equipments up to 31.12.1998	Fully	Fully
Furniture/Fittings & Office Equipments up to 31.12.1999	3 Years	3 Years
SPM Facility - Tank Farm	40 Years	40 Years
- Pipelines	20Years	20Years
- Buoy	10 years	10 years

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7. INVESTMENTS

	2008		2007	
	Rs .Mn At Cost	Rs .Mn Director's Value	Rs .Mn At Cost	Rs .Mn Director's Value
7.1 Non-Current				
a) Investment in Associated Company				
Unquoted				
Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminals Ltd.*	2,500.000	2,500.000	2,500.000	2,500.000
	<u>2,500.000</u>	<u>2,500.000</u>	<u>2,500.000</u>	<u>2,500.000</u>
	2008		2007	
	Rs .Mn At Cost	Rs .Mn Market Value	Rs .Mn At Cost	Rs .Mn Market Value
b) Other Investments				
Quoted				
Lanka Cement Ltd. 5,000,000 Ordinary Shares of Rs.10/= each fully paid.	50.500	31.250	50.500	36.250
Less: Allowance for decline in value	(19.250)	-	(14.250)	-
	<u>31.250</u>	<u>31.250</u>	<u>36.250</u>	<u>36.250</u>
Unquoted				
	2008		2007	
	Rs .Mn At Cost	Rs .Mn Director's Value	Rs .Mn At Cost	Rs .Mn Director's Value
Associated News Papers of Ceylon Ltd. 61,206 Ordinary Shares of Rs.10/= each fully paid.	0.539	0.539	0.539	0.539
Lanka Leyland Ltd. 100 Ordinary Shares of 10/= each fully paid.	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001
International Coop/Petroleum association 5,499 Shares of Us \$ 100/= each fully paid Incorporated in USA	5.086	5.086	5.086	5.086
	<u>5.626</u>	<u>5.626</u>	<u>5.626</u>	<u>5.626</u>
7.2 Current				
Investments in Fixed Deposit	5.000		5.000	
	<u>5.000</u>		<u>5.000</u>	
Total	<u>41.876</u>		<u>46.876</u>	

* The effect of adopting the equity method could not be given due to the unavailability of Financial Statements of Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminals Limited(CPSTL)

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8 . TRADE & OTHER RECEIVABLE

	2008		2007	
	Rs. Mn With in one Year	Rs. Mn After one Year	Rs. Mn With in one Year	Rs. Mn After one Year
Trade Receivables	64,228.814		31,843.653	-
Other Receivables	1,564.897	3,758.950	1,960.159	4,342.894
Deposits	10.317	30.031	14.066	24.735
Advance	395.106	-	15.326	-
Prepayments	407.167	-	75.218	-
Loans & Advances to Employee	356.068	999.352	328.476	720.174
	66,962.369	4,788.333	34,236.898	5,087.803

Other receivable includes Rs.4,286Mil,(2007 Rs.4,881Mil) being an equivalent of Long Term Loan transferred to CPSTL and a sum of Rs. 376 Mil. (2007 Rs.376Mil) paid in 1999 as an Income Tax advance and a full provision has been provided for this amount.

Trade & Other Receivable and Loans & Advances to employees are after charging a provision for Bad & Doubtful Debts amounting to Rs.429 Mil. (2007Rs. 445Mil.) and Rs. 0.174Mil. (2007 Rs.0.224 Mil.) respectively.

9. INVENTORIES & WORK IN PROGRESS

	2008 Rs.Mn	2007 Rs.Mn
Crude Oil	6,565.150	14,580.380
Other Raw material	540.994	908.168
Finished Products	23,422.707	23,611.624
Other Materials & Supplies	1,266.287	1,368.797
Less: Provision for Non Moving Items	(257.643)	(275.824)
	31,537.495	40,193.145

9.1 The sum of Rs.6,553.910Mn (2007 -Rs.797.684Mn) was adjusted as Written down Value of Net Realizable value of inventory as at the 31.12.2008.

10. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2008 Rs.Mn	2007 Rs.Mn
Components of Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash & Bank Balances	8,194.432	9,204.471
Treasury Bills	1,050.000	1,540.000
	9,244.432	10,744.471

11. CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL

	2008 Rs.Mn	2007 Rs.Mn
Initial Contribution in Pursuance of Section 23 of Act No 28 of 1961	10.000	10.000
Voted by Appropriation Act no 23 of 1964	4.000	4.000
Voted by Appropriation Act no 15 of 1967	20.000	20.000
Contribution to Capital in 1976	60.000	60.000
Contribution to Capital in 1979	13.110	13.110
Contribution to Capital in 1980	10.710	10.710
Total Contributed by Govt.of Sri Lanka	117.820	117.820
Transferred from General Reserve in 1987	750.000	750.000
Transferred from Retained Profits in 1987	132.180	132.180
	1,000.000	1,000.000

(No authorized capital has been fixed by the Parliament.)

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12. CAPITAL RESERVE	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Balance as at 01 January	4,992.686	4,992.686
Balance as at 31st December	4,992.686	4,992.686
<p>* In 2003, the transfer of assets to CPSTL had been done at book values. Subsequently it had been decided to record the above transaction based on the values that had been agreed upon in the process of privatization. The effect of the above transaction had been adjusted under Net re-structuring sales proceeds.</p>		
13. REVALUATION RESERVE	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Balance as at 01st January	25.696	25.696
Balance as at 31st December	25.696	25.696
14. INSURANCE RESERVE	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Balance as at 01 January	523.079	502.088
Charged to Profit & Loss Account	44.735	20.991
Balance as at 31st December	567.814	523.079
15. RETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATION	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Balance as at 1st January	526.510	499.491
Less: Payments made during the Year	22.051	21.981
	504.459	477.510
Add: Charge for the Year	47.226	48.999
	551.685	526.510
Add: Benefit China Bay Employees	14.857	14.857
Balance as at 31st December 2008	566.542	541.367
16. INTEREST BEARING LOANS & OTHER PAYABLES	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
16.1 L.T. Loans not assigned to CPSTL		
Treasury (A.D.B) Loan - (Interest 14.0% p.a.) Repayable in forty 1/2 yearly installments of Rs.37.977 Mil each commencing July ' 01.	873.533	949.492
Indian Line of Credit (Interest LIBOR+0.5 p.a.) Repayable in twelve half yearly installments of Rs.1228.030 Mil each commencing May ' 06	6,319.818	8,492.270
16.2 L.T. Loans assigned to CPSTL		
Treasury (Exim Bank) Loan - (Interest 12 .0 p.a %) repayment commencing Oct. 2004 in 24 equal 1/2 yearly installments of final Loan value	3,714.160	4,285.570
	10,907.511	13,727.332
Compensation Payable to Former Owners of properties vested in CPC	0.902	0.902
	10,908.413	13,728.234

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	2008 Rs.Mn	2007 Rs.Mn
16.3 Loans repayable within five years from 31st December 2008 is as follows.		
Amount due within 1-2 years	3,175.297	3,073.732
Amount due within 3-5 years	5,086.630	6,145.465
Amount due after 5 years	2,645.584	4,508.135
	10,907.511	13,727.332
17. TRADE & OTHER PAYABLES	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Foreign Bills Payable	56,144.839	19,309.880
Other Creditors		
- Amount due to Inland Revenue & Custom Dept.	1,426.941	920.789
- Accrued Expenses	239.734	1,140.945
- Refundable Deposits & Others	4,575.138	2,483.876
- Amount due to Related Parties	1,415.633	-
	63,802.285	23,855.490
18. INTEREST BEARING BORROWINGS DUE WITH IN ONE YEAR	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Bank & Other loans		
- Wholly Repayable within one year	3,175.297	3,097.528
- Bank Overdrafts	82.670	48.139
- Bank Temporary Loan	2,162.510	-
- Short Term Working Capital Loans	41,276.936	42,058.75
	46,697.413	45,204.414
19. EMPLOYEES		
19.1 Staff Cost	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
Salaries & Wages	1,668.718	1,429.796
Bonus	211.852	149.007
Provident & Trust Fund contribution	192.719	185.882
Gratuity Provision	47.226	48.499
	2,120.515	1,813.184
19.2 No. of Employees		
Administration & Marketing	1,247	857
Manufacturing	990	929
Security	445	900
	2,682	2,686
19.3 Contract & Casual Employees	150	245
20. COMMITMENTS FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
	Amount	Amount Spent
	Approved	Up to 31.12.2008
Fuel Quality Improvement & Storage Facilities at Refinery	213.425	14.929
Refinery Main Plant (Minor modifications)	44.302	8.043
Other Capital Expenditure	25.000	2.531
Construction of Head Office New Building	810.000	144.447
Construction of Filling Yard	420.900	49.807
	1,513.627	219.757

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21 COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

The presentation and classification of following items in these Financial Statements are amended to ensure comparability with the current year.

As reported previously	2007	
	Rs.Mn	
a) Cost of Sales Proceedings from Hedging)	106.669	
b) Trade and Other Payables	66,508.923	
b) Short Term working Capital	3,145.67	
Current Presentation	2008	2007
	Rs.Mn	Rs.Mn
a) Gain /(Loss) on Derivative Financial Statements	(1,321.572)	106.669
b) Short Term Working Capital Loans	46,697.413	45,204.414
b) Trade and Other Payables	63,802.285	23,855.490

Reasons for change in then presentation and classification:

- a) Proceedings from Hedging included in Cost of Sales have been changed and presented as a separate line item on the face of The Income Statement in order to have a better presentation.
- b) Short Term Working Capital Loans which have been included under Trade and other Payables were reclassified as Short Term Working Capital Loans and presented in a separate Line item for better presentation.

Mr Asantha De Mel - Chairman / MD of CPC performed as CEO/MD at CPC & CPSTL up to 28th November 2008.

Mr Methsiri Wijegunawardana Director of CPC , performed as director at CPSTL throughout the year.

22.1 Transactions made with Related Parties

Company	Relationship	Nature of Transaction	Amount Paid/(Received)	
			2008	2007
			Rupees Mil	Rupees Mil
Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminals Limited (CPSTL)	Associate Company	- Storage ,Terminal and distribution charges	6,954	7,373
		- Recovery of Repayments of the following bank loans		
		<u>NDB -Recovered repayments</u>	24.157	154.938
		The Interest rate is 16% p.a and CPSTL repays 12% p.a of this rate and the excess interest is borne by Ceylon Petroleum Corporation		
		The excess interest charge absorbed by Ceylon Petroleum Corporation	0.119	4.406
		<u>Exim Bank- Recovered Repayments</u>	1,137.104	1,205.674
		Interest Rate is 12 p.a % and the full repayments are recovered from CPSTL		

21.2 Other Transactions made with key Management Personnel.

		Amount Paid/(Received)	
		2008	2007
		Rupees Mil	Rupees Mil
Chairman's Remuneration		1.339	1.333
Directors Remuneration		0.051	0.071

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22.3 SALES SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR 2008 - GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS

		2008	2007
	Relationship	Rs. Mn.	Rs. Mn.
SRI LANKA AIRFORCE	Government owned enterprises	2,036.361	1,336.572
SRI LANKA ARMY	Government owned enterprises	2,869.617	1,609.852
CEYLON ELECTRICITY BOARD	Government owned enterprises	36,585.231	25,808.036
CEYLON GOVERNMENT RAILWAY	Government owned enterprises	2,776.532	2,136.596
CEYLON TRANSPORT BOARD	Government owned enterprises	7,563.551	5,687.536
EMBASSIES	Government owned enterprises	16.539	12.355
HOSPITALS	Government owned enterprises	36.962	30.200
SRI LANKA NAVY	Government owned enterprises	5,193.942	3,298.290
SUPERIOR COURTS COMPLEX	Government owned enterprises	0.726	0.496
SRI LANKA BUREAU OF FOREIGN EMPLOYMENT	Government owned enterprises	0.726	0.443
CENTRAL ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORITY	Government owned enterprises	0.726	0.000
HEAVY EQUIPMENT TRAINING CENTRE	Government owned enterprises	9.501	8.000
FISHERIES HARBOUR CORPORATION	Government owned enterprises	7.111	4.533
STATE MINING & MINERAL CORPORATION	Government owned enterprises	7.515	3.132
PEOPLES BANK	Government owned enterprises	4.290	3.166
MAHARA PRISONS	Government owned enterprises	2.794	1.828
IRRIGATION DEPT	Government owned enterprises	-	-
WELIKADA PRISONS	Government owned enterprises	7.723	5.714
GOVT FACTORY	Government owned enterprises	2.508	1.857
AIR LANKA CATERING SERVICES	Government owned enterprises	51.744	44.607
CENTRAL BANK	Government owned enterprises	9.108	6.901
SRI LANKA BROADCASTING CORPORATION	Government owned enterprises	5.513	2.651
COCONUT RESEARCH INSTITUTE	Government owned enterprises	6.072	3.677
TEA RESEARCH INSTITUTE	Government owned enterprises	11.723	7.231
SRI LANKA RUPAVAHINI CORPORATION	Government owned enterprises	11.814	7.674
INDEPENDENT TELEVISION NETWORK	Government owned enterprises	0.726	0.430
PROVINCIAL COUNCILS & PRADESHIYA SABHA'S	Government owned enterprises	279.672	73.690
ROAD DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT	Government owned enterprises	155.908	40.909
HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT	Government owned enterprises	128.719	109.998
POSTAL DEPT	Government owned enterprises	19.136	14.537
COLOMBO PORT COMMISSION	Government owned enterprises	4.497	4.148
UNIVERSITIES	Government owned enterprises	1.456	1.189
AURVEDIC DRUGS CORPORATION	Government owned enterprises	9.717	7.943
TECHNICAL SERVICES INSTITUTE	Government owned enterprises	0.128	0.267
STATE TIMBER CORPORATION	Government owned enterprises	39.867	23.542
SRI LANKA INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	Government owned enterprises	9.570	13.076
LAND RECLAMATION BOARD	Government owned enterprises	30.492	25.422

Rupees Million	Relationship	2008	2007	Rs.
		Rs. Mn.	Mn.	
BANK OF CEYLON	Government owned enterprises	0.000		0.535
POLICE DEPARTMENT	Government owned enterprises	411.099		289.645
ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	Government owned enterprises	446.409		125.603
STATE ENGINEERING CORPORATION	Government owned enterprises	2.112		6.291
SRI LANKA PORTS AUTHORITY	Government owned enterprises	920.659		587.877
TOWN COUNCILS	Government owned enterprises	470.156		373.962
SRI LANKA TELECOM	Government is a significant shareholder	161.177		106.069
NATIONAL WATER SUPPLY & DRAINAGE BOARD	Government owned enterprises	12.224		10.678
MINISTRY OF NATION BUILDING & ESTATE INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT	Government owned enterprises	34.785		36.572
MAHAVELI ENGINEERS & PLANNING CONSTRUCTION	Government owned enterprises	0.488		0.291
STATE PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION	Government owned enterprises	11.583		7.299
COLOMBO DISTRICT LAND RECLAMATION DEVELOPMENT BOARD	Government owned enterprises	26.070		13.561
NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE	Government owned enterprises	1.254		0.443
MINISTRY OF HEALTHCARE & NUTRITION	Government owned enterprises	66.761		42.097
MAGALLAGODA PUMP HOUSE /NILWALAGANGA SCHEME	Government owned enterprises	22.649		5.776
SUNDRY- GOVERNMENT A/C -KOLONNAWA	Government owned enterprises	22.888		37.892
TEXTILE TRAINING & SERVICES CENTRE	Government owned enterprises	0.000		0.443
BOC PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT (PVT) LTD	Government owned enterprises	1.264		2.670
SRIRMAVO BANDARANAYAKE INS OF TOURISM & HOTEL MGT	Government owned enterprises	0.000		0.396
MACHINERY EQUIPMENT AUTHORITY	Government owned enterprises	2.334		0.608
CEYLON LEATHER PRODCUT	Government owned enterprises	0.422		-
BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION	Government owned enterprises	0.563		-
SRI LANKAN AIR LINES	Government is a significant shareholder	19,502.677		14,419.629
MIHIN LANKA	Government owned enterprises	309.530		596.158
		80,325.321		57,000.993

CEYLON PETROLEUM CORPORATION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Year ended 31
December 2008

23. EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER THE BALANCE DATE

No events have occurred since balance sheet date that would require any adjustment or disclosure to the Financial Statements except for two hedging cases pending at courts.

24. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Five court cases claiming a total of Rs. 10.5 Mil. as damages on fuel discharge & dealership termination disputes & Labour disputes are pending against the Corporation.

Twenty seven cases claiming a total of Rs.40.2Mil in favour of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation are pending against ex- dealers for return cheques.

Deemed Dividend Tax

The Corporation has provided and paid Deemed Dividend Tax based on the Taxable Income for each year of assessment.

However there is a dispute on the basis of the calculation of Deemed Dividends Tax as it has not been clearly defined in the Inland Revenue Act of No:38 of 2000 . This issue has not been still resolved and it is in the Court of Appeal.

As a result of that there may be additional provisions on Deemed Dividends tax based on the basis of Statutory Income for year 2007 and 2006.

This additional provisions are contingent liabilities depending upon the final decision to be made in the Court of Appeal and the Corporation has not been provided in the accounts for both years.

	2008	2007
	Rupees Mil	Rupees Mil
Provision for Deemed Dividends Based on Statutory Income	174.314	902.874
Provision for Deemed Dividends Based on Taxable Income	73.647	381.464
Additional contingent Liability for Deemed Dividends	100.667	521.410

25. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Being a Public Corporation with a fixed capital, earnings per share could not be computed for this Corporation's activities.

TEN YEAR SUMMARY

DOMESTIC SALES OF BULK PRODUCTS

Rupees Mn.	1999	2000	2001	2002*	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
(A) VALUE										
Petrol	13,884.371	14,614.769	16,258.637	18,514.426	22,461.268	28,761.366	28,633.662	36,677.342	46,579.620	66,433.726
Auto Diesel	21,074.774	35,674.876	48,472.452	52,668.931	52,084.773	74,520.990	78,104.774	92,474.65	113,737.174	151,070.451
Super Diesel	924.466	1,342.637	1,904.453	1,902.580	1,698.721	1,711.525	725,285	349.805	467.764	885.249
Kerosene	3,259.600	4,432.654	5,512.753	5,938.386	5,683.438	7,775.135	11,430.279	13,209.914	12,459.330	14,000.051
Furnace Oil	4,002.276	6,932.905	11,836.009	15,126.837	16,238.84	20,135.716	30,165.885	36,421.645	43,941.105	66,220.151
Total	43,145.49	62,997.84	83,984.30	94,151.16	98,167.04	132,904.73	149,059.89	179,133.352	217,184.993	298,609.628
(B) QUANTITY - Thousand Metric Tons										
Petrol	212.900	224.400	249.500	286.100	337.900	350.300	334.100	367.600	382.100	383.747
Auto Diesel	1,376.800	1,683.800	1,624.900	1,728.300	1,523.000	1,583.300	1,330.100	1,335.300	1,449.700	1,371.323
Super Diesel	40.000	46.700	49.000	46.900	39.500	31.600	11.700	4.700	5.400	7.188
Kerosene	243.300	229.100	227.800	228.800	184.600	171.800	178.000	196.600	168.500	151.308
Furnace Oil	557.500	736.700	748.800	757.600	648.300	771.700	972.800	911.100	985.200	994.545
Total	2,430.500	2,920.700	2,900.000	3,047.700	2,733.300	2,908.700	2,826.700	2,815.300	2,990.90	2,908.111
(C) RETAIL SELLING PRICES IN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS										
(Colombo Spot Price in Rs. Per Litre as at 31st December)										
Super Petrol	50.000	50.000	50.000	49.000	53.000	70.000	80.000	95.000	92.000	120.000
Auto Diesel	132.200	24.500	26.500	30.000	32.000	44.000	50.000	92.000	60.000	70.000
Super Diesel	18.500	18.500	29.800	31.800	35.300	49.300	55.300	65.300	65.3	85.300
Kerosene	10.400	18.400	17.400	24.000	25.500	25.500	30.500	48.000	48.000	50.000
Furnace Oil										
-1000 Sec	7.200	14.600	16.500	21.200	23.200	24.700	31.400	44.400	44.400	33.900
-1500 Sec	6.800	14.000	15.800	20.700	22.300	24.300	30.300	43.300	43.300	31.700
-3500 Sec	6.200	12.400	14.100	18.900	20.700	22.000	28.000	41.000	41.000	25.000
INCOME & EXPENDITURE										
Gross Income										
Less Taxes	44,499.000	63,159.000	74,351.000	80,114.000	85,900.000	121,540.000	161,852.000	196,767.000	238.364	341.670
Income from Investment	300.000	181.000	120.000	1118.000	162.000	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of Sales	41,196.000	70,688.000	62,734.000	67,211.000	75,471.000	106,750.000	144,501.000	187,231.000	221,724.000	338,514.000
Margin	3,303.000	-7,529.000	11,617.000	12,903.000	10,429.000	14,789.000	17,350.000	9,536.000	16,641.000	1,835.038
Extraordinary Item	-	-	-	2,530.000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Working & Establishment Expenses including Interest	3,634.000	8,714.000	10,178.000	6,765.000	5,715.000	10,344.000	7,510.000	7,621.000	12,657.000	16,570.000
Kerosene Subsidy and other Levis paid to the treasury	500.000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	-531	-16,062.00	1,559.00	9,786.00	4,874.00	4,445.00	9,840.00	-1,915.00	3,984.00	(14,735.000)

* Retail prices revised monthly as per Formulae from February 2002

** Taxes comprise provisional, TT, Excise Duty & SRL

TEN YEAR SUMMARY

Rupees Mn	1999	2000	2001	2002*	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
CAPITAL STRUCTURE										
Capital Employed										
Capital	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000
Reserves	(174.800)	(16,221.800)	(15,039.400)	(8,589.100)	(2,253.800)	1,984.100	11,673.400	10,065.900	12,567.800	(2,416.400)
L/T Liabilities	2,454.400	3,012.700	4,787.000	6,644.600	8,476.500	7,699.900	19,113.400	16,705	13,728.200	10,908.400
Gratuity Provision	408.400	462.200	482.800	424.900	556.800	700.400	377.400	514.300	541.400	566.500
Total	3,688.000	(11,746.900)	(8,769.600)	(519.600)	7,779.500	11,384.400	32,164.200	28,285.400	27,837.400	10,058.500
Represented										
Fixed Assets, Including work in Progress	4,988.500	5,905.400	7,630.200	10,844.700	4,504.400	4,450.700	4,512.700	4,460.900	4,374.600	4,624.000
Investment	323.700	316.200	338.700	57.800	2,173.800	2,176.100	2,535.600	2,553.100	2,546.900	2,541.900
Net Current Assets	(1,624.200)	(17,968.500)	(16,738.500)	(11,422.100)	(1,101.300)	4,757.600	25,115.900	21,271.500	20,915.900	2,892.600
Total	3,688.000	(11,746.900)	(8,769.600)	(519.600)	5,576.900	11,384.400	32,164.200	28,285.500	27,837.400	10,058.500
SUMMARISED CASH FLOW STATEMENT										
Cash Flow from Operating	(460.520)	(13,920.000)	4,495.757	7,310.655	4,874.194	4,444.837	9,839.809	(1,915.029)	3,984.181	(14,735.028)
Extraordinary item	-	-	-	2,529.832	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adjustment for Items not involving Movement of cash	492.788	537.928	604.449	529.412	988.365	776.807	841.682	1,431.845	1,928.200	1,922.024
Operating Profit/(Loss) before Working Capital changes	32.268	(13,382.072)	5,100.206	10,369.899	5,862.559	5,221.644	10,681.491	(483.184)	5,912.381	(12,813.004)
Change in Working Capital										
(increase)/Decrease in inventories	(2,173.410)	3,367.729	1,845.314	(3,099.970)	1,844.676	(5,157.403)	(4,066.365)	(9,184.440)	(13,321.526)	8,673.831
(increase)/Decrease in Trade and Other Receivables	(518.115)	(197.361)	(2,143.290)	711.285	(384.386)	789.614	(3,434.619)	(2,852.640)	(13,098.772)	(32,409.849)
(increase)/Decrease in Trade and Other Payables	6,927.961	22,289.402	(3,215.520)	(4,571.558)	(1,792.170)	2,862.133	(1,838.767)	11,099.326	23,813.340	39,946.795
Less Gratuity/Tax and Interest Paid	(3,361.053)	(2,264.633)	(3,250.230)	(2,788.440)	(617.268)	(880.768)	(2,072.717)	(5,613.107)	(3,268.480)	(4,625.380)
Cash Generating From Operational Activities	907.591	3,077.607	(1,663.520)	621.216	4,913.411	2,835.220	(730.977)	(7,034.045)	36.943	(1,227.607)
Cash Used in Investing Activities	(1,871.573)	(1,217.353)	(2,173.473)	(1,899.240)	(3,421.404)	246.165	317.925	662.033	1,165.988	40.605
Cash from/(Used in) Financing Activities	1,236.055	715.698	1,797.652	2,069.996	1,880.885	1,050.684	13,020.883	(2,478.143)	(3,326.039)	(1,001.410)
Net (Decrease)/Increase in cash & Cash Equivalents	272,073.000	2,575.952	(2,039.341)	791.972	3,372.892	4,132.069	12,607.831	(8,850.155)	(2,123.108)	(2,188.412)
Cash & Cash Equivalents at beginning of the year	(779.796)	(507.723)	2,068.229	28.888	820.860	4,193.752	8,325.821	20,933.652	12,083.497	9,960.389
Cash & Cash Equivalents at end of the year	(507.723)	2,068.229	28.888	820.860	4,193.752	8,325.821	20,938.652	12,083.497	9,960.389	7,771.977

TEN YEAR SUMMARY

FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS & PAYMENTS

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Aviation fuel sales										
Foreign Airlines-US\$ Mn	24.500	40.900	31.100	32.400	48.300	57.000	77.420	84.540	75.280	104.747
Direct Exports-US\$ Mn	17.200	27.600	16.500	13.100	-	7.000	-	23.090		
Total-US\$ Mn	41.700	68.500	47.600	45.500	48.300	64.000	77.420	107.630	75.280	104.747
Rupee Equivalent	3,017.400	5,545.900	3,561.500	3,977.700	350.800	6,458.500	7,159.010	8,714.050	8,264.680	11,262.986
Import cost										
Crude oil US\$ Mn	260.300	489.100	353.900	408.000	431.000	597.000	747.200	1,028.500	1,023.000	1,330.902
Refined product-US\$ Mn	173.500	303.500	304.000	286.000	300.000	464.000	653.000	761.300	996.000	1,449.394
Total US\$ Mn	433.800	792.600	657.900	694.000	731.000	1,061.000	1,400.200	1,789.800	2,019.000	2,780.296
Avg. Crude (C&F) Price US\$/Bbl	19.390	28.270	24.670	25.000	29.290	37.380	52.140	65.070	71.970	97.645
Avg. Exch. Rate-US\$ 1= Rs.	71.170	77.270	89.620	96.340	96.420	101.900	100.530	103.960	111.490	108.330

OTHER MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

TRADING RESULTS

Revenue	51,516.400	75,865.800	95,103.188	105,001.924	111,389.486	135,351.978	174,554.976	211,012.846	253,344.379	358,002.116
Profit/(Loss)after Taxation	(572.300)	(16,062.100)	1,169.310	9,986.088	4,874.194	3,907.862	7,710.890	(946.220)	2,862.337	(14,952.518)

ASSETS EMPLOYED

Property, Plant & Equipment	3,370.600	5,905.500	7,630.244	10,844.721	4,504.432	4,450.672	4,512.448	4,460.920	4,374.649	4,624.068
Net Current Assets	(1,624.200)	(17,968.500)	(16,738.531)	(12,165.676)	(6,785.125)	(2,728.739)	17,763.403	14,519.333	15,138.460	(2,585.377)
Total	1,746.400	(12,063.000)	(9,108.287)	(1,320.955)	(2,280.693)	1,721.933	22,275.851	18,980.253	19,513.109	2,038.691

FUNDS EMPLOYED

Capital	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000	1,000.000
Reserves	(174.800)	(16,221.800)	(15,039.418)	(8,588.861)	(2,253.785)	1,984.126	11,673.455	10,065.946	12,557.400	(2,416.400)
Total	825.200	(15,221.800)	(14,039.418)	(7,588.861)	(1,253.785)	2,984.126	12,673.455	11,065.946	13,557.400	(1,416.400)

Capital Expenditure	(2,196.300)	(1,408.973)	(2,306.025)	(4,001.341)	(5,255.000)	(255.000)	(78.000)	(255.000)	(242.680)	
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EMPLOYEES EARNINGS

Wages	1,271.600	1,538.068	1,620.893	1,496.242	1,461.006	1,201.357	986.434	1,221.585	1,429.796	1,668.718
Bonus	1,140.000	122.590	125.804	112.884	186.671	101.931	84.739	129.689	149.007	211.852
Annual Average Earnings per Employees (000' Rs.)	343.582	227.550	243.510	224.863	759.298	531.530	419.410	461.188	538.657	664.043
No. of Employees	7,019	7,298	7,173	7,156	2,170	2,452	2,540	2,930	2,931	2,832

FINANCIAL RATIOS

Return on Capital Employed %	9.830	-	-	-	-	130.900	60.840	(15.770)	21.100	-
Return on Turnover %	(0.810)	-	21.000	14.650	5.670	3.220	4.760	(0.870)	1.200	(4.38)
Debtors to Turnover %	0.040	0.040	0.050	0.030	0.040	0.060	0.080	0.090	0.130	0.19
Turnover to Fixed Assets times	8.920	10.690	9.780	7.390	19.070	27.310	35.870	44.450	53.430	78.10
Finished Stock to Turnover times	0.050	0.060	0.050	0.050	0.050	0.070	0.060	0.090	0.090	0.065
Current Ratio times	0.880	0.460	0.500	0.600	0.700	0.920	1.480	1.330	1.220	0.977
Liquid Ratio times	0.430	0.210	0.230	0.240	0.450	0.530	1.000	0.740	0.640	0.69
Interest Cover times	0.920	-	1.470	9.910	9.960	6.780	8.810	0.350	1.280	(4.73)



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30 September 2009

The Chairman
Ceylon Petroleum Corporation

Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation for the year ended 31 December 2008 in terms of Section 14(2)(c) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971

The audit of financial statements of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) for the year ended 31 December 2008 was carried out under my direction in pursuance of provisions in Article 154(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka read in conjunction with Section 13(1) of the Finance Act No.38 of 1971. In carrying out this audit, I was assisted by a firm of Chartered Accountants in public practice. My comments and observations, which I consider should be published with the annual report of the Corporation in terms of Section 14(2) (c) of the Finance Act, appear in this report. A detailed report in terms of section 13(7) (a) of the Finance Act was issued to the Chairman of the Corporation on 08 June 2009.

1.2 Responsibility of the Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards. This responsibility includes; designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

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1.3 Scope of Audit and Basis for Opinion

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit. Audit opinion, comments and findings in this report are based on review of the financial statements presented to audit and substantive tests of samples of transactions. The scope and extent of such review and tests were such as to enable as wide audit coverage as possible within the limitations of staff, other resources and time available to me. The audit was carried out in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatements. The audit includes the examination on a test basis of evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in financial statements and assessment of accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the management in the preparation of financial statements as well as evaluating their overall presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion. Sub – sections (3) and (4) of the Section 13 of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971 give discretionary powers to the Auditor General to determine the scope and extent of the audit.

2. Financial Statements

2.1 Opinion

In view of my comments and observations appearing in this report, I am unable to express an opinion on the financial statements of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation for the year ended 31 December 2008 presented for audit.

2.2 Comments on Financial Statements

2.2.1 Sri Lanka Accounting Standards (SLAS)

The following instances of non compliance with SLAS were observed in audit.

- (a) The Corporation had not revalued the assets to ensure that the carrying amount did not differ materially from which would be determined using fair value at the balance sheet date, as stipulated in SLAS 18 – Property, Plant and Equipment.
- (b) The investment made in the Associate Company amounting to Rs. 2,500 Mn had not been accounted by using equity method and the summarized financial information of the Associate, including the aggregated amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and profit or loss had not been disclosed in the financial statements as required by SLAS 27 – Investments in Associates.
- (c) The Corporation had not separately recognized the investment properties amounting to Rs.8 Mn at the balance sheet date as required by the Sri Lanka Accounting Standard No. 40 - Investment Properties.
- (d) Gratuity Formula Method or Actuarial Method should be used in calculating gratuity provision in terms of SLAS 16. However, the Corporation had made provision in terms of Payment of Gratuity Act No. 12 of 1983.
- (e) The Corporation had not implemented appropriate procedures to identify impairment indicators for its assets as required by SLAS 41- Impairment of Assets. Due to this non compliance with the SLAS 41, the carrying amount of the Property, Plant and Equipment amounting to Rs. 4,400 Mn had not been compared with their recoverable amount.

- (f) The risk and returns of the petroleum business with the Corporation vary according to the class of customer. Hence, segmental analysis as required by SLAS 28 – Segment Reporting, should be disclosed segmental information based on the class of customer for revenue, cost of sales and gross profit. However, the segmental information had not been properly disclosed in the financial statements as required.

2.2.2 Accounting Deficiencies

The following accounting deficiencies were observed in audit.

- (a) It was observed that in an assessment issued by the Sri Lanka Government Railway, a liability of Rs. 91 Mn. existed in relation to the lease rent on certain properties which have not been provided for in the financial statements.
- (b) A sum of US \$ 222,068 equivalent to Rs. 24 Mn. payable to two Charter Parties based on arbitration awarded relating to the dispute of deducting the outturn losses from freight charges had not been provided or disclosed in the financial statements.
- (c) Salaries and wages relating to the employees of the Agro Chemical Section of the Corporation had been charged to the Agro Chemical Manufacturing & Trading Account up to 2006. However, in 2008 a sum of Rs 36 Mn. comprising salaries and wages of Agro Chemical business had been charged to the income statement of the overall operations of the Corporation. Consequently, the net operating result from Agro Chemical business had reflected a net profit of Rs. 54 Mn instead of a net profit of Rs.18 Mn.

(d) The Corporation has underpaid excise duty amounting to Rs.84 Mn. As a result both excise duty expenses and the payables had been understated by an equal amount. Further any penalty that may arise had not been ascertained and provided for in the accounts.

(e) The recoverability of vessel surcharge, outturn loss and demurrage amounting to Rs 22 Mn. was doubtful and no provision had been made in that respect in the financial statements.

2.2.3 **Accounts Receivable and Payable**

The following observations are made.

(a) The Corporation had not obtained Bank Guarantees from two Aviation Contract Customers and three private customers whose outstanding balances amounted to Rs. 87 Mn. and Rs. 5,556 Mn. respectively as at 31 December 2008. It was further observed that a sum of Rs. 7.9 Mn. had been written off during the year under review.

(b) Fuel supply agreements with an Aviation customer, whose outstanding balances as at 31 December 2008 amounted to Rs .93 Mn.had expired on 31 December 1998. In addition to that, another aviation customer agreement had not indicated the date of expiry. However, the Corporation continued to supply fuel to those customers on credit basis according to the said agreements.

(c) Aggregate Bank Guarantees of two aviation customers was Rs. 23 Mn. only whereas their aggregated outstanding balance as at 31 December 2008 amounted toRs.666 Mn.

(d) No provision had been made in respect of the advance of Rs.201 Mn. paid as duty to Sri Lanka Customs included under trade and other receivables.

(e) The amount outstanding from the Ceylon Electricity Board as at 31 December 2008 amounted to Rs. 46,437 Mn. and 42 per cent of that was outstanding for a period over one year. Further, a dispute has arisen with regard to a balance due from the CEB amounting to Rs.1,048Mn. No adjustments have been made in respect of the same in the financial statements.

2.2.4. **Lack of Evidence for Audit**

The following items in the financial statements could not be satisfactorily vouched in audit due to non-availability of required evidence as indicated.

- (a) No sufficient evidence was made available regarding the assets purchased (gross value) prior to 31 December 2002 reflected under property, plant and equipment. As a result the ownership, existence and the completeness of such assets could not be determined.
- (b) No sufficient evidence was made available to determine the recoverability of the Excise Duty amounting to Rs. 713 Mn. receivable from General Treasury included under Trade and Other Receivables.
- (c) The furnace oil stock of Rs. 68.8 Mn. at Bloemendhal as at 31 December 2008 had not been physically verified by the Corporation. Therefore, it was not possible to satisfy in audit about the existence of the above stocks.
- (d) No direct confirmation had been received by audit from the Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminal Ltd relating to its debt balance amounting to Rs. 5,200 Mn. included under Trade and Other Receivables.

- (e) Details regarding the provision of Rs. 479 Mn. made for contractors' payments, employees' income tax, PAYE tax and other payables for Muthurajawela Project in the past and brought forward from year after year had not been made available to audit. Further, that provision had not been reviewed at the balance sheet date and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate as required by SLAS 36 – Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets.
- (f) The Corporation had failed to produce sufficient details for the land of the Sapugaskanda Mini Terminal valued at Rs 16 Mn.
- (g) A Board of Survey to conduct physical verification of all the assets of the Corporation after the restructure made in 2003 had not been carried out. Instead, only the assets of the Head Office had been verified in 2005 and 2007. It was also noted that the Corporation did not have formal procedure for the verification of its fixed assets.
- (h) No sufficient evidence was made available except for share certificate to determine the existence and recoverability of the share investment amounting to Rs.5Mn in a private company.
- (i) No separate title deed or any other acceptable ownership document was made available for land situated at Muthurajawela valued at Rs. 259 Mn.
- (j) No confirmations had been received in respect of a sum of Rs.2,562Mn. due from Government Departments and agencies included under trade and other receivables. As a result, the existence and recoverability of such balances and also completeness related party disclosures cannot be determined.

2.2.5 Non-compliance with Laws, Rules, Regulations and Management Decisions

The following instances of non-compliance were observed in the audit.

Reference to Laws, Rules, Regulations and Management Decision

Non compliance

(a) Payment of Gratuity Act No12 of 1983333	Gratuity had not been paid within 30 days from resignation of an employee as stipulated in the Act.
(b) Value Added Tax Act No14 of 2002	VAT on the sales of petrol amounting to Rs.1,057Mn had not been claimed according to Act.
(c) Department of Public Enterprises Circular No. PED/12 of 2 June 2003	
(i) Paragraph 3.2	The Board of Directors of the Corporation did not contain at least one member in the field of Petroleum, which is the main subject of the Corporation.
(ii) Paragraph 6.1	Draft Annual Report for the year under review had not been submitted to the Auditor General.
(iii) Paragraph 8.3.5	Officers who were not entitled to assigned motor vehicles had been assigned with motor vehicles on the approval of the Board of Directors or the Chairman contrary to the Circular instructions. Fuel limits for such assigned motor vehicles had been decided either by the Board or by the Chairman.

In addition to that, the Chairman had granted approval to certain officers to claim reimbursement of the value of 100 – 120 litres of fuel per month for traveling between their residences and office in their private motor vehicles.

(iv) Paragraphs 8.7

The Corporation had paid PAYE tax from its own fund for the employees of the Corporation contrary to the circular instructions. PAYE tax so paid by the Corporation for the period 2000 to 2008 amounted Rs. 719 Mn. In addition, the Corporation had paid tax on tax for PAYE.

(d) Department of Public Enterprises Circular No 130 of 18 March 1998

Rate of interest on staff loans had been reduced from 7.2 per cent to 4.2 per cent without the authority of the General Treasury. The amount under recovered for the year under review amounted to Rs. 33 Mn.

(e) Letter dated 19 February 1990 issued by the Ministry of Policy Development and Implementation

Services of private lawyers at a higher rate had been obtained without obtaining prior approval of the Attorney General. The amount so paid to the private lawyers during the year under review amounted to Rs.10 Mn.

2.2.6 Transactions not Supported by Adequate Authority

The Corporation had paid an additional bonus of Rs. 5,000 per employee since 2005 without obtaining Cabinet approval. The amount so paid for 2005, 2006, and 2007 (approximately) amounted to Rs. 12 Mn, Rs. 11 Mn, and Rs. 13 Mn respectively. However, additional bonus had not been paid by the Corporation in 2008.

According to the Department of Public Enterprises Circular No PED/12 of 2 June 2003 the payment of bonus approved by the Board of Directors should be only from profit generated by the corporation. However, the Corporation had paid a bonus amounting to Rs. 147 Mn without generating profit by the Corporation in year 2008.

2.2.7 Apparent Irregularities/ Irregular Transactions

As mentioned in my previous audit reports, an employee's welfare association (Ceylon Petroleum Corporation Thrift Society) had functioned from the premium made by the Corporation from time to time. The following observations are made in this connection.

- (a) A sum of Rs. 21 Mn had been released to the Society during the year under review to implement the Medical Scheme of the Corporation which could have been done by the Corporation itself. The above contribution had been made to the Society in addition to the medical allowance of Rs. 3,000 per annum paid to each employee with their monthly salary to meet the outdoor treatments.

- (B) The balance outstanding from the loans granted to the members of the Society by the Corporation out of the Corporation funds as at 31 December 2008 amounted to Rs. 33 Mn and out of the interest income received from those loans, a sum of Rs. 2.2 Mn had been granted to the Society.

3. **Financial and Operating Review**

3.1 **Financial Review**

3.1.1 **Financial Results**

According to the financial statements presented, the working of the Corporation for the year under review had resulted in a pre-tax net loss of Rs 14,735 Mn as against the pre-tax net profit of Rs. 3,984 Mn in the preceding year, thus indicating an overall deterioration of Rs. 18,719 Mn in the financial results. This deterioration was mainly due to increase in the oil prices in the world market and exchange rate loss for the year under review as against the exchange rate gain in preceding year and the loss of hedging transactions.

3.1.2 **Analytical Review of the Financial Result and Financial Position**

The following observations are made.

- (a) The Liquidity Ratio of the year under review indicated 0.98 times as compared with 1.22 times for the preceding year and thus showing a slight downward move while the Acid Test Ratio of the year under review had improved from 0.64 to 0.69 times.
- (b) The following analysis depicted the poor performance of working capital management for the year under review.
 - (i) The debtors' turnover ratio indicated 6.75 times as compared with 6.96 times for the preceding year and the debt collection period had increased to 54 days as compared with 52 days for the preceding year.
 - (ii) Stock residence period had been 39 days as against 66 days for the previous year thus showing a decrease of 27 days.

- (iii) The creditor's turnover ratio indicated 7.52 times as compared with 5 times for the preceding year and the credit payments period had decreased to 49 days as compared with 73 days for the preceding year.
- (iv) The operating cycle had been 44 days as against 45 days for the previous year thus showing a decrease of a day.
- (c) Debt Capital of the year under review as a percentage of Equity is 3,996% as compared with 434% in last year.
- (d) The net outflow of fund of the Corporation increased by 3 %.
- (e) Total quantity sold during the year under review had decreased by 17,565 Metric Tons (MT) and it was 0.4 % decrease as compared with the previous year.
- (f) The gross profit margin for the year under review had reduced to 0.92% as compared with 7 % for the preceding year.
- (g) The return on Capital employed ratio was in negative trend as compared with 21.10% for the previous year.
- (h) The return on total assets ratio indicated 8.18% as compared with 2.92% for the preceding year.

3.2 Operating Review

3.2.1 Performance

The following observations are made.

- (a) According to the Settlement Agreement entered into between the Government and Lanka Indian Oil Company (LIOC) Ltd in 2007, the Corporation has the right to deliver not more than five per cent of the country's throughput of petroleum products from its Sapugaskanda Terminal with effect from 01 January 2007. However, without considering the above right the Corporation had continued to allow to utilize the facilities provided by the CPSTL and LIOC for storage and distribution of petroleum products.

The Corporation had not charged for utilizing their terminal from the CPSTL since 2003. However, operational and maintenance expenditure of the Terminal had been paid by the Corporation.

In addition the Corporation had paid a sum of Rs.129 Mn to the CPSTL for first three months as slab recovery charges on petroleum products transferred from that Terminal to the Depots which are owned by that Company on their requests. Since the Corporation is granted the delivery right by the above mentioned Settlement Agreement, it should be an income of the Corporation.

(b)

(i) The Corporation sells two types of Kerosene with same quality at different prices as Lanka Kerosene (LK) for domestic use and Lanka Industrial Kerosene (LIK) for industrial use. The CPC had sold at a price LK less by Rs. 5 compared with LIK. Further the LIK had also been sold at Rs. 35 per litre lower than the landed average cost for the period of eight months of the year under review. According to the pricing formula the expenses such as financial cost of working capital, storage terminal charges, CPSTL profit margin, marketing and distribution cost, Turn over Tax (both Corporation and Dealer) dealer discount etc should be included to the selling price of that product. However these expenses had not been included in the selling price of the product.

(ii) According to the settlement agreement with the Government of Sri Lanka (GOSL) and LIOC, the GOSL reserves the right to pay a subsidy to CPC, when the retail market price of CPC's products is lower than those of LIOC. However the Corporation had not claimed the above subsidies.

(iii) The Corporation had sustained a gross loss of Rs.4,931Mn. (gross loss of the previous year was Rs. 7 Mn) from Kerosene sales during the year under review. Of this, a sum of Rs. 297 Mn was the CPSTL charges which had not been recovered from the sales prices of Kerosene.

(iv) Further, the Corporation had not taken action to restrict the issuing Lanka Kerosene to industries as well.

- (c) The Corporation had sustained a loss of Rs. 396.5 Mn during the year under review (previous year loss was Rs. 132.3 Mn) by down grading 21,260,124 litres of Aviation Turbine Fuel to Lanka Kerosene as the average price difference between these two products was Rs. 18.65 per litre.
- (d) The Corporation had sold Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) to a private company at FOB price per Metric Ton (MT) according to Saudi Armco Fuel Prices which in certain instances had not only been lesser than the Refinery gate price but it had been lesser than the Crude price per MT as well. Nevertheless, the Corporation had sustained a gross loss of Rs. 24 Mn and Rs. 28 Mn from LPG sales during the year under review and previous year respectively as sales value was lesser than the cost of sales.
- (e) No agreement had been entered between Laugf Gas (Pvt) Ltd and the Corporation since 20 October 2006 to date in respect of Laugf Gas sales. However, the Corporation has supplied Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) to Laugf Gas (Pvt) Ltd continuously. Even though the agreement between the Corporation and Laugf Gas (Pvt) Ltd had been terminated, pricing formula and other conditions to set the price, same terms and conditions which prevailed at the time they entered into the agreement with Laugf Gas (Pvt) Ltd was still used by the Corporation. However, the aggregated Bank Guarantee of the Laugf Gas (Pvt) Ltd. amounted to Rs.15 Mn only whereas their aggregated outstanding balance as at 31 December 2008 amounted to Rs.17 Mn.

(g) The Corporation had sustained a loss of Rs.14,735Mn for the year under review and had a negative equity position of Rs. 1,416 Mn. It raises doubt about the ability of the Corporation to continue as a going concern without continued financial assistance from the Government of Sri Lanka and other financial institutions.

3.2.2 Hedging Transactions

The Corporation had dealt hedging transactions with Standard Chartered Bank (SCB), Citi Bank (CB), Deutsch Bank (DB), People's Bank (PB) and Commercial Bank of Ceylon (CB) and according to the information made available the Corporation had sustained a loss of Rs. 1,322 Mn from hedging transactions as at 31 December 2008.

In this regard, the Chairman stated as follows.

“AstwoSupremeCourtCasesandoneInternationalArbitrationinLondon are pending, CPC cannot submit its comment's on Hedging transactionprocess. In thisregard, instructions from Attorney General had been sought”.

3.2.3 Utilization of Corporation's Resources by Other Government Institutions

Eight motor vehicles and 21 employees had been released to 3 Government Institutions without the approval of the appropriate authority, disregarding the circular instructions contained in the PED 12 of 02 June 2003.

3.2.4 Identified Losses

The following observations are made.

(a) Due to the current practice and the terms and conditions agreed with CPSTL, the Corporation had reimbursed CPSTL more than the amount collected as slab from dealers. The Corporation computed the dealer commission based on the outlet spot price which included the slab. The slab payments to CPSTL were computed based on the actual monthly consumption report prepared by CPSTL. Due to this practice, the Corporation had sustained a loss of approximately Rs. 10.6 Mn for the year ended 31 December 2008.

(b)

(i) The Corporation entered into bunkering business through a private company in April 2008 with the intention of carrying out that business by the Corporation itself in the future. According to the Corporation, at the inception of the business, the environment was not favorable to the Corporation since it had to adopt different strategies to compete with other competitors in the market. Therefore, during the period April 2008 to December 2008 the Corporation sold fuel at a reduced price to a private company and as a result, the Corporation incurred a loss of Rs.353 Mn (approximately) from bunkering business.

(ii) It was observed that the following products were sold to that private company at a price even lesser than the estimated imported cost.

Product	Quantity Ltrs	Selling PriceRange Rs.	Average costRs.	Imported Cost of Fuel Rs.Mn	Income from BunkeringRs .Mn	Loss Rs. Mn
Marine Gas Oil	8,241,209	48.33-105.54	66.59-119.72	778	701	77
Marine Fuel Oil	16,989,263	30.04 -72.77	40.21- 97.17	1,231	955	276
Total				2,009	1,656	353

Further, Marine Gas Oil and Marine Fuel Oil had been sold to a private company at a price very much lower than the local market price which resulted in an opportunity loss to the corporation to sell in the local market.

(c) Even through the agreement between the Corporation and Laugf Gas (Pvt) Ltd to supply gas expired on 20 October 2006, the relevant pricing formula for selling gas to Laugf Gas (Pvt) Ltd had not been revised. Due to the reason, the Corporation had sold LP Gas without recovering even the manufacturing cost. As a result, the Corporation had incurred a gross loss margin of Rs. 44 Mn.

In this regard, the Chairman stated as follows.

“As Supreme Court ruling is there we cannot change the prices.”

(d) According to the industry norms, the allowable pipeline variance was 0.05% of the quantity of fuel delivered. However, it was observed that in certain instances pipeline variances had exceeded the above norm.

3.2.5 Management Inefficiencies

The following observations are made.

- (a) Aviation fuel was being sold to a particular Airline Company at a concessionary price as compared with the prices charged for the Contract Customers, VIP Flights, and Military Flights even after the restructuring of that Airline Company due to inability to revise the terms and conditions in the agreement already entered with the predecessor Company. Since the management had not taken corrective action in time, the Corporation had incurred a loss of Rs. 189 Mn (approximately) during the first nine months period of the year under review. Further, the Corporation had sold Aviation Turbine Fuel to aviation customers without recovering even the cost of sales. Details are as follows.

Quarter	Sales (Rs. Mn)	Cost of Sales (Rs. Mn)	Gross Loss (Rs. Mn)
3 rd Quarter	9,890	10,290	400
4 th Quarter	5,625	7,457	1,832
Total	15,515	17,747	2,232

In this regard, the Chairman stated as follows.

“It is presumed that the Airline Company referred to in the Audit Report is Sri Lankan Air Lines. Since the formation of Air Lanka Limited (now “Sri Lankan Air Lines”) CPC has supplied Jet A-1 on a Price Formula agreed by both parties. From time to time certain adjustments have been made to the Price Formula with the agreement of both parties. The last adjustment to the Price Formula has been made on 16th October 2006 where the premium over MOPS has been increased from US\$ 0.13 per US Gallon to US\$ 0.20 per US Gallon which was a significant increase in price of Jet A-1 to Sri Lanka Air Lines. Hence, no more price adjustments have been made thereafter.”

- (b) The Corporation has sustained a loss of Rs. 135 Mn (approximately) relating to a bulk purchase due to delay in shipment by the supplier. As a result, the Corporation had to return 208,460 barrels to the supplier due to inadequate ullage. According to the tender condition and norms, the supplier was responsible for all the consequential losses incurred by the Corporation due to any delay caused by the supplier and the Corporation has the right to recover the value of the loss from the supplier. However, the Corporation had not taken any step to recover this loss from the supplier.
- (c) The Corporation has incurred demurrage charges in amounted to Rs. 27 Mn due to lack of proper shipment schedule and improper inventory management.
- (d) It was observed that relatively large sums of cash had been held in non interest earning accounts.
- (e) The “Share Sale and Purchase Agreement”, “Common User Facilities Share Holders Agreement” and “Share Sale and Purchase Agreement for 100 Filling Stations” signed on 30 December 2003, had expired on 31 December 2008. Even though ,the “ Settlement Agreement ” (which covered selected clauses that prevailed in the “Share Sale and Purchase Agreement” and “Common User Facilities Share Holders Agreement”) signed between the Government of Sri Lanka and Lanka IOC Limited on 5th January 2007, did not cover all the terms and conditions that prevailed in the above three agreements. Hence, future arrangements in Common User Facilities Share holder Agreement and opening of filling stations, pricing, maintaining of stock levels, etc. may result in unexpected complexities to the Corporation.

3.2.6 Uneconomic Transactions

The following observations are made.

- (a) Investments amounting to Rs. 56 Mn made in Ordinary Shares of quoted and unquoted companies had not yielded any return for more than five years.
- (b) The Corporation has supplied fuel to vessel (Diyaluma) in March 2007 on the basis of recovering such fuel provided a later date. However, to date neither the quantity supplied nor its cash value had been recovered from the owners of the vessel.
- (c) The Corporation had paid Terminal charges/ transport charges for fuel transfer by LIOC to the Corporation controlled outlets located at ChinaBay. This payment was made to LIOC based on the quantity transferred from ChinaBay tank farm. In addition, the Corporation paid terminalcharges to CPSTL based on total sales to the Corporation controlled outlets located at ChinaBay. As a result, the Corporation paid throughput charges to CPSTL for the fuel transferred by LIOC. This will lead to a situation where the Corporation making a double payment for throughput/ transport charges. Further, an agreement had not been entered between LIOC and the Corporation relating to those payments.

3.2.7 Idle Assets

The following assets had been allowed to idle since the acquisition of those assets.

(a)

<u>Nature of the Asset</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Wanathamulla– HalgahakumburaLand	This land was acquired for Rs.10.6 Mn for the purpose of LP Gas project and a playground. However it had not been utilized due to encroachments. In addition this land is being illegally occupied by squatters since 1973. There are about 623 families living in this land.

In this regard, the Chairman stated as follows.

“As there had been encroachers in this land CPC prepared a Survey Plan depicting each and every lot occupied by each family in order to file papers in Court to evict them. On Hon. Attorney General’s advice we are submitting a Cabinet Paper to the Ministry before taking any action in Court against the encroachers as the Attorney General’s Department has advised us to consult the relevant Minister’s and/or other authorities before any proceedings are initiated, in view of the possible social impact of the proposed action.”

(b)

<u>Nature of the Asset</u>	<u>Comments</u>
MahahenaLand	According to the correspondence available, the Corporation had paid a sum of Rs. 0.625 Mn for the acquisition of the land. However, this land had not been accounted in the books of the Corporation. This land is being used by the previous owner since 1986.

In this regard, the Chairman stated as follows.

“The Divisional Secretary has recently initiated action in Court to evict the encroachers on the land. CPC will have to await the implementation of the Court Order to take possession of the land. The Divisional Secretary had requested a sum of Rs.28,880/- from CPC in order to file necessary papers to evict the encroachers. Accordingly CPC paid this amount around in June 2008 to the Divisional Secretary.”

(c)

<u>Nature of the Asset</u>	<u>Comments</u>
ChinaBay Tank Farm	According to the agreement entered into with LIOC, GOSL and Corporation in 2003 relating to the taking over of possession and related matters of the China Bay installation, Corporation has agreed to lease the storage facilities and the land to LIOC for a period of thirty five years and that lease agreement should be executed within 06 months from the date of the agreement. However, the Corporation has not yet entered into any lease agreement and any related lease rentals had not been received from LIOC for the usage of this storage facility, although the facility has been used by LIOC since February 2003.

In this regard, the Chairman stated as follows.

“CPC has referred this matter to the Attorney-General’s Department and have already forwarded a draft Lease Agreement to the Department for their comments. Awaiting a response from them to prepare the Lease Agreement.”

3.2.8 Human Resource Management (HRM)

The following weaknesses in the Human Resources Management were observed in audit.

- (a) There was no realistic cadre. However, the Corporation was in the process of getting an extension to the temporary approval given by the Strategic Enterprises Management Agency (SEMA) for the actual cadre that prevailed in 2005 which was in excess to the requirement of the Corporation.
- (b) Approval had been granted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation to extend the cadre report for 2005 of the Corporation also effective for 2008. However, it was observed that existing cadre of the Corporation's Head Office and Refinery was not in accordance with the approved cadre. In addition, the existing cadre was less in some categories and more in some other categories and more in some other categories than the approved cadre.
- (c) There was no permanent record (or a Data base) to ascertain the actual cadre as at a specified date. Therefore, the total numbers who were paid salaries in 2008 could not be checked with the records maintained by the Human Resource Section of the Corporation.
- (d) The scheme of recruitment and promotion had not been updated.
- (e) Recruitments and promotions had not been effected systematically in line with the realistic cadre position and had not been reviewed periodically.

- (f) There was no Effective Performance Appraisal System (EPAS) in order to maximize productivity for efficient cadre management and the Head of Division had done the appraisal of performance of the employees.
- (g) According to the Succession Plan of the Corporation, suitable successors for the posts identified as key posts should be selected and trained two years before such posts fall in vacant. But, this plan had not been properly implemented and the posts such as Refinery Manager, Security Manager and Manager (Shipping) can be cited as examples of posts that could be affected adversely.
- (h) The Corporation had continued to obtain the service of certain employees without renewing their contracts.

3.2.9 **The Corporate Plan**

The following observations are made :-

According to paragraph 5.1 of the Public Enterprises Circular No PED/12 of 2 June 2003, the Corporate Plan had not been reviewed and updated annually. Also it had not been forwarded to the Ministry, Department of Public Enterprises and the Auditor General at least 15 days before the commencement of each financial year. The Corporate Plan for the period 2007 – 2011 had not been sent to the Auditor General. However, the Corporate Plan of the Corporation for the period 2008 -2012 had been sent to the Auditor General only on 01 April 2009.

3.2.10 Budgetary Control

Significant variances were observed between the budget and the actual income and expenditure for the year under review thus indicating that the budget had not been made use of as an effective instrument of management control.

4. Systems and Controls

Deficiencies observed during course of audit were brought to the notice of the Corporation from time to time. Special attention is needed in respect of the following areas of control.

- (a) Property, Plant and Equipment
- (b) Debtors and Other Receivables
- (c) Trade Creditors and Other Payables
- (d) Hedging Transaction
- (e) Accounting
- (f) Compliance with Laws Rules etc.
- (g) Investments
- (h) Inventories
- (i) Utilization of Resources
- (j) Human Resource Management
- (k) Budget



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GLOSSARY OF FINANCIAL TERMS

Cash Equivalents- Short term investments readily convertible to known amounts of cash subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

Contingent Liabilities- Conditions or situations at the Balance Sheet date, the financial effects of which are to be determined by future events which may or may not occur.

Current Ratio- Measures the number of times current liabilities be recouped with available current assets.

Debtors to Turnover - Measure of the credit extended to customers (i.e average debt settlement period if stated in days)

Deferred Income- Income yet to be realized or realized but not recognized as income.

Interest Cover- Measures the extent to which interest charges be covered by profit before Tax.

Liquid Ratio- Measures the number of times current assets be recouped with available current liabilities.

Post Balance Sheet Events- Significant events that occur between the Balance Sheet date and the date on which financial statements are authorized for issue.

Provisions- Liability of uncertain timing or amount.

Related parties-Parties who could control or significantly influence the Financial and operating decisions/policies of the Corporation.

Segments- Constituent business units grouped in terms of nature and similarity of operations.

Working Capital- Capital required financing the day-to-day operations (current assets less current liabilities).

ABRIVIATIONS

Avn	-	Aviation
Bbl	-	Barrel (Basic unit in international petroleum sales)
bps	-	Basis points
BTR	-	Bulk Transfer
CEB	-	Ceylon Electricity Board
CIF	-	Cost Insurance Freight
CPC	-	Ceylon Petroleum Corporation
CPSTL	-	Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminal Ltd.
EPF	-	Employees Provident Fund
ETFB	-	Employees Trust Fund Board
FIFO	-	First in First Out
FOB	-	Free on Board
FOREX	-	Foreign Exchange
GOSL	-	Government of Sri Lanka
GBP	-	Great Britain Pounds
ICPA	-	International Coop/Petroleum Association
Int	-	Interest
CPSTL	-	Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminals Ltd.,
LIOC	-	Lanka Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.,
LMS	-	Lanka Marine Services (Pvt.) Ltd.,
LPG	-	Liquid Petroleum Gas
Ltr	-	Litre (Basic unit in domestic Petroleum sales)
MOU	-	Memorandum of Understanding
NDB	-	National Development Bank
OPEC	-	Oil Producing and exporting Countries
PERC	-	Public Enterprise Reforms Commission
SPBM	-	Single Point Buoy Mooring Facility
TT	-	Turnover Tax
VAT	-	Value Added Tax
VRS	-	Voluntary Retirement Scheme