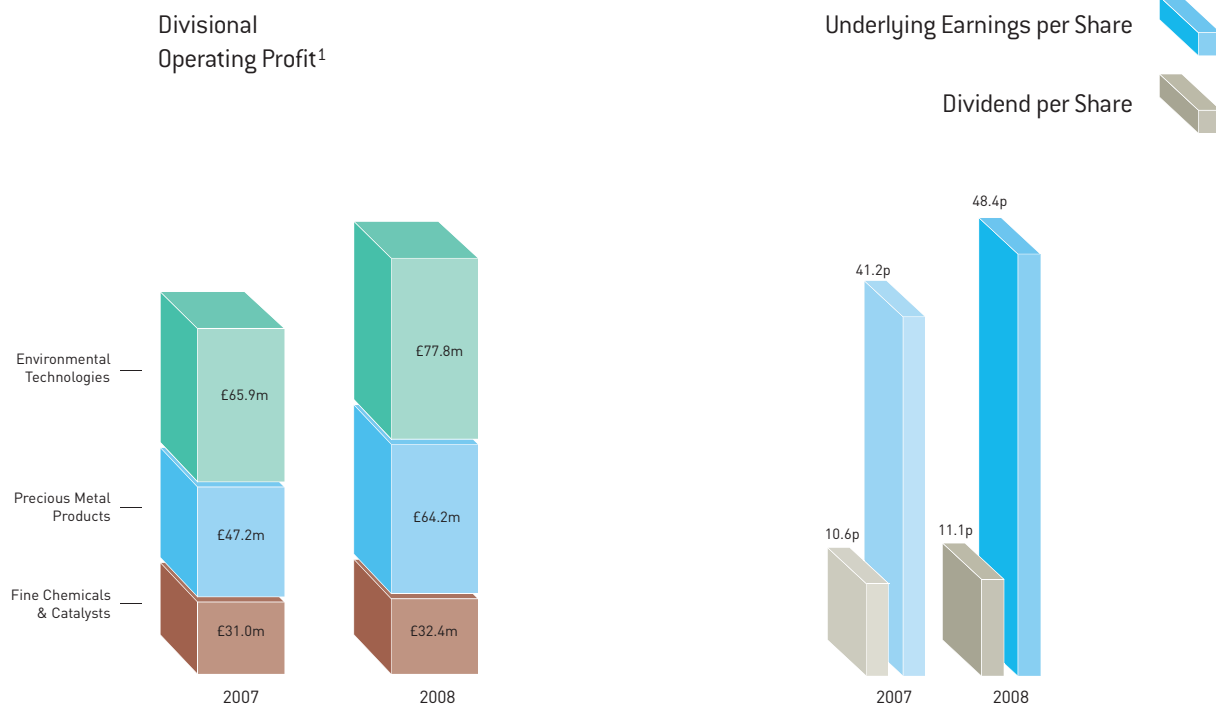


SUMMARY RESULTS

	Half Year to 30th September 2008	2007	% change
Revenue	£4,355m	£3,512m	+24
Sales excluding precious metals	£924m	£840m	+10
Profit before tax	£140.3m	£120.1m	+17
Total earnings per share	46.8p	41.8p	+12
Underlying*:			
Profit before tax	£144.9m	£120.8m	+20
Earnings per share	48.4p	41.2p	+17
Dividend per share	11.1p	10.6p	+5

* Before amortisation of acquired intangibles and deferred tax credit in 2007



¹ Before amortisation of acquired intangibles