Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

Year ended 31 March 2004

	Notes	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit before tax		340,188	309,036
Adjustments for:	_	(0.004)	(0.10=)
Interest income	5	(9,924)	(9,435)
Finance costs	9	5,551	6,119
Share of profits and losses of associates	0	(9,122)	(9,736)
Impairment of an unlisted investment	6	70.000	7
Depreciation	6	70,629	64,885
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	6	481	911
Unrealised gains on listed investments	5	(1,159)	(250)
Dividend income from listed equity investments	5 _	(258)	(258)
Operating profit before working capital changes		396,386	361,529
Increase in amounts due from associates		(14,591)	(23,103)
Increase in inventories		(91,543)	(38,866)
Increase in accounts receivable		(20,814)	(59,978)
Decrease/(increase) in prepayments, deposits and other receivables		(14,631)	9,644
Increase in accounts payable		20,607	25,758
Increase/(decrease) in other payables and accrued liabilities		20,143	(3,542)
Increase/(decrease) in trust receipt loans	_	(13,011)	10,695
Cash generated from operations		282,546	282,137
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(11,814)	(19,734)
Mainland China tax paid	_	(27,850)	(13,937)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	_	242,882	248,466
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		9,924	9,435
Dividend received from listed equity investments		258	258
Dividend received from associates		8,036	8,008
Purchases of fixed assets	14	(135,352)	(77,625)
Additions to properties under construction	16	(57,980)	(47,101)
Repayment from minority interests		_	2,830
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets	-	867	1,466
Net cash outflow from investing activities	_	(174,247)	(102,729)

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	Note	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Interest paid		(5,551)	(6,119)
Dividends paid		(163,022)	(163,022)
Dividends paid to minority interests		(20,755)	(10,378)
New bank loans		241,000	50,000
Repayment of bank loans		(71,717)	(30,000)
Contributions from minority interests		3,960	_
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Net cash outflow from financing activities	_	(16,085)	(159,519)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		52,550	(13,782)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	-	384,825	398,607
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	_	437,375	384,825
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ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Cash and bank balances	22	145,331	69,016
Time deposits with original maturity of less than three months when			
acquired	22	292,044	315,809
	_	437,375	384,825

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