|  | Notes | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ \$ \prime 000 \end{array}$ | 2003 $\$ ' 000$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating activities |  |  |  |
| Profit/(loss) from ordinary activities before taxation |  | 33,425 | $(70,962)$ |
| Adjustments for: |  |  |  |
| - Interest income |  | (229) | $(1,656)$ |
| - Depreciation |  | 119 | 16 |
| - Provision for impairment in value of other investments |  | - | 60,000 |
| - Deficit on revaluation of investment properties (reversed)/charged |  | $(34,650)$ | 15,080 |
| - Finance costs |  | 4,324 | 15,792 |
| - Net gain on disposal of a subsidiary | 24 | (10) | - |
| - Gain on disposal of an associate |  | - | $(5,112)$ |
| - Net realised and unrealised loss on trading securities carried at fair value |  | 1,988 | 2,272 |
| - Provisions for bad and doubtful debts |  | 1,875 | 2,612 |
| - Share of losses of jointly controlled entities |  | 400 | - |
| Operating results before changes in working capital |  | 7,242 | 18,042 |
| Decrease in amounts due to related companies |  | $(1,890)$ | - |
| Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables |  | 1,916 | $(3,100)$ |
| Decrease in other payables and accruals |  | $(1,955)$ | (616) |
| Cash generated from operations |  | 5,313 | 14,326 |
| Hong Kong profits tax paid |  | $(1,643)$ | (50) |
| Net cash from operating activities |  | 3,670 | 14,276 |


|  | Notes | 2004 | 2003 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| Investing activities |  |  |  |
| Payments for purchase of fixed assets |  | (199) | (512) |
| Payments for acquisition of a jointly controlled entity | 24 | $(91,782)$ | - |
| Amounts due from jointly controlled entities |  | $(10,000)$ | - |
| Payments for acquisition of other investments |  | $(11,700)$ | - |
| Proceeds from disposal of trading securities |  | 852 | - |
| Interest received |  | 166 | 1,656 |
| Net cash (used in)/from investing activities |  | $(112,663)$ | 1,144 |
| Financing activities |  |  |  |
| Gross proceeds from issue of shares |  | 132,595 | 18,416 |
| Share issue expenses paid |  | $(1,010)$ | $(1,038)$ |
| Proceeds from new bank loans |  | 200,000 | 24,321 |
| Repayment of promissory notes |  | - | $(15,000)$ |
| Repayment of loan from a related company |  | - | $(89,526)$ |
| Loan from a related company |  | - | 11,696 |
| Repayment of convertible bonds |  | - | $(60,000)$ |
| Payment of loan interest |  | $(3,972)$ | - |
| Other borrowing costs paid |  | - | $(18,283)$ |
| Repayment of bank loans |  | $(202,139)$ | - |
| Placement of pledged deposits |  | $(20,000)$ | - |
| Net cash from/(used in) financing activities |  | $\begin{array}{r} 105,474 \\ \hline------ \end{array}$ | $(129,414)$ |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents |  | $(3,519)$ | $(113,994)$ |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year |  | 13,102 | 127,096 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year | 17 | 9,583 | 13,102 |

The notes on pages 24 to 62 form part of these financial statements.

