Key Highlights

Finance

- Profit after tax of US\$8.1 million
- Paid a dividend of US\$33.9 million or 22 HK cents per share
- Successfully issued US\$20 million of the Convertible Bonds

Corporate

- Share price increased by 133% since paying dividend
- Strengthened management team to oversee the Dapingzhang JV
- Successful realisation of the Group's investment in Bridge Investment Holding Limited

The Dapingzhang JV

- Acquired 40% equity interest in the Dapingzhang JV, a mine that produces a bulk copper, zinc, lead concentrate with recoverable gold and silver credits
- Effected a smooth ownership transition
- Stated production is 3,200 tonnes ore per day, but currently processing 2,500 tonnes ore per day while implementing the optimisation programme
- Completed 21,433 meters of diamond drilling in 109 holes
- Acquired four additional exploration licences with total exploration area covering 94 square kilometers
- Completed three year mine plan of current open pit area: estimated at 4.5 million tonnes at a copper grade of 0.65% copper/tonne
- Completed metallurgical test work on the stringer-style mineralisation (V2)
- Mine is producing copper grade of 22-25% with a recovery over 92%

Key Highlights

Highway Mine

- Entered into a joint venture where the Group will acquire an 80% equity interest by investing US\$2 million
- Exploration area covering over 57 square kilometers
- Mining licence area of 1 square kilometer
- Licenses in close proximity to the Dapingzhang JV and overlay same favourable geological belt as occurs at Dapingzhang
- Mine has a mill processing 100 tonnes ore per day