Due to changes in work allocations, Mr. Luo Tao, resigned from the position of Supervisor and the Chairman of the Supervisory Committee of the Company on August 23, 2006. Mr. Ao Hong has been recommended as a candidate for the position of a Supervisor and the Chairman of the Supervisory Committee of the Company previously assumed by Mr. Luo Tao. Mr. Ao's appointment is subject to approval by the Special General Meeting to be held on October 13, 2006. Biographical details of Mr. Ao are as follows:

Mr. Ao Hong, 45, is a Deputy General Manager of the Company. Mr. Ao graduated from Kunming University of Science and Technology and majored in Metallurgy. He is the holder of a Master's degree and is a professorgrade senior engineer with extensive experience in non-ferrous metals, corporate management, corporate governance and internal control. Mr. Ao previously served as the engineer, senior engineer, Head of General Office and Vice Chairman of Beijing General Research Institute for Non-ferrous Metals, the Chairman of GRINM Semiconductor Materials Co., Ltd., Guorui Electronic Materials Co., Ltd., Beijing Guojing Infrared Optical Technology Co., Ltd., Guowei Silver Anticorrosive Materials Company and Guo Jing Micro-electronic Holdings Ltd. in Hong Kong.

Due to changes in work allocations, Mr. Ou Xiaowu resigned from the position of Supervisor of the Supervisory Committee of the Company on August 23, 2006. Mr. Zhang Zhankui has been recommended as a candidate for the position of a Supervisor of the Supervisory Committee of the Company previously assumed by Ou Xiaowu, Mr. Zhang's appointment is subject to approval by the Special General Meeting to be held on October 13, 2006. Biographical details of Mr. Zhang are as follows:

Mr. Zhang Zhankui, 47, is the deputy head of the finance department of the Company. Mr. Zhang is a postguaduate of economic management and a senior accountant. He has extensive experience in corporate finance accounting, fund management, auditing and business management. Mr. Zhang previously served as the head of finance department and then the head of audit department of China General Design Institute for Non-ferrous Metals, Deputy General Manager of Beijing Enfei Techindustry Group, head of accounting division of finance department and deputy head of finance department of China Copper and Zinc Holdings Company, manager of listing fund and finance department and head of fund division of finance department of Chalco and manager of comprehensive division of finance department of the Company.

## EMPLOYEES, PENSION PLANS AND WELFARE FUND

The Group had approximately 86,200 employees (including those of controlling subsidiaries) as of June 30, 2006. The remuneration package of the employees includes wages, bonuses and allowances. Employees also receive welfare benefits including medical care, housing subsidies, child care and education, retirement and other miscellaneous items. In accordance with the applicable PRC regulations, the Group currently joins pension contribution plans organized by provincial and municipal governments, under which each of the Group's plants is required to contribute to the pension fund an amount equal to a specified percentage of the sum of its employees' salaries, bonuses and various allowances. The amount of contribution as a percentage of the employees' salary varies around 20% from plant to plant, depending in part on the location of the plant and the average age of the employees. The Company had not paid retirement benefits to its employees by the end of June 30, 2006.

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