

## **GREENFIELD CHEMICAL HOLDINGS LIMITED**

嘉輝化工控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 582)

**INTERIM REPORT 2007** 

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

		Six months ended 30th June, 2007 2006	
	Notes	(Unaudited) HK\$'000	2006 (Unaudited) HK\$'000
Revenue Cost of sales		138,740 (118,874)	135,557 (104,364)
Gross profit Other income Distribution costs Administrative expenses Share of profits of associates		19,866 6,531 (4,554) (15,050) 6,789	31,193 3,482 (5,168) (19,010) 8,146
Profit before taxation Taxation	4 5	13,582 (1,895)	18,643 (1,541)
Profit for the period		11,687	17,102
Attributable to:  – Equity holders of the Company  – Minority interests		11,811 (124)	17,102
		11,687	17,102
Dividends	6	15,000	20,000
Earnings per share, basic	7	HK4.7 cents	HK6.8 cents

# **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

	Notes	At 30th June, 2007 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	At 31st December, 2006 (Audited) HK\$'000
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Prepaid lease payments Interests in associates Available-for-sale investments Deposits for acquisition of	8	71,609 8,181 49,351 10	70,418 8,082 42,024 10
property, plant and equipment Deferred tax assets		_ 25	1,294 25
		129,176	121,853
Current assets Prepaid lease payments Inventories Advance to an associate Trade and other receivables Dividend receivable from	9	208 30,638 15,000 87,437	203 33,110 15,000 82,753
an associate Tax recoverable Bank balances and cash		3,600 1,644 40,293	6,300 3,053 47,212
		178,820	187,631
Current liabilities Trade and other payables Deferred income Amount due to a related company	10	38,684 1,598 33	37,546 3,195 133
		40,315	40,874
Net current assets		138,505	146,757
		267,681	268,610
Capital and reserves Share capital Reserves		25,000 242,794	25,000 243,610
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company Minority interests		267,794 (113)	268,610 -
		267,681	268,610

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30th June, 2007

Share capital InkS 1000         Share premium HKS 2000         Share premium HKS 2000         Special Premium Preserve HKS 2000         Translation Preserve HKS 2000         Non-reserve Preserve P	Total HK\$'000 263,200 912 (246) 666 17,102	Minority interests HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000 263,200 912 (246)
Exchange difference arising from translation of operations outside Hong Kong 912 Share of translation reserve of an associate (246)	912 (246)	- -	912
from translation of operations outside Hong Kong     -     -     912     -     -       Share of translation reserve of an associate     -     -     -     (246)     -     -	(246)	-	
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Net income recognised directly in equity = 666 17,102		_	666 17,102
Total recognised income for the period         -         -         666         -         17,102           Dividends         -         -         -         -         -         0,000)	17,768 (20,000)	- -	17,768 (20,000)
At 30th June, 2006 25,000 4,242 32,000 (2,227) 6,229 195,724	260,968	-	260,968
Exchange difference arising from translation of operations outside Hong Kong – – – 1,476 – – Share of translation reserve of an associate – – – 1,802 – –	1,476 1,802	-	1,476 1,802
Total income recognised directly in equity         -         -         3,278         -         -           Profit for the period         -         -         -         -         11,864	3,278 11,864	- -	3,278 11,864
Total recognised income         -         -         3,278         -         11,864           Dividends         -         -         -         -         7,500	15,142 (7,500)	- -	15,142 (7,500)
At 31st December, 2006 25,000 4,242 32,000 1,051 6,229 200,088	268,610	-	268,610
Exchange difference arising from translation of operations outside Hong Kong – – 1,835 – – Share of translation reserve of an associate – – 538 – –	1,835 538	11	1,846 538
Total income recognised directly in equity         -         -         2,373         -         -           Profit for the period         -         -         -         -         11,811	2,373 11,811	11 (124)	2,384 11,687
Total recognised income for the period         -         -         2,373         -         11,811           Dwidends         -         -         -         -         -         (15,000)	14,184 (15,000)	(113) -	14,071 (15,000)
At 30th June, 2007 25,000 4,242 32,000 3,424 6,229 196,899	267,794	(113)	267,681

The special reserve of the Group represents the nominal value of 32,000,000 non-voting class A shares of HK\$1 each issued by a subsidiary of the Company to its then shareholders prior to the group reorganisation in 2002.

The non-distributable reserve of the Group represents statutory reserve requirement that the foreign investment enterprises appropriated 10% of the profit after taxation of the subsidiary of the Company registered in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") other than Hong Kong to the non-distributable reserve under the PRC laws and regulations.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30th June, 2007

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2007 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	2006 (Unaudited) HK\$'000
Net cash from operating activities	7,189	27,664
Net cash from (used in) investing activities Purchase of property, plant and equipment Other investing activities	(4,153) 4,767	(10,548) 1,234
	614	(9,314)
Cash used in financing activities Dividends paid	(15,000)	(20,000)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(7,197)	(1,650)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	47,212	49,712
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	278	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period, represented by bank balances and cash	40,293	48,062

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA").

#### 2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis

The accounting policies used in the condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 2006.

In the current period, the Group has applied, for the first time, a new standard, amendment and interpretations ("new HKFRS") issued by the HKICPA, which are effective for accounting periods beginning on 1st January, 2007. The adoption of these new HKFRSs has had no material effect on the results or financial position of the Group for the current or prior accounting periods. Accordingly, no prior period adjustment has been required.

The Group has not early applied the following new standards or interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective. The Directors of the Company anticipate that the application of these standards or interpretations will have no material impact on the results and financial position of the Group.

HKAS 23 (Revised) Borrowing Costs<sup>1</sup>
HKFRS 8 Operating Segments<sup>1</sup>

HK(IFRIC) – Int 11 HKFRS 2 – Group and Treasury Share Transactions<sup>2</sup>

HK(IFRIC) – Int 12 Service Concession Arrangements<sup>3</sup>

1 Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1st January, 2009 2 Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1st March, 2007

<sup>3</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1st January, 2008

#### 3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Group is principally engaged in manufacturing and trading of liquid coatings, powder coatings and solvents which are subject to the same risks and returns and which accounts for more than 90% of the revenue and profit of the Group for the current and prior periods. Accordingly, no business segment is presented.

The Group operates mainly in PRC. Accordingly, no geographical segment is presented.

#### 4. PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000
Profit before taxation has been arrived at after charging:		
Amortisation of prepaid lease payments Depreciation of property, plant	103	99
and equipment	5,040	4,636
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	127	36
Share of taxation of associates (included in share of profits of associates)	1,767	-
and after crediting:		
Interest income on: Bank deposits Advance to associates	515 668	563 660

#### 5. TAXATION

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000
The charge comprises:		
Hong Kong Profits Tax PRC Enterprise Income Tax	1,801 94	1,418
Deferred taxation	1,895 	1,418 123
	1,895	1,541

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 17.5% of the estimated assessable profit for the current and prior periods.

Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations in the PRC, the Company's PRC subsidiaries are entitled to exemption from PRC Enterprise Income Tax for two years starting from their first profit-making year, followed by a 50% reduction for the next three years. These subsidiaries continue to enjoy their tax holiday during the period. The tax holiday will expire by December 2007.

During the year ended 31st December, 2006, the Inland Revenue Department issued additional assessments to an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company disallowing its offshore claim in respect of its production activities for years of assessment 2002/03, 2003/04, 2004/05 and 2005/06 in aggregate of approximately HK\$11,001,000. The Group had purchased tax reserve certificates totalling HK\$11,001,000 and an amount of HK\$10,000,000 was recognized as income tax expense against the tax reserve certificates, with the remaining amount of tax reserve certificates of HK\$1,001,000 included in tax recoverable as at 31st December, 2006 and 30th June, 2007. In the opinion of the Directors, the ultimate outcome of the tax inquiries remains undetermined and the Group will continue to defend vigorously against the additional assessments.

#### 6. DIVIDENDS

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000
Dividends paid during the period: 2006 Final – HK3 cents		
(2006: 2005 Final – HK3 cents) per ordinary share 2006 Special – HK3 cents	7,500	7,500
(2006: 2005 Special – HK5 cents) per ordinary share	7,500	12,500
	15,000	20,000

The Directors of the Company have resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK2.5 cents (six months ended 30th June, 2006: HK3 cents) per share for the period. The interim dividend will be payable on 18th October, 2007 to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 12th October, 2007.

#### 7. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic earnings per share for the period is based on the profit for the period of HK\$11,811,000 (six months ended 30th June, 2006: HK\$17,102,000) and on 250,000,000 shares (six months ended 30th June, 2006: 250,000,000 shares) in issue throughout the period.

No diluted earnings per share is presented as the Company did not have any dilutive potential ordinary shares in issue at any time during the period.

#### 8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the period, the Group spent approximately HK\$5,447,000 on acquisition of property, plant and equipment.

#### 9. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	At 30th June, 2007 HK\$'000	At 31st December, 2006 HK\$'000
Trade receivables from third parties Trade receivables from associates Other receivables	73,671 9,387 4,379	66,779 14,492 1,482
	87,437	82,753

The Group allows a credit period of 30 to 90 days to its trade customers. The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables at the balance sheet dates:

	Trade receivables from third parties			ceivables ssociates
	At 30th June, 2007	At 31st December, 2006	At 30th June, 2007	At 31st December, 2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
0 – 30 days 31 – 60 days 61 – 90 days Over 90 days	24,576 22,812 15,733 10,550	18,841 19,517 15,223 13,198	5,848 1,542 1,997	12,571 1,310 274 337
,	73,671	66,779	9,387	14,492

#### 10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

Included in trade and other payables are trade payables of HK\$33,420,000 (31st December, 2006: HK\$27,651,000).

The following is an aged analysis of trade payables at the balance sheet dates:

	At 30th June, 2007 HK\$'000	At 31st December, 2006 HK\$'000
0 – 30 days 31 – 60 days 61 – 90 days Over 90 days	23,588 7,565 2,049 218	16,657 8,862 1,688 444
	33,420	27,651

#### 11. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

At the balance sheet date, the Group had commitments for future minimum lease payments in respect of office and factory premises under non-cancellable operating leases which fall due as follows:

	At 30th June, 2007 HK\$'000	At 31st December, 2006 HK\$'000
Within one year In the second to fifth year inclusive Over five years	802 2,412 6,629	791 2,545 6,666
	9,843	10,002

Leases are negotiated and rentals are fixed for terms ranging from 2 to 50 years.

#### 12. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	At 30th June, 2007 HK\$'000	At 31st December, 2006 HK\$'000
Capital expenditure in respect of the acquisition of property, plant and equipment contracted for but not provided in the condensed consolidated financial statements	805	511

#### 13. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At 30th June, 2007, the Group pledged certain land and buildings in Hong Kong with a carrying value of approximately HK\$2,170,000 (at 31st December, 2006: HK\$2,204,000) to a bank to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group.

#### 14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the period, the Group had the following transactions with the associates:

	Six months ended 30th June,	
Nature of transactions	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000
Sales of goods by the Group Licence fee income received by the Group Royalty fee income received by the Group Purchases of goods by the Group	17,581 1,597 1,440 1,218	28,280 - 796 395
Sales of property, plant and equipment by the Group Management fee income received by the Group Interest income received by the Group	873 1,287 668	848 1,103 660

The remuneration of Directors and other members of key management during the period, which is determined by the remuneration committee having regard to the performance of individuals and market trends, is as follows:

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000
Short-term benefits Retirement benefits scheme contribution	2,735 160	4,846 156
	2,895	5,002

#### 15. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

On 30th July, 2007, the Group entered into a conditional agreement with certain connected persons of the Company in connection with the disposal of 49% equity interest in Rookwood Investments Limited ("Rookwood") for a total consideration of HK\$122,500,000. Rookwood is the sole directly wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company which directly and indirectly holds the entire interest of other subsidiaries of the Company. Upon completion, Rookwood will remain as a 51% owned subsidiary of the Company. The transaction is subject to the approval of the Company's independent shareholders. Details of the transaction are set out in a circular dated 31st August, 2007.

## **CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 10th October, 2007 to 12th October, 2007, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the interim dividend of HK2.5 cents per share, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Registrars in Hong Kong, Tricor Standard Limited at 26/F., Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on 9th October, 2007. Dividend warrants will be dispatched on 18th October, 2007.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

For the six months ended 30th June, 2007, the Group had a turnover of HK\$138,740,000, representing an increase of 2.3% from the corresponding period last year. The profit attributable to shareholders for the period was HK\$11,811,000, a decrease of 31% from HK\$17,102 000. Earnings per share decreased from HK6.8 cents for the same period last year to HK4.7 cents.

The increased turnover was mainly due to the expansion of business scope and the launch of newly developed products to the market. However, the growth of the turnover was unable to set off the effect caused by the high prices of raw materials and the rising operation costs in the period. We could only shift part of the rising prices of raw materials on to customers owing to the prevalent narrow profit margin of manufacturing industries themselves. Thus, the profit after taxation for the period decreased as compared with that of last year.

Facing similar challenges, the Group's associate company, Weilburger Manfield Limited, also recorded a decrease in profit after taxation. Thus, the Group's share of profits of associates in the period was HK\$6,789,000, representing a decrease of 16.7% from the corresponding period last year.

In order to eliminate the influence of the drop in the Group's business and gain an immediate financial return, the Company entered into an agreement with related parties on 30th July, 2007 to dispose of 49% interests in Rookwood Investments Limited, a major wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, so as to obtain additional resources.

#### **OUTLOOK**

The core product of the Group is toy paints. The recent recalls of toys that exceeded the lead content limit by toy companies have positive effect on the Group. With a well-defined and reliable quality control process, our products have a long track record to have met the strictest quality assurance standards set by European and American countries. As a result, we won the confidence of customers and became one of their approved and preferred suppliers. This certainly would bring new opportunities to the Group. In accordance with the existing policy, the Group will keep on enhancing quality control and service and continuing to invest resources to enhance product quality. To achieve a win-win situation, the Group had taken measures to increase its brand value, as well as adding value to customers' products.

Changzhou Manfield Chemical Company Limited, a subsidiary of the Group established in Jiangsu Province, has come into operation which provides the Group with advantages in developing the Eastern China industrial paints market.

#### LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

During the six months ended 30th June, 2007, the Group had no borrowings outstanding. The Group has sufficient cash surplus to finance operation from internally generated cashflow. The Group maintained a satisfactory financial position derived from the steady growth of its business. As at 30th June, 2007, the Group had cash on hand of HK\$40,293,000 (31st December, 2006: HK\$47,212,000).

#### **EXPOSURE TO FOREIGN EXCHANGE RISK**

Business transactions of the Group are mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars and Renminbi. Though the Group does not engage in any hedging contract, the Group's exposure to foreign exchange risk is minimal. In view of the revaluation of the Renminbi during the period, the Group will monitor the situation closely and will introduce suitable hedging measures if there are any adverse changes.

## **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS**

At 30th June, 2007, the interests of the Directors and their associates in the shares and underlying shares of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")), as recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers contained in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("Listing Rules") were as follows:

Associated Corporation	Name of Director	Personal interests	Percentage of issued share capital
(a) Pacific Orchid Investments Limited ("Pacific Orchid")	Yuen Shu Wah	u Wah 2,865 (Ordinary Shares)	28.65%
( Facilic Ofcilia )	Ko Jack Lum	1,550 (Ordinary Shares)	15.50%
(b) Manfield Coatings Company Limited ("Manfield Coatings")	Yuen Shu Wah	9,168,000 (Non-voting Class A Shares)	28.65%
	Ko Jack Lum	4,960,000 (Non-voting Class A Shares)	15.50%
(c) Chemfield Trading Company Limited ("Chemfield")	Yuen Shu Wah	280,000 (Ordinary Shares)	28.00%

Note: Messrs. Yuen Shu Wah and Ko Jack Lum are directors of each of Pacific Orchid, Manfield Coatings and Chemfield. Pacific Orchid is the immediate holding company, and holds 75% of the issued share capital, of the Company. Manfield Coatings is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company and holds 49% of issued share capital of Chemfield.

All the interests stated above represent long positions. Save as disclosed above, at 30th June, 2007, none of the Directors of the Company had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations.

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

At 30th June, 2007, the register of substantial shareholders maintained by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO showed that the following persons (other than the Directors) had notified the Company of relevant interests in the issued share capital of the Company:

Name	Number of Shares	Percentage of issued share capital
Mulpha International Bhd. ("Mulpha International")	187,500,000	75%
Mulpha Strategic Limited ("Mulpha Strategic")	187,500,000	75%
Pacific Orchid	187,500,000	75%

Note: These shares were held by Pacific Orchid, in which Mulpha Strategic, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Mulpha International, holds 51% equity interests. Therefore, each of Mulpha International and Mulpha Strategic is deemed to be interested in the shares held by Pacific Orchid.

All the interests stated above represent long positions. Save as disclosed above, at 30th June, 2007, the Company has not been notified of any other interests representing 5% or more of the issued share capital of the Company.

#### **EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES**

As at 30th June, 2007, the Group had a workforce of about 1,200 full-time employees. They included management and administrative staff and production workers. Most were stationed in Mainland China, while the rest were in Hong Kong. The remuneration, promotion and salary increments of employees are assessed according to the individual's performance, as well as professional and working experience, and in accordance with prevailing industry practices.

#### **PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES**

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed shares during the six months ended 30th June, 2007.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Company has complied with the Code on Corporate Governance Practices as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules") throughout the six months ended 30th June, 2007, except for the following deviations:

### Code provision A.2.1

Code provision A.2.1 stipulates that the roles of the chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual.

The Company does not have a separate chairman and chief executive officer and Mr. Yuen Shu Wah currently assumes both roles. The Board believes that the vesting of the roles of chairman and chief executive officer in the same person provides the Group with strong and consistent leadership and allows for more effective planning and execution of long-term business strategies, as well as ensuring effective oversight of management. The Board also believes that the Company already has a strong corporate governance structure and as such the present structure is considered to be appropriate under the circumstances.

#### Code provisions A.4.1 and A.4.2

Code provisions A.4.1 and A.4.2 stipulate that (a) non-executive directors should be appointed for a specific term and subject to re-election; and (b) all directors appointed to fill a causal vacancy should be subject to election at the first general meeting after their appointment, and every director, including those appointed for a specific term, should be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.

The Company does not fully comply with code provisions A.4.1 and A.4.2. The existing Non-Executive Directors are not appointed for a specific term but are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting.

The Board does not believe that arbitrary term limits on Directors' service are appropriate given that Directors ought to be committed to representing the long-term interests of the Shareholders.

Pursuant to the Articles of Association of the Company, the Managing Director is not subject to rotation and the Directors are not subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. This constituted a deviation from code provision A.4.2. However, the Articles of Association requires one-third of the Directors (other than the Managing Director or Joint Managing Director) for the time being, or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest to, but not exceeding one-third, shall retire from the office by rotation at every annual general meeting. The Board believes that the continuity in office of the Managing Director is of considerable benefit to the Group in view of his leadership, vision and profound knowledge in the business conducted by the Group.

#### MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTION BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules for securities transaction by Directors. Having made specific enquiry, all Directors confirmed that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code during the six months ended on 30th June, 2007.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee comprises Mr. Lau Siu Ki, Kevin, Mr. Wu Wing Kit and Dr. Chui Hong Sheung, the Independent Non-Executive Directors of the Company. The Audit Committee reviews and supervises the Group's financial reporting and internal control systems.

The Audit Committee has reviewed with management and the external auditors the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and has discussed auditing, internal controls and financial reporting matters including the review of the unaudited interim financial statements for the six months ended on 30th June, 2007.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

As at the date of this report, the Board comprises Mr. Yuen Shu Wah, Mr. Ko Jack Lum and Mr. Ng Kai On as Executive Directors, Mr. Chung Tze Hien and Mr. Ng Seng Nam as Non-Executive Directors, Mr. Lau Siu Ki, Kevin, Mr. Wu Wing Kit and Dr. Chui Hong Sheung as Independent Non-Executive Directors.

By Order of the Board **Yuen Shu Wah** *Managing Director* 

Hong Kong, 17th September, 2007