

Third Quarterly Report For the nine months ended 30 September 2003

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This report, for which the directors (the "Directors") of Yantai North Andre Juice Co., Ltd. (the "Company") collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Growth Enterprise Market of the Stock Exchange ("GEM Listing Rules") for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that, to the best of their knowledge and belief: 1. the information contained in this report is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading; 2. there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement in this report misleading; and 3. all opinions expressed in this report have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and are founded on bases and assumptions that are fair and reasonable.



# QUARTERLY RESULTS

The Directors of the Company is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") for the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2003, together with the comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding period in 2002, as follows:

			udited hree months	Unaudited For the nine months			
			September		ended 30 September		
		2003	2002	2003	2002		
	Note	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Turnover	2	77,298	35,676	234,257	170,227		
Cost of sales		(49,112)	(26,628)	(140,246)	(120,914)		
Gross Profit		28,186	9,048	94,011	49,313		
Other operating income		1,277	7,765	1,392	58,803		
Distribution expenses General and administration		(12,638)	(2,486)	(36,841)	(3,915)		
expenses		(4,772)	(2,961)	(9,447)	(6,833)		
Other operating expenses		(20)	(7,756)	(89)	(58,256)		
Profit from operations		12,033	3,610	49,026	39,112		
Net finance costs		(2,456)	(1,415)	(7,557)	(4,527)		
Profit before taxation		9,577	2,195	41,469	34,585		
Taxation	3	(253)	(151)	(1,090)	(4,187)		
Profit after taxation		9,324	2,044	40,379	30,398		
Minority interests			195	285	246		
Profit attributable to shareholders		9,324	2,239	40,664	30,644		
Dividends	4	34,932		34,932	22,776		
Basic earnings per share	5	RMB0.06	RMB0.02	RMB0.30	RMB0.27		

\* For identification purpose only

Notes:

#### 1. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in preparing the unaudited consolidated results for the nine months ended 30 September 2003 conform with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") promulgated by the International Accounting Standards Board. IFRS include International Accounting Standards and Interpretations. These unaudited consolidated results for the nine months ended 30 September 2003 also comply with the applicable disclosure provisions of the GEM Listing Rules of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

The unaudited consolidated results for the nine months ended 30 September 2003 are prepared on the historical cost basis.

The accounting policies have been consistently applied by the Group and are consistent with those used in the preparation of the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2002.

### 2. Turnover

The Group is principally engaged in the production and sale of condensed juice. Turnover represents income arising from the sales of condensed juice net of value added tax.

#### 3. Taxation

The Company is subject to PRC income tax, before any relief or concession, at a rate of 24%. In accordance with the relevant PRC tax rules and regulations, the Company is exempt from PRC income tax for two years starting from its first profit-making year, and is entitled to a 50% relief on PRC income tax for the following three years. As 1999 was the Company's first profitable year, the applicable income tax rate for 2003 is 12%.

The subsidiary operating in the United States is subject to income tax at the appropriate current rates of taxation ruling in the United States.

The other subsidiaries operating in the PRC are also subject to PRC income tax, before any relief or concession, at a rate of 15% to 30%. In accordance with the relevant PRC tax rules and regulations, these subsidiaries are exempt from PRC income tax for two years starting from its first profit-making year, and is entitled to a 50% relief on PRC income tax for the following three years.

### 4. Dividends

The board recommended a final dividend of RMB0.23 per share totalling RMB34,932,400 for the year of 2002 which was approved in the extraordinary general meeting held on 27 September 2003.

Pursuant to a resolution passed at the shareholders' meeting on 9 March 2002, a dividend totaling RMB22,776,000 for 2001 was approved and paid thereafter.

#### 5. Earnings per share

#### (a) Basic earnings per share

For the three months and the nine months ended 30 September 2003, the calculation of earnings per share is based on the unaudited profit attributable to shareholders of RMB9,324,000 and RMB40,664,000, respectively (For the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2002, the unaudited profits attributable to shareholders were RMB2,239,000 and RMB30,664,000 respectively) divided by the weighted average number of shares issued during the respective period. For the three months and the nine months ended 30 September 2003, the weighted average numbers of shares in issue were 151,880,000 and 137,125,421 respectively (For the three months and the nine months ended 30 September 2002, the weighted average number of shares in issue was 113,880,000).

#### (b) Diluted earnings per share

Diluted earnings per share has not been calculated for the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2002 and 2003 as there were no dilutive potential ordinary shares outstanding during these periods .

#### 6. Reserves

	Capital surplus RMB '000	<b>Reserves</b> <i>RMB</i> '000	<b>Retained</b> earnings RMB '000	Total Capital and reserves RMB'000
Balance at 1 January 2003 Premium arising from the	10	14,443	47,092	61,545
placing of shares	111,163	_	_	111,163
Share issuance expenses	(22,092)	_	_	(22,092)
Net profit for the period	-	_	40,664	40,664
Dividends			(34,932)	(34,932)
Balance at 30 September 2003	89,081	14,443	52,824	156,348
Balance at 1 January 2002	10	5,070	29,209	34,289
Net profit for the period	_	-	30,644	30,644
Dividends			(22,776)	(22,776)
Balance at 30 September 2002	10	5,070	37,077	42,157

# MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

## **Business review**

The Group is principally engaged in the production and sale of apple juice concentrate. The Group's business objective is to become one of the well-known manufacturers in the apple juice concentrate industry and other fruit and vegetable juice concentrate industry, both in the PRC and the US, with an established brand name of its own.

For the nine months ended 30 September 2003, turnover of the Group increased to approximately RMB234.26 million, compared to approximately RMB170.23 million for the corresponding period in 2002. The Group's turnover for the nine months ended 30 September 2003 was principally derived from the manufacture and sale of apple juice concentrate, apple extract and related products.

As compared with the same period in 2002, the increase in the Group's turnover during the third quarter of 2003 was mainly attributable to the increase in sales volume of the Group's apple juice concentrate, which the Directors believe was due to increased recognition by the customers of the quality of the Group's products.

For the nine months ended 30 September, 2003, distribution expenses increased from approximately RMB3.92 million to approximately RMB36.84 million, compared to the corresponding period in 2002. Distribution expenses of the Group principally comprised transportation expenses, export inspection expenses and promotion expenses. The significant increase in distribution expenses was mainly attributable to the higher export inspection expenses and transportation expenses. The Group recorded a profit attributable to shareholders of approximately RMB40.66 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2003, compared with a profit attributable to shareholders of approximately RMB30.64 million for the corresponding period in 2002.

# Prospects

# Diversification of products

The Company intends to diversify its products to a wide variety of concentrates such as pectin, pear juice and essence to broaden its revenue sources. Accordingly, on 30 August 2003, the Company entered into an agreement with Yantai North Andre Juice, Inc. to establish a sino-foreign equity joint venture enterprise (the "Joint Venture Company"), for the production and sale of pectin. Since then, the Joint Venture Company has obtained its business license and has paid up a sum of US\$1.8 million, equivalent to 15% of its total registered capital. With establishment of the Joint Venture Company, the Directors believe that the Group would be able to effectively integrate the new product varieties into its existing operation, achieving diversification of product types and broadening of its revenue sources.

## Research and development

The Directors are well aware of the importance of research and development to the Group's continual growth and its long-term competitiveness. The Company intends to conduct research on the pectin extraction technology, focusing on quality maintenance of the pectin extracted.

## PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

Up to 11 November 2003, neither the Company or its subsidiaries have purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares.

# DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND SUPERVISORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

None of the Directors, chief executive (the "Chief Executive") or supervisors (the "Supervisors") of the Company or respective associates was granted by the Company or its subsidiaries any right to acquire shares or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate, or had exercised any such right as at 30 September 2003.

# DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND SUPERVISORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND SHORT POSITIONS

As at 30 September 2003, the interests (including interests in shares and short positions) of the Directors, the Chief Executive and the Supervisors and their respective associates in the shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations, if any, (a) as notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Division 7 and 8 of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO"); or (b) as recorded in the register maintained by the Company under Section 352 of the SFO; or (c) as required pursuant to Rules 5.40 to 5.58 of the GEM Listing Rules relating to securities transactions by Directors, were as follows:

Name of Directors	Class of shares	Number of shares held	Capacity	Type of interest	Percentage of holding in Domestic Shares	Percentage of holding in total share capital
Zheng Yue Wen	Domestic Shares	60,356,400 (L)	Interest of	Personal	53%	39.74%
			controlled corporation			
Wang An	Domestic Shares	19,929,000 (L)	Interest of	Personal	17.8%	13.12%
			controlled corporation			

Note: The letter "L" stands for long position

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

So far as the Directors are aware, as at 30 September 2003, the persons who have interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which are discloseable under Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO are listed as follows:

Name of substantial shareholders	Class of shares	Number of shares held	Capacity	Type of interest	Percentage of holding in Domestic Shares	Percentage in total share capital
Zheng Yue Wen	Domestic Shares	60,356,400(L)	Interest of controlled corporation	Personal	53%	39.74%
光彩事業國土綠化 整理有限公司 Glory Cause Land Afforestation Co., Ltd.*	Domestic Shares	54,662,400(L)	Beneficial owner	Corporate	48%	35.99%
北京瑞澤網絡銷售 有限責任公司 Beijing RAJ Network Sales Co., Ltd.*	Domestic Shares	5,694,000(L)	Beneficial owner	Corporate	5.0%	3.75%
Oh Jeong Taek	Domestic Shares (Promoter Foreign Shares)	28,470,000(L)	Interest of controlled corporation	Personal	25%	18.75%
Korea Jeong Soo Andre Co., Ltd.*	Domestic Shares (Promoter Foreign Shares)	28,470,000(L)	Beneficial owner	Corporate	25%	18.75%
Wang An	Domestic Shares	19,929,000(L)	Interest of controlled corporation	Personal	17.8%	13.12%
煙台東華果業 有限公司 Yantai Donghua Fruit Co., Ltd.*	Domestic Shares	19,929,000(L)	Beneficial owner	Corporate	17.8%	13.12%

*Note:* The letter "L" denotes a long position.

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## SPONSOR'S INTERESTS

Pursuant to a sponsor agreement dated 22 April 2003 between the Company and Barits Securities (Hong Kong) Limited ("Barits"), Barits has been appointed as the sponsor to the Company as required under the GEM Listing Rules for a fee from 22 April 2003 to 31 December 2005.

Barits, its directors, employees or any of their respective associates did not have any interest in any securities of the Company or any of its associated corporations as at 30 September 2003.

## COMPETING INTERESTS

As at 30 September 2003, none of the Directors, the management shareholders of the Company and their respective associates (as defined under the GEM Listing Rules) had any interest in a business which competes or may compete with the businesses of the Group nor any other conflicts of interest which has or may have with the Group.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company has established an audit committee with written terms of reference based on the guidelines recommended by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants. The audit committee comprises two independent non-executive Directors, namely Zhang An Ming, who is the Chairman, and Hu Xiao Song.

The audit committee has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed internal controls and financial reporting matters including a review of the third quarterly report for the nine months ended 30 September 2003, with the Directors.

By Order of the Board Zheng Yue Wen Executive Director

Hong Kong, 11 November 2003