

(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 8190)

## RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

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This announcement, for which the directors (the "Directors") of Combest Holdings Limited (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 of Hong Kong Limited 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 the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this document misleading.

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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

The financial highlights of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") for the six months ended 31 December 2012 (the "Period") are presented as follows:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Revenue	70,613	69,812
Profit/(Loss) for the period attributable to owners of the Company	14,531	(4,735)
Earnings/(Loss) per share		
<ul> <li>basic and diluted</li> </ul>	0.45 cent	(0.15 cent)

### **RESULTS**

The board of Directors (the "Board") wishes to announce the unaudited results of the Group for the Period, together with the unaudited comparative figures for the three months and six months ended 31 December 2012 ("corresponding periods in 2011") as follows:

## UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

		Unaudited					
		Three months ended		Three months ended Six mon		Six mont	hs ended
		31 Dec	ember	31 Dec	ecember		
		2012	2011	2012	2011		
	Notes	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
Revenue	3	38,506	34,128	70,613	69,812		
Cost of sales		(22,377)	(26,435)	(43,062)	(51,073)		
Gross profit		16,129	7,693	27,551	18,739		
Other income and gains	3	5	65	31	96		
Selling and distribution costs		(1,686)	(6,423)	(3,757)	(9,178)		
Administrative expenses		(3,139)	(7,436)	(6,992)	(14,615)		
Profit/(Loss) before income tax	5	11,309	(6,101)	16,833	(4,958)		
Income tax (expense)/credit	6	(1,338)	9	(2,143)	198		
Profit/(Loss) for the period		9,971	(6,092)	14,690	(4,760)		
Other comprehensive							
income for the period:							
Exchange (loss)/gain on translation of financial statements of							
foreign operations		(1,079)	347	(1,089)	1,129		
Total comprehensive income							
for the period		8,892	(5,745)	13,601	(3,631)		

			Unau	dited	
		Three mon	nths ended	Six mont	hs ended
		31 Dec	ember	31 Dec	ember
		2012	2011	2012	2011
	Notes	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Profit/(Loss) for the period attributable to:					
Owners of the Company		9,866	(6,066)	14,531	(4,735)
Non-controlling interests		105	(26)	159	
Non-controlling interests			(20)	139	(25)
		9,971	(6,092)	14,690	(4,760)
Total comprehensive income attributable to:					
Owners of the Company		8,787	(5,722)	13,442	(3,475)
Non-controlling interests		105	(23)	159	(156)
		8,892	(5,745)	13,601	(3,631)
Earnings/(Loss) per share for profit/ (loss) attributable to owners of					
<ul><li>the Company during the period</li><li>Basic and Diluted (RMB cent(s))</li></ul>	8	0.31 cent	(0.19 cent)	0.45 cent	(0.15 cent)

# UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Notes	31 December 2012 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	30 June 2012 <i>RMB'000</i> (audited)
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	9	5,091	5,563
Intangible assets	10	164,497	168,429
Goodwill	11	52,162	52,162
		221,750	226,154
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories	12	55,767	42,490
Trade receivables	13	3,196	1,721
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables		26,180	45,798
Due from a related company	15	152	-
Cash and cash equivalents		30,705	27,109
		116,000	117,118
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade payables	14	14,191	5,360
Other payables and accruals	1,	14,916	41,102
Provision for product warranty		692	692
Due to a related party	15	_	1,870
Tax payable		1,627	542
		31,426	49,566
NET CURRENT ASSETS		84,574	67,552
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Provision for product warranty		395	395
Deferred tax liabilities		41,124	42,107
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		41,519	42,502
NET ASSETS		264,805	251,204
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to owners of the Company			
Share capital	16	30,860	30,860
Reserves		231,128	217,686
		261,988	248,546
Non-controlling interests		2,817	2,658
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TOTAL EQUITY		264,805	251,204

## UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	For the six months ended 31 December		
	2012	2011	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	4,779	(9,779)	
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(94)	(200)	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	4,685	(9,979)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	27,109	48,062	
	31,794	38,083	
Effects of exchange rate changes on the balance of			
cash held in foreign currencies	(1,089)	306	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	30,705	38,389	
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents:			
Cash and bank balances	30,705	38,389	

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 31 December 2012

				Unaud	lited			
		Equity	attributable to ow	ners of the Comp	any			
				Exchange			Non-	
	Share	Share	Statutory	fluctuation	Accumulated		controlling	Total
	capital	premium*	reserves* RMB'000	reserve* RMB'000	losses* RMB'000	Total RMB'000	interests RMB'000	equity RMB'000
	RMB'000	RMB'000	KMB 000	KMB 000	KMB 000	KMB 000	KMB 000	KMB 000
Balance at 1 July 2012	30,860	419,537	8,268	3,149	(213,268)	248,546	2,658	251,204
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	14,531	14,531	159	14,690
Other comprehensive income								
Exchange difference on translation of				(1.000)		(1.000)		(1,089)
financial statements of foreign operation				(1,089)		(1,089)		(1,089)
Total comprehensive income for the period	_	_	_	(1,089)	14,531	13,442	159	13,601
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Transfer to statutory reserves	_	-	1,942	-	(1,942)	_	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2012	30,860	419,537	10,210	2,060	(200,679)	261,988	2,817	264,805
Balance at 1 July 2011	30,860	419,537	8,268	2,728	(184,004)	277,389	1,958	279,347
Loss for the period	-	-	-	-	(4,735)	(4,735)	(25)	(4,760)
Other comprehensive income Exchange difference on translation of								
financial statements of foreign operation	_	_	_	1,260	_	1,260	(131)	1,129
imanetal statements of foreign operation				1,200		1,200	(131)	1,127
Total comprehensive income for the period	_	_	_	1,260	(4,735)	(3,475)	(156)	(3,631)
Transfer to statutory reserves	<u> </u>		(321)	_	321			_
Balance at 31 December 2011	30,860	419,537	7,947	3,988	(188,418)	273,914	1,802	275,716

<sup>\*</sup> These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of approximately RMB231,128,000 (30 June 2012: RMB217,686,000) in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position.

Notes:

#### 1. General information

Combest Holdings Limited (the "Company") is incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law, Cap 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands on 28 August 2001 and its shares are listed on the Growth Enterprise Market (the "GEM") of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "SEHK").

#### 2. Basis of presentation

The unaudited condensed consolidated results incorporate those of the Company and its subsidiaries for the six months ended 31 December 2012.

The unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Group have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standard ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and the applicable disclosure requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the GEM of the SEHK (the "GEM Listing Rules").

The principal accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of this set of report are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2012.

The Group has adopted a number of new and revised standards, amendments and interpretations which are effective for the Group's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2012. The adoption of these new and revised standards, amendments and interpretations does not have significant impact on the accounting policies of the Group.

All significant inter-company transactions and balances within the Group are eliminated in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements.

The results of the Company are presented in Renminbi ("RMB"), which is different from the functional currency of the Company, Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), as the Directors consider that RMB is the most appropriate presentation currency in view of the most of the underlying transactions of the Group are denominated in RMB.

#### 3. Revenue, other income and gains

Revenue, which is also the Group's turnover, represents the net invoiced value of goods sold, after allowances for return and trade discounts, where applicable. Analysis of the Group's revenue and other income is shown as follows:

	For the six months ended 31 December		
	2012	2011	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Revenue			
Sales of goods	70,613	69,812	
Other income			
Interest income	31	25	
Sales of scrap materials	_	62	
Sundry income		9	
	31	96	

#### 4. Segment information

The executive directors have identified the Group's two product lines as reportable segments:

- (a) Functional healthcare bedroom products includes mattresses, magnetic chairs, pillows, blankets, other bedroom accessories and a range of functional healthcare clothes and accessories; and
- (b) OEM consumer electronic products include RS connectors, transmitters for consumer electronic products.

There were no inter-segment sales and transfers during the Period (corresponding periods in 2011: Nil).

#### Unaudited six months ended 31 December

	Functional healthcare bedroom products			onsumer c products	Total		
	2012	2011			2011		
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Revenue							
- From external customers							
Reportable segment revenue	61,864	60,468	8,749	9,344	70,613	69,812	
Reportable segment profit/(loss)	18,903	(269)	252	245	10.254	(122)	
Reportable segment pront/(loss)	10,905	(368)	353	245	19,256	(123)	
Depreciation	566	1,800	_	_	566	1,800	
Amortization of intangible assets	3,932	3,934			3,932	3,934	
	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June	
	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	
Reportable segment assets	300,750	309,164	6,295	6,999	307,045	316,163	
Additions to non-current segment							
assets during the period	-	666	_	50	_	716	
Reportable segment liabilities	26,708	42,117	1,339	2,884	28,047	45,001	

The total represented for the Group's operation segments reconcile to the Group's key financial figures as presented in the financial statements as follows:

	Unaudited six mo	
	2012	2011
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Reportable segment profit/(loss)	19,256	(123)
Unallocated income	11	25
Unallocated expenses	(2,434)	(4,860)
Profit/(loss) before income tax	16,833	(4,958)

	31 December	30 June
	2012	2012
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Reportable segment assets	307,045	316,163
Other corporate assets	30,705	27,109
	227.770	2.42.252
Group assets	337,750	343,272
Reportable segment liabilities	28,047	45,001
Taxes payables	1,627	542
Deferred tax liabilities	41,124	42,107
Other corporate liabilities	2,147	4,418
Group liabilities	72,945	92,068

The Group's revenue from external customers and its non-current assets (other than financial instruments and deferred tax assets) are divided into the following geographical areas:

	Revenu	e from		
	external o	Non-current assets		
	31 Dec	ember	31 December	30 June
	2012	2011	2012	2012
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB '000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Principal markets				
The PRC	62,234	60,782	221,749	226,154
Hong Kong	1,344	2,100	_	_
Taiwan	1,175	1,966	_	_
Europe	5,860	4,820	_	_
Others		144		
	70,613	69,812	221,749	226,154

The geographical location of customers is based on the location at which the goods were delivered. The geographical location of non-current assets is based on the physical location of the assets. The Company is an investment holding company where the Group has majority of its operation and workforce in the PRC, and therefore, the PRC is considered as the Group's country of domicile for the purpose of the disclosures as required by HKFRS 8 "Operating Segments".

#### 5. Profit/(Loss) before income tax

The Group's profit/(loss) before income tax is arrived at after charging:

	Unaudited Six months ended 31 December		
	2012	2011	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Cost of inventories sold/services provided	43,062	51,073	
Depreciation	566	1,800	
Amortization of intangible assets	3,932	3,934	
Staff costs (including directors' remuneration and			
retirement scheme contribution)	7,372	9,711	

#### 6. Income tax expense/(credit)

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the tax rate of 16.5% on the estimated assessable profit for the six months ended 31 December 2012 and 2011. Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the jurisdictions in which the Group operates, based on existing legislation, interpretations and practices in respect thereof.

An analysis of the Group's income tax expense/(credit) for the six months ended 31 December 2012 and 2011 is as follows:

	Unaudit	Unaudited	
	Six months	ended	
	31 Decem	ber	
	2012	2011	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
PRC income tax	3,126	785	
Deferred tax	(983)	(983)	
	2,143	(198)	

#### 7. Interim dividends

The Board did not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 31 December 2012 (corresponding period in 2011: Nil).

#### 8. Earnings/(Loss) per share

#### Basic

The calculation of basic earnings/(loss) per share is based on the profit for the three months and six months ended 31 December 2012 of approximately RMB9,866,000 and RMB14,531,000 respectively (loss for the three months and six months ended 31 December 2011: RMB6,066,000 and RMB4,735,000 respectively) and the weighted average of the 3,201,500,000 ordinary shares in issue during the three months and six months ended 31 December 2012 (three months and six months ended 31 December 2011: the weighted average of the 3,201,500,000 ordinary shares).

#### Diluted

No diluted earnings/(loss) per share are presented for the three months and six months ended 31 December 2012 and 2011 as there is no dilutive ordinary share.

#### 9. Property, plant and equipment

During the six months ended 31 December 2012, the Group has approximately RMB5,091,000 plant and machinery on hand (as at 30 June 2012: RMB5,563,000).

#### 10. Intangible assets

	Brand names RMB'000	Franchise networks RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Balance at 1 July 2012 Amortisation	121,140	47,289 (3,932)	168,429 (3,932)
At 31 December 2012	121,140	43,357	164,497

#### 11. Goodwill

	31 December	30 June
	2012	2012
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Opening net carrying amount	52,162	61,788
Impairment loss		(9,626)
Closing net carrying amount	52,162	52,162

#### 12. Inventories

	31 December	30 June
	2012	2012
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Raw materials	8,642	9,851
Work in progress	27,856	19,707
Finished goods	19,269	12,932
	55,767	42,490

#### 13. Trade receivables

The credit period is generally for a period of one to three months, extending up to three to six months for major customers. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by the management.

An aging analysis of the trade receivables as at the respective reporting date, based on invoice dates and net of provision, are as follows:

	31 December	30 June
	2012	2012
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Within one month	2,334	135
One to three months	426	1,160
Three months to one year	402	384
Over one year	34	42
	3,196	1,721

#### 14. Trade payables

An aging analysis of the trade payables, based on invoice dates, is as follows:

	31 December 2012	30 June 2012
	<i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	RMB'000 (Audited)
	(Chauditeu)	(Mariea)
Within one month	6,798	2,484
One to three months	2,719	1,027
Three months to one year	4,540	1,715
Over one year	134	134
15. Due from/(to) a related party	14,191	5,360
	31 December 2012	30 June 2012
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
揭東康保磁科技有限公司("揭東康保")	152	(1,870)

揭東康保 is a company indirectly wholly owned by Mr. Wang Linjia, a substantial shareholder of the Company and Mr. Yong Kee Poh becomes a common director of the Company and 揭東康保 at 11 April 2012. The amounts due are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand. The maximum balance of amount due to 揭東康保 is approximately RMB152,000.

#### 16. Share capital

	2012		2011	
	Number of		Number of	
	shares		shares	
	'000	RMB'000	'000	RMB'000
Authorised: Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each	20,000,000	210,000	20,000,000	210,000
Issued and fully paid: Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each	3,201,500	30,860	3,201,500	30,860

#### 17. Share option scheme

The share option scheme of the Company ("Post-IPO Scheme") was approved and adopted on 24 January 2002. The principal purpose of the Post-IPO Scheme is to enable the Company to grant options to selected persons as incentives and rewards for their contribution to the Group. The Post IPO Scheme is expired. No option has been granted or agreed to be granted under the Post-IPO Scheme.

#### 18. Related party transactions

(a) In addition to the transactions detailed elsewhere in these financial statements, the Group had the following transactions with related parties during the period:

	Unaudited	
	Six months ended	
	31 December	
	2012	2011
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Purchase of raw material from a related company	8,379	7,298

#### Note:

The purchases were made from 揭東康保 which is indirectly wholly-owned by Mr. Wang Linjia, a substantial shareholder of the Company and Mr. Yong Kee Poh becomes a common director of the Company and 揭東康保 on 11 April 2012.

(b) Compensation of key management personnel

	Unaudited Six months ended 31 December	
	2012	2011
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Total remuneration of directors and other members of		
key management during the Period		
<ul> <li>short-term employee benefits</li> </ul>	1,641	2,697

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

For the six months ended 31 December 2012, the Group recorded a revenue of RMB70,613,000 representing an increase of 1.1% as compared to the corresponding period in 2011.

The Group's profit margin increased to approximately 39% for the six months ended 31 December 2012 as compared to approximately 26.8% for the previous corresponding period. The increase is due to, amongst other things, the success of cost saving programs and the new products launched.

#### Profit/(Loss) attributable to owners of the Company

The unaudited profit attributable to owners of the Company for the six months ended 31 December 2012 amounting to RMB14,531,000, as compared to the loss of RMB4,735,000 for the previous corresponding period. The increase is due to, amongst other things, decrease of the burden of renovation expenses and rental costs after the shutdown of the approximately 40 Customer Service Centres ("CSC").

#### Liquidity and financial resources

We generally finance our operations by our operating cash flow and internal resources. As at 31 December 2012, we had cash and bank balances amounting to a total of approximately RMB30,705,000 (30 June 2012: RMB27,109,000) and we had net current assets of approximately RMB84,574,000 (30 June 2012: RMB67,552,000).

Based on these resources, we are confident that we have adequate financial resources for our operations.

#### Charge on the Group's assets

As at 31 December 2012, no assets have been pledged to financial institutions for banking facilities granted to the Group (30 June 2012: Nil).

#### Gearing ratio

As at 31 December 2012, our gearing ratio as a percentage for amount due to a shareholder and related party over net assets was nil (30 June 2012: 0.7%).

#### Treasury policies and capital structure

Any surplus fund derived from operating activities will be strategically placed in savings account and short term time deposits with original maturity of less than three months which secures the Group's liquidity position in meeting its daily operating needs.

#### Exposure to exchange rate risks

For the six months ended 31 December 2012, the Group's business in manufacturing and trading of functional healthcare bedroom products and electronic products and other borrowings were transacted in HK\$, US dollar and RMB. The Directors consider that the Group did not have significant exposure to foreign exchange fluctuation as the management monitors the related foreign currency closely and will consider hedging significant foreign currency exposure.

#### **Contingent liabilities**

As at 31 December 2012, we did not have any significant contingent liabilities (30 June 2012: Nil).

#### Details of future plans for material investment or capital assets

The Group does not have any plan for material investment or capital assets.

#### **Employee and remuneration policies**

It is our policy to remunerate and appraise our employee on the basis of performance, experience, Group's performance and the prevailing industry practice.

To maintain our service standard and for staff development, we provide comprehensive training programs for our staff.

#### RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

As at 31 December 2012, we have a team of 8 professional technical staff engaged in research and development activities (31 December 2011: 8 technical staff).

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

We are currently principally engaged in two business segments, namely (i) manufacturing and trading of functional healthcare bedroom and household products, and (ii) manufacturing and trading of OEM consumer electronic products and components. As at the date of this announcement, the Group restructures the Customer Service Centres ("CSC") programme. We have shutdown approximately 40 self-managed CSCs in various cities in China that could not effectively benefit the Group. After the restructuring, the Group kept approximately 10 self-managed CSCs that could enhance the Combest brand awareness in the marketplace and support franchisees in growing their business volume. Ongoing training and product education of our independent franchisees and our CSC staff are also carried out there.

#### **BUSINESS OUTLOOK**

Despite the difficult business environment encountered in the last financial year due to the continuing slowdown of the domestic economy, the Board still has reasonable confidence in the medium to long term booming consumer health-care market in China. Reason being aging population, continues awareness of healthy lifestyle and never ending high medical cost in future.

To strengthening our presence in the PRC market, we will continue to expand our franchise stores in order to increase our overall market share in this unique magnetic healthcare products market. It has always been one of the focuses of the Company to enhance the Combest brand image and hence, we are exploring setting up personal healthcare retail shops to target the mid to higher end market segments.

For further expansion, given the uniqueness of our magnetic healthcare products, the Board intends to expand into overseas markets, especially into other ASEAN countries, Middle-East and eastern Europe by way of franchising and agency model. In the long run, the Board hopes to achieve a well balance of business volume between China and overseas segment.

Apart from expanding markets, we will also continue to commit our resources and efforts in product innovation and magnetic healthcare treatment technology. This is to ensure us to stay at market leader and there will always be a steady stream of supply of competitive and attractive products to be launched every year to the markets.

The Board believes that with the right products, right sales channels, committed franchisees and diversified markets both domestic and overseas, the Group is well positioned to regain its momentum to achieve new height in the near term.

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ANY ASSOCIATED CORPORATION

As at 31 December 2012, none of the Directors or their respective associates had any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporation (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which would have required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provision of the SFO) or which were required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the required standards of dealings by Directors of the Company.

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITION IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

#### A. Substantial shareholders

So far as is known to the Directors, as at 31 December 2012, the persons, other than a director or chief executive of the Company, who had an interest or short position in the shares and underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO and who were, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the shares were as follows:

			Approximate
			percentage to
			the issued
	Number and		share capital
	class of		of the
Name	securities	Capacity	Company
Dream Star International Limited	474,285,714	Beneficial owner	14.81%
("Dream Star") (Note 1)	ordinary shares		
	200 000 000	D ("	0.25%
Famous Kindway Limited	299,980,000	Beneficial owner	9.37%
("Famous Kindway") (Note 1)	ordinary shares		

Name	Number and class of securities	Capacity	the issued share capital of the Company
Kiyuhon Limited ("Kiyuhon") (Note 1)	103,630,000	Beneficial owner	3.24%
	774,265,714	Interest of controlled corporation	24.18%
Mr. Wang Linjia ("Mr. Wang") (Note 1)	877,895,714 ordinary shares	Interest of controlled corporation	27.42%
Shing Lee Holding Limited ("Shing Lee") (Note 2)	650,000,000 ordinary shares	Beneficial owner	20.30%
Diamond Highway Limited ("Diamond Highway") (Note 2)	39,714,286 ordinary shares	Beneficial owner	1.24%
Mr. Zeng Pei Hui ("Mr. Zeng") (Note 2)	689,714,286 ordinary shares	Interest of controlled corporation	21.54%

Approximate percentage to

#### Notes:

- 1. The 474,285,714, 299,980,000 and 103,630,000 shares are registered in the name of Dream Star, Famous Kindway and Kiyuhon respectively which are wholly owned by Mr. Wang. Accordingly, Mr. Wang is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which Dream Star, Famous Kindway and Kiyuhon are interested pursuant to the SFO.
- 2. The 650,000,000 and 39,714,286 shares are registered in the name of Shing Lee Holding Limited ("Shing Lee") and Diamond Highway Limited (the "Diamond Highway") respectively. Shing Lee and Diamond Highway are wholly owned by Mr. Zeng. Accordingly, Mr. Zeng is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which each of Shing Lee and Diamond Highway is interested pursuant to the SFO.

# B. Other persons whose interests are recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO

As at 31 December 2012, the Company has not been notified of any other person (other than a director or the chief executive of the Company) having an interest or short position in the shares or the underlying shares of Company representing 5% or more of the issued share capital of the Company save as below:

			Approximately percentage to
			the issued share capital
	Number and		of the
Name	class of securities	Capacity	Company
	(Note 1)		
Cytech Investment Limited	164,500,000	Beneficial owner	5.14%
("Cytech Investment") (Note 3)	ordinary shares		
Benep Management Limited ("Benep")	164,500,000	Interest of controlled	5.14%
(Note 3)	ordinary shares	corporation	
Chinasing (Note 3)	164,500,000	Interest of controlled	5.14%
	ordinary shares	corporation	
Pioneer Idea Finance Limited ("Pioneer")	164,500,000	Interest of controlled	5.14%
(Note 4)	ordinary shares	corporation	
Mr. Huang Quan	164,500,000	Interest of controlled	5.14%
("Mr. Huang") (Note 4)	ordinary shares	corporation	
Treasure Focus Enterprises Limited	218,000,000	Beneficial owner	6.81%
("Treasure") (Note 5)	ordinary shares		
Mr. Wang Weijun ("Mr. Wang WJ")	218,000,000	Interest of controlled	6.81%
(Note 5)	ordinary shares	corporation	

the issued share capital Number and of the Name class of securities **Capacity** Company (*Note 1*) Beneficial owner Mr. Li Jiahui 243,360,000 7.60% ordinary shares Brow Crown International Limited Beneficial owner 194,000,000 6.06% ("Brow Crown") (Note 2) ordinary shares Mr. Qian Shiyu ("Mr. Qian") (Note 2) 196,000,000 Interest of controlled 6.12% ordinary shares corporation

Approximately percentage to

#### Notes:

- 1. It represents the interests in the shares or the underlying shares of the Company.
- 2. The 194,000,000 shares are registered in the name of Brow Crown, which is wholly owned by Mr. Qian. Accordingly, Mr. Qian is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which Brow Crown is interested pursuant to the SFO.
- 3. The 164,500,000 shares are registered in the name of Cytech Investment. Cytech Investment is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Benep, which is in turn a wholly-owned subsidiary of Chinasing, a company whose shares are listed on the Main Board of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited. Accordingly, each of Chinasing and Benep is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which Cytech Investment is interested pursuant to the SFO.
- 4. The issued share capital of Chinasing is owned as to approximately 57.77% by Pioneer. The issued share capitals of Pioneer are wholly-owned by Mr. Huang. Accordingly, each of Pioneer and Mr. Huang is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which Chinasing is interested pursuant to the SFO.
- 5. The 218,000,000 shares are registered in the name of Treasure, which is wholly owned by Mr. Wang WJ. Accordingly, Mr. Wang WJ is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which Treasure is interested pursuant to the SFO.

#### **BOARD PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES**

The Company has complied with Board Practices and Procedures as set out in Rule 5.34 of the GEM Listing Rules for the six months ended 31 December 2012.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

For the six months ended 31 December 2012, the Company complied with the provisions set out in Appendix 15 of the Code on Corporate Governance Practice of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the GEM ("GEM Listing Rules") of the Stock Exchange, save as the following deviation.

#### **Chairman and Chief Executive Officer**

The Company has not yet adopted A.2.1. Under the code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code, the roles of Chairman and CEO should be separated and would not be performed by the same individual. The division of responsibilities between the Chairman and CEO should be clearly established and set out in writing.

The Company does not presently have any officer with the title CEO. At present, Mr. Yong Kee Poh, being the Chairman and Chief Executive Director of the Company, is responsible for the strategic planning, formulation of overall corporate development policy and running the business of the Group as well as the duties of Chairman. The Board considers that, due to the nature and extent of the Group's operations, Mr. Yong is the most appropriate chief executive because he is experienced in management as well as mergers and acquisitions and other key corporate matters and will be able to help the sustainable development of the Group. Notwithstanding the above, the Board will review the current structure from time to time. When at the appropriate time and if candidate with suitable leadership, knowledge, skills and experience can be identified within or outside the Group, the Company may make the necessary amendments.

#### **Code Provision A.6.7**

This code provision stipulated that independent non-executive directors and other non-executive directors should attend general meetings and develop a balanced understanding of the views of shareholders. All independent non-executive directors and other non-executive directors of the Company was present from the last annual general meeting and extraordinary general meeting of the Company held on 13 November 2012.

## CODE OF CONDUCT REGARDING SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted a Code of Conduct for Securities Transactions by directors of the Company ("Code of Conduct") on terms no less exacting than the required standard of dealings as set out in Rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules. Having made specific enquiry, all the directors have confirmed that they have complied with such Code of Conduct regarding securities transaction by the directors throughout the six months ended 31 December 2012.

Specific employees who are likely to be possession of unpublished price-sensitive information of the Group are also subject to compliance with the same Code of Conduct. No incident of non-compliance was noted by the Company for the six months ended 31 December 2012.

#### **COMPETING BUSINESS**

None of the Directors or the management shareholders of the Company (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) has an interest in a business which competes or may compete with the business of the Group.

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 31 December 2012.

The share option scheme of the Company ("Post-IPO Scheme") was approved and adopted on 24 January 2002. The principal purpose of the Post-IPO Scheme is to enable the Company to grant options to selected persons as incentives and rewards for their contribution to the Group. The Post IPO Scheme is expired. No option has been granted or agreed to be granted under the Post-IPO Scheme.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

As required by Rules 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules, the Company has established an audit committee which comprises four numbers, three independent non-executive directors, Mr. Chan Ngai Sang, Kenny, Mr. Nguyen Van Tu Peter and Mr. Liu Wei Zhong and one non-executive Director, Mr. Chan Kin Sang. Mr. Chan Ngai Sang, Kenny was appointed as the Chairman of the audit committee. The audit committee meets with the Group's senior management and external auditors to review the effectiveness of the internal control systems. This announcement has been reviewed and approved by the audit committee of the Company which was of the opinion that the preparation of such results complied with applicable accounting standards and the requirements and that adequate disclosures have been made.

By Order of the Board

Combest Holdings Limited

Yong Kee Poh

Chairman

Hong Kong, 31 January 2013

As at the date of this announcement, the Board is composed of Mr. Yong Kee Poh and Mr. Lee Man To as the executive directors of the Company, Mr. Chan Kin Sang as non-executive Director, and Mr. Chan Ngai Sang, Kenny, Mr. Nguyen Van Tu Peter and Mr. Liu Wei Zhong as an independent non-executive directors.

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