

## NOTICE\_OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual General Meeting of shareholders of the Company will be held at Victoriana Room, 4/F, Furama Hotel, One Connaught Road, Central, Hong Kong on 20th April 2001 (Friday) at 10:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the audited consolidated financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended 31st December 2000;
2. To declare a final dividend for the year ended 31st December 2000;
3. To re-elect directors and authorise the board of directors to fix their remuneration;
4. To re-appoint auditors and authorise the board of directors to fix their remuneration;
5. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

**“THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue or otherwise deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company, and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorise the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a), otherwise than pursuant to (aa) Rights Issue; or (bb) the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any warrants or other securities issued by the Company carrying a right to subscribe for or purchase shares of the Company; or (cc) the exercise of any option under any share option scheme of the Company adopted by its shareholders for the grant or issue to employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of options to subscribe for or rights to acquire shares of the Company; or (dd) any scrip dividend or other similar scheme implemented in accordance with the Articles of Association of the

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Company, shall not exceed 20% of the total aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of the passing this Resolution and the said approval be limited accordingly; and

- (d) for the purpose of this Resolution, “Relevant Period” means the period from the date of the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable law or the Articles of Association of the Company to be held; and
  - (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting.”

“Rights Issue” means an offer of shares or other securities open for a period fixed by the directors of the Company to holders of shares on the Register of Members of the Company on a fixed recorded date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements the directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements of having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong).

6. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

**“THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to purchase shares of HK\$0.10 each in the capital of the Company be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of the shares to be purchased pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue on the date of the passing of this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

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- (c) for the purpose of this Resolution, “Relevant Period” means the period from the date of the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable law or the Articles of Association of the Company to be held; and
  - (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting.”
7. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

“**THAT** the general mandate referred to in Resolution No.5 above be and is hereby extended by the addition to the aggregate nominal amount of share capital which may be allotted and issued or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted and issued by the directors of the Company pursuant to such general mandate of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of share capital of the Company purchased by the Company since the granting of the general mandate referred to in Resolution No.6 above and pursuant to the exercise by the directors of the powers of the Company to purchase such shares provided that such extended amount shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue on the date of the passing of this Resolution.”

By order of the Board

**Poon Fuk Chuen**

*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 12th March 2001

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*Notes:*

- (i) A member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies (who must be an individual or individuals) to attend and vote instead of him. A proxy does not need to be a member of the Company.
- (ii) The instrument appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy of such power of attorney of authority, must be lodged with the Company's share registrar, Abacus Share Registrars Limited, at Room 2401 Prince's Building, Central, Hong Kong for registration not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting and any adjourned meeting.
- (iii) The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th April 2001 to 12th April 2001, both days inclusive, during which no transfer of shares can be registered. To qualify for the final dividend (which will be payable on or about 8th May 2001) to be approved at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, shareholders must ensure that all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's share registrar, Abacus Share Registrars Limited at Room 2401 Prince's Building, Central, Hong Kong for registration no later than 4:00 p.m. on 6th April 2001.
- (iv) Shareholders are recommended to read the Appendix-Explanatory Statement to the Annual Report which contains important information concerning the ordinary resolution set out in No. 6 in the above notice.