Balance Sheets

AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2000 (Prepared under PRC Accounting Regulations)

		Group		Company	
		2000	1999	2000	1999
		New	Chemical	New	Chemical
		Business	Business	Business	Business
	Notes	(note 1)	(note 1)	(note 1)	(note 1)
		Rmb′000	Rmb'000	Rmb′000	Rmb′000
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash and bank balances	4	51,839	200,120	51,839	5,632
Short term investments		_	9,948	_	_
Bills receivable		_	56,263	_	_
Accounts receivable	5	11,890	762,351	11,890	_
Other receivables		433	355,386	433	42,625
Less: Provision for bad debts		_	(219,767)	_	_
Net accounts receivables and					
other receivables		12,323	897,970	12,323	42,625
Short-term loans receivables		_	372,418	_	279,709
Less: Provision for bad debts		_	(32,397)	_	(10,875)
Net short-term loans receivable		_	340,021	_	268,834
Prepayment to suppliers		164	159,501	164	3,433
Deferred expenses		_	6,183	_	247
Inventories	6	2,854	357,142	2,854	_
Less: Provision for losses on					
realisation of inventories		_	(13,285)	_	_
Inventories - net book value		2,854	343,857	2,854	
Total current assets		67,180	2,013,863	67,180	320,771

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	Notes	(note 1)	(note 1)	(note 1)	(note 1)
		Rmb′000	Rmb'000	Rmb′000	Rmb′000
LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS					
Long-term equity investments		_	176,064	_	1,409,173
Long-term debt investments		_	1,393	_	_
Total long-term investments		_	177,457	_	1,409,173
Less: Provision for permanent					
diminution in value		_	(26,052)	_	(11,340)
Long-term investments					
- net book value		_	151,405	_	1,397,833
FIXED ASSETS					
Fixed assets - cost		1,091,591	4,830,122	1,091,591	44,484
Less: Accumulated depreciation		(376,481)	(1,481,410)	(376,481)	(5,470)
Fixed assets - net book value	7	715,110	3,348,712	715,110	39,014
Construction materials		_	65,001	_	_
Construction in progress		_	1,202,520	_	_
Total fixed assets		715,110	4,616,233	715,110	39,014
INTANGIBLE AND OTHER ASSETS					
Intangible assets	8	637,244	55,494	637,244	34,127
Long-term loans receivable		<u> </u>	123,465		, _
Total intangible and other assets		637,244	178,959	637,244	34,127
DEFERRED TAXES					
Deferred tax asset		_	3,582	_	_
TOTAL ASSETS		1,419,534	6,964,042	1,419,534	1,791,745

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		Rmb′000	Rmb'000	Rmb′000	Rmb'00
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER:	S'				
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Short-term loans			214,342		46,76
Bills payable			10,200	_	40,70
Accounts payable		1,139	925,524	 1,139	_
Advances from customers		1,132	42,704	1,132	_
Welfare payable		1,63 2	14,189	 1,632	5
Taxes payable	9	4,350	66,279	4,350	5,86
Other accruals	9	4,330 80	34,754	4,330	3,00
Other payables		4,879	580,882	4,879	175,82
Accrued expenses		800	25,822	800	173,82
Long-term liabilities payable		800	23,022	800	10,74
within one year		_	796,801	_	82,79
Total current liabilities		12,880	2,711,497	12,880	322,03
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES					
Long-term loans		_	2,728,670	_	166,18
Long-term payables		_	297,423	_	-
Total long-term liabilities		_	3,026,093	_	166,18
Total liabilities		12,880	5,737,590	12,880	488,22
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Share capital	10	1,330,000	1,330,000	1,330,000	1,330,00
Capital reserve fund	11	69,289	681,327	69,289	681,32
General reserves		1,104	106,468	1,104	106,46
Including:					
Statutory common reserve	11	736	51,016	736	51,01
Statutory provident fund	11	368	55,452	368	55,45
Undistributed profit/					
(accumulated losses)		6,261	(891,343)	6,261	(814,27
Total shareholders' equity		1,406,654	1,226,452	1,406,654	1,303,52
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND					

The accompanying notes set out on pages 57 to 90 form an integral part of these accounts.

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