# Notice of Annual General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual general meeting of the Company will be held at the Coral Room 1, 3rd Floor, Furama Hotel Hong Kong, One Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong on Tuesday, August 28, 2001 at 2:30 p.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the audited financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended March 31, 2001.
- 2. To declare a final dividend for the year ended March 31, 2001.
- 3. To re-elect directors and fix the remuneration of directors.
- 4. To appoint auditors and authorise the directors to fix their remuneration.
- 5. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions of the Company with or without modifications:
  - (1) "THAT the authorised share capital of the Company be and is hereby increased from HK\$250,000,000 and US\$1,000 divided into 2,500,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each and 10,000 ordinary shares of US\$0.10 each respectively to HK\$350,000,000 and US\$1,000 divided into 3,500,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each and 10,000 ordinary shares of US\$0.10 each respectively by the creation of 1,000,000,000 additional ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each, such new shares to rank pari passu in all respects with the existing shares in the capital of the Company."

## (2) "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) of this resolution, the exercise by the directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements, options and warrants carrying the right to subscribe for shares, which would or might require the exercise of such powers, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution shall authorise the directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements, options and warrants carrying the right to subscribe for shares, which would or might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); or (ii) any Share Option Scheme (as hereinafter defined) of the Company; or (iii) any scrip dividend or other similar arrangement providing for the allotment of shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on shares of the Company in accordance with the Bye-laws of the Company, shall not exceed the sum of 20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and



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- (d) for the purposes of this resolution, "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier 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 its Bye-laws or any applicable laws of Bermuda to be held; and
  - (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting; and

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the directors to holders of shares of the Company thereof on its register of members on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of any relevant jurisdiction or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in any territory outside Hong Kong); and

"Share Option Scheme" means a share option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being, as varied from time to time, adopted for the grant or issue to executive directors and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries of rights to acquire shares of the Company."

## (3) "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) of this resolution, the exercise by the directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to purchase issued shares in the capital of the Company subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company to be purchased or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be purchased by the directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution, "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier 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 its Bye-laws or any applicable laws of Bermuda to be held;
  and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."
- "THAT the exercise by the directors of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company in accordance with the general mandate granted pursuant to resolution numbered 5(2) set out in the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of shares of the Company purchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to resolution numbered 5(3) set out in the notice convening this meeting provided that such amount shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this resolution."
- 6. To transact any other business.

By order of the board of directors **Leung Wai Yee** *Company Secretary* 

Hong Kong June 26, 2001

### Notes:

- (i) The register of members of the Company will be closed from August 24, 2001 to August 28, 2001, both days inclusive, during which period no share transfers will be effected. To qualify for the proposed final dividend, all share transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong share registrar, Secretaries Limited, at 5th Floor, Wing On Centre, 111 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:00 p.m. on August 23, 2001.
- (ii) A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- (iii) To be valid, 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 thereof shall be deposited at the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong at Block C, 9/F., Kaiser Estate, 41 Man Yue Street, Hunghom, Kowloon, Hong Kong not less than forty-eight hours before the time for holding the annual general meeting or any adjourned meeting thereof.
- (iv) Resolutions numbered 5(2), 5(3) and 5(4) set out in the notice convening this meeting are the renewal of the present general mandates given by shareholders to the directors which will expire at the forthcoming annual general meeting. An explanatory statement giving further details of the repurchase mandate will be sent to shareholders together with the Company's 2001 annual report.



