

CLOSURE OF REGISTER FOR ENTITLEMENT TO INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Register of Members and Warrantholders of the Company will be closed on 12 October 2001, on that date no share transfers will be registered. To qualify for the above dividend, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates and in the case of Warrantholders, all subscription forms accompanied by the appropriate subscription payments and the relevant warrant certificates, must be lodged for registration with the Company's Registrar, Standard Registrars Limited of 5th Floor, Wing On Centre, 111 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on 11 October 2001.