

Audit committee

The Company established an audit committee on 9 July 2001 with written terms of reference in compliance with the Code of Best Practice as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules. The primary duties of the audit committee are to review and supervise the financial reporting process and internal control system of the Group.

The interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2001 have not been audited, but have been reviewed by the Company's auditors, Ernst & Young. The interim report has been reviewed by the Company's audit committee.

Code of Best Practice

None of the Directors is aware of information that would reasonably indicate that the Company is not, or was not, since the listing of the Company's shares on the Stock Exchange on 26 July 2001, in compliance with the Code of Best Practice as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules.

On behalf of the Board

Lam Yat Sing

Chairman

Hong Kong, 27 September 2001