

CODE OF BEST PRACTICE

None of the directors is aware of information that would reasonably indicate that the Company is not, or was not for any part of the six months ended 30 June 2001, in compliance with the Code of Best Practice set out in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited except that the independent non-executive directors are not appointed for a specific term but subject to retirement by rotation at Annual General Meeting of the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Company's Bye-laws.

By Order of the Board
Dr Yang Ding-Yuan
Chairman

Hong Kong, 27 September 2001