

# Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

Year ended 30 September 2001

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2001</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2000 HK\$'000
<b>NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<i>30(a)</i>	<b>137,996</b>	89,108
<b>RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE</b>			
Interest received		<b>11,824</b>	18,101
Interest paid		<b>(25,205)</b>	(14,863)
Interest element on finance lease and hire purchase rental payments		<b>(331)</b>	(44)
Factoring expenses		<b>(5,778)</b>	(5,522)
Bank charges		<b>(6,290)</b>	(7,131)
Dividends paid		<b>(61,760)</b>	(60,073)
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance		<b>(87,540)</b>	(69,532)
<b>TAX</b>			
Hong Kong profits tax paid		<b>(1,203)</b>	(364)
Taxes paid elsewhere		<b>(3,714)</b>	(143)
Taxes paid		<b>(4,917)</b>	(507)
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Purchases of fixed assets		<b>(80,112)</b>	(20,853)
Purchases of investment properties		<b>(28,787)</b>	–
Purchases of short term investments		<b>(23,452)</b>	–
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets		<b>2,892</b>	302
Capital contribution to jointly-controlled entities		–	(10,825)
Decrease/(increase) in amounts due from jointly-controlled entities		<b>(10,182)</b>	223
Decrease in amounts due to jointly-controlled entities		<b>(2,271)</b>	(10,795)
Decrease in amounts due from associates		<b>1,401</b>	–
Decrease in amounts due to associates		<b>(2,780)</b>	(93)
Acquisition of subsidiaries	<i>30(c)</i>	<b>16,441</b>	(63,438)
Decrease in time deposits		–	80,240
Proceeds from disposal of a long term investment		<b>2,200</b>	–
Acquisition of minority interests in a subsidiary		<b>(2,007)</b>	–
Net cash outflow from investing activities		<b>(126,657)</b>	(25,239)

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	<i>Note</i>	<b>2001</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2000 HK\$'000
<b>NET CASH OUTFLOW BEFORE FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		<b>(81,118)</b>	(6,170)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<i>30(b)</i>		
New bank loans		<b>292,264</b>	–
Repayment of bank loans		<b>(230,238)</b>	(2,477)
Repayment of other loans		<b>(3,509)</b>	(2,197)
Repurchase of shares		<b>(564)</b>	(27,177)
Capital element of finance lease and hire purchase rental payments		<b>(698)</b>	(189)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		<b>57,255</b>	(32,040)
<b>DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		<b>(23,863)</b>	(38,210)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		<b>258,288</b>	295,029
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net		<b>1,106</b>	1,469
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR</b>		<b>235,531</b>	258,288
<b>ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash and bank balances		<b>153,795</b>	99,528
Time deposits with original maturity of less than three months when acquired		<b>118,811</b>	163,565
Bank overdrafts		<b>(1,086)</b>	(4,805)
Trust receipt loans		<b>(35,989)</b>	–
		<b>235,531</b>	258,288