

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Directors are of the opinion that the Company has been in compliance with the Code of Best Practice as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") (the "Listing Rules") during the six months ended 30 June 2002, except for Guideline 7 that Independent non-executive directors of the Company are not appointed for a specific term as they are subject to retirement by rotation and reelection at the Company's annual general meeting in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association.