EMPLOYEES, PENSION PLANS AND WELFARE FUND

At of June 30, 2002, there were approximately 68,000 employees in the Company. The remuneration package of the Company's employees includes salary, bonuses and allowances. Employees also receive welfare benefits including medical care, housing subsidies, child care and education, retirement and other miscellaneous items.

In accordance with applicable PRC regulations, the Company currently participates in pension contribution plans organized by provincial and municipal governments, under which each of the Company's plants is required to contribute an amount equal to a specified percentage of the sum of its employees' salaries, bonuses and various allowances. The amount of contribution as a percentage of the employees' salary varies from plant to plant, ranging from 18.0% to 22.9%, depending in part on the location of the plant and the average age of the employees. The Company also contributes to a welfare fund for its employees. The contributions of the Company to this fund are made at rates ranging from 5% to 10% of our after-tax profit. As of June 30, 2002, the Company had not paid discretionary retirement benefits to its employees.