Interim Report 2002



Wah Flam International Holdings Limited

## **UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS**

The Board of Directors (the "Directors") of Wah Nam International Holdings Limited (the "Company") announce the unaudited proforma combined financial statements of the Company, its subsidiary (the "Group") and the infrastructure joint ventures for the six months ended 30 June 2002, together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2001 as follows:

# CONDENSED PROFORMA COMBINED INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2002

#### Six months ended 30 June

	NOTES	2002 (Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000	2001 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000
Gross income from toll road operation Less: Business tax	3	13,838 (692)	14,164 (708)
Net income from toll road operation Direct operating costs		13,146 (3,793)	13,456 (3,860)
Other revenue Administrative expenses		9,353 56 (1,104)	9,596 39 (872)
Profit before taxation Taxation	4 5	8,305 (1,330)	8,763 (1,314)
Profit before minority interests Minority interests		6,975 (2,847)	7,449 (2,979)
Profit attributable to shareholders		4,128	4,470
Earnings per share Basic (cents)	6	0.87	0.94
Diluted (cents)		0.66	0.71

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# **CONDENSED PROFORMA COMBINED BALANCE SHEET**

AS AT 30 JUNE 2002

Current assets Other receivables, deposits and prepayments Amount due from a minority shareholder of a subsidiary Bank balances and cash  Current liabilities Other payables and accrued charges  Other payables and accrued charges		NOTES	30 June 2002 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000	31 December 2001 (Audited) HK\$'000
Current assets Other receivables, deposits and prepayments Amount due from a minority shareholder of a subsidiary 8 Bank balances and cash  Current liabilities Other payables and accrued charges  117,381  119,876  661 33 4,568 4,568 13,361 5,006  18,590 9,607	Toll road operation rights Property, plant and equipment Interest in infrastructure	7		
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments  Amount due from a minority shareholder of a subsidiary  Bank balances and cash  Current liabilities Other payables and accrued charges  661  33  4,568 4,568 13,361 5,006  18,590 9,607	joint ventures	/	117,381	119,876
shareholder of a subsidiary       8       4,568       4,568         Bank balances and cash       13,361       5,006         18,590       9,607         Current liabilities       Other payables and accrued charges       1,156       1,359	Other receivables, deposits and prepayments		661	33
Current liabilities Other payables and accrued charges  1,156  1,359	shareholder of a subsidiary	8		4,568 5,006
Other payables and accrued charges 1,156 1,359			18,590	9,607
	Other payables and accrued charges			1,359 1,043
Net current assets     1,815     2,402       7,205     7,205	Not current accets			<u>2,402</u> 7,205
134,156 127,081	Net current assets			
	Paid-in capital	9	•	145,794 (69,546)
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Minority interests 53,680 50,833 134,156 127,081	Minority interests			50,833 127,081

# CONDENSED PROFORMA COMBINED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2002

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	capital HK\$'000	reserves	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 31 December 2000	145,794	2,338	(79,649)	68,483
Profit for the year	_	-	7,765	7,765
Transfers		802	(802)	
At 31 December 2001	145,794	3,140	(72,686)	76,248
Profit for the period	-	-	4,128	4,128
Increase in the period	100			100
At 30 June 2002	145,894	3,140	(68,558)	80,476

# CONDENSED PROFORMA COMBINED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2002

### Six months ended 30 June

	2002 (Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000	2001 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000
Net cash inflow from operating activities Net cash used in investing activities	8,664 (309)	9,925 (168)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	8,355 5,006	9,757
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	13,361	13,004
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents Bank balances and cash	13,361	13,004

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED PROFORMA COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### GROUP RESTRUCTURING AND BASIS OF PREPARATION OF PROFORMA 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Company was incorporated as an exempted company with limited liability in Bermuda on 1 February 2002 under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda, The ordinary shares of the Company have been listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong (the "Stock Exchange") by way of introduction with effect from 19 September 2002.

Pursuant to the implementation of the proposal as contemplated under the restructuring agreement entered between Wah Nam Group Limited (In Compulsory Liquidation) ("Wah Nam"), Mr. John Robert Lees and Mr. Desmond Chung Seng Chiong (the joint and several liquidators of Wah Nam) (the "Liquidators"), Leading Highway Limited ("Leading Highway") and Ferrier Hodgson (the "Escrow Agent") (the "Restructuring Agreement"), the Company acquired the interests of three joint ventures ("Joint Ventures") in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") from the Liquidators and became the holding company of the Group. Upon the completion of the Restructuring Agreement, the listing of the shares of Wah Nam was withdrawn and the shares of the Company were listed on the Stock Exchange by way of introduction. Further details of which are set out in the documents dated 18 July 2002 titled "Restructuring Proposal for Wah Nam Group Limited (In Compulsory Liquidation) and securities exchange offer by Leading Highway Limited by way of a shareholders' scheme of arrangement and the withdrawal of the listing of the shares of Wah Nam Group Limited (In Compulsory Liquidation) and the listing of the shares of Wah Nam International Holdings Limited on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited by way of introduction" (the "Document").

The scheme relating to the Restructuring Agreement has become effective on 16 September 2002. Thus, the results of the Joint Ventures, which are accounted for using the purchase method of accounting, are included in the Group's financial statements from the effective date of acquisition on 16 September 2002. In addition, during the period from 1 February 2002 (date of incorporation) to 30 June 2002, the Company and its subsidiaries, namely, Cableport Holdings Limited and Intrum Sino Limited, did not carry out any business except for the transactions relating to the Restructuring Agreement. Thus, the directors did not prepare consolidated financial statements of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2002, as in their opinion, the results and assets and liabilities of the Company and its subsidiaries are insignificant.

For information purpose, the directors prepared the condensed proforma combined financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2002. The directors consider that the Group resulting from the scheme relating to the Restructuring Agreement is regarded as a continuing entity. Accordingly, these condensed proforma financial statements of the Group have been prepared on the basis as if the Company had always been the holding company of the Group. The directors consider that this basis provides meaningful information to the shareholders as regards the historical performance of the Group.

The condensed proforma combined financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice ("SSAP") 25 "Interim Financial Reporting", except for the non-compliance with SSAP 27 "Accounting for Group Reconstructions" described under the basis of combination below.

#### Basis of combination

The proforma combined condensed financial statements include the results and cash flows of the Company and its subsidiary and infrastructure joint ventures as if this group structure had been in existence throughout these periods. The proforma combined condensed balance sheet of the Group as at 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2001 have been prepared as if this group structure had been in existence as at those dates. This treatment is not in accordance with SSAP 27 because the ultimate shareholders of the subsidiary and the infrastructure joint ventures after the completion of the scheme of the Restructuring Agreement have changed.

All significant intra-group transactions and balances have been eliminated on combination

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed proforma financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's accountants' report for each of the three years ended 31 December 2001 included in the Document except that the Group has adopted the following new or revised SSAPs issued by the HKSA which are effective for accounting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2002:

SSAP 1 (revised) Presentation of financial statements

SSAP 11 (revised) : Foreign currency translation

SSAP 15 (revised) : Cash flow statements SSAP 34 Employee benefits

The adoption of these new or revised SSAPs has no material impact on the Group's financial statements.

#### SEGMENTAL INFORMATION 3.

The Group is solely engaged in the management and operation of toll road in the PRC. All the identifiable assets and liabilities of the Group are located in the PRC. Accordingly, no segment analysis is presented.

#### PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION 4.

#### Six months ended 30 June

	2002 HK\$'000	2001 HK\$'000
Profit before taxation has been arrived at after charging (crediting):		
Amortisation of toll road operation rights	2,660	2,660
Auditors' remuneration	31	_
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	127	243
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	17	28
Operating lease rentals in respect of		
land and buildings	51	51
Retirement benefits scheme contribution	105	90
Staff costs (including directors' remuneration)	1,147	1,074
Bank interest income	(56)	(39)

#### 5. TAXATION

Income tax expenses represent the PRC income tax paid or payable during the period.

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made as the Group's income neither arises in, nor is derived from, Hong Kong.

No provision for deferred taxation has been made in the financial statements as the amount involved is insignificant.

### 6. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share is based on the following data:

### Six months ended 30 June

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	2002 HK\$'000	2001 HK\$'000
Profit attributable to shareholders (note)	4,128	4,470
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares: Interest on convertible unsecured loan notes	180	180
Profit attributable to shareholders for the purposes of diluted earnings per share	4,308	4,650

	Number of shares	
	2002	2001
Number of ordinary shares to be issued		
upon completion of the Restructuring		
Agreement for the purposes of basic		
earnings per share (note)	474,837,652	474,837,652
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares:		
Shares expected to be issued on the		
conversion of convertible unsecured		
loan notes after the completion of the		
Restructuring Agreement	180,000,000	180,000,000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for		
the purposes of diluted earnings per share	654,837,652	654,837,652

Note: The calculation of the basic earnings per share for the period is based on the profit attributable to shareholders for the period and on 474,837,652 shares in issue and issuable upon completion of the Restructuring Agreement.

#### 7. INTERESTS IN INFRASTRUCTURE JOINT VENTURES

	30 June	31 December
	2002	2001
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Share of net assets as at 31 December 1999	28,340	28,340
Impairment losses (note)	28,340	28,340
	_	_

The amount represents 45% equity interests in Shanxi Xiangyi Road & Bridge Construction Ltd. and Shanxi Linhong Road and Bridge Construction Ltd.

The toll road and bridge in each of the infrastructure joint ventures have performed substantially below expectations. Against this background, it was reconsidered the value in use of these assets with reference to the revised cash flow projections of the toll roads and toll bridges and have formed an opinion that the toll roads and toll bridges will not generate sufficient cash to cover their expenses. Accordingly, an impairment loss of approximately HK\$28,340,000 has been recognised in the combined income statement as per the Group's accountants' report for the year ended 31 December 1999.

#### 8. AMOUNT DUE FROM A MINORITY SHAREHOLDER OF A SUBSIDIARY

The amount is unsecured, interest-free and has no fixed repayment terms.

#### 9. PAID-IN CAPITAL

The amount represents the aggregate amount of the attributable nominal values of the issued share/registered capital of the companies comprising the Group and the attributable nominal values of the registered capital of the Group's infrastructure joint ventures at the balance sheet date.

#### 10. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

At each of the balance sheet dates, the Group had commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases which fall due as follows:

Within one year

### 11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Details of subsequent events are set out in Note 1.

## INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2002 (2001: nil).

## **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The Company was incorporated in Bermuda on 1 February 2002 with limited liability and has not carried on any business since the date of incorporation other than entering into the subscription agreement on 16 July 2002 with Leading Highway Limited ("Leading Highway") and preparing for the listing of the shares on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") by way of introduction.

The restructuring agreement entered into between Wah Nam Group Limited (In Compulsory Liquidation) ("Wah Nam"), Mr. John Robert Lees and Mr. Desmond Chung Seng Chiong (the joint and several liquidators of Wah Nam) (the "Liquidators"), Leading Highway and Ferrier Hodgson (the "Escrow Agent") was completed on 17 September 2002. As a result, the listing status of Wah Nam was withdrawn on 18 September 2002 and the shares of the Company were listed on the Stock Exchange by way of introduction. The shares of the Company commenced trading on the Stock Exchange on 19 September 2002. The Company has also acquired 60% interests in a Hangzhou joint venture and 45% interests in two Shanxi joint ventures respectively from the Liquidators.

The Group is principally engaged in the management and operation of the Hangzhou joint venture which operates and manages the Hangzhou Toll Road. The Hangzhou Toll Road is a highway connecting the traffic network of Zhejiang province to the Anhui and Jiangsu provinces. The Hangzhou Toll Road is a restricted grade one highway between Shanhusha and Jinjialing being approximately 11.934km in length. Tolls are collected for all travelling running from Fuyang City to Hangzhou City.

The Group's unaudited turnover for the six months ended 30 June 2002 was down approximately 2% to HK\$13,838,000. For the six months ended 30 June 2002, the Group achieved attributable profit to shareholders of HK\$4.1 million as compared to HK\$4.5 million for same period last year.

### **EMPLOYEES**

As at 30 June 2002, the Group had approximately 55 employees. The pay levels of employees are commensurate with their responsibilities, performance and contribution to the Group and are referred to the prevailing industry practice.

# LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND FUNDING

As at 30 June 2002, the Group's cash on hand and in bank was totally HK\$13,361,000 (31 December 2001: HK\$5,006,000), representing an increase of 167% compared with that as at 31 December 2001. As the Group earns revenue and incurs costs in Renminbi, the foreign exchange exposure of the Group is minimal. The total assets of the Group were HK\$135,971,000 (31 December 2001: HK\$129,483,000) whereas a current ratio of 10.24 compared to 4.00 as at 31 December 2001.

The Group relied mainly on its internal resources for its funding requirement. The Group had no bank borrowings and therefore the gearing ratio was zero as at 30 June 2002.

### **PROSPECTS**

It is our intention to identify suitable opportunities to strengthen and develop the existing business of the Group. We will also conduct a review of the capital structure and the internal control of the joint ventures with the objective to restore and enhance the profitability of the Group's business. In addition, leveraging the Group's toll road operational experience in the PRC, we will continue to monitor the economic development in the surrounding regions to where the joint ventures operate and to explore suitable opportunities which are in line with the business of joint ventures.

# **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SECURITIES**

#### Shares

At the date of this report, the interests of the directors and their associates in the share capital of the Company as recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to section 29 of the Securities (Disclosure of Interests) Ordinance ("SDI Ordinance") were as follows:

# Name of director

Number of shares held Corporate interests

Cheng Yung Pun

400.000.000

These shares are held by Leading Highway, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands with limited liability and the entire issued share capital of which is beneficially owned by Mr. Cheng Yung Pun. In addition, Leading Highway holds the entire interest of the convertible loan stock of the Company in an amount of HK\$18 million.

Save as disclosed above, none of the directors or chief executives, nor their associates had any interests in any securities of the Company or any of its associated corporations as defined in the SDI Ordinance, and none of the directors or chief executives, nor their spouses or children under the age of 18, had any right to subscribe for the securities of the Company, or had exercised any such right during the period.

# **SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

On 14 August 2002, a share option scheme (the "Scheme") was approved and adopted by the written resolutions of the sole shareholder under which the directors may at their discretion invite employees, executives or officers of the Company or any of its subsidiaries (including executive and non-executive directors of the Company or any of its subsidiaries) and any suppliers, consultants, agents or advisers who will contribute or have contributed to the Company or any of its subsidiaries to take up options to subscribe for shares for the Company subject to the terms and conditions stipulated therein.

There has been no options granted since the adoption of the Scheme.

# DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Save as disclosed above, at no time during the period was the Company, its holding company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate and none of the directors, their spouses or children under the age of 18, had any right to subscribe for the shares of the Company, or had exercised any such rights during the period.

# DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS AND CONNECTED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Save as disclosed above, no contract of significance to which the Company, its holding company or any of its subsidiaries was a party and in which a director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the period or any time during the period.

### SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

Other than the interests disclosed above in respect of directors of the Company, the register of substantial shareholders maintained by the Company pursuant to section 16(1) of the SDI Ordinance discloses no other person (other than Leading Highway) as having an interest of 10% or more in the issued share capital of the Company at the date of this report.

# PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

During the period from 19 September 2002 (the date on which the shares of the Company listed on the Stock Exchange by way of introduction) to the date of this report, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee was formed on 19 September 2002 for the purpose of reviewing with the management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and to discuss auditing, internal controls and financial reporting matters. The Group's unaudited interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2002 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

### COMPLIANCE WITH CODE OF BEST PRACTICE

None of the directors of the Company is aware of any information which would indicate that the Company is not, or was not, in compliance with the Code of Best Practice as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules at any time during the six months ended 30 June 2002 except that:

since the directors have had no control and access to the books and i) records of the joint ventures, which are the key assets of the Group, until the completion of the restructuring proposal on 18 September 2002, it was not feasible for the Company to compose the interim results in time and therefore constituted a delay in the interim results announcement.

> By order of the Board Cheng Yung Pun Chairman

Hong Kong, 4 December 2002