## **EXPECTED TIMETABLE**

2002

Latest time for lodging <b>PINK</b> application forms 4:00 p.m. on Friday, 1st November,
Latest time for lodging WHITE and YELLOW application forms
Application lists open (Note 1)
Application lists close
Announcement of the level of indication of interest in the Placing, the results of applications and basis of allocation of the Offer Shares to be published in The Standard (in English) and Hong Kong Economic Times (in Chinese) on
Refund cheques in respect of wholly or partially unsuccessful applications to be posted on or before (Note 2)
Despatch of share certificates on or before (Note 2) Friday, 8th November,
Dealings in the Shares on the Stock Exchange to commence on

## Notes:

- 1. If there is a "black" rainstorm warning signal or a tropical cyclone warning signal number 8 or above in force in Hong Kong at any time between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Monday, 4th November, 2002, the application lists will not open and close on that day. Please see the paragraph headed "Effect of bad weather on the opening of the application lists" in the section headed "How to apply for the Public Offer Shares" of this prospectus.
- 2. Applicants who apply for 1,000,000 Public Offer Shares or above on WHITE or YELLOW application forms and indicate in their application forms that they wish to collect their share certificates (where applicable) and/or refund cheques (if any) in person may collect them in person from the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office, Tengis Limited at 4th Floor, Hutchison House, 10 Harcourt Road, Central, Hong Kong between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on the date notified by the Company in newspapers as the date of despatch of these documents. Applicants being individuals who opt for collection in person must not authorise any other person to collect on their behalf. Applicants being corporations who opt for collection in person must attend by their authorised representatives with letters of authorisation from their corporations stamped with the corporations' chops. Both individuals and authorised representatives must produce, at the time of collection, evidence of identity acceptable to Tengis Limited. Uncollected share certificates and/or refund cheques (if any) will be despatched promptly thereafter by ordinary post and at the applicants' risk to the addresses as specified in the applicants' application forms. Particulars of the arrangements are set forth under the paragraph headed "Collection/ despatch of share certificates and refund cheques and deposit of share certificates into CCASS" in the section headed "How to apply for the Public Offer Shares" in this prospectus.
- 3. All times and dates refer to Hong Kong local times and dates.

For details of the structure of the Offer, including its conditions, please see the section headed "Structure of the Offer" of this prospectus.

If there is any change to the above expected timetable, the Company will make appropriate announcement to inform investors.

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Prospective investors of the Offer Shares should note that the Underwriters are entitled to terminate their obligations under the Underwriting Agreement by notice in writing to the Company given by the Lead Managers (for themselves and on behalf of the Underwriters), upon the occurrence of any of the events set forth in the paragraph headed "Grounds for termination" in the section headed "Underwriting" of this prospectus at any time prior to 4:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) on the day immediately before the day on which the share certificates are despatched, which is expected to be 8th November, 2002. Such events include, but not limited to, any act of God, war, riot, public disorder, civil commotion, economic sanctions, fire, flood, explosion, epidemic, terrorism, strike or lock-out.