

## **SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS** *(Continued)*

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2003, no other person (other than a director or chief executive of the Company) had an interest or short position in the shares and underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO.

## **PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES**

Neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 June 2003.

## **COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF BEST PRACTICE**

In the opinion of the Directors, the Company has complied with the Code of Best Practice (the "Code") as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules throughout the accounting period covered by the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements of the Group, except that the independent non-executive directors of the Company are not appointed for specific terms as required by paragraph 7 of the Code, but are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Company's Bye-laws.

The Company has established an audit committee in accordance with the requirements of the Code throughout the accounting period covered by the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements of the Group.

By Order of the Board  
**EC-Founder (Holdings) Company Limited**  
**Zhang Zhao Dong**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong  
19 September 2003