

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

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

As at 30 September 2003, those persons (other than directors and chief executives of the Company) who had 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 under section 336 of the SFO were as follows:—

Long positions in shares

Name of shareholder	Capacity	Note	Number of ordinary shares held	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Sinochem Corporation (formerly known as China National Chemicals Import & Export Corporation)	Beneficial owner	(1)	250,000,000	6.84

Note:

- (1) These shares are held by Sinochem Hong Kong (Holdings) Company Limited, a company which is wholly owned by Sinochem Corporation.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2003, no other person (other than a director or chief executive of the Company) had notified to the Company any interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 336 of the SFO or which were required to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO.