

## CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	Six months ended 31st October	
	2003 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2002 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
Operating activities		
Profit before taxation	9,441	6,334
Interest income	(92)	(235)
Interest expense	9,055	9,430
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	29,504	32,432
Amortisation of distribution right	–	534
(Gain)/loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(19)	173
Share of profits less losses of associates	(22)	–
Share of profits less losses of jointly controlled entities	–	35
Unrealised gain on investment	(252)	–
Decrease/(increase) in inventories	4,792	(12,486)
Increase in trade receivables	(6,637)	(31,591)
Increase in bills receivable	(377)	(798)
Increase in prepayments, deposits and other current assets	(672)	(4,171)
Decrease in trade payables	(3,050)	(860)
Increase in bills payable	2,990	1,424
(Decrease)/increase in accruals and other payables	(434)	9,819
Hong Kong profits tax paid	(3)	(23)
Hong Kong profits tax refunded	18	68
Mainland China enterprise income tax paid	(78)	(400)
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<b>44,164</b>	<b>9,685</b>
Investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(36,487)	(5,663)
Disposal of property, plant and equipment	147	162
Purchase of investment properties	(2,291)	–
Purchase of a subsidiary, net of cash acquired	–	220
Interest received	92	235
Decrease in deposit with an associate	7,327	–
Increase in pledged bank deposits	(61)	(214)
<b>Net cash outflow from investing activities</b>	<b>(31,273)</b>	<b>(5,260)</b>
Financing activities		
Share issue expense	–	(3)
New short-term bank borrowings	97,984	96,161
Repayment of short-term bank borrowings	(119,271)	(68,660)
New long-term bank loans	165,000	7,000
Repayment of long-term bank loans	(113,997)	(22,561)
Repayment of capital element of finance lease obligations	(9,391)	(7,821)
Interest paid	(9,055)	(9,430)
<b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities</b>	<b>11,270</b>	<b>(5,314)</b>
Translation adjustments	269	2,443
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	24,430	1,554
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	(9,271)	(10,783)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of period</b>	<b>15,159</b>	<b>(9,229)</b>