

## **PURCHASE AND CANCELLATION OF SHARES**

There was no redemption, purchase or cancellation of shares by the Company or any of its subsidiaries during the six months ended 31st December 2003.

## **CODE OF BEST PRACTICE**

None of the Directors of the Company is aware of any information that would reasonably indicate that the Company is not or was not for any part of the year in compliance with the Code of Best Practice, as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited except that the independent non-executive directors of the Company are not appointed for a specific term as they are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the Annual General Meeting of the Company in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association.

## **PUBLICATION OF DETAILED INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE WEBSITE OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE**

A detailed interim results announcement containing all information required by paragraphs 46(1) to 46(6) of Appendix 16 of the Listing Rules will be published on the Stock Exchange's website (<http://www.hkex.com.hk>) in due course.

By order of the Board

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*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 29th March 2004