

### **TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF JILIN CHEMICAL INDUSTRIAL COMPANY LIMITED**

*(established in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)*

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Jilin Chemical Industrial Company Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") as of December 31, 2003 and the consolidated profit and loss account and cash flow statement of the Group for the year then ended. These financial statements set out on pages 39 to 82 are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. This report is made solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and the Group as of December 31, 2003 and of the results of operations and cash flows of the Group for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

### **PricewaterhouseCoopers**

*Certified Public Accountants*

Hong Kong,  
April 20, 2004