

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Income Statement

(Amounts expressed in thousands)

Extracted from the financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") promulgated by the International Accounting Standards Board:

	For the year ended 31 December				2003 vs. 2002 Increase (Decrease)
	2003 RMB	2003 HK\$ equivalent	2003 US\$ equivalent	2002 RMB	
Sales					
Resins and Plastics	6,332,332	5,941,946	765,079	5,514,147	14.8%
Synthetic Rubber	1,923,773	1,805,173	232,432	1,418,899	35.6%
Basic Organic					
Chemical Products	2,700,036	2,533,580	326,221	2,140,185	26.2%
Others	<u>517,787</u>	<u>485,866</u>	<u>62,560</u>	<u>369,830</u>	40.0%
Total sales	11,473,928	10,766,565	1,386,292	9,443,061	21.5%
Cost of sales	<u>(9,723,562)</u>	<u>(9,124,108)</u>	<u>(1,174,811)</u>	<u>(8,368,029)</u>	16.2%
Gross profit	1,750,366	1,642,457	211,481	1,075,032	62.8%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(721,418)	(676,943)	(87,163)	(530,571)	36.0%
Other operating income/ (expenses), net	<u>14,095</u>	<u>13,226</u>	<u>1,703</u>	<u>(2,903)</u>	585.5%
Profit from operations	1,043,043	978,740	126,021	541,558	92.6%
Net financing costs	<u>(165,936)</u>	<u>(155,706)</u>	<u>(20,049)</u>	<u>(210,830)</u>	(21.3%)
Profit from ordinary activities					
before taxation	877,107	823,034	105,972	330,728	165.2%
Income tax expense	<u>(243,222)</u>	<u>(228,227)</u>	<u>(29,385)</u>	<u>(121,629)</u>	100.0%
Profit attributable to shareholders	<u><u>633,885</u></u>	<u><u>594,807</u></u>	<u><u>76,587</u></u>	<u><u>209,099</u></u>	203.2%

* Exchange rates used: Renminbi ("RMB") 1.00 = Hong Kong Dollar ("HK\$") 0.9384 = United States Dollar ("US\$") 0.1208 based on the exchange rates quoted by the People's Bank of China on 31 December 2003. No representation is made that RMB amounts could have been, or could be, converted into HK\$ or US\$ at that rate on 31 December 2003, or on any other date.