



Notice of Annual General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at Kowloon Shangri-La, Rose Room, Lower Level, 64 Mody Road, Tsimshatsui East, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 25 May 2004 at 2:30 pm for the following purposes:—

As Ordinary Business

1. to receive and adopt the audited financial statements and the reports of the directors and of the auditors for the year ended 31 December 2003;
2. to declare a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2003;
3. to re-elect the directors of the Company;
4. to authorise the board of directors to fix the directors' remuneration;
5. to re-appoint the auditors and to authorise the board of directors to fix their remuneration; and

As Special Business

6. to consider and if thought fit, pass with or without amendment(s) the following resolutions each as an Ordinary Resolution:—

"THAT:—

- (a) subject to sub-paragraph (c) of this Resolution, pursuant to the Rules (the "**Listing Rules**") Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**"), the exercise by the directors of the Company (the "**Directors**") during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options, including warrants to subscribe for shares, which might require the exercise of such powers be and the same is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in sub-paragraph (a) of this Resolution shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the approval in sub-paragraph (a) of this Resolution, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); or (ii) any issue of shares upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any warrants issued by the Company or any securities which are convertible into shares of the Company (the "**Shares**"); or (iii) the exercise of any options granted under the share option scheme of the Company; or (iv) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment and issue of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of the dividend on Shares in accordance with the bye-laws of the Company, shall not exceed 20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of the passing of this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and



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(d) for the purposes of this Resolution:

“Relevant Period” means the period from the date of the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earliest of:—

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the bye-laws of the Company, the Companies Act 1989 of Bermuda or any other applicable law of Bermuda to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by the passing of an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

“Rights Issue” means an offer of shares, or offer or issue of warrants, options or other securities of the Company giving rights to subscribe for Shares, open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of shares of the Company or any class thereof on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares or class thereof (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China).”

7. to consider and if thought fit, pass with or without amendment(s) the following resolution each as an Ordinary Resolution:

“THAT:—

- (a) subject to sub-paragraph (b) of this Resolution, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to repurchase Shares on Stock Exchange or any other exchange on which the Shares may be listed and recognised for this purpose by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange under the Hong Kong Code on Share Repurchases (the **“Recognised Stock Exchange”**) subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Listing Rules as amended from time to time or that of any other Recognised Stock Exchange, be and the same is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of the Shares which may be purchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in sub-paragraph (a) of this Resolution during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of the passing of this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this Resolution:—

“Relevant Period” means the period from the date of the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earliest of:—

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the bye-laws of the Company, the Companies Act 1989 of Bermuda or any other applicable law of Bermuda to be held; and



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- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by the passing of an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

8. to consider and if thought fit, pass with or without amendment(s) the following resolution as Ordinary Resolution.

“THAT conditional upon Resolution 6 and Resolution 7 set out in the notice convening this meeting of which this resolution forms part being passed, the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company which are repurchased by the Company after the date of the passing of this Resolution (up to a maximum of 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as stated in Resolution 7 set out in the notice convening this meeting of which this resolution forms part) shall be added to the aggregate nominal amount of share capital that may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted and issued by the directors of the Company under the authority granted pursuant to Resolution 7 set out in the notice convening this meeting of which this resolution forms part.”

9. to consider and if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as a Special Resolution of the Company:

“THAT the bye-laws of the Company (the “Bye-Laws”) be and are hereby amended by:

(a) adding the following definitions in Bye-Law 1:

““associate(s)” in relation to any Director, shall have the meaning ascribed to it in the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange;

“Hong Kong” means the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China;

(b) deleting the existing definition of “clearing house” in Bye-Law 1 and substituting therefor the following new definition of “clearing house”:

““clearing house” means a recognised clearing house within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) or a clearing house or authorised shares depository recognised by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the shares of the Company are listed or quoted on a stock exchange in such jurisdiction;”;

(c) adding the following as a new Bye-Law 77(A) immediately after Bye-Law 77:

“77.(A) Where any member is, under the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange, required to abstain from voting on any particular resolution or restricted to voting only for or only against any particular resolution, any votes cast by or on behalf of such member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted.”;

(d) deleting the existing Bye-Law 88 and substituting therefor the following new Bye-Law 88:

“88. No person, other than a retiring Director, shall, unless recommended by the Directors for election, be eligible for election to the office of Director at any general meeting, unless notice in writing by some member (not being the person to be proposed) entitled to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given of his intention to propose that person for election as a Director and notice in writing by that person of his willingness to be elected shall have been given to the Company. The period for lodgment of the notice required under this Bye-Law shall commence no earlier than the day after the despatch of the notice of the meeting appointed for such election and end no later than seven days prior to the date of such meeting, provided that such period shall be at least seven days.”

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(e) deleting the existing Bye-Law 103(1) and substituting therefor the following new Bye-Law 103(1):

"(1) A Director shall not vote (nor shall he be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the Directors in respect of any contract or arrangement or proposal in which he or any of his associate(s) has/have a material interest, and if he shall do so his vote shall not be counted (nor shall he be counted in the quorum for that resolution), but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters namely:

- (i) the giving of any security or indemnity either:
 - (a) to the Director or his associate(s) in respect of money lent or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of them at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; or
 - (b) to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his associate(s) has himself/themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part and whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
- (ii) any proposal concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in for subscription or purchase where the Director or his associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
- (iii) any proposal concerning any other company in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or shareholder or in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are beneficially interested in shares of that company, provided that the Director and any of his associates are not in aggregate beneficially interested in 5 per cent. or more of the issued shares of any class of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of his associate(s) is derived) or of the voting rights;
- (iv) any proposal or arrangement concerning the benefit of employees of the Company or its subsidiaries including:
 - (a) the adoption, modification or operation of any employees' share scheme or any share incentive or share option scheme involving the issue or grant of options over shares or other securities by the Company under which the Director or his associate(s) may benefit; or
 - (b) the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme which relates both to Directors, his associates and employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director or his associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates; and
- (v) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company.";



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(f) deleting the existing Bye-Law 103(2) and substituting therefor the following new Bye-Law 103(2):

“(2) A company shall be deemed to be a company in which a Director and/or any of his associates owns 5 per cent. or more of the issued shares of any class of the equity share capital of such company or of the voting rights of any class of shares of such company if and so long as (but only if and so long as) he and/or his associates is/are (either directly or indirectly) the holder of or beneficially interested in 5 per cent. or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company (or of any third company through which his/their interest is derived) or of the voting rights of any class of shares available to shareholders of the company. For the purpose of this paragraph there shall be disregarded any shares held by a Director or his associate(s) as bare or custodian trustee and in which he or any of them has no beneficial interest, any shares comprised in a trust in which the interest of the Director or his associate(s) is/are in reversion or remainder if and so long as some other person is entitled to receive the income thereof, and any shares comprised in an authorised unit trust scheme in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only as a unit holder.”;

(g) deleting the existing Bye-Law 103(3) and substituting therefor the following new Bye-Law 103(3):

“(3) Where a company in which a Director and/or any of his associates holds 5 per cent. or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company or of the voting rights of any class of shares available to shareholders of the company is materially interested in a transaction, then that Director shall also be deemed materially interested in such transaction.”; and

(h) deleting the existing Bye-Law 103(4) and substituting therefor the following new Bye-Law 103(4):

“(4) If any question shall arise at any meeting of the Directors as to the materiality of the interest of a Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) or his associate(s) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than such chairman) to vote or be counted in the quorum and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting or not to be counted in the quorum, such question shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and his ruling in relation to such other Director or his associate(s) shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of the Director or his associate(s) concerned as known to such Director has not been fairly disclosed to the Directors. If any question as aforesaid shall arise in respect of the chairman of the meeting or his associate(s) such question shall be decided by a resolution of the Directors (for which purpose such chairman shall not be counted in the quorum and shall not vote thereon) and such resolution shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of such chairman or his associate(s) as known to such chairman has not been fairly disclosed to the Directors.”

and THAT any director of the Company be and is hereby authorised to take such further action as he/she may, in his/her sole and absolute discretion, think fit for and on behalf of the Company to implement the aforesaid amendments to the existing Bye-Laws.”

By Order of the Board
Chu Chun Man, Augustine
Chairman

Hong Kong
21 April 2004



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Notes:

1. Any shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint another person (who must be an individual) as his proxy to attend and vote instead of him. A shareholder who is the holder of two or more shares may appoint more than one proxy to attend on the same occasion. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company.
2. In order to be valid, a form of proxy and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy of such power of authority, must be deposited at the Company's share registrar, Tengis Limited at G/ F, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for holding the meeting.
3. Delivery of the form of proxy will not preclude a shareholder from attending and voting in person at the meeting convened and in such event, the form of proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.
4. In the case of joint registered holders of any Share, any one of such joint registered holders may vote at the meeting, either in person or by proxy, in respect of such Share as if he/she were solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such joint registered holders be present at the meeting, the vote of the most senior who tenders a vote either personally or by proxy shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint registered holders and, for this purpose, seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register in respect of the joint holding.
5. For the purpose of determining the list of shareholders entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting and to receive the final dividend to be declared at the meeting, the Company shall temporarily suspend changes to the register of members from Thursday, 20 May 2004 to Tuesday, 25 May 2004. Shareholders whose names appear on the register at the time of the suspension of registration shall be entitled to attend and vote at the meeting and shall be entitled to receive final dividend if declared at the meeting. Persons who purchase shares of the Company during the period of suspension of registration shall not be entitled to attend the meeting nor to the final dividend.
6. In relation to the proposed resolution 6 set out in the notice convening the meeting, approval is being sought from the members as a general mandate under the Listing Rules. The Directors wish to state that they have no immediate plans to issue any new shares of the Company.
7. In relation to the proposed resolution 7 set out in the notice convening the meeting the Directors wish to state that they will exercise the powers conferred thereby to repurchase shares of the Company in the circumstances which they deem appropriate for the benefit of the Company and the shareholders.