

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of the Company will be held at The Park Lane Hong Kong, Gladiolus Room, 27th Floor, 310 Gloucester Road, Hong Kong, at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, 16 June 2004 for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the audited financial statements and the reports of the directors of the Company (the "Directors") and auditors of the Company (the "Auditors") for the year ended 31 December 2003.
2. To re-elect Directors and to fix their remuneration.
3. To re-appoint Auditors and to authorize the Directors to fix their remuneration.
4. As a special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

A. **THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase shares of HK\$0.02 each in the capital of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Ltd. (the "Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the securities of the Company may be listed and recognized by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose under the Hong Kong Code on Share Repurchases, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of shares of the Company which the Company is authorized to repurchase pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date 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 passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier 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 law or the bye-laws of the Company to be held; and
  - (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting of the Company.

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### B. THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue or otherwise deal with additional shares of HK\$0.02 each in the capital of the Company or securities convertible into such shares, or options, warrants or similar rights to subscribe for any shares in the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such powers, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution shall authorize the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power 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) and issued by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution, otherwise than pursuant to:
  - (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined);
  - (ii) an issue of shares as scrip dividends pursuant to the bye-laws of the Company from time to time;
  - (iii) an issue of shares of the Company upon the exercise of the subscription or conversion rights under the terms or any warrants or other securities issued by the Company carrying a right to subscribe for shares of the Company; and
  - (iv) an issue of shares under any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company shall not exceed 20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company at the date of passing this Resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

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(d) for the purpose of this Resolution,

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier 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 law or the bye-laws of the Company to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting of the Company; and

“Rights Issue” means the allotment issue or grant of shares pursuant to an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of shares of the Company whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares as at that date (subject to such exclusions 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 recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong applicable to the Company).

C. **THAT** subject to the passing of Resolutions No. 4A and No. 4B set out in the notice convening this meeting, the general mandate granted to the Directors to allot, issue and deal with additional shares pursuant to Resolution No. 4B set out in the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of shares in the capital of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to Resolution No. 4A set out in the notice convening this meeting, provided that such amount of shares so repurchased shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company at the date of passing of the said Resolution.

5. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as a special resolution:

### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

**“THAT”** the bye-laws of the Company be and are hereby amended in the following manner:

(a) Bye-law 1

1. By inserting the following new definition of “associate(s)” after the definition of “Act” in existing Bye-law 1:

“associate(s)” the meaning attributed to it in the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange.

2. By deleting the definition of “clearing house” in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

“a clearing house recognized by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the shares of the Company are listed or quoted on a stock exchange in such jurisdiction”

(b) Bye-law 76

1. By re-numbering the existing Bye-law 76 as Bye-law 76(1);
2. By inserting the following as new Bye-law 76(2):

“(2) Where the Company has knowledge that 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.”

(c) Bye-law 88

By deleting the existing Bye-law 88 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Bye-law 88:

“88. No person other than a Director retiring at the meeting shall, unless recommended by the Directors for election, be eligible for election as a Director at any general meeting unless a Notice signed by a Member (other than the person to be proposed)

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duly qualified to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given of his intention to propose such person for election and also a Notice signed by the person to be proposed of his willingness to be elected shall have been lodged at the head office or at the Registration Office provided that the minimum length of the period, during which such Notice(s) are given, shall be at least seven (7) days and that (if the Notice(s) are submitted after the dispatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election) the period for lodgment of such Notice(s) shall commence on the day after the dispatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election and end no later than seven (7) days prior to the date of such general meeting."

(d) Bye-law 103

By deleting the existing Bye-law 103 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Bye-law 103:

"103 (1) A Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the Board approving any contract or arrangement or any other proposal in which he or any of his associate(s) is materially interested, but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters namely:

- (i) any contract or arrangement for the giving to such Director or his associate(s) any security or indemnity in respect of money lent by him or any of his associate(s) or obligation incurred or undertaken by him or any of his associate(s) at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
- (ii) any contract or arrangement for the giving of any security or indemnity 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 whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
- (iii) any contract or arrangement 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;

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- (iv) 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;
  - (v) any contract or arrangement 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 a shareholder or in which the Director and any of his associate(s) are not in aggregate beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of the issued shares or of the voting rights of any class of shares of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associate(s) is derived); or
  - (vi) any proposal concerning the adoption, modification or operation of a share option scheme, a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme or other arrangement which relates both to directors, his associate(s) and employees of the Company or of 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.
- (2) A company shall be deemed to be a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) owns five (5) per cent. or more if and so long as (but only if and so long as) he and/or his associate(s) (either directly or indirectly) is/are the holder(s) of or beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company or of the voting rights available to members of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associates is derived). 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 authorized unit trust scheme in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only as a unit holder.
- (3) Where a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) holds five (5) per cent. or more is materially interested in a transaction, then the Director and/or his associate(s) shall also be deemed materially interested in such transaction.

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

(e) Bye-law 154(2)

By substituting the words "fourteen (14) days" appearing in the fourth line of Bye-law 154(2) with the words "twenty-one (21) days".

By Order of the Board  
**Ho Tsam Hung**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 30 April, 2004

*Notes:*

1. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
2. To be valid, the proxy form together with any power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tengis Limited at 28th Floor, BEA Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than forty-eight hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting.
3. Concerning Resolution No. 4A above, the Directors wish to state that they will exercise the powers conferred thereby to repurchase shares of the Company in circumstances which they deem appropriate for the benefits of the shareholders. The explanatory statement containing the information necessary to enable the shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the resolution to approve the repurchases by the Company of its own shares, as required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange will be set out in a circular from the Company to be enclosed with the 2003 annual report.
4. Concerning Resolution No. 4B above, the Directors wish to state that they have no present intention of issuing any new shares of the Company other than the new shares to be issued upon the exercise of subscription rights under the existing share option scheme of the Company, if any.