CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Year ended 31 March 2004

	Notes	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit before tax		22,956	70,239
Adjustments for:			
Finance costs	7	174	262
Share of profits and losses of associates		405	56
Interest income	5	(3,980)	(4,064)
Dividend income	5	(17)	(18)
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	6	34	58
Depreciation	6	27,359	24,072
Impairment of goodwill	6	-	1,687
Provision for bad and doubtful debts, net	6	1,575	2,071
Provision for/(reversal of) inventory obsolescence, net	6	(1,951)	516
Unrealised loss/(gain) on short term investments	6	(148)	235
Deficit/(surplus) on revaluation of an investment property	6	(70)	716
Provision for impairment in value of leasehold land			
and buildings	6		1,800
Operating profit before working capital changes		46,337	97,630
Increase in inventories		(389)	(7,096)
Increase in trade receivables		(18,414)	(6,551)
Decrease/(increase) in prepayments, deposits and			
other receivables		(57)	894
Decrease/(increase) in bills receivable		252	(193)
Increase/(decrease) in trade payables		16,873	(1,356)
Increase/(decrease) in bills payable		(8,685)	9,166
Decrease in other payables and accrued liabilities		(4,185)	(1,299)
Cash generated from operations		31,732	91,195
Interest paid		(174)	(262)
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(10,040)	(2,776)
Net cash inflow from operating activities		21,518	88,157

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CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (continued)

Year ended 31 March 2004

	Notes	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$′000
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		3,980	4,064
Dividends received from listed investments		17	18
Purchases of fixed assets		(56,656)	(41,065)
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets		87	-
Decrease/(increase) in advances to an associate		(1,882)	458
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(54,454)	(36,525)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of bank loans		(2,000)	(2,000)
New bank loans		8,000	1,950
Dividends paid		(37,220)	(37,220)
Net cash outflow from financing activities		(31,220)	(37,270)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(64,156)	14,362
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		188,211	173,849
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR		124,055	188,211
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Cash and bank balances	21	28,357	26,340
Non-pledged time deposits	21	95,698	161,871
		124,055	188,211

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