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INTERIM RESULTS

The Board of Directors of SNP Leefung Holdings Limited (the "Company") is pleased to announce the unaudited interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2004 of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") together with the comparative figures for the same period as follows:

Consolidated Profit and Loss Account

	Six months ended 30 Jun 2004 200		ded 30 June 2003
	Notes	(Unaudited) <i>HK\$′000</i>	(Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Turnover Cost of sales		380,829 (291,936)	336,403 (261,783)
Gross profit Other operating income Distribution costs Administrative expenses Impairment loss recognised in respect of plant and machinery	3	88,893 1,555 (31,257) (40,081)	74,620 3,047 (21,159) (37,548) (13,370)
Profit from operations Finance costs Share of results of associates Amortisation of goodwill arising from the acquisition of an associate	4 5	19,110 (831) 2,654 (202)	5,590 (1,986) 1,940 (202)
Profit before tax Income tax expenses	6	20,731 (3,582)	5,342 (4,029)
Profit after tax Minority interests		17,149 (141)	1,313 (141)
Net profit attributable to shareholders		17,008	1,172
Interim dividend		8,055	8,055
Basic earnings per share	7	HK4.22 cents	HK0.29 cents
Interim dividend per share		HK 2 cents	HK 2 cents

Consolidated Balance Sheet

	Notes	30 June 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$′000</i>	31 December 2003 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current assets			
Investment properties		10,420	10,420
Property, plant and equipment		517,353	530,152
Interests in associates		82,124	81,386
		609,897	621,958
Current assets			
Inventories		128,229	111,538
Trade receivables	8	246,275	244,231
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	0	37,976	35,910
Bank balances and cash		84,152	80,760
		496,632	472,439
Current liabilities			
Trade and bills payables	9	121,025	106,130
Other payables and accruals	5	65,268	50,863
Tax liabilities		8,959	8,262
Amount due to SNP Group		277	1,545
Amounts due to associates		13,338	17,861
Bank borrowings – due within one year	10	20,000	47,000
		228,867	231,661
Net current assets		267,765	240,778
Total assets less current liabilities		877,662	862,736
		077,002	002,700
Non-current liabilities	10		405 000
Bank borrowings – due after one year	10	135,000	125,000
Deferred tax liabilities		13,605	13,605
		148,605	138,605
Minority interests		2,410	2,410
		726,647	721,721
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share capital	11	40,273	40,273
Reserves	12	686,374	681,448
		726,647	721,721

Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

	Six months en 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	ded 30 June 2003 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Net cash inflow from operating activities	39,898	39,499
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(6,653)	(26,406)
Net cash outflow from financing activities	(29,853)	(12,606)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,392	487
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	80,760	94,607
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	84,152	95,094
Analysis of the balance of cash and cash equivalents		
Bank balances and cash	84,152	95,094
	84,152	95,094

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

	Six months en 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$′000</i>	ded 30 June 2003 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Total shareholders equity at 1 January, as previously stated Recognition of deferred tax liability in respect of reserves previously recognised	721,721	721,750 (2,184)
Total shareholders equity at 1 January, as restated	721,721	719,566
Net profit for the period Dividend paid Dividend declared	17,008 (12,082) –	1,172 (12,082)
Total shareholders equity at 30 June	726,647	708,656

Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

The unaudited condensed interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Statement of Standard Accounting Practice ("SSAP") No. 25 "Interim financial reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants. The accounting policies and basis of preparation used in preparing the interim financial statements are the same as those adopted in preparing the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003.

2. Business and geographical segments

(a) Business segments

Segment information of the two operating divisions are as follows:

Six months ended 30 June 2004

	Printing of books and magazines <i>HK\$'000</i>	Printing of packaging products <i>HK\$'000</i>	Eliminations <i>HK\$'000</i>	Consolidated <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment revenue				
External sales	340,539	40,290	-	380,829
Inter-segment sales	-	2,966	(2,966)	_
Total	340,539	43,256	(2,966)	380,829
Besult				
Segment result	39,448	(4,171)		35,277
Unallocated corporate expenses				(16,167)
Profit from operations				19,110
Finance costs				(831)
Share of results of associates	1,310	1,344	_	2,654
Amortisation of goodwill arising from				
the acquisition of an associate	(202)	-	-	(202)
Profit before tax				20,731
Income tax expenses				(3,582)
Profit after tax				17,149
Minority interests				(141)
Net profit attributable to shareholders				17,008

2. Business and geographical segments (continued)

(a) Business segments (continued)

Six months ended 30 June 2003

	Printing of books and magazines HK\$'000	Printing of packaging products <i>HK\$</i> *000	Eliminations HK\$'000	Consolidated <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment revenue External sales Inter-segment sales	302,277	34,126 2,730	(2,730)	336,403
Total	302,277	36,856	(2,730)	336,403
Result Segment result	39,432	(8,157)		31,275
Impairment loss recognised in respect of plant and machinery Unallocated corporate expenses	-	(13,370)	_	(13,370) (12,315)
Profit from operations Finance costs Share of results of associates Amortisation of goodwill arising from the acquisition of an associate	596 (202)	1,344	-	5,590 (1,986) 1,940 (202)
Profit before tax Income tax expenses				5,342 (4,029)
Profit after tax Minority interests				1,313 (141)
Net profit attributable to shareholders				1,172

(b) Geographical segments

		(Unaudited) (Unaudited)	
The PRC, excluding Hong Kong	186,596	168,322	
Hong Kong	9,949	23,362	
	196,545	191,684	
The United States of America	110,586	103,278	
United Kingdom	39,020	20,933	
Australia	27,403	16,225	
Other areas	7,275	4,283	
	380,829	336,403	

Contribution to profit by geographical market has not been presented as the contribution to profit from each market is substantially in line with the overall Group's ratio of profit to turnover.

3. Impairment loss recognised in respect of plant and machinery

The Packaging Division in Dongguan has been incurring operating losses since 2001. In connection to this, the management of the Company conducted a detail assessment of its plant and machinery and concluded that the recoverable amount of certain machineries were less than their carrying values due to obsolescence. Accordingly, an impairment loss of HK\$13.4 million has been recognised as an expense in the income statement in June 2003.

4. Profit from operations

	Six months 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$′000</i>	ended 30 June 2003 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Profit from operations has been arrived at after charging :		
Staff costs, including directors' remuneration – Salaries, wages and other benefits – Retirement benefit scheme contributions, net of forfeited contributions of nil	46,635	42,312
(2003: HK\$14,000)	2,203	2,349
Total staff costs	48,838	44,661
Auditors' remuneration Amortisation of goodwill Depreciation Exchange loss, net Loss on disposal of properties, plant and equipment Minimum lease payment under operating leases: – Land and buildings – Plant and machinery	538 202 22,409 664 - 615 50	500 202 22,796 - 151 283 6
	665	289
And after crediting:		
Rental income <i>Less:</i> outgoings	141 (12)	225 (12)
Net rental income	129	213
Interest income Exchange gain, net Gain on disposal of properties, plant and equipment	456 _ 238	584 581 —

5. Finance costs

	Six months er 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	nded 30 June 2003 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Interest on bank and other borrowings wholly repayable within five years	831	1,986

6. Income tax expenses

The charge comprises:

	Six months er 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$′000</i>	nded 30 June 2003 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Current tax:		
Hong Kong	1,068	1,000
Other jurisdictions	1,781	2,514
	2,849	3,514
Share of taxation attributable to associates	733	515
	3,582	4,029

Hong Kong profits tax is calculated at 17.5% (2003: 17.5%) of the estimated assessable profit for the period. Taxation arising in other jurisdictions is calculated at the rates prevailing in the respective jurisdictions.

7. Basic earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$17,008,000 for the six months ended 30 June 2004 (2003: HK\$1,172,000) and on the weighted average number of 402,726,918 (2003: 402,726,918) shares in issue during the period.

No dilutive earnings per share has been presented because the exercise price of the Company's options was higher than the average market price for shares for the current period.

8. Trade receivables

The Group allows different credit periods to its trade customers depending on the type of printing services provided. Credit periods vary from 90 to 180 days in accordance with the industry practice.

An aged analysis of the trade receivables as at 30 June 2004, based on payment due date, and net of allowance, is as follows:

	30 June 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$′000</i>	31 December 2003 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Within credit period	205,623	179,354
0 — 30 days	27,513	31,901
31 - 60 days	4,619	17,499
61 — 90 days	6,187	8,492
Over 90 days	2,333	6,985
	246,275	244,231

9. Trade and bills payables

An aged analysis of the trade and bills payables as at 30 June 2004, based on payment due date, is as follows:

	30 June 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$′000</i>	31 December 2003 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
0 — 30 days	106,485	84,555
31 — 60 days	8,390	10,531
61 — 90 days	2,812	7,393
91 - 120 days	1,837	2,641
Over 120 days	1,501	1,010
	121,025	106,130

10. Bank Borrowings

		30 June 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	31 December 2003 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
	Unsecured bank loans	155,000	172,000
	The above amounts bear interest at prevailing market rates and are repayable as follow	VS:	
-	Within one year In the second year In the third to fifth years inclusive	20,000 55,000 80,000	47,000 40,000 85,000
		155,000	172,000
	Less: Amount due for settlement within one year (shown under current liabilities)	(20,000)	(47,000)
	Amount due for settlement after one year	135,000	125,000
11.	Share capital		
		No. of shares	Nominal value HK\$'000
	Ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each		
	Authorised: At 1 January 2004 and 30 June 2004	500,000,000	50,000
	Issued and fully paid: At 1 January 2004 and 30 June 2004	402,726,918	40,273

12. Reserves

(1	Share premium Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property revaluation reserve (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Capital redemption reserve (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000	Translation reserve (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Reserve fund (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Dividend reserve (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Retained profits (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
At 1 January 2004	326,493	11,686	2,515	(4,636)	5,069	12,082	328,239	681,448
Net profit for the period ended 30 June 2004	_	_	_	_	_	-	17,008	17,008
Final 2003 dividend paid	-	-	-	-	-	(12,082)	-	(12,082)
Proposed 2004 interim divid	end –	-	-	-	-	8,055	(8,055)	
At 30 June 2004	326,493	11,686	2,515	(4,636)	5,069	8,055	337,192	686,374

13. Capital commitments

	30 June 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	31 December 2003 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Contracted but not provided in the financial statement – acquisition of property, plant and equipment – acquisition of interests in subsidiaries of SNP Group	41,825 404,100*	5,356
Authorised but not contracted for – acquisition of property, plant and equipment	445,925 132	5,356 35
	446,057	5,391

* Please refer to the paragraph "Proposed acquisition of SNP Excel and SNP SPrint (Thailand)" for details.

14. Contingent liabilities

The Group did not have material contingent liabilities as at the period end dates.

15. Related party transactions

- (a) On 4 July 2003, Smurfit International B.V. ("Smurfit") disposed of its interest in the Company to SNP Corporation Ltd ("SNP"). During the six months ended 30 June 2003, the Group purchased fibre based products amounting to approximately HK\$7,580,000 from the group companies of Smurfit. The transactions with the group companies of Smurfit were determined between the Group and the vendor in accordance with the terms of the agreement.
- (b) During the period, the Group paid subcontracting fees amounting to approximately HK\$20,744,000 (six months ended 30 June 2003: HK\$18,374,000) to Beijing SNP Leefung Changcheng Printers Co., Ltd., an indirect 47% owned associate. The subcontracting fees were determined at the rates fairly negotiated between both parties.
- (c) During the period, the Group also entered the following transactions with SNP Group.

	Six months e 2004 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	nded 30 June 2003 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Nature of transactions		
Services fee paid	470	_
Subcontracting fee paid	242	_
Sales of goods	84	_

The transactions were carried out at the terms agreed by both parties.

16. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the current period's presentation.

DIVIDEND

The Board has resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK2 cents per share for the six months ended 30 June 2004 (six months ended 30 June 2003: HK2 cents) payable on Wednesday, 25 August 2004, to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on Friday, 20 August 2004.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 18 August 2004 to Friday, 20 August 2004, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. All transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates and transfer forms must be lodged with the Company's Registrars in Tengis Limited, Ground Floor, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 17 August 2004.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

Business Review

For the first half of 2004, the Company reported a turnover of HK\$380.8 million. This represented an increase of 13.2% over 2003's turnover of HK\$336.4 million. The profit attributable to shareholders amounted to HK\$17.0 million which is 17.0% higher than the profit attributable to shareholders before impairment loss of HK\$14.5 million in 2003.

The primary reason for the increase in turnover was largely due to the recovery of overseas market and the new marketing effort developed early this year. The increase in operating profit out-performed the increase in turnover as the performance of the Packaging Division continued to improve and was able to reduce losses during the current period.

At the end of June 2004, Group's sales amounted to HK\$380.8 million, up from HK\$336.4 million last year. The sales to export market increased by HK\$33.9 million, representing an increase of 25.1% over last corresponding period. During the first half year, the Company had successfully set-up new sales forces in Europe and US. This has started to create value for the Company in expanding overseas sales. Our PRC business was maintaining a stable turnover as compared to that of last year. This was primarily due to the fact that our capacity has almost reached saturation. With the effort of the new management team, the turnover of the Packaging Division has achieved a growth of 18.1% as compared to 2003. The overall increase in book and magazine printing has helped to improve the profitability in our core printing operation. However, such improvement was partly offset by the increase in paper prices during the period under review. The overall contribution from this segment maintained at approximately HK\$39.4 million despite the increase in turnover during the period under review. Concerning the Packaging Division, better management has helped to improve efficiency and the losses has been reduced by HK\$3.9 million. The finance costs for the Group has further dropped by HK\$1.2 million in current period. This was the result of better treasury management and the entitlement of better credit rating for being a SNP group company.

As reflected by the six months cashflow statement, the operating cash inflow remained strong at HK\$39.9 million (2003: HK\$39.5 million) for the same period under review. With the improvement in profitability, the Company's operating cashflow position continued to improve. An interim dividend of HK2 cents is proposed which is the same as that of last year.

Financial Review

The Group's net assets was generally financed by internal resources through share capital and reserves. As at 30 June 2004, the Group's cash and bank balances amounted to HK\$84.2 million while the total assets and the net assets were approximately HK\$1,106.5 million (31 December 2003: HK\$1,094.4 million) and HK\$726.6 million (31 December 2003: HK\$721.7 million) respectively. The current ratio as at 30 June 2004 was 2.17 which was comparable to 2.04 at 31 December 2003. As at 30 June 2004, the total borrowings from banks including term loans amounted to approximately HK\$155 million, of which 12.9%, 35.5% and 51.6% were repayable within the first year, the second year and the third to fifth years respectively. Of the total borrowings, all of the borrowings were denominated in Hong Kong dollars and are principally on a floating rate basis. When appropriate, hedging instruments including swaps are used in managing the interest rate exposure.

The Group's net gearing ratio based on net debts to equity has improved from 13% as at 31 December 2003 to 9.7% at 30 June 2004. In view of the Group's ability to generate cash from its operations, together with approximately HK\$423.3 million unutilized bank facilities at 30 June 2004, the Board considers that the Group has sufficient financial resources to finance future capital expenditure plans.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS (continued)

Employees policy

At the end of June 2004, the Group employed a total of approximately 80 employees in Hong Kong and a workforce of approximately 2,800 in the PRC.

The Group's remuneration policies are primarily based on prevailing market salary levels and the performance of the respective companies and individuals concerned. In addition to salaries, the Group provides staff benefits including medical insurance, contributions to staff's provident fund and discretionary training subsidies. Share options and bonuses are also available to employees of the Group at the discretion of the directors and depending upon the financial performance of the Group.

Pledge of assets

As at 30 June 2004, the Group did not pledge any of its investment properties (2003: nil), land and buildings (2003: nil) respectively as securities for generating banking facilities granted to the Group.

Proposed acquisition of SNP Excel and SNP SPrint (Thailand)

On 3 May 2004, the Company and the holding company, SNP Corporation Ltd ("SNP"), has entered into two Acquisition Agreements pursuant to which the Company conditionally agreed to acquire the entire issued share capital of SNP Excel United Company Limited ("Excel"), approximately 94.93% of the voting issued share capital of SNP SPrint (Thailand) Co., Ltd ("SPrint") and approximately 98.93% of the voting issued share capital of CTT & Associates Limited ("CTT") from SNP for a total consideration of S\$88 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$404.1 million). Both Excel and SPrint are principally engaged in the production of pop-up and touch-and-feel books. CTT's sole asset is its shareholding of common and preference shares in the issued share capital of SPrint. For the year ended 31 December 2003, Excel recorded an audited consolidated net profit of approximately HK\$34.1 million and SPrint recorded an audited net profit of approximately HK\$8.5 million). The consideration for the Acquisition of S\$88 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$8.5 million). The consideration for the Acquisition of s\$88 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$8.5 million). The consideration for the Acquisition of approximately HK\$404.1 million) represents an effective price-earnings multiple of approximately 9.5 times of the combined audited net profit of Excel and SPrint for the year ended 31 December 2003 of approximately HK\$42.6 million.

Since the aggregate audited consolidated profits of the Acquired Companies (including Excel, SPrint and CTT collectively) for the year ended 31 December 2003 exceeds 100% of the audited consolidated profits of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2003, the Acquisition constitutes a very substantial acquisition pursuant to Rule 14.06(5) of the Listing Rules. The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") has indicated to the Company that it will treat the Company as a new listing applicant pursuant to the Listing Rules if the Acquisition proceeds. A new listing application in respect of the Acquisition has been made to the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange.

As SNP is the controlling shareholder of the Company, the Acquisition also constitutes a connected transaction pursuant to Rule 14A.13 of the Listing Rules and is conditional upon approval by the Independent Shareholders at a special general meeting.

The Circular containing the detailed information of the acquisition is required to be dispatched to the shareholders within 21 days after publication of the Announcement dated 3 May 2004 under Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules. Application has been made to the Stock Exchange by the Company for the extension of the time for the dispatch of the Circular to within 7 days of the date on which the Listing Committee approves the Company's new listing application. As of the date of this report, the Listing Committee is still processing the new listing application of the Company.

PROSPECTS

The recovery of the export markets is expected to continue in the second half year. With our fully integrated sales force, increase in demand from overseas customers is expected in the third quarter this year. Concerning our PRC business, the Company has already contracted new printing machines to further increase our production capacity. The installation of those new printing machines will be finished in the fourth quarter and the benefit will be realized in early 2005. Due to better operational management, the Packaging Division should be able to continue its improvement in its bottom line in the second half year. As explained in the section headed "Proposed Acquisition of SNP Excel and SNP SPrint (Thailand)", the Company is in the process of expanding the scope of business into pop-up books and touch-and-feel books. The objective of the acquisition is to build the Company to be a leading regional printing and packaging group with Hong Kong as its headquarters. Following the acquisition, there will be operational synergies between the existing export business and the acquired companies. At the same time, the acquisition will enable the Company to become one of the largest pop-up book printers in the world. Overall, the management is optimistic about the future development of the Company.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND OPTIONS

As at 30 June 2004, the interests of the directors in the shares and share options of the Company and its associated corporations (as defined in Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap.571) ("SFO")) as recorded in the register maintained under Section 352 of Part XV of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited pursuant to the Mode Code for Securities Transaction by Directors of Listed Companies were as follows:

(1) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of the Company

Name of directors	Capacity	Number of shares held	Percentage of issued share capital
Yang Sze Chen, Peter	Beneficial owner Held by controlled	900,000	0.22%
	corporation (Note 1)	16,514,867	4.10%
		17,414,867	4.32%
Kyle Arnold Shaw Jr.	Beneficial owner	324,000	0.08%
		17,738,867	4.40%

(a) Ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each of the Company

Note:

1. These Shares were held through Team Long Development Limited, a company that was wholly owned by Mr. Peter, Yang Sze Chen.

(1) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of the Company (continued)

(b) Share options of the Company

Name of director	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares
Yeo Chee Tong	Beneficial owner	450,000	450,000

(2) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of the associated corporation of the Company, SNP Corporation Ltd ("SNP")

(a) Ordinary shares of S\$0.50 each of SNP

Name of directors	Capacity	Number of shares held	Percentage of issued share capital
Yeo Chee Tong	Beneficial owner Held by spouse	870,553 20,000	0.75% 0.02%
		890,553	0.77%
Edmund, Cheng Wai Wing	Beneficial owner	35,000	0.03%
		925,553	0.80%

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND OPTIONS (continued)

(2) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of the associated corporation of the Company, SNP Corporation Ltd ("SNP") (continued)

(b) Share options of SNP

Name of directors	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares	Exercise price <i>S\$</i>	Exercisable period
Peter, Yang Sze Chen	Beneficial owner	1,250	1,250	1.29	15 October, 2004 to 14 October, 2013
	1,25	1,250	1,250	1.29	15 October, 2005 to 14 October, 2013
		1,250	1,250	1.29	15 October, 2006 to 14 October, 2013
		1,250	1,250	1.29	15 October, 2007 to 14 October, 2013
		5,000	5,000		
Yeo Chee Tong	Beneficial owner	10,000	10,000	0.50	23 April, 2002 to 22 April, 2011
		10,000	10,000	0.50	23 April, 2003 to 22 April, 2011
		10,000	10,000	0.50	23 April, 2004 to 22 April, 2011
		10,000	10,000	0.50	23 April, 2005 to 22 April, 2011
		10,000	10,000	0.50	11 October, 2002 to 10 October, 2011
		10,000	10,000	0.50	11 October, 2003 to 10 October, 2011
		10,000	10,000	0.50	11 October, 2004 to 10 October, 2011
		10,000	10,000	0.50	11 October, 2005 to 10 October, 2011
		20,000	20,000	0.69	17 April, 2003 to 16 April, 2012
		20,000	20,000	0.69	17 April, 2012 16 April, 2004 to 16 April, 2012
		20,000	20,000	0.69	17 April, 2012 16 April, 2005 to 16 April, 2012
		20,000	20,000	0.69	17 April, 2012 16 April, 2006 to 16 April, 2012
		20,000	20,000	0.61	23 October, 2003 to 22 October, 2012

(2) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of the associated corporation of the Company, SNP Corporation Ltd ("SNP") (continued)

(b) Share options of SNP (continued)

Name of directors	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares	Exercise price <i>S\$</i>	Exercisable period
Yeo Chee Tong	Beneficial owner	20,000	20,000	0.61	23 October, 2004 to 22 October, 2012
		20,000	20,000	0.61	23 October, 2005 to 22 October, 2012
		20,000	20,000	0.61	23 October, 2006 to 22 October, 2012
		20,000	20,000	0.59	15 April, 2004 to 14 April, 2013
		20,000	20,000	0.59	15 April, 2005 to 14 April, 2013
		20,000	20,000	0.59	15 April, 2006 to 14 April, 2013
		20,000	20,000	0.59	15 April, 2007 to 14 April, 2013
		20,000	20,000	1.29	15 October, 2004 to 14 October, 2013
		20,000	20,000	1.29	15 October, 2005 to 14 October, 2013
		20,000	20,000	1.29	15 October, 2006 to 14 October, 2013
		20,000	20,000	1.29	15 October, 2007 to 14 October, 2013
		20,000	20,000	1.19	21 April, 2005 to 20 April, 2014
		20,000	20,000	1.19	21 April, 2006 to 20 April, 2014
		20,000	20,000	1.19	21 April, 2007 to 20 April, 2014
		20,000	20,000	1.19	21 April, 2008 to 20 April, 2014
		480,000	480,000		

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND OPTIONS (continued)

(2) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of the associated corporation of the Company, SNP Corporation Ltd ("SNP") (continued)

(b) Share options of SNP (continued)

Name of directors	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares	Exercise price <i>S\$</i>	Exercisable period
Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	5,000	5,000	0.50	23 April, 2002 to 22 April, 2011
		5,000	5,000	0.50	23 April, 2003 to 22 April, 2011
		5,000	5,000	0.50	23 April, 2004 to 22 April, 2011
		5,000	5,000	0.50	23 April, 2005 to 22 April, 2011
		50,000	50,000	0.69	17 April, 2003 to 16 April, 2007
		50,000	50,000	0.59	15 April, 2004 to 14 April, 2008
		70,000	70,000	1.19	21 April, 2005 to 20 April, 2009
		190,000	190,000		
Edmund, Cheng Wai Wing	Beneficial owner	30,000	30,000	0.59	15 April, 2004 to 14 April, 2008
		50,000	50,000	1.19	21 April, 2005 to 20 April, 2009
		80,000	80,000		
John Robert Walter	Beneficial owner	30,000	30,000	0.50	23 April, 2002 to 22 April, 2006
		30,000	30,000	0.69	17 April, 2003 to 16 April, 2007
		30,000	30,000	0.59	15 April, 2004 to 14 April, 2008
		50,000	50,000	1.19	21 April, 2005 to 20 April, 2009
		140,000	140,000		
		895,000	895,000		

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company

(i) Shares

	me of directors and company which interest is held	Capacity	Number of shares held	Percentage of issued share capital as at 30 June 2004
(a)	Interest in Singapore Technologies Engineering Ltd			
	Ordinary shares of S\$0.10 each			
	Yeo Chee Tong	Beneficial owner	2,568	0.00%
(b)	Interest in ST Assembly Test Services Ltd			
	Ordinary shares of S\$0.25 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	4,000	0.00%
(c)	Interest in Raffles Holdings Limited			
	Ordinary shares of S\$0.50 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	10,000	0.00%
	Wong Kwong Shing, Frank	Beneficial owner	5,000	0.00%
(d)	Interest in Vertex Investment (II) Ltd			
	Ordinary shares of US\$1.00 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	2	0.03%
(e)	Interest in Vertex Technology Fund Ltd			
	Ordinary shares of US\$1.00 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	20	0.02%

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND OPTIONS (continued)

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)

(i) Shares (continued)

	me of directors and company which interest is held	Capacity	Number of shares held	Percentage of issued share capital as at 30 June 2004
(f)	Interest in Vertex Technology Fund (II) Ltd			
	Ordinary shares of US\$1.00 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	500	0.33%
	Redeemable preference shares of US\$0.01 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	500	0.33%
(g)	Interest in SembCorp Industries Ltd			
	Ordinary shares of S\$0.25 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	54,598	0.00%
(h)	Interest in Singapore Food Industries Limited			
	Ordinary shares of S\$0.05 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner Held by spouse	100,000 531,000	0.02% 0.11%
			631,000	0.13%
(i)	Interest in Singapore Computer Systems Limited			
	Ordinary shares of S\$0.25 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner Held by spouse	271,000 500,000	0.18% 0.32%
			771,000	0.50%

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)

(i) Shares (continued)

	me of directors and company which interest is held	Capacity	Number of shares held	Percentage of issued share capital as at 30 June 2004
(j)	Interest in Singapore Telecommunications Ltd			
	Ordinary shares of S\$0.15 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner Held by spouse	1,680 1,540	0.00% 0.00%
			3,220	0.00%
	Yeo Chee Tong	Beneficial owner Held by spouse	6,020 1,740	0.00% 0.00%
			7,760	0.00%
(k)	Interest in SMRT Corporation Ltd			
	Ordinary shares of S\$0.10 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	30,000	0.00%
()	Interest in Telechoice International Limited			
	Ordinary shares of S\$0.02 each			
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	60,000	0.01%
	Yeo Chee Tong	Beneficial owner	9,000	0.00%
			69,000	0.01%

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND OPTIONS (continued)

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)

(ii) Share Options

Name of directors and company in which interest is held	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares	Exercise Price S\$	Exercisable period
(a) Interest in Chartered Semiconductor Manufacturing Ltd					
Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	23,443	23,443	4.26	15 August, 2002 to 15 August, 2006
		29,304	29,304	3.46	22 February, 2003 to 22 February, 2007
		234,439	234,439	3.88	1 May, 2002 to 1 May, 2007
		46,887	46,887	1.86	30 August, 2003 to 30 August, 2007
		25,000	25,000	0.72	28 February, 2004 to 28 February, 2008
		35,000	35,000	1.10	29 August, 2004 to 29 August, 2008
		60,000	60,000	1.70	27 February, 2005 to 27 February, 2009
		454,073	454,073		

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)

compar	of directors and ny in which t is held	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares	Exercise Price S\$	Exercisable period
	rest in CapitaLand imited					
Тау	Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	13,462	13,462	2.54	13 June, 2001 to 11 June, 2005
		0001101	13,463	13,463	2.54	13 June, 2002 to 11 June, 2005
			13,462	13,462	2.54	13 June, 2003 to 11 June, 2005
			13,463	13,463	2.54	13 June, 2004 to 11 June, 2005
			12,500	12,500	2.50	19 June, 2002 to 18 June, 2006
			12,500	12,500	2.50	19 June, 2003 to 18 June, 2006
			12,500	12,500	2.50	19 June, 2004 to 18 June, 2006
			12,500	12,500	2.50	19 June, 2005 to 18 June, 2006
			10,000	10,000	1.71	11 May, 2003 to 10 May, 2007
			10,000	10,000	1.71	11 May, 2004 to 10 May, 2007
			10,000	10,000	1.71	11 May, 2005 to 10 May, 2007
			10,000	10,000	1.71	11 May, 2006 to 10 May, 2007
			4,750	4,750	1.02	1 March, 2004 to 28 February, 2013
			4,750	4,750	1.02	1 March, 2005 to 28 February, 2013
			4,750	4,750	1.02	1 March, 2006 to 28 February, 2013
			4,750	4,750	1.02	1 March, 2007 to 28 February, 2013
			162,850	162,850		

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND OPTIONS (continued)

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)

Name of directors and company in which interest is held	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares	Exercise Price S\$	Exercisable period
(c) Interest in The Ascott Group Limited					
Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	2,500	2,500	0.37	21 December, 2001 to 20 December, 2010
	owner	2,500	2,500	0.37	20 December, 2002 to 20 December, 2010
		2,500	2,500	0.37	21 December, 2003 to 20 December, 2010
		2,500	2,500	0.37	21 December, 2004 to 20 December, 2010
		3,000	3,000	0.32	30 June, 2002 to 29 June, 2011
		3,000	3,000	0.32	30 June, 2003 to 29 June, 2011
		3,000	3,000	0.32	30 June, 2004 to 29 June, 2011
		3,000	3,000	0.32	30 June, 2005 to 29 June, 2011
		3,000	3,000	0.35	5 May, 2003 to 4 May, 2012
		3,000	3,000	0.35	5 May, 2004 to 4 May, 2012
		3,000	3,000	0.35	5 May, 2005 to 4 May, 2012
		3,000	3,000	0.35	5 May, 2006 to 4 May, 2012
		5,750	5,750	0.32	10 May, 2004 to 9 May, 2013
		5,750	5,750	0.32	10 May, 2005 to 9 May, 2013
		5,750	5,750	0.32	10 May, 2006 to 9 May, 2013
		5,750	5,750	0.32	10 May, 2007 to 9 May, 2013
		57,000	57,000		

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)

			Number	Number																																								
cor	me of directors and npany in which		of share options	of underlying	Exercise																																							
inte	erest is held	Capacity	held	shares	Price S\$	Exercisable period																																						
(d)	Interest in STT Communication Limited																																											
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	25,000	25,000	1.42	19 September, 2001 to 18 September, 2010																																						
		owner	25,000	25,000	1.42	19 September, 2002 to 18 September, 2010																																						
			25,000	25,000	1.42	19 September, 2003 to 18 September, 2010																																						
			25,000	25,000	1.42	19 September, 2004 to 18 September, 2010																																						
					3,750	3,750	0.92	28 April, 2002 to 27 April, 2011																																				
			3,750	3,750	0.92	27 April, 2011 28 April, 2003 to 27 April, 2011																																						
			3,750	3,750	0.92	27 April, 2011 28 April, 2004 to 27 April, 2011																																						
			3,750	3,750	0.92	27 April, 2011 28 April, 2005 to 27 April, 2011																																						
			7,500	7,500	0.50	24 November, 2002 to 23 November, 2011																																						
			7,500	7,500	0.50	24 November, 2003 to 23 November, 2011																																						
			7,500	7,500	0.50	24 November, 2004 to 23 November, 2011																																						
			7,500	7,500	0.50	24 November, 2005 to 23 November, 2011																																						
														20,000	20,000	0.50	29 June, 2003 to 28 June, 2012																											
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																						20,000	20,000	0.50	29 June, 2005 to																			
			20,000	20,000	0.50	28 June, 2012 29 June, 2006 to 28 June, 2012																																						
			25,000	25,000	0.57	28 June, 2012 30 July, 2004 to																																						
			25,000	25,000	0.57	29 July, 2013 30 July, 2005 to 29 July, 2013																																						
			25,000	25,000	0.57	29 July, 2013 30 July, 2006 to 29 July, 2012																																						
			25,000	25,000	0.57	29 July, 2013 30 July, 2007 to 29 July, 2013																																						
			325,000	325,000																																								

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND OPTIONS (continued)

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)

Name of directors and company in which interest is held	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares	Exercise Price <i>S\$</i>	Exercisable period
(e) Interest in SembCorp Industries Ltd					
Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	500,000	500,000	2.26	20 May, 2001 to 19 May, 2009
		125,000	125,000	1.99	27 June, 2001 to 26 June, 2010
		125,000	125,000	1.99	27 June, 2002 to 26 June, 2010
		125,000	125,000	1.99	27 June, 2003 to 26 June, 2010
		125,000	125,000	1.99	27 June, 2004 to 26 June, 2010
		12,500	12,500	1.55	20 April, 2002 to 19 April, 2006
		12,500	12,500	1.55	20 April, 2003 to 19 April, 2006
		12,500	12,500	1.55	20 April, 2004 to 19 April, 2006
		12,500	12,500	1.55	20 April, 2005 to 19 April, 2006
		6,250	6,250	1.59	8 May, 2003 to 7 May, 2007
		6,250	6,250	1.59	8 May, 2004 to 7 May, 2007
		6,250	6,250	1.59	8 May, 2005 to 7 May, 2007
		6,250	6,250	1.59	8 May, 2006 to 7 May, 2007
		6,250	6,250	0.98	18 October, 2003 to 17 October, 2007
		6,250	6,250	0.98	18 October, 2004 to 17 October, 2007
		6,250	6,250	0.98	18 October, 2005 to 17 October, 2007 18 October, 2006 to
		6,250	6,250	0.98	18 October, 2006 to 17 October, 2007
		6,250	6,250	1.14	3 June, 2004 to 2 June, 2008

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)

	me of directors and		Number of share	Number of		
	npany in which erest is held	Capacity	options held	underlying shares	Exercise Price <i>S\$</i>	Exercisable period
(e)	Interest in SembCorp Industries Ltd <i>(continue</i>	d)				
		u /	6,250	6,250	1.14	3 June, 2005 to 2 June, 2008
			6,250	6,250	1.14	3 June, 2006 to 2 June, 2008
			6,250	6,250	1.14	3 June, 2007 to 2 June, 2008
			6,250	6,250	1.29	19 November, 2004 to 18 November, 2008
			6,250	6,250	1.29	19 November, 2005 to 18 November, 2008
			6,250	6,250	1.29	19 November, 2006 to 18 November, 2008
			6,250	6,250	1.29	19 November, 2007 to 18 November, 2008
			1,150,000	1,150,000		
(f)	Interest in ST Assembly Test Services Limited					
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	17,500	17,500	1.99	6 August, 2004 to 5 August, 2013
		OWNER	17,500	17,500	1.99	6 August, 2015 5 August, 2013
			17,500	17,500	1.99	6 August, 2006 to 5 August, 2013
			17,500	17,500	1.99	6 August, 2007 to 5 August, 2013
			35,000	35,000	1.91	17 February, 2005 to 16 February, 2014
			105,000	105,000		
(g)	Interest in Singapore Food Industries Limited					
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	50,000	50,000	0.55	24 August, 2004 to 23 August, 2005
			50,000	50,000		

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND OPTIONS (continued)

(3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)

cor	me of directors and npany in which erest is held	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares	Exercise Price S\$	Exercisable period
(h)	Interest in Singapore Com Systems Limited	puter				
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	20,000	20,000	2.20	19 October, 2001 to 18 October, 2005
		owner	20,000	20,000	2.20	19 October, 2002 to 18 October, 2002 to 18 October, 2005
			20,000	20,000	2.20	19 October, 2003 19 October, 2003 to 18 October, 2005
			20,000	20,000	2.20	19 October, 2004 to 18 October, 2005
			25,000	25,000	2.08	15 March, 2002 to 14 March, 2006
			25,000	25,000	2.08	15 March, 2003 to 14 March, 2003 to 14 March, 2006
			25,000	25,000	2.08	15 March, 2004 to 14 March, 2006
			25,000	25,000	2.08	15 March, 2005 to 14 March, 2005
			18,750	18,750	1.55	8 March, 2003 to 7 March, 2007
			18,750	18,750	1.55	8 March, 2004 to 7 March, 2007
			18,750	18,750	1.55	8 March, 2005 to 7 March, 2007
			18,750	18,750	1.55	8 March, 2006 to 7 March, 2007
			18,750	18,750	0.86	22 February, 2004 to 21 February, 2008
			18,750	18,750	0.86	22 February, 2005 to 21 February, 2008
			18,750	18,750	0.86	22 February, 2006 to 21 February, 2008
			18,750	18,750	0.86	22 February, 2007 to 21 February, 2008
			18,750	18,750	0.84	30 April, 2005 to 29 April, 2009
			18,750	18,750	0.84	30 April, 2006 to 29 April, 2009
			18,750	18,750	0.84	30 April, 2007 to 29 April, 2009
			18,750	18,750	0.84	30 April, 2008 to 29 April, 2009
			405,000	405,000		

- (3) Long positions in shares and underlying shares of other associated corporations of the Company (continued)
 - (ii) Share Options (continued)

cor	me of directors and mpany in which erest is held	Capacity	Number of share options held	Number of underlying shares	Exercise Price S\$	Exercisable period
(i)	Interest in Green Dot Internet Services Pte Ltd					
	Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	4,156	4,156	1.00	12 March, 2003 to 11 March, 2013
		o mior	4,157	4,157	1.00	12 March, 2004 to 11 March, 2013
			4,157	4,157	1.00	12 March, 2005 to 11 March, 2013
			4,157	4,157	1.00	12 March, 2006 to 11 March, 2013
			2,616	2,616	1.00	1 April, 2004 to 31 March, 2014
			2,616	2,616	1.00	1 April, 2005 to 31 March, 2014
			2,617	2,617	1.00	1 April, 2006 to 31 March, 2014
			2,617	2,617	1.00	1 April, 2007 to 31 March, 2014
			27,093	27,093		

⁽iii) Conditional Awards under the Restricted Stock Plan

Name of director and company in which interest is held	Capacity	Number of shares held	Number of underlying shares
(a) Award under Green Dot Capital Restricted Stock Plan			
Interest in Singapore Computer Systems Limited			
Tay Siew Choon	Beneficial owner	400,000	400,000

Other than the interests holdings as disclosed above, none of the directors, chief executives and their associates, had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debenture of the Company or any of its associated corporations at 30 June 2004.

SHARE OPTIONS SCHEME

2003 Scheme

A share option scheme (the "2003 Scheme") of the Company was adopted on 28 August 2003 for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants, including the executive directors of the Company, who contribute to the success of the Group's operations.

The Board of Directors of the Company may, at their discretion, grant options to the eligible participant including any employee, officer, director or consultant of the Group. The maximum number of shares of the Company which may be issued upon exercise of all options granted under its 2003 Scheme or any other share option scheme adopted by the Company must not exceed 30% of its issued share capital from time to time. The maximum number of shares issuable under the options to each eligible participant in any 12-month period is limited to 1% of the shares in issue unless it is approved by shareholders in a general meeting of the Company. Any share options granted to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company or to any of their associates, in excess of 0.1% of the shares in issue and with an aggregate value (based on the closing price of the shares at the date of the grant) in excess of HK\$5 million, in any 12-month period, are subject to shareholders' approval in a general meeting of the Company.

At 30 June 2004, the number of shares of the Company in respect of which options had remained outstanding under the 2003 Scheme of the Company was 1,960,000, representing 0.49% of the shares of the Company in issue at that date.

The following table discloses the details of the share options under 2003 Scheme held by a director and employees and the movements in such holdings during the six months ended 30 June 2004:

	Date of grant	Number of s Outstanding at 1.1.2004	hare options Outstanding at 30.06.2004	Exercise price per share <i>HK\$</i>
A director, Mr. Yeo Chee Tong	9 October 2003	450,000	450,000	1.45
Employees	9 October 2003	1,510,000	1,510,000	1.45
		1,960,000	1,960,000	

The options granted may be exercised in accordance with the terms of the relevant scheme as to:

- (i) 25% of the options will be exercisable after the expiry of 12 months from the date of grant (the "First Exercise Date");
- (ii) 25% of the options will be exercisable after the expiry of each successive 12 months period from the First Exercise Date; and
- (iii) the options will expire on 8 October 2013.

During the period under review, no share option has been granted or exercised under the 2003 scheme.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

At 30 June 2004, the register of substantial shareholders maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the Securities and Futures Ordinances shows that the following shareholders had notified the Company of the relevant interests in the issued share capital of the Company.

Ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each of the Company

Name of shareholder	Capacity	Number of ordinary shares	%
SNP	Beneficial owner	282,343,988	70.11
Green Dot Capital Pte Ltd	Held by controlled corporation <i>(Note)</i>	282,343,988	70.11
Singapore Technologies Pte Ltd. ("STPL")	Held by controlled corporation <i>(Note)</i>	282,343,988	70.11
Temasek Holdings (Pte) Ltd	Held by controlled corporation <i>(Note)</i>	282,343,988	70.11

Note: These shares were held through SNP, a company in which Green Dot Capital Pte Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of STPL, has approximately 55% shareholding. STPL is a wholly owned subsidiary of Temasek Holdings (Pte) Ltd.

Other than as disclosed above, the Company has not been identified of any other interests or short position in the issued share capital of the Company as at 30 June 2004.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee, comprising three independent non-executive directors, has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and the unaudited interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2004.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

There was no purchase, sale or redemption by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 June 2004.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF BEST PRACTICE

In the opinion of the directors, the Company has complied with the Code of Best Practice, as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, throughout the accounting period covered by the interim report, except that the non-executive directors of the Company are not appointed for specific terms but are subject to retirement and re-election at each Annual General Meeting of the Company in accordance with the Bye-laws of the Company.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On behalf of the Board, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all our staff for their dedication, hard work and contribution during the period. In addition, we would like to thank all our shareholders for their support of the Group and our customers for their business.

By Order of the Board **Yeo Chee Tong** *Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer*

Hong Kong 15 July 2004



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