(2) The reference to 15,508,000 shares above are held by Preferable Situation Assets Limited, a company 100% controlled by Mr. Webb, David Michael. According to a notice subsequently filed pursuant to Part XV of the SFO, the shareholding of Preferable Situation Assets Limited in the Company was increased to 16,816,000 shares.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2004, the Company has not been notified by any persons (other than Directors or chief executives of the Company) who had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO.

# **CLOSURE OF REGISTER**

The Register of Shareholders will be closed from 3 January 2005 to 6 January 2005, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected.

All transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrars, Standard Registrars Limited at G/F., Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong no later than 4:00 p.m. on 31 December 2004, in order to qualify for the interim dividend above mentioned.

# PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 September 2004.

# 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 to the Listing Rules throughout the accounting period under review.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee and the external auditors have reviewed the unaudited interim financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2004.

## APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Board, I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to our employees, shareholders and business associates for their contribution and support to the Group. Also, I am pleased to welcome Madam Chan How Chun who joined the Board in September 2004 as Independent Non-Executive Director.

On behalf of the Board **Cheung Shu Wan** *Managing Director* 

Hong Kong, 15 December 2004