

CLOSURE OF REGISTER

The Register of Members will be closed from 14th April, 2005 to 19th April, 2005, both dates inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. The record date for the interim dividend is at the close of business on 19th April, 2005.

In order to qualify for the interim dividend, shareholders should ensure that all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, are lodged with the Company's Registrars, Friendly Registrars Limited, G/F., Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong by not later than 4:30 p.m. on 13th April, 2005.

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

During the interim period, the Company and its subsidiary companies had not purchased, sold or redeemed any of the listed shares of the Company.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 31st December, 2004, the interests and short positions held by the Directors in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")), as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 352 of the SFO or otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") contained in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("Listing Rules"), were as follows:

(a) Long Positions in Shares of the Company

| Name of Directors | Number of Ordinary Shares | Capacity and Nature of Interest | % of Issued Share Capital |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Mr. Robert Ng Chee Siong | 530,880 | Beneficial owner | 0.03% |
| Mr. Ronald Joseph Arculli, GBS, OBE, JP | 60,000 | Beneficial owner | ≈ 0% |
| Mr. Paul Cheng Ming Fun, JP | — | — | — |
| Dr. Allan Zeman, GBS, JP | — | — | — |
| Mr. Raymond Tong Kwok Tung | — | — | — |