

## **PURCHASE AND CANCELLATION OF SHARES**

There was no redemption, purchase or cancellation of shares by the Company or any of its subsidiaries during the six months ended 31st December, 2004.

## **CLOSURE OF REGISTER**

The register of members of the Company will be closed from 18th April, 2005 to 22nd April, 2005 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfers of shares would be effected. In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all transfer of shares together with the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Share Registrars, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Room 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on 15th April, 2005.

## **CODE OF BEST PRACTICE**

None of the Directors of the Company is aware of any information that would reasonably indicate that the Company is not or was not for any part of the year in compliance with the Code of Best Practice, as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited except that the independent non-executive directors of the Company are not appointed for a specific term as they are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the Annual General Meeting of the Company in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association.

## **PUBLICATION OF DETAILED INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE WEBSITE OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE**

A detailed interim results announcement containing all information required by paragraphs 46(1) to 46(6) of Appendix 16 of the Listing Rules will be published on the Stock Exchange's website (<http://www.hkex.com.hk>) in due course.

By order of the Board

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*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 23rd March, 2005