Important

The Board of Directors and the Directors of the Company confirm that this interim report does not contain any false or misleading statements or material omissions, and collectively and individually accept responsibility for the truthfulness, accuracy and completeness of its contents.

Mr. Hou Weigui, Chairman of the Company, Mr. Wei Zaisheng, Chief Financial Officer of the Company and Mr Shi Chunmao, Head of Finance Division of the Company, hereby declare that they warrant the truthfulness and completeness of the financial statements contained in this interim report.

This interim report has been considered and approved at the fourteenth meeting of the third session of the Board of Directors of the Company. Mr. Shi Lirong, Director, was unable to attend the meeting due to work reasons, and has authorised in writing Mr. Hou Weigui, Chairman, to vote on his behalf. Mr. Qiao Wenjun, Independent Director, was unable to attend the meeting due to work reasons, and has authorised in writing Mr. Mi Zhengkun, Independent Director, to vote on his behalf.

The financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2005 prepared in accordance with PRC GAAP were unaudited. The financial statements of the Group for the same period prepared under Hong Kong accounting standards have been reviewed by Ernst & Young.