

EXPECTED TIMETABLE ⁽¹⁾
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Latest time for lodging White and Yellow Application Forms	12:00 noon on June 16, 2005
Latest time to give electronic application instructions to HKSCC ⁽²⁾	12:00 noon on June 16, 2005
Application lists open ⁽³⁾	11:45 a.m. on June 16, 2005
Application lists close	12:00 noon on June 16, 2005
Expected Price Determination Date	June 18, 2005
Announcement of the Offer Price, the levels of indication of interest in the International Offering, the results of applications in the Hong Kong Public Offering (with successful applicants' identification document numbers, where appropriate) and the basis of allotment of the Hong Kong Offer Shares to be published in South China Morning Post (in English) and Hong Kong Economic Times (in Chinese) on or before	June 22, 2005
H Share certificates in respect of wholly or partially successful applications to be dispatched on or before ⁽⁴⁾	June 22, 2005
Refund cheques in respect of wholly or partially unsuccessful applications to be dispatched on or before ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾	June 22, 2005
Dealings in the H Shares on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange expected to commence on	June 23, 2005

Notes:

- (1) All times refer to Hong Kong local time, except otherwise stated. Details of the structure of the Global Offering, including conditions of the Hong Kong Public Offering are set out in the section headed "Structure of the Global Offering" in this prospectus.
- (2) Applicants who apply for Hong Kong Offer Shares by giving electronic application instructions to HKSCC should refer to the section headed "How to Apply for Hong Kong Offer Shares – III. Applying by giving electronic application instructions to HKSCC" in this prospectus.
- (3) If there is a "black" rainstorm warning or a tropical cyclone warning signal number 8 or above in force in Hong Kong at any time between 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on June 16, 2005, the application lists will not open on that day. See the paragraph headed "Effect of bad weather on the opening of the application lists" in the section headed "How to Apply for Hong Kong Offer Shares" in this prospectus.
- (4) Applicants who applied for 1,000,000 or more Hong Kong Offer Shares and have indicated in their Application Forms their wish to collect refund cheques (where applicable) and H Share certificates (where applicable) in person may do so from our H Share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on June 22, 2005, for H Share certificates and refund cheques. Applicants being individuals who opt for personal collection must not authorize any other person to make collection on their behalf. Applicants being corporations who opt for personal collection must attend by their authorized representatives each bearing a letter of authorization from his corporation stamped with the corporation's chop. Both individuals and authorized representatives (if applicable) must produce, at the time of collection, evidence of identity acceptable to Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited. Uncollected refund cheques and H Share certificates will be dispatched by ordinary post to the addresses as specified in the applicants' Application Forms at the applicants' own risk. Applicants who apply by giving electronic application instructions to HKSCC should refer to the section headed "How to Apply for Hong Kong Offer Shares – III. Applying by giving electronic application instructions to HKSCC" in this prospectus for detailed arrangements.
- (5) Refund will be made in respect of wholly or partially unsuccessful applications and in respect of successful applications if the Offer Price is less than the price payable on application.

H Share certificates will only become valid certificates of title if the Hong Kong Public Offering has become unconditional in all respects and neither the Hong Kong Underwriting Agreement nor the International Purchase Agreement has been terminated in accordance with its terms. Investors who trade the H Shares on the basis of publicly available allocation details prior to the receipt of H Share certificates or prior to the H Share certificates becoming valid certificates of title do so entirely at their own risk.