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The Board of Directors, Supervisory Committee and the Directors, Supervisors and senior management of the Company confirm that this annual report does not contain any false information, misleading statements or material omissions, and collectively and individually accept responsibility for the truthfulness, accuracy and completeness of the contents of this annual report.

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 reports contained in this annual report.

This annual report has been considered and approved at the sixteenth meeting of the third session of the Board of Directors of the Company. Mr. He Shiyong, Director, was unable to attend the meeting due to work reasons and authorised in writing, Mr. Yin Yimin, Director, to vote on his behalf. Mr. Mi Zhengkun, Independent Director, was unable to attend the meeting due to work reasons and authorised in writing, Mr. Zhu Wuxiang, Independent Director, to vote on his behalf.

The respective financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2005 were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("PRC GAAP") in the PRC and with Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") respectively, and had been audited by Ernst & Young Hua Ming and Ernst & Young, and an unqualified auditors' report has been issued by each of them.

This report has been prepared in Chinese and English respectively. In case of discrepancy, the Chinese version shall prevail, except for the financial statements prepared in accordance with HKASs, of which the English version shall prevail.