

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

For the year ended 31 December 2005, the Group's business turned a new leaf, recording turnover of HK\$11.8 million. The Group's turnover increased significantly by 219% compared to the previous financial year. The property in North Point acquired by the Group in September 2005 delivered exceptional results for our bottom-line. Improved turnover was also reflected in robust growth in the levels of our corporate advisory fees, which increased by 133% to HK\$4.9 million for the year under review.

Operating expenses increased for the year as a result of higher staff costs, legal costs, and professional and consultancy fees. During the year, the Group formed a new management team and brought in experienced professionals to prepare for planned future growth. It moved to new office premises, and leased an extra office for its Corporate Finance Division, thus contributing to rise in rental and occupancy expenses.

Due to improved turnover and fair value gain on the investment property, the Group has registered a net profit for the year of HK\$4.1 million in 2005, representing a significant improvement compared with the net loss of HK\$6.1 million recorded in 2004.

Liquidity and Financial Resources

The Group maintains a very strong and healthy liquidity position, with bank and cash balances amounting to HK\$123 million as at 31 December 2005. Cash reserves are in general held as time deposits and short-term high-yield currency-linked deposits with major banks in Hong Kong.

As at the balance sheet date, the Group had a mortgage loan for securing over its investment property of HK\$77 million, maturing in more than five years and the obligations under finance leases of HK\$1.1 million maturing in 2008.

The gearing ratio (the ratio of the Group's total interest-bearing debts net of cash reserves divided by the Company's shareholders' funds as at the balance sheet date) did not exist due to the Group having surplus cash reserves after netting its borrowings as at 31 December 2005.

The Group placed a small proportion of its cash into high-yield currency-linked deposits. These deposits are linked to either European currencies or Australian dollars, and are exposed to exchange rate fluctuations. Save as disclosed above, the Group did not have any foreign exchange contract for hedging purposes.

財務摘要

二零零五年度，本集團的業務揭開新的一頁，截至十二月三十一日止，錄得營業額11,800,000港元。與上個財政年度比較，本集團的營業額大幅增長219%。本集團於二零零五年九月在北角收購的物業為本集團的經營業績帶來顯著增長。營業額的上升，亦反映本集團企業顧問費收入在回顧年度的可觀增長，較去年上升133%至4,900,000港元。

年內經營開支增加的原因是僱員成本、法律成本、專業人員及諮詢費用上升。於本年度，本集團組建一支新的管理團隊，並網羅經驗豐富的專業人士，為日後的發展計劃作準備。本集團已遷至新辦公室，並為其企業融資分部額外租用一間辦公室，令租賃及佔駐開支增加。

由於營業額增長及投資物業的公平價值上升，本集團於二零零五年錄得純利4,100,000港元；較二零零四年虧損6,100,000港元，業績顯著改善。

流動現金及財務資源

本集團維持極度充裕及穩健的流動現金狀況，於二零零五年十二月三十一日的銀行及現金結餘達到123,000,000港元。現金儲備以定期存款及短期高息貨幣掛鉤存款形式存放於香港多家大型銀行。

於結算日，本集團有一項以其投資物業作抵押的按揭貸款77,000,000港元，貸款於五年後到期，而融資租約承擔下的債務1,100,000港元則將於二零零八年到期。

資產負債率(本集團於結算日的付息債務總額減去現金儲備再除以本公司股東資金的比率)並不存在，因為經扣除借貸後，本集團於二零零五年十二月三十一日擁有盈餘現金儲備。

本集團將小部份現金置於高息貨幣掛鉤存款，而該等存款與歐洲貨幣或澳元掛鉤，須面對匯兌波動風險。除上文披露者外，本集團並無持有任何作對沖作用的外匯合約。

Current assets of the Group were recorded at HK\$134 million whilst the current liabilities amounted to HK\$13 million as at 31 December 2005. The Group has a strong working capital for future businesses and developments.

Employment and Remuneration Policy

As at 31 December 2005, the Group had a total of 25 employees, including executive directors. The Group's remuneration policy and packages for the executive directors and senior management are reviewed and recommended by the Remuneration, Quality and Nomination Committee and approved by the Board of Directors on an annual basis while that for other employees' are reviewed and approved by the Chief Executive Officer. The Group remunerates its employees based on industry practice and the performance of each individual. The Group also offers discretionary bonuses, medical insurance, and a provident fund, and provides a share option scheme for its employees and executive directors.

Contingent Liability

The contingent liability of the Group has not changed from that disclosed in last year's annual report.

於二零零五年十二月三十一日，本集團錄得流動資產 133,600,000 港元，而流動負債則為 13,000,000 港元。本集團擁有充裕的流動現金，足以應付日後的業務及發展所需。

僱員及薪酬政策

於二零零五年十二月三十一日，本集團合共有 25 名僱員，包括執行董事。本集團執行董事與高級管理人員的薪酬政策及福利每年由薪酬、質素及提名委員會檢討及建議，並由董事會批准；而其他僱員的薪酬政策及福利則由行政總裁檢討及批准。本集團給予僱員的薪酬，乃根據業內慣例及個別表現而定。本集團亦向其僱員及執行董事提供酌情花紅、醫療保險及公積金，並設有購股權計劃。

或然負債

本集團的或然負債與去年年報所披露者並無變動。