Consolidated Balance Sheet

At 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| Assets | Note | 2005 <i>Rmb'</i> 000 | 2004 <i>Rmb′000</i> |
|--|------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| | Note | KIIID 000 | NITID 000 |
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 4 | 562,339 | 2,748,133 |
| Bills receivable | 5 | 594,774 | 1,425,868 |
| Trade receivables | 6 | 594,563 | 641,013 |
| Other receivables | 7 | 6,493 | 11,056 |
| Prepayments | 8 | 173,728 | 217,437 |
| Inventories | 9 | 2,608,291 | 2,221,412 |
| Deferred expenses | | 583 | 492 |
| Total current assets | | 4,540,771 | 7,265,411 |
| Long-term equity investments | 10 | 41,427 | 41,303 |
| Fixed assets | | | |
| Fixed assets, at cost | 11 | 11,438,201 | 11,146,973 |
| Less: Accumulated depreciation | | (4,905,493) | (4,067,194) |
| Net book value of fixed assets | | 6,532,708 | 7,079,779 |
| Construction in progress | 12 | 2,840,603 | 611,746 |
| Total fixed assets | | 9,373,311 | 7,691,525 |
| Intangible assets and other assets | | | |
| Intangible assets | 13 | 333,885 | 345,072 |
| Long-term deferred expenses | | 429 | 17 |
| Total intangible assets and other assets | | 334,314 | 345,089 |
| Total assets | | 14,289,823 | 15,343,328 |

Consolidated Balance Sheet (Continued)

At 31 December 2005

(Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| | | 2005 | 2004 |
|--|------|------------|------------|
| Liabilities and shareholders' funds | Note | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Short-term loans | 14 | 117,500 | 100,000 |
| Bills payable | 15 | 194,392 | 220,899 |
| Trade payables | 16 | 243,687 | 286,744 |
| Receipts in advance | 17 | 962,875 | 1,554,986 |
| Accrued payroll | | 67,110 | 61,938 |
| Staff welfare payable | | 25,734 | 19,418 |
| Accrued expenses | | 6,592 | 7,002 |
| Taxes payable | 3(d) | (110,531) | 262,520 |
| Other payables | 18 | 208,659 | 344,094 |
| Current portion of long-term liabilities | 19 | 640,535 | 1,107,237 |
| Total current liabilities | | 2,356,553 | 3,964,838 |
| ong-term liabilities | | | |
| Long-term loans | 20 | 604,013 | 1,244,548 |
| Fotal liabilities | | 2,960,566 | 5,209,386 |
| Shareholders' funds | | | |
| Share capital | 21 | 2,962,986 | 2,962,942 |
| Capital reserve | 22 | 3,089,796 | 3,084,915 |
| Surplus reserves (including statutory public welfare | | | |
| fund of Rmb772,057,000 (2004: Rmb562,930,000)) | 23 | 1,544,114 | 1,125,860 |
| Undistributed profits (including dividend proposed | | | |
| after the balance sheet date of Rmb1,066,675,000 | | | |
| (2004: Rmb888,883,000)) | 24 | 3,732,361 | 2,960,225 |
| Total shareholders' funds | | 11,329,257 | 10,133,942 |
| | | | |

These financial statements have been approved by the board of directors on 10 April 2006.

| Liu Jie | Ma Lianyong |
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| Chairman | Chief Accountant |

Balance Sheet

At 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| | | 2005 | 2004 |
|--|------|-------------|------------|
| Assets | Note | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 4 | 515,061 | 2,705,059 |
| Bills receivable | 5 | 594,774 | 1,425,868 |
| Trade receivables | 6 | 649,462 | 569,082 |
| Other receivables | 7 | 289 | 5,653 |
| Prepayments | 8 | 166,047 | 209,670 |
| Inventories | 9 | 2,439,971 | 2,068,827 |
| Total current assets | | 4,365,604 | 6,984,159 |
| Long-term equity investments | 10 | 212,012 | 237,199 |
| Fixed assets | | | |
| Fixed assets, at cost | 11 | 10,894,901 | 10,601,802 |
| Less: Accumulated depreciation | | (4,826,597) | (4,033,116 |
| Net book value of fixed assets | | 6,068,304 | 6,568,686 |
| Construction in progress | 12 | 2,836,255 | 611,316 |
| Total fixed assets | | 8,904,559 | 7,180,002 |
| Intangible assets and other assets | | | |
| Intangible assets | 13 | 297,855 | 305,828 |
| Total intangible assets and other assets | | 297,855 | 305,828 |
| Total assets | | 13,780,030 | 14,707,188 |

Balance Sheet (Continued)

At 31 December 2005

(Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| | | 2005 | 2004 |
|--|------|------------|------------|
| Liabilities and shareholders' fund | Note | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Bills payable | 15 | 194,392 | 220,899 |
| Trade payables | 16 | 231,413 | 282,135 |
| Receipts in advance | 17 | 932,255 | 1,523,443 |
| Accrued payroll | ., | 67,110 | 61,938 |
| Staff welfare payable | | 25,726 | 19,418 |
| Taxes payable | 3(d) | (100,288) | 274,508 |
| Other payables | 18 | 188,382 | 224,202 |
| Current portion of long-term liabilities | 19 | 600,000 | 1,066,703 |
| Total current liabilities | | 2,138,990 | 3,673,246 |
| ong-term liabilities | | | |
| Long-term loans | 20 | 300,000 | 900,000 |
| Total liabilities | | 2,438,990 | 4,573,246 |
| Shareholders' funds | | | |
| Share capital | 21 | 2,962,986 | 2,962,942 |
| Capital reserve | 22 | 3,089,796 | 3,084,915 |
| Surplus reserves (including statutory public welfare | | | |
| fund of Rmb772,057,000 (2004: Rmb562,930,000)) | 23 | 1,544,114 | 1,125,860 |
| Undistributed profits (including dividend proposed | | | |
| after the balance sheet date of Rmb1,066,675,000 | | | |
| (2004: Rmb888,883,000)) | 24 | 3,744,144 | 2,960,225 |
| Total shareholders' funds | | 11,341,040 | 10,133,942 |
| | | 42.702.222 | 4470740 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' funds | | 13,780,030 | 14,707,188 |

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| Liu Jie | Ma Lianyong |
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| Chairman | Chief Accountant |

Consolidated Income Statement and Profit Appropriation Statement

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| _ | | Note | 2005 Rmb'000 | 2004 Rmb'000 |
|--------|------------------------------|------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Incom | ne from principal operations | 25 | 26,488,115 | 23,227,617 |
| Less: | Cost of sales | 26 | 22,642,123 | 19,814,375 |
| | Business tax and surcharges | 27 | 90,660 | 49,754 |
| Profit | from principal operations | | 3,755,332 | 3,363,488 |
| Add: | Other operating profit | 28 | 103,786 | 96,434 |
| Less: | Operating expenses | 29 | 462,875 | 423,192 |
| | Administrative expenses | | 348,542 | 281,900 |
| | Financial expenses | 30 | 64,038 | 120,840 |
| Opera | ating profit | | 2,983,663 | 2,633,990 |
| Add: | Investment (loss) / income | 31 | (955) | 233 |
| | Non-operating income | | 1,637 | 222 |
| Less: | Non-operating expenses | | 1,891 | 1,702 |
| Total | profit | | 2,982,454 | 2,632,743 |
| Less: | Income tax expense | 3(b) | 902,969 | 856,406 |
| Net p | profit | | 2,079,485 | 1,776,337 |

Consolidated Income Statement and Profit Appropriation Statement (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| | | | 2005 | 2004 |
|--------|--|---------|-----------|-----------|
| | | Note | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| Net p | profit | | 2,079,485 | 1,776,337 |
| Add: | Undistributed profits at the beginning of the year | ear | 2,960,225 | 2,131,717 |
| Distri | ibutable profits | | 5,039,710 | 3,908,054 |
| Less: | Transfer to statutory surplus reserve | 23 | 209,127 | 177,633 |
| | Transfer to statutory public welfare fund | 23 | 209,127 | 177,633 |
| Profi | ts distributable to shareholders | | 4,621,456 | 3,552,788 |
| Less: | Dividends | | 889,095 | 592,563 |
| Undi | stributed profits at the end of the year | | | |
| | cluding: dividend proposed after the balance shee | et date | | |
| | of Rmb1,066,675,000 (2004: Rmb888,883,000)) | | 3,732,361 | 2,960,225 |

| | | 2005 | 2004 |
|------|---|---------|---------|
| Item | | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| 1. | Gains / (losses) from the sale and | | |
| | disposal of divisions or invested entities | _ | _ |
| 2. | Losses arising from natural disasters | _ | _ |
| 3. | Increase / (decrease) in total profits due to the changes in accounting policies | _ | _ |
| 4. | Increase / (decrease) in total profits due to the changes in accounting estimates | _ | _ |
| 5. | Gains / (losses) arising from debt restructuring | _ | _ |
| 6. | Others | | |

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Ma Lianyong Liu Jie Chairman Chief Accountant

Income Statement and Profit Appropriation Statement

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| _ | | Note | 2005 <i>Rmb'000</i> | 2004 Rmb'000 |
|--------|------------------------------|------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Incom | ne from principal operations | 25 | 26,296,417 | 23,148,417 |
| Less: | Cost of sales | 26 | 22,477,870 | 19,740,857 |
| | Business tax and surcharges | 27 | 90,660 | 49,754 |
| Profit | from principal operations | | 3,727,887 | 3,357,806 |
| Add: | Other operating profit | 28 | 102,357 | 91,105 |
| Less: | Operating expenses | 29 | 454,731 | 417,821 |
| | Administrative expenses | | 313,344 | 230,714 |
| | Financial expenses | 30 | 41,428 | 97,387 |
| Opera | ating profit | | 3,020,741 | 2,702,989 |
| Add: | Investment loss | 31 | (26,266) | (68,766) |
| | Non-operating income | | 1,637 | 222 |
| Less: | Non-operating expenses | | 1,875 | 1,702 |
| Total | profit | | 2,994,237 | 2,632,743 |
| Less: | Income tax expense | 3(b) | 902,969 | 856,406 |
| Net p | profit | | 2,091,268 | 1,776,337 |

Income Statement and Profit Appropriation Statement (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2005

(Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| | | | 2005 | 2004 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | Note | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 |
| Net Profit | | | 2,091,268 | 1,776,337 |
| Net Hont | | | 2,031,200 | 1,770,557 |
| Add: Undistribute | ed profits at the beginning of the ye | ear | 2,960,225 | 2,131,717 |
| Distributable pro | fits | | 5,051,493 | 3,908,054 |
| | | | 2,023,022 | -,, |
| Less: Transfer to | statutory surplus reserve | 23 | 209,127 | 177,633 |
| Transfer to | statutory public welfare fund | 23 | 209,127 | 177,633 |
| | | | | |
| Profits distributa | ble to shareholders | | 4,633,239 | 3,552,788 |
| Less: Dividends | | | 889,095 | 592,563 |
| Undistributed pro | ofits at the end of the year | | | |
| (including: divide | end proposed after the balance shee | et date of | | |
| Rmb1,066,675 | 5,000 (2004: Rmb888,883,000)) | | 3,744,144 | 2,960,225 |
| Additional inform | nation: | | | |
| | | | 2005 | 2004 |
| | | | | |

| | | 2005 | 2004 |
|------|--|---------|---------|
| Item | | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| | | | |
| 1. | Gains / (losses) from the sale and | | |
| | disposal of divisions or invested entities | _ | _ |
| 2. | Losses arising from natural disasters | _ | _ |
| 3. | Increase / (decrease) in total profits due to the changes in | | |
| | accounting policies | _ | _ |
| 4. | Increase / (decrease) in total profits due to the changes in | | |
| | accounting estimates | _ | _ |
| 5. | Gains / (losses) arising from debt restructuring | _ | _ |
| 6. | Others | _ | |

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| Liu Jie | Ma Lianyong | |
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| Chairman | Chief Accountant | |

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| | Note to the consolidated cash flow statement | 200 <i>Rmb'0</i> 0 |
|---|--|--|
| | | |
| ash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Cash received from sale of goods | | 29,469,83 |
| Refund of taxes | | 158,86 |
| Cash received in relation to other operating activities | | 2,02 |
| Sub-total of cash inflows | | 29,630,73 |
| Cash paid for goods | | (24,883,75 |
| Cash paid to and on behalf of employees | | (342,18 |
| Taxes paid | | (1,600,02 |
| Cash paid in relation to other operating activities | | (251,65 |
| Sub-total of cash outflows | | (27,077,61 |
| et cash flow from operating activities | (a) | 2,553,12 |
| ash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Cash received from investment income | | 1,40 |
| | | ., |
| Net proceeds from the disposal of fixed assets | | |
| Net proceeds from the disposal of fixed assets Cash received in relation to other investing activities | | 1,46 |
| | | 1,46 72,35 |
| Cash received in relation to other investing activities | | 1,46 72,35 |
| Cash received in relation to other investing activities Sub-total of cash inflows | | 1,46 72,35 75,22 (2,727,91 |
| Cash received in relation to other investing activities Sub-total of cash inflows Cash paid for acquisition of fixed assets, construction | | 1,46 72,35 75,22 |
| Cash received in relation to other investing activities Sub-total of cash inflows Cash paid for acquisition of fixed assets, construction in progress, intangible assets and other long-term asset | | 75,22 (2,727,91 |
| Cash received in relation to other investing activities Sub-total of cash inflows Cash paid for acquisition of fixed assets, construction in progress, intangible assets and other long-term asset Cash paid for acquisition of investments | | 1,46 72,35 75,22 (2,727,91 (2,47 |

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| Note to the consolidated | 2005 |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| cash flow statement | Rmb'000 |
| | |
| | 117,500 |
| | 117,500 |
| | (1,206,964) |
| | (1,006,542) |
| | (437) |
| | (2,213,943) |
| | (2,096,443) |
| | 13,037 |
| (c) | (2,185,794) |
| | cash flow statement |

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

2005 Rmb'000

Notes to the consolidated cash flow statement

(a) Reconciliation of net profit to cash flows from operations:

| Net | profit | 2,079,485 |
|-----|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Add | : Bad debt provision | 79 |
| | Inventory provision | 16,079 |
| | Depreciation of fixed assets | 840,696 |
| | Amortisation of intangible assets | 12,415 |
| | Loss on disposal of fixed assets | 373 |
| | Increase in deferred expenses | (91) |
| | Decrease in accrued expenses | (410) |
| | Financial expenses | 64,038 |
| | Investment losses | 955 |
| | Increase in inventories | (402,958) |
| | Decrease in operating receivables | 923,594 |
| | Decrease in operating payables | (981,135) |
| | | |
| Net | cash flow from operating activities | 2,553,120 |

(b) Non-cash transactions of investing and financing activities:

| Conversion of convertible dependings to A shares | 123 |
|--|-----|
| | |

(c) Net increase in cash and cash equivalents:

| Cash at the end of the year | 562,339 |
|---|-------------|
| Less: Cash at the beginning of the year | 2,748,133 |
| | |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (2,185,794) |

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| Liu Jie | Ma Lianyong |
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| Chairman | Chief Accountant |

Cash Flow Statement

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| | Note to the cash flow statement | 2005 Rmb′000 |
|---|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| | | |
| ash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Cash received from sales of goods | | 29,163,518 |
| Refund of taxes | | 122,67 |
| Sub-total of cash inflows | | 29,286,193 |
| Cash paid for goods | | (24,720,202 |
| Cash paid to and on behalf of employees | | (330,658 |
| Taxes paid | | (1,597,78 |
| Cash paid in relation to other operating activities | | (234,275 |
| Sub-total of cash outflows | | (26,882,92 |
| et cash flow from operating activities | (a) | 2,403,273 |
| ash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Cash received from investment income | | 1,400 |
| Net proceeds from the disposal of fixed assets | | 1,390 |
| Cash received in relation to other investing activities | | 71,320 |
| Sub-total of cash inflows | | 74,110 |
| Cash paid for acquisition of fixed assets, construction | | |
| in progress, intangible assets and other long-term assets | | (2,632,864 |
| Cash paid for acquisition of investments | | (2,47 |
| Sub-total of cash outflows | | (2,635,34. |
| et cash flow from investing activities | | (2,561,233 |

Cash Flow Statement (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| | Note to the cash | 2005 |
|---|------------------|-------------|
| | flow statement | Rmb'000 |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Repayment of loans | | (1,066,430) |
| Cash paid for dividends or interest payment | | (978,520) |
| Cash paid in relation to other financing activities | | (437) |
| Sub-total of cash outflows | | (2,045,387) |
| Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash held | | 13,349 |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (c) | (2,189,998) |

Cash Flow Statement (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

| _ | | 2005 <i>Rmb'000</i> |
|------|--|------------------------|
| Note | s to the cash flow statement | |
| (a) | Reconciliation of net profit to cash flows from operations: | |
| | Net profit | 2,091,268 |
| | Add: Bad debt provision | 79 |
| | Depreciation of fixed assets | 795,787 |
| | Amortisation of intangible assets | 7,973 |
| | Loss on disposal of fixed assets | 357 |
| | Financial expenses | 41,428 |
| | Loss on investments | 26,266 |
| | Increase in inventories | (371,144) |
| | Decrease in operating receivables | 797,480 |
| | Decrease in operating payables | (986,221) |
| | Net cash flow from operating activities | 2,403,273 |
| (b) | Non-cash transactions of investing and financing activities: | |
| | Conversion of convertible debentures to A shares | 123 |
| (c) | Net increase in cash and cash equivalents: | |
| | Cash at the end of the year | 515,061 |
| | Less: Cash at the beginning of the year | 2,705,059 |
| | | |

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Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents

| Liu Jie | Ma Lianyong |
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| Chairman | Chief Accountant |

(2,189,998)

Notes on the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

1. STATUS OF THE COMPANY

Angang New Steel Company Limited (the "Company") was formally established on 8 May 1997 as a joint stock limited company.

The Company was established as a joint stock limited company under the Company Law of the People's Republic of China ("PRC"), with Anshan Iron & Steel Group Complex ("Angang Holding") as the sole promoter, pursuant to the approval document Tigaisheng [1997] No. 62 "Reply to the Approval of the Establishment of Angang New Steel Company Limited" issued by the State Commission for Economic Restructuring of the PRC. The Company took over the businesses of the Wire Rod Plant, the Thick Plate Plant, and the Cold Rolling Plant (collectively referred to as the "Plants") of Angang Holding. According to the Division Agreement which took effect from 1 January 1997, Angang Holding transferred the production, sales, research and development, administration activities of the Plants together with the relevant assets and liabilities as at 31 December 1996 as its contribution to the Company. The above net assets were converted into 1,319,000,000 shares of the Company of Rmb1 each.

The Company issued 890,000,000 ordinary H shares ("H shares") with a par value of Rmb1 each on 22 July 1997 which were subsequently listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited on 24 July 1997. The Company also issued 300,000,000 ordinary A shares ("A shares") with a par value of Rmb1 each on 16 November 1997 which were subsequently listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange on 25 December 1997.

In accordance with the "Approval notice related to State-owned Share Reform Plan of Angang New Steel Company Limited" issued by State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council in the PRC, the Company implemented its State-owned Share Reform Plan ("Reform Plan") on 1 December 2005. Angang Holding transferred 188,496,424 shares of the Company (excluding additional shares to be issued arising from the exercise of warrants issued in the Reform Plan) to those registered A share shareholders on 1 December 2005. After that, the state-owned legal shares of the Company held by Angang Holding were reduced by 188,496,424 shares. The Company's A shares were increased by 188,496,424 shares accordingly.

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

1. **STATUS OF THE COMPANY** (Continued)

Pursuant to agreements "Acquisition Agreement regarding 100% Equity Interests in Angang New Steel and Iron Company Limited" dated 29 December 2004 and "Acquisition Agreement regarding 100% Equity Interests in Angang New Steel and Iron Company Limited (2005)" dated 20 October 2005 ("Acquisition Agreement") entered into between the Company and Angang Holding, the Company proposed to acquire the entire equity interest in Angang New Steel and Iron Company Limited ("ANSI") which has been reorganised in accordance with Angang Holding Gangzhengfa [2004] No. 22 "Notice regarding the reorganisation of Angang New Steel and Iron Company Limited" at a consideration amounting to Rmb1.969 billion. The acquisition was approved by the independent shareholders at the 2nd extraordinary general meeting held on 28 December 2005. After China Securities Regulatory Commission ("CSRC") has issued an approval (Zheng Jian Gong Si Zi No. 5 [2006]) on 25 January 2006, the Company issued a total of 2.97 billion A shares with a par value of Rmb1 each to Angang Holding on 26 January 2006 and with cash payment as consideration for the acquisition of the entire equity interest in ANSI.

The principal operations of the Company and its jointly controlled entities ("the Group") are production and sale of steel billets, wire rods, thick plates, cold rolled sheets, large section products and hot dip galvanized steel products, and sale, processing and distribution of steel products.

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies adopted by the Group in the preparation of the financial statements conform with the relevant requirements of the Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises and Accounting Regulations for Business Enterprises issued by the Ministry of Finance of the PRC.

(a) Accounting period

The accounting year of the Group is from 1 January to 31 December.

(b) Preparation of the consolidated financial statements

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting Regulations for Business Enterprises and the Interim Provisions on Consolidated Financial Statements (Caikuaizi [1995] No. 11) issued by the Ministry of Finance.

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its jointly controlled entities.

In the preparation of the consolidated financial statements, for jointly controlled entities which the Company has joint control with other investors under contractual agreement, the Company consolidates the assets, liabilities, revenues, costs and expenses of these jointly controlled entities using the proportionate consolidation method, including the Group's proportionate share of the jointly controlled entities' assets, liabilities, revenues, costs and expenses with items of a similar nature on a line by line basis.

When the accounting policies adopted by the jointly controlled entities differ from those of the Company, necessary adjustments are made in the consolidated financial statements according to the Company's accounting policies. Material group transactions, including any unrealised gains and intragroup balances, are eliminated in consolidation.

(c) Accounting basis and measurement principle

The financial statements of the Group have been prepared on an accrual basis, with the historical cost method as the measurement principle, unless otherwise stated.

(d) Reporting currency

The reporting currency of the Group is Renminbi.

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

2. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

(e) Translation of foreign currencies

Foreign currency transactions are translated into Renminbi at the exchange rates quoted by the People's Bank of China and other recognised exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Renminbi at the exchange rates quoted by the People's Bank of China and other recognised exchange rates ruling at the balance sheet date. Except for those exchange gains and losses directly relating to the purchase or construction of fixed assets (Note 2(j)), exchange gains and losses on foreign currency translation are dealt with in the income statement of the current period.

Exchange differences arise during the start-up period are aggregated into the long-term deferred expenses and are then fully charged to the income statement in the month of commencement of operations.

(f) Cash equivalents

Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments of the Group which are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(g) **Bad debt provision**

Trade receivables showing signs of uncollectibility are individually identified by the Group and bad debt provision is then made based on the probable uncollectible amount. Bad debt provision for other receivables is determined by the Group based on the nature and corresponding collectibility of the receivables.

For the year ended 31 December 2005 (Prepared in accordance with PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations)

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(h) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Cost of inventories includes the costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs. Inventories are measured at their actual cost upon acquisition. The cost of inventories is calculated using the weighted average method. In addition to the actual cost for the purchase of raw materials, work in progress and finished goods also include direct labour and an appropriate proportion of manufacturing overheads.

Except spare parts, inventory provision is provided at the difference between the cost of individual inventory item and its net realisable value. Spare parts provision is provided based on the management's assessment. Net realisable value is determined according to the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated selling costs and related taxes necessary to make the sale.

Low value consumables, packaging and other materials are expensed when being consumed.

Inventories are recorded by perpetual method.

(i) Long-term equity investments

Investee enterprises that are controlled or jointly controlled by the Company or over which the Company exercises significant influence are accounted for under the equity method. It is initially recorded at cost and adjusted thereafter according to the Company's share of equity interest in the investee enterprises.

Investee enterprises that are not controlled or jointly controlled by the Company, and over which the Company does not exercise significant influence are recorded at cost. Investment income is recognised when the investee enterprises declare a cash dividend or profit appropriation.

Disposals of long-term equity investments are recognised in the income statement based on the difference between the disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the investments.

Long-term investments have been reviewed for impairment loss by the Group. (refer to Note 2(n)).

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2. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

(j) Fixed assets and construction in progress

Fixed assets represent assets with a useful life of over one year and with a higher unit cost which are held by the Group for production and operation purpose.

Fixed assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment loss (refer to Note 2(n)). Construction in progress is stated in the balance sheet at cost less impairment loss (refer to Note 2(n)).

All direct and indirect costs related to the purchase or construction of fixed assets, incurred before the assets are ready for their intended use, are capitalised as construction in progress. Those costs included borrowing costs (including foreign exchange gains or losses arising from the loan principal and the related interest) on specific borrowings for the construction of the fixed assets during the construction period.

Construction in progress is transferred to fixed assets when the asset is ready for its intended use. No depreciation is provided for construction in progress.

Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful life of each asset on a straight-line basis. The respective estimated useful lives and residual values are as follows:

| | Estimated useful life | Estimated residual value |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | |
| Land use rights | 50 years | _ |
| Buildings and plants | 10 to 40 years | 3% - 5% |
| Machinery and equipment | 5 to 20 years | 3% - 5% |
| Other fixed assets | 4 to 15 years | 3% - 5% |

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(k) Intangible assets

Intangible assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses (refer to Note 2(n)). Amortisation is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life, the beneficial period as specified in the related agreement or the grant period as stipulated by law. The respective amortisation periods are as follows:

Amortisation period

| Land use rights | 50 years |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Acquired software | 3 to 10 years |
| Industrial technology | 10 years |

(I) Convertible debentures

Convertible debentures are stated at par value. Interest expense is accrued annually and is capitalised as the cost of corresponding construction in progress. Upon the completion of the construction in progress, the interest expense is charged directly to financial expenses of the same period.

Upon conversion, the carrying value of the debenture and the accrued interest is credited to the share capital and capital reserve.

(m) Pre-operating expenses

All the costs incurred during the set up period, except for that incurred for the purchase or construction of fixed assets, are initially recorded as long-term deferred expenses and then fully charged to the income statement in the month when operations commence.

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2. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

(n) Impairment loss of assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's assets (including long-term equity investments, fixed assets, construction in progress, intangible assets and other assets), other than trade receivables and inventories (refer to Notes 2(g), 2(h)), are reviewed periodically in order to assess whether the recoverable amounts have decreased below the book value. These assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their recorded carrying amounts may not be recoverable. When such a decrease has occurred, the carrying amount is reduced to the recoverable amount. The amount by which the carrying amount is reduced is the impairment loss.

The recoverable amount is the greater of the net selling price and present value of the estimated future cash flows arising from the continuous use of the asset and from the disposal of the asset at the end of its useful life.

Provision for impairment loss is calculated on an item by item basis and recognised as an expense in the income statement. However, when a deficit between the initial investment cost and the Company's share of the investors' equity of the investee enterprise has been debited to the capital reserve, any impairment losses for long-term equity investment are firstly set off against the difference initially recognised in the capital reserve relating to the investment and any excess impairment losses are then recognised in the income statement.

If there is an indication that there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount and as a result the estimated recoverable amount is greater than the carrying amount of the asset, the impairment loss recognised in prior years is reversed. Reversals of impairment loss are recognised in the income statement. Impairment losses are reversed to the extent of the asset's carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years. In respect of the reversal of an impairment loss for a longterm equity investment, the reversal starts with the impairment losses that had previously been recognised in the income statement and then the impairment losses that had been charged to capital reserve.

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2. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

(o) Income tax

Income tax is provided on an accrual basis. The income tax of the Group for the current year is calculated according to the taxable income and the applicable tax rate.

(p) **Provisions and contingent liabilities**

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation arising as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made.

Where it is not probable that the settlement of the above obligation will cause an outflow of economic benefits, or the amount of the outflow cannot be estimated reliably, the obligation is disclosed as a contingent liability.

Revenue recognition (q)

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of goods have been transferred to the buyer. No revenue is recognised if there are significant uncertainties regarding the receipt of the consideration and the return of goods, or when the revenue and the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction cannot be measured reliably.

(r) Repairs and maintenance expenses

Repairs and maintenance expenses, including cost of major overhaul, are charged to the income statement when they are incurred.

(s) Research and development costs

Research and development costs are charged to the income statement when they are incurred.

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2. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

(t) **Borrowing costs**

Specific borrowing costs attributable to the construction of fixed assets are capitalised as the cost of the fixed assets during the construction period until they are ready for their intended use.

Except the above borrowing costs, other borrowing costs are expensed in the income statement when they are incurred.

(u) **Dividend distribution**

Cash dividends are included in the income statement and profit appropriation statement when declared. The cash dividends proposed or approved after the balance sheet date but before the issuance of the financial statements are presented separately in the shareholders' funds in the balance sheet.

Retirement benefits (v)

According to PRC government regulations, the Group has entered into government organized defined contribution pension scheme on behalf of its employees. The Group contributes to the scheme based on a certain percentage of employee's wages. Contributions to defined contribution pension scheme are recognised as an expense in the income statement on an accrual basis. The Group has no other payment obligations beyond those stipulated in the defined contribution pension scheme. Further information is set out in Note 33.

(w) **Related parties**

Parties are considered to be related to the Group if the Group has the ability, directly or indirectly, to control and jointly control the party or exercise significant influence over the party, or vice versa, or where the Group and the party or parties are subject to common control. Related parties may be individuals or enterprises.

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3. TAXATION

(a) Tax relating to sales of goods applicable to the Group includes value added tax ("VAT"). The VAT rate is 17%. In accordance with Caishuizi (2004) No.168 issued by the Ministry of Finance and State Administration of Taxation on 20 September 2004, the Company enjoyed tax exemption relating to input VAT of fixed assets amounting to Rmb117,200,000 for the year (2004: Rmb7,290,000).

(b) Income tax

The applicable income tax rate of the Company is 33% (2004: 33%).

According to Income Tax Law of the PRC for Enterprises with Foreign Investment, the Company's jointly controlled entity, ANSC-TKS Galvanizing Co., Ltd ("ANSC-TKS"), is exempt from income tax during its first two profitable years, starting from the first year when ANSC-TKS has a profit after offsetting any previous years' losses. A 50% income tax exemption is granted to ANSC-TKS from the third profitable year to fifth profitable year. No income tax was provided by ANSC-TKS as ANSC-TKS sustained a loss in 2005.

No income tax was provided for the jointly controlled entity of the Company, ANSC-Xinchuan Heavy Industries Dalian Steel Product Processing and Distribution Company Limited ("ANSC-Xinchuan"), as it had not begun its operations during the year.

(c) Others

The Group is subject to surcharges, including city construction and maintenance tax, education surcharge and local education surcharge, which are computed based on 7%, 3% and 1% of net VAT payable and sale taxes payable, respectively.

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3. **TAXATION** (Continued)

(d) Taxes payable

| | The Group | | The Co | mpany |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------|-----------|---------|
| | 2005 2004 | | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| VAT (deductible)/payable | (71,229) | (10,720) | (60,889) | 1,369 |
| Income tax (refundable)/payable | (40,723) | 244,082 | (40,723) | 244,082 |
| Others | 1,421 | 29,158 | 1,324 | 29,057 |
| | | | | |
| | (110,531) | 262,520 | (100,288) | 274,508 |

In accordance with Guoshuifa (2000) No.13 issued by the State Administration of Taxation on 17 January 2000, the Company enjoyed tax exemption relating to investment in technical development of domestic-produced machinery amounting to Rmb24,154,000 for the year (2004: Rmb37,126,000). In accordance with Caishuizi (2003) No.244 issued by the Ministry of Finance and State Administration of Taxation on 27 November 2003, the Company enjoyed additional tax exemption relating to enterprise research and development cost amounting to Rmb96,392,000 for the year (2004: Nil).

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CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND 4.

| | | 2005 | | | 2004 | |
|--|------------------|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| | Original | Exchange | Rmb / Rmb | Original | Exchange | Rmb / Rmb |
| | currency | rate | equivalent | currency | rate | equivalent |
| The Group | '000 | | '000 | '000 | | '000 |
| Cash in hand | | | | | | |
| Renminbi | | | 7 | | | 14 |
| Euro | 1 | 9.58 | 14 | _ | 11.26 | 4 |
| Cash at bank | | | | | | |
| Renminbi | | | 547,183 | | | 1,795,694 |
| HK Dollars | 603 | 1.04 | 627 | 4,056 | 1.06 | 4,315 |
| US Dollars | 1,579 | 8.07 | 12,745 | 1,179 | 8.28 | 9,760 |
| Euro | 184 | 9.58 | 1,763 | 346 | 11.26 | 3,896 |
| Deposits with bank | | | | | | |
| Renminbi | | | _ | | | 934,450 |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | 562,339 | | | 2,748,133 |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | 2005 | | | 2004 | |
| | Original | | Rmb / Rmb | Original | 2004 Exchange | Rmb / Rmb |
| | currency | | Rmb / Rmb equivalent | currency | | equivalent |
| The Company | | Exchange | | | Exchange | |
| The Company Cash in hand | currency | Exchange | equivalent | currency | Exchange | equivalent |
| | currency | Exchange | equivalent | currency | Exchange | equivalent |
| Cash in hand Renminbi | currency | Exchange | equivalent '000 | currency | Exchange | equivalent '000 |
| Cash in hand Renminbi | currency | Exchange | equivalent '000 | currency | Exchange | equivalent '000 |
| Cash in hand Renminbi Cash at bank | currency | Exchange | equivalent '000 | currency | Exchange | equivalent '000 |
| Cash in hand Renminbi Cash at bank Renminbi | currency '000 | Exchange rate | equivalent '000 7 514,402 | currency '000 | Exchange rate | equivalent '000 11 1,763,278 |
| Cash in hand Renminbi Cash at bank Renminbi HK Dollars | currency '000 | Exchange rate | equivalent '000 7 514,402 627 | currency '000 4,056 | Exchange rate | equivalent '000 11 1,763,278 4,315 |
| Cash in hand Renminbi Cash at bank Renminbi HK Dollars US Dollars | currency '000 | Exchange rate 1.04 8.07 | equivalent '000 7 514,402 627 1 | currency '000 4,056 91 | Exchange rate 1.06 8.28 | equivalent '000 11 1,763,278 4,315 753 |
| Cash in hand Renminbi Cash at bank Renminbi HK Dollars US Dollars Euro | currency '000 | Exchange rate 1.04 8.07 | equivalent '000 7 514,402 627 1 | currency '000 4,056 91 | Exchange rate 1.06 8.28 | equivalent '000 11 1,763,278 4,315 753 |

As at 31 December 2005, the Company has cash balance of Rmb 421,402,000 deposited with Angang Group Financial Company Limited ("Angang Finance") (2004: Rmb 990,178,000).

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5. **BILLS RECEIVABLE**

All bills receivable held by the Group are bank accepted bills which have not been pledged.

Among the balance of bills receivable, no balance is due from a shareholder who holds 5% or more of the Company's voting shares.

TRADE RECEIVABLES 6.

| | 2 | 005 | 2 | 004 |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| The Group | Rmb'000 | % | Rmb′000 | % |
| | | | | |
| Within one year | 594,563 | 100 | 641,013 | 100 |
| | | | | |
| | 2 | 005 | 2 | 004 |
| The Company | Rmb′000 | % | Rmb′000 | % |
| | | | | |
| Within one year | 649,462 | 100 | 569,082 | 100 |
| | | | | |
| | The | Group | The C | ompany |
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Third parties | 338,391 | 128,647 | 393,290 | 56,716 |
| Subsidiaries of Angang Holding | 256,172 | 512,366 | 256,172 | 512,366 |
| | | | | |
| | 594,563 | 641,013 | 649,462 | 569,082 |

As at 31 December 2005, no provision has been made for trade receivables as they are due within one year and the management considers that they can be fully recovered.

During the year, the Group had no individually significant recover of trade receivables which had been fully or substantially provided for in prior years.

Among the balance of trade receivables, no balance is due from a shareholder who holds 5% or more of the Company's voting shares.

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TRADE RECEIVABLES (Continued) 6.

As at 31 December 2005, the total trade receivables of the Group's/Company's five largest debtors are as follows:

| | The Group | | The Company | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------|-------------|---------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | | | | |
| Amount (Rmb'000) | 589,511 | 616,424 | 649,462 | 569,082 |
| | | | | |
| Percentage of total trade receivables | 99% | 96% | 100% | 100% |

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7. **OTHER RECEIVABLES**

| | 2 | 005 | 2 | 004 |
|--------------------------------|--------------|----------|---------------|---------|
| The Group | Rmb′000 | % | Rmb′000 | % |
| | | | | |
| Within one year | 2,182 | 33 | 10,488 | 95 |
| Between one and two years | 4,273 | 66 | 141 | 1 |
| Between two and three years | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| Over three years | 38 | 1 | 430 | 4 |
| Less: Bad debt provision | 6,493 | 100 | 11,059 | 100 |
| Over three years | _ | | (3) | |
| | 6,493 | 100 | 11,056 | 100 |
| | | | 3. | 004 |
| The Company | 2 Rmb′000 | 005 % | 20 Rmb'000 | 004 % |
| The Company | KIIID 000 | /0 | TATIO 000 | 70 |
| Within one year | 251 | 87 | 5,085 | 90 |
| Between one and two years | _ | _ | 141 | 2 |
| Between two and three years | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| Over three years | 38 | 13 | 430 | 8 |
| Less: Bad debt provision | 289 | 100 | 5,656 | 100 |
| Over three years | _ | _ | (3) | |
| | 289 | 100 | 5,653 | 100 |
| | The | Group | The C | ompany |
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| | | | | |
| Third parties | 6,493 | 10,340 | 289 | 4,937 |
| Subsidiaries of Angang Holding | _ | 719 | _ | 719 |
| Less: Bad debt provision | _ | (3) | _ | (3) |
| | 6,493 | 11,056 | 289 | 5,653 |
| | | | | |

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7. **OTHER RECEIVABLES** (Continued)

| | The Group | | The Co | ompany |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Bad debt provision | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Add: Provision for the year | 79 | 212 | 79 | 212 |
| Less: Written off for the year | (82) | (212) | (82) | (212) |
| | | | | |
| Balance at the end of the year | _ | 3 | _ | 3 |

As at 31 December 2005, the management considers that most of the other receivables can be recovered and all debtors have the ability to repay the debts, hence, the level of bad debt provision is less than 5%.

During the year, the Group had no individually significant recover of other receivables which had been fully or substantially provided for in prior years.

Among the balance of other receivables, no balance is due from a shareholder who holds 5% or more of the Company's voting shares.

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8. **PREPAYMENTS**

| | 2 | 005 | 2 | 004 |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| The Group | Rmb'000 | % | Rmb′000 | % |
| | | | | |
| Within one year | 173,728 | 100 | 217,437 | 100 |
| | | | | |
| | 2 | 005 | 2 | 004 |
| The Company | Rmb′000 | % | Rmb′000 | % |
| | | | | |
| Within one year | 166,047 | 100 | 209,670 | 100 |
| | | | | |
| | The | Group | The C | ompany |
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Prepayments to third parties | 45,907 | 82,186 | 38,226 | 74,419 |
| Prepayments to ANSI | 127,821 | 135,251 | 127,821 | 135,251 |
| | | | | |
| | 173,728 | 217,437 | 166,047 | 209,670 |

Among the balance of prepayments, no balance is due from a shareholder who holds 5% or more of the Company's voting shares.

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9. **INVENTORIES**

| | The | Group | The Company | |
|---|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Raw materials | 311,682 | 391,675 | 297,920 | 357,446 |
| Work in progress | 190,330 | 291,093 | 190,330 | 291,093 |
| Finished goods | 1,245,740 | 724,798 | 1,105,429 | 631,453 |
| Spare parts and low value consumables | 927,080 | 864,308 | 894,758 | 837,301 |
| | | 2 274 274 | | 2 447 202 |
| | 2,674,832 | 2,271,874 | 2,488,437 | 2,117,293 |
| Less: Provision for diminution in value | | | | |
| — Raw materials | (1,825) | _ | _ | _ |
| — Finished goods | (16,250) | (1,996) | _ | _ |
| — Spare parts | (48,466) | (48,466) | (48,466) | (48,466) |
| | 2,608,291 | 2,221,412 | 2,439,971 | 2,068,827 |
| | | | | |
| | The | Group | The C | Company |
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Provision for diminution in value | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 50,462 | 63,596 | 48,466 | 63,596 |
| Add: Provision for the year | 16,079 | 1,996 | 40,400 | 05,590 |
| Less: Written off for the year | 10,075 — | (15,130) | _ | (15,130) |
| | | | | |
| Balance at the end of the year | 66,541 | 50,462 | 48,466 | 48,466 |

All of the above inventories are either purchased or manufactured by the Group.

| | The Group | | The 0 | Company |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | 2005 2004 | | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| The cost of inventories | | | | |
| recognised as cost of sales | 22,642,123 | 19,814,375 | 22,477,870 | 19,740,857 |

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10. LONG-TERM EQUITY INVESTMENTS

| | Investment | Other ed | | Total |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|
| The Group | in associates Rmb'000 | investr <i>Rmh</i> | nent '000 | Total Rmb'000 |
| The Group | 111112 000 | | | 111110 000 |
| Cost of investment | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 30,803 | 10 | ,500 | 41,303 |
| Additions | 2,479 | | _ | 2,479 |
| Deductions | (2,355) | | _ | (2,355) |
| Balance at the end of the year | 30,927 | 10 | ,500 | 41,427 |
| | Investment | | Other | |
| | in associates | Investment | equity | |
| | joint ventures | in associates | investment | Total |
| The Company | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| Cost of investment | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 195,896 | 30,803 | 10,500 | 237,199 |
| Additions | _ | 2,479 | _ | 2,479 |
| Deductions | (25,311) | (2,355) | | (27,666) |
| Balance at the end of the year | 170,585 | 30,927 | 10,500 | 212,012 |

As at 31 December 2005, no provision for impairment loss has been made for individual long-term equity investments by the Group.

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10. LONG-TERM EQUITY INVESTMENTS (Continued)

As at 31 December 2005, the Company's investment in jointly controlled entities are as follows: (a)

| Name of investee enterprise in | Share of equity interest the investee enterprise | | Initial cost of investment |
|--------------------------------|---|---------------|-------------------------------|
| | | | Rmb'000 |
| | | | |
| ANSC-TKS | 50% | 50 years | 248,305 |
| ANSC-Xinchuan | 50% | 50 years | 20,000 |
| | | | 268,305 |
| | | | |
| | ANSC-TKS | ANSC-Xinchuan | Total |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| | | | |
| Cost of investment | | | |
| Balance at the beginning | 9 | | |
| of the year | 175,896 | 20,000 | 195,896 |
| Add: Adjustment using | | | |
| equity method | (25,311) | _ | (25,311) |
| | | | |
| Balance at the end of th | ne year 150,585 | 20,000 | 170,585 |

Pursuant to an Equity Pledge Agreement entered into between the Company and Bank of China, Liaoning Branch on 20 October 2002, the Company pledged to Bank of China, Liaoning Branch all its equity interests in ANSC-TKS to secure the performance of the obligation of ANSC-TKS, i.e. to repay and settle the related debts due to Bank of China, Liaoning Branch in full and in a timely manner. Details of the arrangement are set out in Note 20.

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10. LONG-TERM EQUITY INVESTMENTS (Continued)

As at 31 December 2005, the Group's and the Company's investments in associates are as (b) follows:

| Name of investee enterprise | Share of equity interest in the investee enterprise | Term of investment | Initial cost of of investment <i>Rmb'000</i> |
|---|---|--------------------|--|
| TKAS-ANSC (Changchun) Tailored Blanks Ltd | | | |
| ("TKAS") | 45% | 50 years | 18,643 |
| Angang Shenyang | | · | |
| Steel Product | | | |
| Processing and | | | |
| Distribution | | | |
| Company Limited | | | |
| ("Angang Shenyang") | 30% | 50 years | 14,400 |
| | | | 33,043 |

| | TKAS | Shenyang | Total |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------|---------|
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| Cost of investment | | | |
| Balance at the beginning | | | |
| of the year | 16,164 | 14,639 | 30,803 |
| Add:Additions | 2,479 | _ | 2,479 |
| Adjustment using | | | |
| equity method | (2,702) | 347 | (2,355) |
| Balance at the end of the year | 15,941 | 14,986 | 30,927 |

As at 31 December 2005, the Group's and the Company's other equity investment is as follows: (c)

| Name of investee enterprise | Share of equity interest in the investee enterprise | | Initial cost of investment Rmb'000 |
|---|---|----------|--|
| Zhongye Nanfang Engine Technology Company L ("Zhongye Nanfang") | | 30 years | 10,500 |

(d) As at 31 December 2005, the Company's total investments represent 2% (2004: 2%) of the Company's net asset value.

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11. FIXED ASSETS

| | Land use rights | Buildings and plants | Machinery and equipment | Others | Total |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| The Group | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| Cost: | | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning | | | | | |
| of the year | 218,750 | 2,539,776 | 7,601,726 | 786,721 | 11,146,973 |
| Additions | _ | 210 | 8,731 | 752 | 9,693 |
| Transferred from construction | | | | | |
| in progress (Note 12) | _ | 18,039 | 251,861 | 23,483 | 293,383 |
| Disposals of fixed assets | _ | (1,386) | (9,407) | (1,055) | (11,848) |
| | | | | | |
| Balance at the end of | | | | | |
| the year | 218,750 | 2,556,639 | 7,852,911 | 809,901 | 11,438,201 |
| Accumulated depreciation: | | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning | | | | | |
| of the year | 3,887 | 739,825 | 2,866,783 | 456,699 | 4,067,194 |
| Charge for the year | 4,637 | 111,208 | 663,568 | 61,283 | 840,696 |
| Written back on disposal | | | | | |
| of fixed assets | _ | (37) | (2,226) | (134) | (2,397) |
| Balance at the end | | | | | |
| of the year | 8,524 | 850,996 | 3,528,125 | 517,848 | 4,905,493 |
| | | | | | |
| Carrying value: | | | | | |
| Balance at the end | | | | | |
| of the year | 210,226 | 1,705,643 | 4,324,786 | 292,053 | 6,532,708 |
| Palance at the basissing | | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 214,863 | 1,799,951 | 4,734,943 | 330,022 | 7,079,779 |
| o. the year | 211,000 | 1,755,551 | 1,75 1,5 13 | -550,022 | ,,0,3,,,13 |

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11. FIXED ASSETS (Continued)

| | Land use | Buildings | Machinery and | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------|---------------|---------|------------|
| | rights | and plants | equipment | Others | Total |
| The Company | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| Cost: | | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning | | | | | |
| of the year | 196,402 | 2,440,684 | 7,196,851 | 767,865 | 10,601,802 |
| Additions | _ | _ | 11,779 | _ | 11,779 |
| Transferred from construction | | | | | |
| in progress (Note 12) | _ | 18,039 | 251,459 | 23,483 | 292,981 |
| Disposals of fixed assets | | (1,386) | (9,407) | (868) | (11,661) |
| Balance at the end | | | | | |
| of the year | 196,402 | 2,457,337 | 7,450,682 | 790,480 | 10,894,901 |
| Accumulated depreciation: | | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning | | | | | |
| of the year | 3,544 | 736,446 | 2,839,818 | 453,308 | 4,033,116 |
| Charge for the year | 4,180 | 106,739 | 626,824 | 58,044 | 795,787 |
| Written back on disposal | | | | | |
| of fixed assets | | (37) | (2,226) | (43) | (2,306) |
| Balance at the end | | | | | |
| of the year | 7,724 | 843,148 | 3,464,416 | 511,309 | 4,826,597 |
| Carrying value: | | | | | |
| Balance at the end | | | | | |
| of the year | 188,678 | 1,614,189 | 3,986,266 | 279,171 | 6,068,304 |
| Balance at the beginning | | | | | |
| of the year | 192,858 | 1,704,238 | 4,357,033 | 314,557 | 6,568,686 |

As at 31 December 2005, the cost of the fully depreciated fixed assets of the Group which are still in use amounted to Rmb1,391,193,000 (2004: Rmb948,466,000).

Part of the fixed assets are pledged by the Group as collateral for the syndicated loan. Details are set out in Note 20.

As at 31 December 2005, the carrying value of the Group's fixed assets does not comprise significant idle, written off and disposable fixed assets.

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12. CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS

| | | | Including: Capitalisation | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------|------------|--|
| | Amo | unt | of interest | charges | |
| | The Group T | The Company | The Group T | he Company | |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | |
| Cost | | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 611,746 | 611,316 | 25,193 | 25,193 | |
| Additions | 2,522,240 | 2,517,920 | 20,977 | 20,977 | |
| Transfer to fixed assets (Note 11) | (293,383) | (292,981) | | | |
| Balance at the end of the year | 2,840,603 | 2,836,255 | 46,170 | 46,170 | |

Interest expense of the Group for the year was capitalised at a rate of 5.6% (2004: 5.54%).

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12. CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS (Continued)

As at 31 December 2005, the projects under construction of the Group/Company are as follows:

| Project | Budget Rmb'000 | Balance at 1 January 2005 Rmb'000 | Additions Rmb'000 | Transferred to fixed assets Rmb'000 (Note 11) | Balance at 31 December 2005 Rmb'000 | Percentage of budget <i>Rmb</i> '000 | Source of fund | Interests capitalised during the year Rmb'000 |
|---|-------------------|--|----------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| Upgrade of cold rolling production lines | 3,820,530 | 212,552 | 336,316 | _ | 548,868 | 88% | Equity finance and bank loans | 20,977 |
| 2130 continuous cold rolling line | 2,640,000 | 279,997 | 1,946,317 | - | 2,226,314 | 84% | Operating fund | - |
| Technology renovation | 533,900 | 118,767 | 235,287 | (292,981) | 61,073 | 66% | Operating fund | |
| Total for the Company | 6,994,430 | 611,316 | 2,517,920 | (292,981) | 2,836,255 | | | 20,977 |
| Dalian galvanised steel production line | 538,670 | 402 | - | (402) | - | 100% | Operating fund | - |
| ANSC - Xinchuan steel product production line | 349,450 | 28 | 4,320 | - | 4,348 | 1% | Operating fund | - |
| Total for the Group | 7,882,550 | 611,746 | 2,522,240 | (293,383) | 2,840,603 | | | 20,977 |

Part of the construction in progress are pledged by the Group as collateral for the syndicated loan. Details are set out in Note 20.

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13. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

| The Group | Land use rights <i>Rmb'</i> 000 | Acquired software <i>Rmb'000</i> | Industrial technology <i>Rmb'</i> 000 | Total <i>Rmb'000</i> |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Cost | | | | |
| | 254 200 | 16 407 | 20 220 | 200 027 |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 354,200 | 16,497 | 28,230 | • |
| Additions | | 1,228 | | 1,228 |
| Balance at the end of the year | 354,200 | 17,725 | 28,230 | 400,155 |
| Less: Accumulated amortisation | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 50,033 | 2,291 | 1,531 | 53,855 |
| Additions | 7,179 | 2,297 | 2,939 | 12,415 |
| Balance at the end of the year | 57,212 | 4,588 | 4,470 | 66,270 |
| Carrying value | | | | |
| Balance at the end of the year | 296,988 | 13,137 | 23,760 | 333,885 |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 304,167 | 14,206 | 26,699 | 345,072 |

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13. INTANGIBLE ASSETS (Continued)

| | | Acquired | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|
| | Land use rights | software | Total |
| The Company | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Balance at the beginning and | | | |
| at the end of the year | 354,200 | 2,601 | 356,801 |
| Less: Accumulated amortisation | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 50,033 | 940 | 50,973 |
| Additions | 7,179 | 794 | 7,973 |
| -1 | | | |
| Balance at the end of the year | 57,212 | 1,734 | 58,946 |
| | | | |
| Carrying value | | | |
| Balance at the end of the year | 296,988 | 867 | 297,855 |
| | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 304,167 | 1,661 | 305,828 |

Land use rights include contribution of Rmb226,800,000 made by Angang Holding and the amount of Rmb127,400,000 acquired by the Company. Land use rights are amortised over a remaining period of 42 years. Acquired software is amortised on a straight-line basis over an estimated useful life of 3 to 10 years. Industrial technology purchased by ANSC-TKS from Thyssen Krupp Stahl AG ("Thyssen") is amortised over its beneficial period of 10 years.

14. SHORT-TERM LOANS

| | | 2005 2004 | | | 2004 | |
|------------|-----------|------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | Interest | | | Interest | |
| | Principal | rate p.a. | | Principal | rate p.a. | |
| The Group | Rmb′000 | | | Rmb′000 | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Bank loans | 117,500 | 5.22% - 5.58% | Credit | 100,000 | 5.31% | Credit |

Among the above balance, no balance is due to a shareholder who holds 5% or more of the Company's voting shares.

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15. BILLS PAYABLE

Bills payable of the Group primarily represent bank accepted bills for the purchases of raw materials and spare parts. The repayment terms are within six months.

Among the balance of bills payable, no balance is due from a shareholder who holds 5% or more of the Company's voting shares.

16. TRADE PAYABLES

| | The Group | | The C | ompany |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Third parties | 224,809 | 225,379 | 212,535 | 220,770 |
| Angang Holding | 4,628 | 317 | 4,628 | 317 |
| Subsidiaries of Angang Holding | 14,250 | 61,048 | 14,250 | 61,048 |
| | | | | |
| | 243,687 | 286,744 | 231,413 | 282,135 |

No individually significant trade payables of the Group as at 31 December 2005 are aged over three years.

Angang Holding holds more than 5% of the Company's voting shares.

17. RECEIPTS IN ADVANCE

| | The Group | | The C | Company |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Third parties | 889,429 | 1,325,295 | 858,809 | 1,293,752 |
| Angang Holding | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 |
| Subsidiaries of Angang Holding | 73,415 | 229,660 | 73,415 | 229,660 |
| | | | | |
| | 962,875 | 1,554,986 | 932,255 | 1,523,443 |

No individually significant receipts in advance of the Group as at 31 December 2005 are aged over one year.

Angang Holding holds more than 5% of the Company's voting shares.

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18. OTHER PAYABLES

| | The Group | | The C | ompany |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|-------------|---------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Construction costs | 147,281 | 276,043 | 127,001 | 156,149 |
| Freight charges | 16,389 | 11,964 | 16,389 | 11,964 |
| Deposit for steel shelves | 33,902 | 27,380 | 33,902 | 27,380 |
| Staff education fund | 6,106 | 5,798 | 6,106 | 5,798 |
| Education surcharge and local | | | | |
| education surcharge | 125 | 15,083 | 125 | 15,083 |
| Others | 4,856 | 7,826 | 4,859 | 7,828 |
| | | | | |
| | 208,659 | 344,094 | 188,382 | 224,202 |
| | | | | |
| | The | Group | The Company | |
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Third parties | 150,165 | 217,109 | 131,547 | 99,991 |
| Angang Holding | 29 | 115 | 29 | 115 |
| Subsidiaries of Angang Holding | 58,465 | 126,870 | 56,806 | 124,096 |
| | | | | |
| | 208,659 | 344,094 | 188,382 | 224,202 |

Angang Holding holds more than 5% of the Company's voting shares.

No individually significant other payables of the Group as at 31 December 2005 are aged over three years.

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19. CURRENT PORTION OF LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

| | Interest | Secured / | The Group | | The Company | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| | rate p.a. | guaranteed | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | (Note) | | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| Current portion of bank loans: | | | | | | |
| Industrial and | | | | | | |
| Commercial Bank of China | 5.49% | Guaranteed | _ | 63,000 | _ | 63,000 |
| Bank of China | 5.76% | Guaranteed | 600,000 | 1,000,000 | 600,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Bank of China | 6.12% | Secured | 40,535 | 40,534 | _ | |
| Sub-total | | | 640,535 | 1,103,534 | 600,000 | 1,063,000 |
| Current portion of debentures | | | _ | 3,703 | _ | 3,703 |
| Total | | | 640,535 | 1,107,237 | 600,000 | 1,066,703 |

(Note): The interest rates of the loans are floating based on rates quoted by the People's Bank of China.

On 15 March 2000, the Company issued convertible debentures (the "Debentures") for the construction and the renovation projects amounting to Rmb1,500,000,000, which were listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange and were guaranteed by Angang Holding. The debentures have been converted into A shares of the Company ("A shares") or settled prior to 14 March 2005 (the deadline of conversion date).

By 14 March 2005, 453,985,697 A shares were converted from the Debentures of the Company with a value of Rmb1,496,570,000 and accrued interest of Rmb10,228,000, which increased the capital reserve by Rmb1,052,812,000. A cash payment of Rmb3,526,000 was made for the remaining convertible debentures and the related accrued interest.

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20. LONG-TERM LOANS

| | | Interest | Secured / | The Group | | The C | ompany |
|---------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Bank | Due date | rate p.a. | guaranteed | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | | | | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Bank of China | Due in 2006 | 5.76% | Guaranteed | _ | 600,000 | _ | 600,000 |
| Bank of China | Due in 2007 | 5.76% | Guaranteed | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Bank of China | Due in 2014 | 6.12% | Secured | 304,013 | 344,548 | _ | _ |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 604,013 | 1,244,548 | 300,000 | 900,000 |

Due dates of the Group's / Company's long-term loans are analyzed as follows:

| | The Group | | The Company | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Between one and two years | 340,535 | 640,535 | _ | 600,000 |
| Between two and three years | 40,535 | 340,535 | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Over three years | 222,943 | 263,478 | _ | _ |
| | | | | |
| | 604,013 | 1,244,548 | 300,000 | 900,000 |

The bank loans of the Company are mainly used for technology renovation and equipment upgrade projects and are guaranteed by Angang Holding.

In October 2002, ANSC-TKS entered into a loan agreement ("loan agreement") in respect of a syndicated loan totalling Rmb1.08 billion arranged by Bank of China which would be used for the construction of its production line. ANSC-TKS pledged certain of its land use rights, construction in progress, buildings and plants, machinery and equipment and trade receivables with a carrying value of Rmb1,123,490,000 (2004: Rmb1,160,912,000) as at 31 December 2005 to Bank of China as collaterals of the loan.

The Company pledged to Bank of China its 50% equity interest in ANSC-TKS to secure the performance of the obligations of ANSC-TKS under the loan agreement.

Among the above balance, no balance is due to a shareholder who holds 5% or more of the Company's shares.

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21. SHARE CAPITAL

| | The Group / The Company | | | |
|---|-------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| | 2 | 2005 | 2 | 2004 |
| Issued and paid up capital: | '000 shares | Rmb'000 | '000 shares | Rmb'000 |
| 6 | | | | |
| State-owned legal person shares of Rmb1 each: | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 1,319,000 | 1,319,000 | 1,319,000 | 1,319,000 |
| Decrease as a result of | | | | |
| State-owned Share Reform Plan | (188,496) | (188,496) | | |
| Balance at the end of the year | 1,130,504 | 1,130,504 | 1,319,000 | 1,319,000 |
| | | | | |
| Renminbi ordinary shares ("A shares") | | | | |
| of Rmb1 each: | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year | 753,942 | 753,942 | 753,309 | 753,309 |
| Additional A shares issued upon the | | 4.4 | 622 | 622 |
| conversion of convertible debentures Increase as a result of | 44 | 44 | 633 | 633 |
| State-owned Share Reform Plan | 188,496 | 188,496 | _ | _ |
| Balance at the end of the year | 942,482 | 0/12 /192 | 753,942 | 752 0/12 |
| | | 942,462 | / 33,942 - | |
| Overseas-listed foreign invested | | | | |
| shares ("H shares") of Rmb1 each: | | | | |
| Balance at the beginning and | 000 000 | 202 222 | 000 000 | 000 000 |
| the end of the year | 890,000 | 890,000 | 890,000 - | 890,000 |
| | 2,962,986 | 2,962,986 | 2,962,942 | 2,962.942 |

All the state-owned legal person shares, A and H shares rank pari passu in all material respects.

In accordance with State-owned Share Reform Plan of the Company, Angang Holding issued 113,097,855 European-style warrants to A share shareholders registered as at the implementation date of the Stateowned Share Reform Plan. If all warrant holders exercise their rights at the exercise date (5 December 2006), state-owned legal person shares and Renminbi ordinary shares will further decrease and increase by 113,097,855 shares respectively.

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22. CAPITAL RESERVE

| The Group / Company |
|---------------------|
|---------------------|

| | At 1 January | | At 31 December |
|---|--------------|----------|----------------|
| | 2005 | Increase | 2005 |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | |
| Net asset conversion | 709,817 | _ | 709,817 |
| Write-off of water and electricity use rights | (122,733) | _ | (122,733) |
| Proceeds from the issuance of H shares, | | | |
| net of expenses | 594,722 | _ | 594,722 |
| Proceeds from the issuance of A shares, | | | |
| net of expenses | 848,222 | _ | 848,222 |
| Conversion of A share convertible debentures | 1,052,733 | 79 | 1,052,812 |
| Write-off of trade and other payables | 2,078 | 4,502 | 6,580 |
| Receipt of fixed assets donation | 76 | _ | 76 |
| Other capital reserves | | 300 | 300 |
| | 3,084,915 | 4,881 | 3,089,796 |

23. SURPLUS RESERVES

The Group / Company

| | The Group / company | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| | Profit | | | | | |
| | At 1 January | appropriation | At 31 December | | | |
| | 2005 | for the year | 2005 | | | |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| tatutory surplus reserve | 562,930 | 209,127 | 772,057 | | | |
| tatutory public welfare fund | 562,930 | 209,127 | 772,057 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | 1,125,860 | 418,254 | 1,544,114 | | | |

Pursuant to Article 147 of the Articles of Association of the Company, on 10 April 2006, the board of directors of the Company have approved the allocation of 10% of the net profit after taxation to the statutory surplus reserve and 10% of the net profit after taxation to the statutory public welfare fund.

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24. **UNDISTRIBUTED PROFITS**

Dividends

(i) Dividends approved and paid during the year

> Pursuant to the shareholders' approval at the Annual General Meeting on 9 May 2005, the Company was authorised to declare a cash dividend of Rmb0.3 per share (2004: Rmb0.2 per share). The Company paid a cash dividend for the year 2004 totalling Rmb889,095,000 (2004: Rmb592,563,000) to ordinary share shareholders on 18 May 2005.

(ii) Dividend proposed after the balance sheet date

> Pursuant to a resolution passed at the Directors' meeting on 10 April 2006, the Directors proposed a cash dividend of Rmb0.36 per share (2004: Rmb0.3 per share) totalling Rmb1,066,675,000 (2004: Rmb888,883,000) to ordinary share shareholders. The resolution is subject to the approval in the shareholders' meeting. As such, the proposed dividend has not yet been recognised as a liability at the balance sheet date.

25. INCOME FROM PRINCIPAL OPERATIONS

| | The Group | | The Company | |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Wire rods | 2,799,155 | 2,778,123 | 2,799,155 | 2,778,123 |
| Thick plates | 5,282,019 | 4,798,125 | 5,282,019 | 4,798,125 |
| Cold rolled sheets | 8,705,672 | 8,123,068 | 9,489,923 | 8,476,510 |
| Large section products | 4,598,695 | 3,889,653 | 4,598,695 | 3,889,653 |
| Galvanised steel sheets and | | | | |
| colour coating plates | 4,278,473 | 2,897,572 | 3,302,524 | 2,464,930 |
| Steel billets | 824,101 | 741,076 | 824,101 | 741,076 |
| | | | | |
| | 26,488,115 | 23,227,617 | 26,296,417 | 23,148,417 |

The Group's income from principal operations is derived solely from the production and sale of steel. The Group's segmental information is detailed in Note 37.

Total sales to the five largest customers were Rmb12,571,870,000 (2004: Rmb6,112,662,000) which accounted for 48% (2004: 26%) of the total sales income of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2005.

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26. COST OF SALES

The Group's cost of sales solely comprised the cost incurred for the production and sale of steel. The Group's segmental information is detailed in Note 37.

27. BUSINESS TAX AND SURCHARGES

| | | The Group/Company | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------|
| | | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Tax rate and basis | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | |
| City construction and | 7% of | 57,753 | 31,641 |
| maintenance taxes | VAT payable | | |
| Education surcharge and | 3% and 1% of | 32,907 | 18,113 |
| local education surcharge | VAT payable | | |
| | | | |
| | | 90,660 | 49,754 |

28. OTHER OPERATING PROFIT

| | The Group | | The Company | |
|------------------------------|-----------|---------|-------------|---------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Sales of packaging materials | 2,495 | 2,026 | 2,495 | 2,026 |
| Sales of scrap materials | 100,007 | 93,439 | 98,578 | 88,510 |
| Others | 1,284 | 969 | 1,284 | 569 |
| | | | | |
| | 103,786 | 96,434 | 102,357 | 91,105 |

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29. OPERATING EXPENSES

| | The Group | | The Company | |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|-------------|---------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Transportation | 44,817 | 40,948 | 44,592 | 37,432 |
| Packaging expenses | 245,001 | 231,547 | 245,001 | 231,547 |
| Export-related expenses | 151,154 | 126,186 | 146,153 | 126,186 |
| Others | 21,903 | 24,511 | 18,985 | 22,656 |
| | | | | |
| | 462,875 | 423,192 | 454,731 | 417,821 |

30. FINANCIAL EXPENSES

| | The Group | | The Company | |
|--|-----------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| Interest and bills discount expenses Less: Amount capitalised as | 118,075 | 136,903 | 89,353 | 115,362 |
| construction in progress | (20,977) | (22,858) | (20,977) | (18,888) |
| Net interest expenses | 97,098 | 114,045 | 68,376 | 96,474 |
| Net exchange difference | (19,279) | 30,553 | (13,349) | 24,495 |
| Less: Amount capitalised as construction in progress | _ | 643 | _ | 643 |
| Net exchange (gain) / loss | (19,279) | 31,196 | (13,349) | 25,138 |
| Interest income | (14,556) | (24,952) | (14,036) | (24,723) |
| Bank charges | 775 | 551 | 437 | 498 |
| | 64,038 | 120,840 | 41,428 | 97,387 |

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31. INVESTMENT (LOSS)/INCOME

| | The Group | | The Company | |
|--|-----------|---------|-------------|----------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Loss from long-term equity | | | | |
| investments in jointly controlled entities | | | | |
| - equity method | _ | _ | (25,311) | (68,999) |
| (Loss) / income from long-term equity | | | | |
| investments in associates | | | | |
| - equity method | (2,355) | 233 | (2,355) | 233 |
| Income from other long-term | | | | |
| equity investment | | | | |
| - cost method | 1,400 | _ | 1,400 | _ |
| | | | | |
| | (955) | 233 | (26,266) | (68,766) |

There are no restrictions in the transfer of investment income to the Group.

RELATED PARTIES AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related party with controlling interest: (a)

| Name of enterprise | Registered address | Principal activities | Relationship with the Company | Economic nature | Legal representative |
|--------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Angang Holding | Tie Xi District Anshan City Liaoning Province | Production and sale of steel and metal products, steel filament tubes, and metal structures | Holding company | State- owned | Liu Jie |

The registered capital of Angang Holding as at 31 December 2005 was Rmb10,794,160,000. It held 38.15% of the total share capital of the Company. There was no change in the registered capital of Angang Holding during the year. The changes in percentage of shares held by Angang Holding are detailed in Note 21 "Share Capital".

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(b) Related parties without controlling interest:

| Name of enterprise | Relation with the Company | | |
|---|---------------------------------|--|--|
| ANSI | Fellow subsidiary | | |
| Angang Group International Trade Corporation ("AITC") | Fellow subsidiary | | |
| ANSC - TKS | Jointly controlled entity | | |
| ANSC - Xinchuan | Jointly controlled entity | | |
| Angang Shenyang | Associate and fellow subsidiary | | |
| TKAS | Associate | | |
| Other subsidiaries of Angang Holding | Follow subsidiaries | | |

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RELATED PARTIES AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued) 32.

(c) Details of material related party transactions with Angang Holding and its subsidiaries:

| | | 2005 | 2004 |
|---|-------|------------|------------|
| | Note | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | |
| Sales (before deducting city construction | | | |
| tax and other surcharges) | (i) | 2,201,292 | 2,302,742 |
| Sales of scrap materials (before deducting | | | |
| city construction tax and other surcharges) | (i) | 767,030 | 497,699 |
| Purchases | | | |
| - Raw materials | (ii) | 18,410,493 | 16,530,004 |
| - Ancillary materials and spare parts | (iii) | 159,983 | 192,064 |
| Supply of fuel and power | (iv) | 358,752 | 340,327 |
| Staff welfare and other services | (v) | 512,214 | 260,140 |
| Interest income | (vi) | 3,778 | 5,863 |
| Material processing fee | | | |
| (before deducting city construction | | | |
| tax and other surcharges) | (vii) | 90,503 | 84,382 |

(i) Sales

The Company sold steel products and scrap materials to ANSI, Angang Shenyang and various subsidiaries of Angang Holding at selling prices not lower than the average prices charged to independent customers for the preceding month. Included in the above are sales of pipe billets totalling Rmb1,758,490,000 (2004: Rmb1,095,675,000).

(ii) Purchase of raw materials

The Company purchased its principal raw materials from ANSI, at prices no higher than the lowest sales prices in the preceding month charged by ANSI to independent customers and the average sales prices quoted to the Company by five independent suppliers for large quantities.

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32. **RELATED PARTIES AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)**

(c) Details of material related party transactions with Angang Holding and its subsidiaries: (Continued)

(iii) Purchase of ancillary materials and spare parts

> The Company purchased certain ancillary materials and spare parts from ANSI, the prices of which were based on the average prices of such materials charged by ANSI to independent customers.

Supply of fuel and power (iv)

> The Company purchased fuel and power such as industrial water, recycled water, soft water, mixed gas, oxygen, nitrogen, hydrogen, argon, compressed air and steam from ANSI at cost, limited to a maximum increment of 5% from the relevant cost charged in the previous year.

(v) Staff welfare and other services

> The subsidiaries of Angang Holding provide staff welfare and other services to the Company, which include: railway and road transportation services; agency services for the purchase of fuel oil and liquefied petroleum gas, import of spare parts and export of products; equipment repair and general maintenance and overhaul services; design and engineering services, product quality testing and analysis; heating supply for employees' accommodation; newspaper, telephone, fax and other media communication services and staff training. These services are charged either at the applicable State prices, market prices or at cost by the subsidiaries of Angang Holding.

(vi) Interest income

> The subsidiaries of Angang Holding provided financial services, including settlement and deposit taking services to the Company. There is no charge for the settlement services. The maximum amount of deposits will be Rmb1,000,000,000 and interest will be based on the rate offered by the People's Bank of China. As at 31 December 2005, the balance of deposits amounted to Rmb421,402,000 (2004: Rmb990,178,000).

(vii) Material processing fee

> The Company provided material processing services to Angang Holding based on average prices charged to independent customers for similar services.

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RELATED PARTIES AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued) 32.

(c) Details of material related party transactions with Angang Holding and its subsidiaries: (Continued)

(viii) Guarantee of debentures

> The issuance of five-year A share convertible debentures amounting to Rmb1,500,000,000 on 15 March 2000 was guaranteed by Angang Holding. These convertible debentures matured on 14 March 2005.

(ix) Guarantee of loans

> As at 31 December 2005, total bank loans of the Company amounted to Rmb900,000,000 (2004: Rmb1,963,000,000). These bank loans were guaranteed by Angang Holding, details of which are set out in Note 20.

(x) Acquisition of ANSI

> The Company has signed an acquisition agreement with Angang Holding to acquire the entire equity interest of ANSI, details of which are set out in Note 1.

(d) Details of material related party transactions of ANSC-TKS:

(i) Equity investment of the Company in ANSC-TKS

> The Company pledged its 50% equity interest in ANSC-TKS to Bank of China to secure the performance of the obligations of ANSC-TKS under the loan agreement.

> Pursuant to the funding supporting agreement entered into between the Company and Bank of China Liaoning Branch on 22 October 2002, the Company committed to finance ANSC-TKS if it does not have sufficient funds to complete the construction projects, repay the syndicated loan or finance the operations after completion of the construction projects. The commitment is limited to US\$8,000,000 and will be reduced to US\$4,000,000 after the tenth repayment date.

(ii) Sales of products from the Company to ANSC-TKS

> The Company sold products to ANSC-TKS totalling Rmb1,607,309,000 for the year (2004: Rmb946,827,000).

(iii) Sale of finished products and purchase of raw materials to / from Thyssen

ANSC-TKS sold finished products to and purchased raw materials from Thyssen, under similar terms and pricing policies for independent parties. The sales and purchases in 2005 amounted to Rmb287,988,000 (2004: Rmb105,235,000) and Rmb45,077,000 (2004: Rmb16,475,000) respectively. Sales amounting to Rmb143,994,000 and purchases amounting to Rmb22,538,000 have been included in the sales and cost of sales of the Group's consolidated financial statements respectively.

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32. RELATED PARTIES AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

(e) Amounts due from/to Angang Holding and its subsidiaries

| | The Group | | The Co | ompany |
|---------------------|------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| | 2005 2004 | | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | |
| Trade receivables | 256,172 | 512,366 | 256,172 | 512,366 |
| Other receivables | _ | 719 | _ | 719 |
| Prepayments | 127,821 | 135,251 | 127,821 | 135,251 |
| Trade payables | (18,878) | (61,365) | (18,878) | (61,365) |
| Receipts in advance | (73,446) | (229,691) | (73,446) | (229,691) |
| Other payables | (58,494) | (126,985) | (56,835) | (124,211) |

33. RETIREMENT BENEFITS AND OTHER STAFF BENEFITS

According to the document Liaolaoshepi [2005] No.2 issued by Labour and Social Security Department of Liaoning Province, the required contribution rate from the Company to the retirement benefits scheme is 22.5% (2004: 25.5%).

Pursuant to regulations issued by local labour bureau, ANSC-TKS and ANSC-Xinchuan are required to contribute 19% of total salary to retirement benefits scheme.

34. JOINTLY CONTROLLED ENTITIES AND ASSOCIATES

As at 31 December 2005, particulars of the jointly controlled entities of the Company are set out below:

| Name of investee enterprise | Registered capital | % of equity held by the Company | Initial cost of investment | Principal activities |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| ANSC-TKS | US\$60,000,000 | 50% | US\$30,000,000 | Production and sale of hot dip galvanised steel products |
| ANSC-Xinchuan | Rmb40,000,000 | 50% | Rmb20,000,000 | Sale, processing, and distribution of steel products |

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34. JOINT VENTURES AND ASSOCIATES (Continued)

As at 31 December 2005, particulars of the associates of the Company are set out below:

| | | % of equity | | |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|--|
| Name of | Registered | held by the | Initial cost of | Principal |
| investee enterprise | capital | Company | investment | activities |
| Angang Shenyang | Rmb48,000,000 | 30% | Rmb14,400,000 | Sale, processing, and distribution of steel products |
| TKAS | US\$5,000,000 | 45% | US\$2,250,000 | Development, production and sale of tailored blanks |

35. COMMITMENTS

(a) **Capital commitments**

At 31 December, the Group/Company had the following capital commitments:

| | The | Group | The Company | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb'000 |
| | | | | |
| Contracted for | | | | |
| Construction and upgrade | | | | |
| of production lines | 847,352 | 458,774 | 846,850 | 458,774 |
| Investment | 188,000 | 170,000 | 188,000 | 170,000 |
| Acquisition of | | | | |
| subsidiary (Note) | 19,691,566 | _ | 19,691,566 | _ |
| Authorised but not contracted for | | | | |
| Construction and upgrade | | | | |
| of production lines | 729,964 | 3,363,421 | 385,364 | 3,013,971 |
| | 21,456,882 | 3,992,195 | 21,111,780 | 3,642,745 |

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35. COMMITMENTS (Continued)

(a) Capital commitments (Continued)

(Note): Acquisition of subsidiary

Pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement, the Company acquired the entire equity interest of ANSI for a consideration of Rmb19,690,000,000. The consideration is based on the net asset value of ANSI as at 30 June 2005 ("Asset Appraisal Date") as assessed by the valuer, as adjusted by the net profit of ANSI between the Asset Appraisal Date and the completion date of the acquisition and other terms as set out in the agreement. According to the "Asset appraisal report for project in relation to the transfer of 100% equity interests in Angang New Steel and Iron Company Limited from Anshan Iron & Steel Group Complex to Angang New Steel Company Limited" (Zhong Zi Ping Bao Zi [2005] No.079) issued on 2 September 2005 by China Assets Appraisal Company Limited, the net asset appraisal value of ANSI as at 30 June 2005 was approximately Rmb19,690,000,000. The appraisal result has been filed to the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission for reference on 19 October 2005.

(b) Other commitments

Pursuant to the funding supporting agreement entered into between the Company and Bank of China Liaoning Branch dated 22 October 2002, the Company committed to finance ANSC-TKS if it does not have sufficient funds to complete the construction projects, repay the syndicated loan or finance the operations after the completion of the construction projects. Details are set out in Note 20.

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36. NON-OPERATING ITEMS

According to "Questions and answers in the preparation of information disclosures of companies issuing public shares No. 1 - Extraordinary gain and loss (2004 amended)", non-operating items of the Group are disclosed as follows:

| | The Group | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|---------|--|
| | 2005 | 2004 | |
| | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | |
| | | | |
| Loss on disposal of assets | (373) | (1,269) | |
| Penalty charges | (66) | (173) | |
| Penalty income | 45 | 21 | |
| Others | 140 | (59) | |
| Total non-operating items | (254) | (1,480) | |
| Less: tax effect of the above items | 84 | 488 | |
| Net non-operating items | (170) | (992) | |

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37. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Group operates as a single business segment for the production and sales of steel products mainly in the PRC, except for certain exports to other countries and regions. Details of segment revenue based on the geographical location of customers are set out as follows:

| The Group | | | | | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|------------|
| | PRC | | Other | countries | Total | |
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Category | Rmb′000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | | | |
| Income from | | | | | | |
| principal operations | 21,000,763 | 18,623,452 | 5,487,352 | 4,604,165 | 26,488,115 | 23,227,617 |
| Profit from | | | | | | |
| principal operations | 2,842,696 | 2,389,334 | 912,636 | 974,154 | 3,755,332 | 3,363,488 |
| | | | | | | |
| The Company | | | | | | |
| | F | PRC | Other | countries | ountries Total | |
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Category | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 | Rmb'000 | Rmb′000 |
| | | | | | | |
| Income from | | | | | | |
| principal operations | 21,217,581 | 18,700,093 | 5,078,836 | 4,448,324 | 26,296,417 | 23,148,417 |
| Profit from | | | | | | |
| principal operations | 2,819,193 | 2,378,744 | 908,694 | 979,062 | 3,727,887 | 3,357,806 |

38. **POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

The acquisition of the entire equity interest of ANSI has been completed in January 2006. Upon obtaining approval from China Securities Regulatory Commission, the Company issued 2.97 billion A shares of Rmb1 each at Rmb4.29 per share (equivalent to Rmb12.74 billion) to Angang Holding as a partial payment for the consideration of acquisition of the entire equity interest of ANSI on 26 January 2006. The remaining purchase consideration will be paid by three installments within three years following the completion date of acquisition. Details are set out in Note 1.

Details of the Provision for Impairment Losses of Assets

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| | Balance at the beginning of the year <i>Rmb'000</i> | The Additions <i>Rmb'</i> 000 | Group Written off for the year <i>Rmb'000</i> | Balance at the end of the year Rmb'000 |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| Bad debt provision Including: Other receivables | 3 | 79 79 | (82) (82) | _ _ |
| Provision for diminution in value of inventories Including: Raw materials Finished goods Spare parts | 50,462 — 1,996 48,466 | 16,079 1,825 14,254 — | - - - - | 66,541 1,825 16,250 48,466 |
| | | The C | Company | |
| | Balance at the beginning of the year Rmb'000 | Additions <i>Rmb'000</i> | Written off for the year <i>Rmb'000</i> | Balance at the end of the year <i>Rmb'000</i> |
| Bad debt provision | 3 | 79 | (82) | _ |

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Including: Other receivables

in value of inventories 48,466 Including: Finished goods Spare parts 48,466