# Report of the Directors

The directors are pleased to present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31st March, 2006.

# **Principal Activities**

The Company is an investment holding company. Its subsidiaries are principally engaged in the manufacture and trading of voltage converters, coils and components for electrical/electronic/mechanical products and rechargeable battery products.

# **Results and Appropriations**

The results of the Group for the year ended 31st March, 2006 are set out in the consolidated income statement on page 42 and the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year ended 31st March, 2006.

#### **Financial Summary**

A financial summary of the Group is set out on pages 95 and 96.

#### **Share Capital**

Details of the Company's share capital are set out in note 29 to the financial statements.

#### **Investment Properties**

During the year, the directors resolved to disposed of the Group's investment properties. The Group entered into a sales and purchase agreement with an independent third party to dispose of the properties at consideration of HK\$8,000,000. The resulting increase in fair value of investment properties of HK\$1,000,000 has been recognised directly in the income statement.

Details of the movement of the investment properties of the Group during the year are set out in note 16 to the financial statements.

# **Property, Plant and Equipment**

During the year, the directors resolved to dispose of the Group's leasehold land and building situated in Hong Kong. The Group entered into a sales and purchase agreement with an independent third party to dispose of the properties at consideration of HK\$11,480,000.

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Group during the year are set out in note 17 to the financial statements.

#### Reserves

Details of the movements in the reserves of the Group during the year are set out in the consolidated statement of changes in equity on page 45.

At 31st March, 2006, the Company's reserves available for distribution amounting to HK\$6,684,602 consisted of contributed surplus of HK\$70,911,124 and accumulated loss of HK\$64,226,522.

Under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended), the contributed surplus account of the Company is available for distribution. However, the Company cannot declare or pay a dividend, or make a distribution out of contributed surplus if:

- (a) it is, or would after the payment be, unable to pay its liabilities as they become due; or
- (b) the realisable value of its assets would thereby be less than the aggregate of its liabilities and its issued share capital and share premium accounts.

#### **Directors and Service Contracts**

The directors of the Company during the year and up to the date of this report were:

Executive directors: Mr. Brian C Beazer (Executive Chairman) Mr. David H Clarke (Executive Vice-chairman) Mr. Simon N Hsu (Executive Vice-chairman) Mr. Wong Hei Pui, Andy (resigned on 31st July, 2005) Non-executive directors: Mr. Teo Ek Tor Mr. Ng Ching Wo Dr. Wong Ho Ching, Chris \* Mr. Ramon Sy Pascual \*

Mr. Henry W Lim \* Mr. Ho Che Kong

(resigned on 15th June, 2005)

\* Independent non-executive directors

In accordance with Clauses 111(A) and 111(B) of the Company's Bye-laws, Mr. Teo Ek Tor retires and, being eligible, offer for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting. All other remaining directors continue in office.

In compliance with Provision A. 4.3 of Recommended Best Practices in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices issued by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("the Stock Exchange"), the re-election of Dr. Wong Ho Ching, Chris as an independent non-executive director requires a separate shareholders' resolution as Dr. Wong has served for more than twelve years as an independent non-executive director of the Company. For this purpose, shareholders are asked to consider the Board's recommendation regarding the re-election of Dr. Wong as stated herein. Notwithstanding that Dr. Wong has served more than twelve years, the Board is satisfied that Dr. Wong is a person of integrity and stature, and independent in character and judgement. He is independent of management and free from any business or other relationships or circumstances which could materially interfere with the exercise of his independent judgment. His details are set out on page 11 of the Annual Report. Consequently, the Board recommends that shareholders re-appoint Dr. Wong as on independent non-executive director to serve for an additional year until the next annual general meeting. None of the directors being proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract with the Company or any of its subsidiaries which is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation other than statutory compensation.

The non-executive directors are subject to retirement by rotation as required by the Company's Bye-laws.

# Directors' Interests in Contracts and Connected Transactions

No contracts of significance to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party and in which a director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year except that Mr Brian C Beazer and Mr David H Clarke, being directors and shareholders of Jacuzzi Brands, Inc. ("Jacuzzi") are required to abstain from voting at the special general meeting that is scheduled to be convened to seek shareholders' approval for the acquisition from Jacuzzi of a controlling share in Spear & Jackson, Inc. Details are set out in note 34 to the financial statements.

#### Directors' Interests in Securities of the Company and its Associated Corporations

As at 31st March, 2006, the interests of the directors of the Company and their associates in the shares, underlying shares comprised in options and debentures of the Company and any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) which are required to be notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange pursuant to divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which they have taken or are deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which are required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein, or which are required, pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies, to be notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange were as follows:

#### **Long Positions**

# (a) Ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each of the Company

			Percentage interest in the
Name	Capacity	Number of ordinary shares	Company's issued share capital
Mr. Brian C Beazer	Interest in a controlled corporation (Note 1)	136,827,775	24.56%
Mr. David H Clarke	Interest in a controlled corporation (Note 2)	127,439,723	22.88%
Mr. Simon N Hsu	Interest in a controlled corporation (Note 3)	3,787,158	0.68%

Notes:

- 1. These shares are owned by BC Beazer Asia Pte. Ltd., a company in which Mr. Brian C Beazer has a 50% equity interest.
- 2. These shares are held by GSB Holdings, Inc., Mr. David H Clarke has a 61.4% equity interest in Great South Beach Improvement Co., which has a beneficial interest in the entire issued share capital of GSB Holdings, Inc..
- 3. These shares are owned by Strategic Planning Assets Limited, a company in which Mr. Simon N Hsu has 100% equity interest.

# (b) Share options

Name of directors	Capacity	Number of options held	underlying shares
Mr. Brian C Beazer Mr. David H Clarke Mr. Simon N Hsu	Beneficial owner Beneficial owner Beneficial owner	5,031,053 1,515,527 9,062,106	5,031,053 1,515,527 9,062,106
		15,608,686	15,608,686

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Other than as disclosed above, and except for nominee shares in certain subsidiaries held in trust for the Group at 31st March, 2006, neither the directors nor chief executives, nor any of their associates, had any interest in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations.

# **Shareholders with Notifiable Interests**

As at 31st March, 2006, the register of substantial shareholders maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO shows that the following shareholders had notified the Company of relevant interests in the issued share capital of the Company:

#### Long positions

Ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each of the Company

Name of shareholders	Nature of interest	Number of ordinary shares held	Percentage Interest in the Company 's issued share capital	
Mr. Brian C Beazer Mr. David H Clarke Investor AB	Interest in a controlled corporation* Interest in a controlled corporation** Interest in a controlled corporation***	136,827,775 127,439,723 74,836,000	24.56% 22.88% 13.43%	
Asian Corporate Finance Fund, L.P.	Interest in a controlled corporation****	65,000,400	11.67%	

\* These shares are owned by BC Beazer Asia Pte. Ltd., a company in which Mr. Brian C Beazer has a 50% equity interest.

- \*\* These shares are owned by GSB Holdings, Inc.. Mr. David H Clarke has a 61.4% equity interest in Great South Beach Improvement Co., which has a beneficial interest in the entire issued share capital of GSB Holdings, Inc..
- \*\*\* These shares were held indirectly by Investor AB through its beneficial interest of the entire issued capital of Investor (Guernsey) II Ltd.
- \*\*\*\* These shares were held indirectly by Asian Corporate Finance Fund, L.P., through its beneficial interest of the entire issued capital of Payawal Capital Limited.

All Interests disclosed above represent long positions in the shares of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31st March, 2006, the Company has not been notified of any other relevant interests in the issued share capital of the Company.

# Share Options and Directors' Rights to Acquire Shares or Debentures

(a) Pursuant to a special general meeting of the Company held in April 1994, the Company adopted an executives' share option scheme (the "1994 Scheme") for the primary purpose of providing incentives to the executive directors and eligible employees of the Company and its subsidiaries. According to the 1994 Scheme, the Board of Directors of the Company is authorised, at any time within ten years after the adoption date of the 1994 Scheme, to grant options to eligible participants to subscribe for shares in the Company at a subscription price equal to the higher of the nominal value of the shares and an amount, to be determined by a committee administering the 1994 Scheme, which is not less than 80% of the average of the closing prices of the shares on The Stock Exchange on the five trading days immediately preceding the date of the options are offered to the participant.

The movements in the number of options outstanding during the year which have been granted to the directors of the Company and employees of the Group under the 1994 Scheme were as follows:

			Number of option shares		
			Outstanding	Lapsed	Outstanding
	Date	Exercise	at	during	at
Name of director	of grant	<b>price</b> HK\$	1.4.2005	the year	31.3.2006
Mr. Brian C Beazer	23.7.2003	0.36	2,000,000	_	2,000,000
Mr. Simon N Hsu	23.7.2003	0.36	3,000,000	_	3,000,000
Mr. Wong Hei Pui, Andy	23.7.2003	0.36	1,000,000	(1,000,000)	_
(resigned on 31st July 2005)					
			6,000,000	(1,000,000)	5,000,000

(b) At a special general meeting of the Company held on 30th August, 2004, a new share option scheme was adopted (the "2004 Scheme"). The Board is authorised to grant options to eligible executive directors and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group"), to subscribe for shares in the Company. The number of underlying shares available under the 2004 Scheme shall not, in aggregate, exceed 5% of the issued shares as at 30th August, 2004. The exercise price of the options shall be determined by a committee administering the 2004 Scheme, and shall fall within the following prescribed parameters: they should not be less than (i) the par value of the shares, (ii) the closing price of the shares on the date of grant which must be a business day, and (iii) the average closing price of the shares over 5 consecutive trading days immediately preceding the date of grant. As at the date of this report, 8,028,192 options at an exercise price of HK\$0.242 and 6,823,964 options at HK\$0.250 have been granted under the 2004 Scheme, which, subject to vesting, can be exercised at any time until 2014. The movements in the number of share options under the 2004 Scheme during the current financial period are as follows:

			Number of option shares		
			Outstanding	Lapsed	Outstanding
	Date	Exercise	at	during	at
Name of director	of grant	<b>price</b> HK\$	1.4.2005	the year	31.3.2006
Mr. Brian C Beazer	28.9.2004	0.242	1,638,407	_	1,638,407
	20.12.2004	0.250	1,392,646	_	1,392,646
Mr. David H Clarke	28.9.2004	0.242	819,204	_	819,204
	20.12.2004	0.250	696,323	_	696,323
Mr. Simon N Hsu	28.9.2004	0.242	3,276,814	_	3,276,814
	20.12.2004	0.250	2,785,292	_	2,785,292
Mr. Wong Hei Pui, Andy	28.9.2004	0.242	327,681	(327,681)	_
(resigned on 31st July 2005)	20.12.2004	0.250	278,529	(278,529)	_
			11,214,896	(606,210)	10,608,686
Other employees	28.9.2004	0.242	2,621,448	(327,681)	2,293,767
	20.12.2004	0.250	2,228,232	(278,529)	1,949,703
			16,064,576	(1,212,420)	14,852,156

Other than as disclosed above, at no time during the year was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

Other than as disclosed above, none of the directors, or their spouses and children under the age of 18, had any right to subscribe for the securities of the Company, or had exercised any such right during the year.

#### **Major Customers and Major Suppliers**

For the year under review, sales to the largest customer and the five major customers accounted for 17% and 47%, respectively of total sales for the year.

Purchases from the largest supplier and the five largest suppliers accounted for 4% and 16% respectively, of total purchases for the year.

As far as the directors are aware, none of the directors of the Company, their associates, or any shareholder (which to the knowledge of the directors own more than 5% of the Company's share capital) has any interest in the customers or suppliers of the Company disclosed above.

# Convertible Securities, Options, Warrants or Similar Rights

Other than the outstanding but unvested share options as set out above, the Company had no outstanding convertible securities, options, warrants or other similar rights as at 31st March, 2006 and there had been no exercise of convertible securities, options, warrants or similar rights during the year.

# Purchase, Sale or Redemption of the Company's Listed Securities

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the year.

#### **Pre-emptive Rights**

There is no provision for pre-emptive rights under the Company's Bye-laws although there are no restrictions against such rights under the laws in Bermuda.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed internal control and financial reporting matters including the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31st March, 2006.

The members of the Audit Committee comprise Mr. Henry W Lim (Chairman) and Dr. Wong Ho Ching, Chris, both independent non-executive directors, and Mr. Ng Ching Wo, a non-executive director. Mr. Brian C Beazer, the Executive Chairman, is the non-voting secretary of the Audit Committee.

# **Public Float**

Based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and with the knowledge of the directors of the Company throughout the year ended till the date of this report, there is sufficient public float of not less than 25% of the Company's issued shares as required under the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (The "Listing Rules") on The Stock Exchange.

#### **Corporate Governanace**

Principal corporate governance practice as adopted by the Company are set out in the Corporate Governance Report on page 23.

# **Appointment of Independent Non-executive Directors**

The Company has received, from each of the independent non-executive directors, an annual confirmation of his independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Rules Governing the Listing Securities on The Stock Exchange. The Company considers all of the independent non-executive directors are independent.

# **Auditors**

Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu have acted as auditors of the Company.

A resolution will be submitted to the annual general meeting to re-appoint Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as auditors of the Company.

On behalf of the Board

# BRIAN C BEAZER

Executive Chairman

Hong Kong 22nd June, 2006