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## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

The Company is incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability and its ordinary shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). As at the balance sheet date, the parent of the Company (the "Immediate Holding Company") is Marble King International Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, and the ultimate holding company of the Company (the "Ultimate Holding Company") is Polytec Holdings International Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands. The address of the registered office and principal place of business of the Company are disclosed in the page 2 of the annual report.

During the year, the Company's principal activity was investment holding. The principal activities of the Company's subsidiaries are investment holding, properties investment, development and trading, securities investment and trading and manufacturing of ice and provision of cold storage service. There were no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year.

### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKAS(s)") and Interpretations (hereinafter collectively referred to as "HKFRS(s)") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") and the disclosure requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for the investment properties and certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair values, as explained in the accounting policies set out in note 3.

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with HKFRSs requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement of complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 36.

The HKICPA has issued certain new and revised HKFRSs that are first effective or available for early adoption for the current accounting period of the Group. The adoption of these new and revised HKFRSs has not resulted in any significant impact on the Group's operations results for the year and financial position as at 31 December 2006.

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)

The financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars, which is the same as the functional currency of the Company.

The Group has not early adopted the following new or revised HKFRSs, which are not yet effective, in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2006. The Group anticipates that the application of these HKFRSs will have no material impact on the Group's financial statements.

HKAS 1 (Amendment)	Capital Disclosures <sup>1</sup>
HKFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures <sup>1</sup>
HK(IFRIC) — Int 7	Applying the Restatement Approach under HKAS 29
	Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies <sup>2</sup>
HK(IFRIC) — Int 8	Scope of HKFRS 2 <sup>3</sup>
HK(IFRIC) — Int 9	Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives <sup>4</sup>
HK(IFRIC) — Int 10	Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment <sup>5</sup>
HK(IFRIC) — Int 11	HKFRS 2 — Group and Treasury Share Transactions <sup>6</sup>

- <sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007.
- <sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 March 2006.
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 May 2006.
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 June 2006.
- <sup>5</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 November 2006.
- <sup>6</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 March 2007.

## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries made up to 31 December, together with the Group's share of the results for the year and net assets of its jointly controlled entities. The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the period are consolidated from or to their effective dates of acquisition or disposal, respectively. All intercompany transactions and balances within the Group are eliminated on consolidation. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with those used by other members of the Group.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Basis of consolidation (Continued)

Subsidiary are entities controlled by the Group. Control exists when the Group has power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. In assessing control, potential voting rights that presently are exercisable are taken into account.

Minority interests at the balance sheet date, being the portion of the net assets of subsidiaries attributable to equity interests that are not owned by the Company, whether directly or indirectly through subsidiaries, are presented in the consolidated balance sheet and statement of changes in equity within equity, separately from equity attributable to the equity holders of the Company. Minority interests in the results of the Group are presented on the face of the consolidated income statement as an allocation of the total profit or loss for the year between minority interests and the equity holders of the Company.

Where losses applicable to the minority exceed the minority's interest in the equity of a subsidiary, the excess, and any further losses applicable to the minority, are charged against the Group's interest except to the extent that the minority has a binding obligation to, and is able to, make additional investment to cover the losses. If the subsidiary subsequently reports profits, the Group's interest is allocated all such profits until the minority's share of losses previously absorbed by the Group has been recovered.

## Goodwill

Goodwill is stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Goodwill arising on an acquisition of a subsidiary for which the agreement date is before 1 January 2005 represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the relevant subsidiary at the date of acquisition. Such goodwill was capitalised and amortised on a straight-line basis over its useful economic life at a rate of 5% per annum up to 31 December 2004. The Group has discontinued amortisation from 1 January 2005 onwards, and such goodwill is tested for impairment annually, and whenever there is an indication that the cash generating unit to which the goodwill relates may be impaired.

Capitalised goodwill arising on an acquisition of a subsidiary is presented separately in the balance sheet.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Goodwill (Continued)

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill arising from an acquisition is allocated to each of the relevant cash-generating units, or groups of cash-generating units, that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the acquisition. A cash-generating unit to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment annually, and whenever there is an indication that the unit may be impaired. For goodwill arising on an acquisition in a financial year, the cash-generating unit to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment before the end of that financial year. When the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is less than the carrying amount of the unit, the impairment loss is allocated to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the unit first, and then to the other assets of the unit pro rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. Any impairment loss for goodwill is recognised directly in the income statement. An impairment loss for goodwill is not reversed in subsequent periods.

On subsequent disposal of a subsidiary, the attributable amount of goodwill capitalised is included in the determination of the amount of profit or loss on disposal.

### Joint ventures

A joint venture is a contractual arrangement, whereby the Group and other parties undertake an economic activity in which the Group and the other parties control, directly or indirectly, the financial and operating policies of such economic activity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

Jointly controlled assets

When a group entity undertakes its activities under joint venture arrangements directly, constituted as jointly controlled assets, the Group's share of the jointly controlled assets and share of any liabilities incurred jointly with other venturers are recognised in the consolidated financial statements and classified according to their nature. Liabilities and expenses incurred directly in respect of interests in jointly controlled assets are accounted for on an accrual basis.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**Joint ventures** (Continued)

Jointly controlled entities

Joint venture arrangements that involve the establishment of a separate entity in which venturers have joint control over the economic activity of the entity are referred to as jointly controlled entities. The results and assets and liabilities of jointly controlled entities are incorporated in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting unless a jointly controlled entity is classified as held for sale. Under the equity method, investments in jointly controlled entities are carried in the consolidated balance sheet at cost as adjusted for post-acquisition changes in the Group's share of the profit or loss and of changes in equity of the jointly controlled entities, less any identified impairment loss. When the Group's share of losses of a jointly controlled entity equals or exceeds its interest in that jointly controlled entity (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the jointly controlled entity), the Group discontinues recognising its share of further losses. An additional share of losses is provided for and a liability is recognised only to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of that jointly controlled entity. When the Group transacts with a jointly controlled entity of the Group, unrealised profits or losses are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the jointly controlled entity, except to the extent that unrealised losses provide evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred, in which case, the full amount of losses is recognised.

## Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis to write off the cost of each asset, less any estimated residual value, over its estimated useful life.

Buildings situated on leasehold land over the shorter of the unexpired term of lease and

their estimated useful lives, being no more than 50 years after the date of acquisition/completion

Plant and machinery 5 to 10 years

Furniture, fixtures and equipment 5 years

Motor vehicles 4 to 5 years

Property, plant and equipment are derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. The gain or loss on derecognition of a property, plant and equipment included in the income statement is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Investment properties

Interests in land and buildings held for rental purposes are recorded as investment properties. On initial recognition, investment properties are measured at cost, including any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured using the fair value model. Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment property are included in profit or loss for the period in which they arise.

### Leasing

Rental income from operating leases is recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Benefits received and receivable as an incentive to enter into an operating lease are recognised as a reduction of rental expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis.

## Impairment of assets other than goodwill and financial instruments

An assessment is made at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment of assets, or whether there is any indication that an impairment loss previously recognised for an asset in prior periods may no longer exist or may have decreased. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An asset's recoverable amount is calculated as the higher of the asset's value in use or its fair value less costs to sell.

An impairment loss is recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is charged to the income statement in the period in which it arises.

A previously recognised impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates of the recoverable amount of an asset, however not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any depreciation/amortisation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior periods. A reversal of an impairment loss is credited to the income statement in the period in which it arises.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

### Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the balance sheet when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss has two subcategories, including financial assets held for trading and those designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition. At each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value, with changes in fair value recognised directly in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

## Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. At each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables (including trade and other receivables, bank balances, loan to a jointly controlled entity and amounts due from jointly controlled entities) are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any identified impairment losses.

An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired, and is measured as the difference between the assets' carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate. Impairment losses are reversed in subsequent periods when an increase in the asset's recoverable amount can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, subject to a restriction that the carrying amount of the asset at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Financial instruments (Continued)

Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that the Group's management has the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity. At each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition, held-to-maturity investments are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any identified impairment losses. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired, and is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate computed on initial recognition. Impairment losses are reversed in subsequent periods when an increase in the investment's recoverable amount can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, subject to the restriction that the carrying amount of the asset at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

Available-for-sale financial assets

Financial assets which do not fall into any of the above categories are classified as available-for-sale financial assets and are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs. At each balance sheet date the fair value is remeasured, with any resultant gain or loss being recognised directly in equity, except for impairment losses. When these investments are derecognised or impaired, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised directly in equity is recognised in the income statement.

For available-for-sale equity financial assets, an impairment loss is not reversed through the income statement. Any subsequent increase in the fair value of such assets is recognised directly in equity.

For available-for-sale debt financial assets, reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the income statement.

Financial liabilities and equity

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued by the Group are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Financial instruments (Continued)

Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

## Other financial liabilities

Financial liabilities other than financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss including bank loans, amounts due to minority shareholders, other payables and balances with group companies and are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

### Derivatives

Derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting are deemed as financial assets held for trading or financial liabilities held for trading. Changes in fair values of such derivatives are recognised directly in the income statement.

## Interests in property development

Interests in property development are stated at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognised in the fair value reserve, unless there is objective evidence that the interests in property development have been impaired, any amount held in fair value reserve in respect of the interests in property development are transferred to profit or loss for the period in which the impairment is identified. The fair value of interests in property development is determined based on the estimated entitlement on the interests in property development. When the interests in property development are derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised directly in equity is recognised in the income statement.

## **Inventories**

Properties held for sale and under development for sale are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value of properties held for sale represents the estimated selling price less costs to be incurred in selling the properties. Net realizable value of properties held under development for sale represents the estimated selling price less costs to be incurred in development and selling of the properties.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other financial institutions, and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, having been within three months of maturity at acquisition. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management are also included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the consolidated cash flow statement.

### **Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. Capitalisation of such borrowing costs ceases when the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale.

All other borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

## Income tax

Income tax for the year comprises current tax and movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities. Current tax and movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised in the income statement except to the extent that they relate to items recognised directly in equity, in which case they are recognised in equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax base used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary difference can be utilised.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liabilities is settled or the asset is realised based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantially enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is recognised in the income statement except when it relates to items recognised directly in equity, in which case the deferred tax is also recognised in equity.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Other provisions and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised for other liabilities of uncertain timing or amount when the Group has a legal or constructive 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 the time value of money is material, provisions are stated at the present value of the expenditure expected to settle the obligation.

Where it is not probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required, or the amount cannot be estimated reliably, the obligation is disclosed as a contingent liability, unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote. Possible obligations, whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more future events are also disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote.

## **Related parties**

For the purposes of these financial statements, a party is considered to be related to the Group if the party has the ability, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, to control the Group or exercise significant influence over the Group in making financial and operating policy decisions or has joint control over the Group; the Group and the party are subject to common control; the party is an associated company of the Group or a joint venture in which the Group is a venturer. Related parties may be individuals or other entities.

## Segment reporting

A segment is a distinguishable component of the Group that is engaged either in providing products or services (business segment), or in providing products or services within a particular economic environment (geographical segment), which is subject to risks and rewards that are different from those of other segments.

Segment revenue, expenses, results, assets and liabilities include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis to that segment. Segment capital expenditure is the total cost incurred during the year to acquire segment assets (both tangible and intangible) that are expected to be used for more than one year. Unallocated items mainly comprise financial and corporate assets, loans, borrowings, corporate and financing expenses.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Foreign currencies

In preparing the financial statements of each individual group entity, transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of that entity (foreign currencies) are recorded in its functional currency (i.e. the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates) at the rates of exchanges prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At each balance sheet date, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the balance sheet date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the translation of monetary items, are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise. Exchange differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items carried at fair value are included in profit or loss for the period except for differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items in respect of which gains and losses are recognised directly in equity, in which cases, the exchange differences are also recognised directly in equity.

### Retirement benefit costs

The Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme (the "MPF Scheme") under the Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance, for all those employees who are eligible to participate in the MPF Scheme. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employees' basic salaries and are charged to the income statement as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the MPF Scheme. Payments to MPF Scheme are charged as an expense as they fall due.

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#### 3. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

## Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and when the revenue can be measured reliably, on the following bases:

- from the sale of goods, when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, provided that the Group maintains neither continuous managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership, nor effective control over the goods sold;
- from the sale of completed properties, upon the execution of a binding sale agreement;
- from the sale of development properties sold in advance of completion, upon completion of the development. Deposits and instalments received from purchasers prior to this stage are included in current liabilities;
- income from interests in property development, when the distribution in respect of the investment is entitled;
- interest income, on a time proportion basis taking into account the principal outstanding and the effective interest rate applicable;
- consultancy service fee income, when the services are rendered and are billable;
- from the sale of investments, on a trade date basis or on the date on which the relevant sales contracts become or are deemed unconditional, where appropriate;
- service income, when service is rendered to the customers;
- dividends, when the shareholders' right to receive payment has been established; and
- rental income, on straight-line basis over the lease term.

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## 4. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Segment information is presented by way of two segment formats: (i) on a primary segment reporting basis, by business segment; and (ii) on a secondary segment reporting basis, by geographical segment. The Group had three business segments for the year which included properties investment, trading and development related activities ("Properties"), manufacturing of ice and provision of cold storage and related services ("Ice and Cold Storage") and financial investment and other miscellaneous activities ("Investment and others"). As over 90% of the Group's revenue, results, assets and liabilities were derived from operations in the People's Republic of China, including Hong Kong and Macau, further segment information has not been disclosed in respect of the Group's geographical segments.

## **Business segments**

	For	For the year ended 31 December 2006			
		Ice and Cold Investments			
	Properties	Storage	and Others	Consolidated	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Turnover	158,991	47,578	354,262	560,831	
Segment result	52,175	13,621	83,984	149,780	
Unallocated group expenses				(7,953)	
Profit from operations				141,827	
Share of results of jointly controlled entities	4,433			4,433	
Finance costs				(81,188)	
Profit before tax				65,072	
Income tax expenses				(16,914)	
Profit for the year				48,158	
Depreciation and amortisation	2	4,916	_	4,943	
Capital expenditure incurred	_	3,259	_	3,329	
Gain arising from a change in fair value					
of held for trading investments	_	_	40,554	40,554	

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#### 4. **SEGMENT INFORMATION** (Continued)

**Business segments** (Continued)

	At 31 December 2006			
		Ice and Cold	Investments	
	Properties	Storage	and Others	Consolidated
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment assets	9,936,166	175,291	300,124	10,411,581
Interests in and amounts due				
from jointly controlled entities	655,555			655,555
Unallocated group assets				230,215
				11,297,351
Segment liabilities	298,078	2,985	20,029	321,092
Unallocated group liabilities				3,208,694
				3,529,786

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#### 4. **SEGMENT INFORMATION** (Continued)

**Business segments** (Continued)

	For the year ended 31 December 2005			
		Ice and Cold	Investments	
	Properties	Storage	and Others	Consolidated
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover	55,127	44,973	96,727	196,827
Segment result	40,135	12,754	6,904	59,793
Unallocated group expenses				(4,491)
Profit from operations				55,302
Change in fair value of investment				
properties	105,047			105,047
Share of results of jointly controlled entities	332,826			332,826
Provision for loan advanced to a				10 500
jointly controlled entity written back Finance costs				18,500
Finance costs				(3,437)
Profit before tax				508,238
Income tax expenses				(19,100)
Profit for the year				489,138
Depreciation and amortisation	2	4,388	_	4,408
Capital expenditure incurred	_	4,678	_	4,678
Loss arising from a change in fair value				
of held for trading investments	_	_	2,445	2,445

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#### 4. **SEGMENT INFORMATION** (Continued)

**Business segments** (Continued)

	At 31 December 2005			
		Ice and Cold	Investments	
	Properties	Storage	and Others	Consolidated
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment assets	401,424	176,641	61,723	639,788
Interests in and amounts due				
from jointly controlled entities	641,698			641,698
Unallocated group assets				76,815
				1,358,301
Segment liabilities	28,089	3,821	1,109	33,019
Unallocated group liabilities				177,737
				210,756

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#### 5. TURNOVER AND OTHER OPERATING INCOME

An analysis of the Group's turnover, and other operating income is as follows:

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover		
Sale of goods	28,862	27,768
Sale of properties	158,991	55,127
Service income	18,716	17,205
Proceeds from sale of trading securities	354,262	96,727
	560,831	196,827
Other operating income		
Rental income	8,108	6,273
Dividend income from listed securities	2,897	1,538
Consultancy service fee income	240	240
Interest income from held-to-maturity debt security	51	88
Bank and other interest income	5,084	432
Gain arising from a change in fair value		
of held for trading investments	40,554	_
Gain arising from a change in fair value		
of derivative financial instruments, net	3,142	1,203
Others	960	1,317
	61,036	11,091

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#### **PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS** 6.

Profit from operations is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	2006 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000
Staff costs (evaluding directors' remuneration).		
Staff costs (excluding directors' remuneration): Wages and salaries	12,404	11,820
Contributions to retirement benefit scheme	521	498
Contributions to retirement benefit scheme	321	490
	12,925	12,318
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	2,123	1,588
Amortisation of prepaid lease payments	2,820	2,820
Minimum lease payments under operating leases		
in respect of land and buildings	1,302	1,017
Auditors' remuneration	790	948
Cost of inventories recognised as expenses	108,890	15,398
Exchange loss/(gain)	85	(29)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	_	1
Direct operating expenses arising from investment		
properties that did not generate rental income	338	363
Share of tax of a jointly controlled entity (included		
in share of results of jointly controlled entities)	1,886	67,276
Loss arising from a change in fair value of held		
for trading investments	_	2,445

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#### 7. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND EMOLUMENTS OF THE FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS

Directors' remuneration disclosed pursuant to the Listing Rules and Section 161 of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance is as follows:

## Year ended 31 December 2006

				Contributions	
		Salaries		to retirement	
		and other	Performance	benefit	
	Fees	benefits	bonuses	scheme	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Mr. Or Wai Sheun	_	_	_	_	-
Mr. Yeung Kwok Kwong	_	1,800	336	153	2,289
Mr. Lam Chi Chung, Tommy	_	1,335	420	12	1,767
Ms. Chio Koc leng	_	670	400	_	1,070
Ms. Wong Yuk Ching	120	_	_	_	120
Mr. Lai Ka Fai	120	_	_	_	120
Mr. Anthony Francis Martin Conway	120	_	_	_	120
Mr. Siu Leung Yau	120	_	_	_	120
Mr. Liu Kwong Sang	120	_	_	_	120
	600	3,805	1,156	165	5,726

## Year ended 31 December 2005

				Contributions		
		Salaries	to retirement			
		and other	Performance	benefit		
	Fees	benefits	bonuses	scheme	Total	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Mr. Yeung Kwok Kwong	_	1,800	_	150	1,950	
Mr. Lam Chi Chung, Tommy	_	318	_	3	321	
Ms. Wong Yuk Ching	60	_	_	_	60	
Mr. Lai Ka Fai	60	_	_	_	60	
Mr. Anthony Francis Martin Conway	60	_	_	_	60	
Mr. Siu Leung Yau	60	_	_	_	60	
Mr. Liu Kwong Sang	60	_	_	_	60	
	300	2,118		153	2,571	

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# 7. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND EMOLUMENTS OF THE FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS (Continued)

The five highest paid individuals during the year ended 31 December 2006 included three (2005: one) directors, details of whose remuneration are set out above. Details of the remuneration of the remaining two (2005: four) non-director highest paid individuals are as follows:

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Salaries and other benefits	1,339	2,118
Performance bonuses	320	299
Provident fund contributions	24	48
	1,683	2,465

The remuneration of each of the remaining two (2005: four) non-director highest paid individuals fell within the nil — HK\$1,000,000 band for the current and the prior year.

## 8. FINANCE COSTS

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest expense on:		
Bank and other borrowings wholly repayable within five years	3,743	2,803
Advance from a minority shareholder with		
no fixed repayment terms	803	634
Loan from ultimate holding company with		
no fixed repayment terms	798	_
Amount due to an intermediate holding company		
with no fixed repayment terms	1,747	_
Amount due to ultimate holding company		
with no fixed repayment terms	74,097	_
	81,188	3,437

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#### 9. **INCOME TAX EXPENSES**

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Current tax		
— Hong Kong Profits Tax	13,808	611
— Overseas income tax	3,219	4,491
	17,027	5,102
Deferred tax		
— Current year	(113)	17,944
— Attributable to a change in tax rate	_	(3,946)
	(113)	13,998
	16,914	19,100

Hong Kong Profits Tax has been provided for at the rate of 17.5% (2005: 17.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the year. Overseas taxation has been provided for at the applicable rates ruling in the respective jurisdiction.

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#### 9. **INCOME TAX EXPENSES** (Continued)

The charge for the year can be reconciled to the profit before tax per the income statement as follows:

	2006 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2005 HK\$′000
Profit before tax	65,072	508,328
Tax charges at the average income tax rate	19,241	91,739
Tax effect of share of results of jointly controlled entities	(1,886)	(67,276)
Tax effect of expenses not deductible in determining taxable profit	466	401
Tax effect of income not taxable in determining taxable profit	(1,029)	(993)
Utilisation of tax losses previously not recognised	(163)	(1,330)
Decrease in opening deferred tax liability resulting from		
a decrease in applicable tax rate in other jurisdiction	_	(3,946)
Others	285	505
Income tax expense for the year	16,914	19,100

The average income tax rate represents the weighted average tax rate of the operations in different jurisdictions on the basis of the relative amounts of profit before tax and the relevant statutory rates.

#### 10. PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The profit attributable to equity holders of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2006 dealt with in the financial statements of the Company was HK\$112,000 (2005: HK\$25,603,000).

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#### 11. **EARNINGS PER SHARE**

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company is based on the following data:

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Earnings		
Earnings for the purposes of basic		
and diluted earnings per share	29,792	477,414
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose		
of basic earnings per share	2,867,286,349	1,224,965,169
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares:		
Convertible preference shares	148,532,342	185,760,905
Warrants	7,439,922	_
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose		
of diluted earnings per share	3,023,258,613	1,410,726,074

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## 12. DIVIDENDS

(a) Dividends payable to equity holders of the Company attributable to the year:

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interim dividend declared and paid of HK\$0.005 per ordinary share (2005: Nil)	21,582	_
Final dividend proposed after the balance sheet date of HK\$0.005 per ordinary share (2005: HK\$0.02)	21,582	24,596
	43,164	24,596

The final dividend declared after the year end has not been recognised as a liability at 31 December.

(b) Dividends payable to equity holders of the Company attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year:

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Final dividend in respect of the previous financial year,		
approved and paid during the year,		
of HK\$0.02 per ordinary share (2005: Nil)	24,596	_

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#### 13. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

			Furniture,		
		Plant and	fixtures and	Motor	
	Buildings	machinery	equipment	vehicles	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Cost:					
At 1 January 2005	32,790	1,520	534	164	35,008
Additions	_	3,333	1,005	340	4,678
Written off	_	_	(24)	_	(24)
At 31 December 2005 and					
1 January 2006	32,790	4,853	1,515	504	39,662
Additions		3,166	88	75	3,329
At 31 December 2006	32,790	8,019	1,603	579	42,991
Accumulated depreciation:					
At 1 January 2005	96	38	204	4	342
Depreciation provided during the year	769	540	190	89	1,588
Eliminated on written off	_		(23)	_	(23)
At 31 December 2005 and					
1 January 2006	865	578	371	93	1,907
Depreciation provided during the year	769	964	287	103	2,123
At 31 December 2006	1,634	1,542	658	196	4,030
-					
Carrying values:	24.455	6.4==	0.4-	205	20.05
At 31 December 2006	31,156	6,477	945	383	38,961
At 31 December 2005	31,925	4,275	1,144	411	37,755

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## 14. PREPAID LEASE PAYMENTS

	2006 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000
Prepaid lease payments in medium-term leasehold land in Hong Kong: Included in current asset Included in non-current asset	2,820 111,397	2,820 114,217
meladed in non-eartern asset	114,217	117,037

### 15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Fair value		
At beginning of the year	150,000	_
Transfer from properties held for sale	_	44,953
Increase in fair value recognised in the income statement	_	105,047
At end of the year	150,000	150,000

All investment properties of the Group are property interests including leasehold interest in land, held under medium-term operating leases outside Hong Kong for the purposes of earning rentals or capital appreciation and are measured using the fair value model.

All properties held under operating lease that would otherwise meet the definition of investment property are classified as investment property.

The fair value of the Group's investment properties at 31 December 2006 have been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out on that date by DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Limited, independent qualified professional valuers not connected with the Group. DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Limited has among its staff members of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors and has appropriate qualifications and experiences in the valuation of similar properties in the relevant locations. The valuation, which conforms to The Valuation Standards on Properties of Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors, was arrived at by reference to market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties.

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## 16. INTERESTS IN JOINTLY CONTROLLED ENTITIES

	2006 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$′000
Investment cost Share of post acquisition profit	12 398,927	12 394,494
	398,939	394,506

Particulars of the jointly controlled entities at 31 December 2006 are as follows:

Name	Business structure	Place of entry incorporation and operations	Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Group	Principal activities
Eastford Development Limited	Corporate	Hong Kong	48%	Property development and investment
South Bay Centre Company Limited	Corporate	Macau	50%	Property investment and trading

All of the above investments in jointly controlled entities are indirectly held by the Company.

The followings are the financial information for all of the Group's jointly controlled entities:

	2006 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000
Income	41,519	2,897
Expenses	23,397	3,614
Profit for the year	8,854	665,638
Non-current assets	1,432,646	1,444,855
Current assets	44,462	789
Current liabilities	(513,534)	(489,054)
Non-current liabilities	(165,760)	(167,630)
Net assets	797,814	788,960

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### 17. INTERESTS IN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

Interests in property development represent the Group's interests in the development of various properties in Macau under two co-investment agreements with two wholly owned subsidiaries of the Ultimate Holding Company respectively. The basis and estimations for arriving at the fair value of the interests in property development is further described in note 36.

### 18. GOODWILL

For the purposes of impairment testing, the goodwill has been allocated to an individual cash-generating unit (the "CGU") in the ice and cold storage segment. During the year ended 31 December 2006, management of the Group determines that there are no impairments of the CGU containing goodwill.

The recoverable amount of the CGU have been determined based on a value in use calculation. The value in use calculation uses cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management covering a five-year period, and a discount rate of 10%. Cash flow projections during the budget period for the CGU are based on the expected gross margins during the budget period. Budgeted gross margins have been determined based on past performance and management's expectations for the market development. Management believes that any reasonably possible change in any of these assumptions would not cause the aggregate carrying amount of the CGU to exceed the aggregate recoverable amount of the CGU.

## 19. AMOUNTS DUE FROM JOINTLY CONTROLLED ENTITIES

The amounts are unsecured, interest-free and repayable within one year. The carrying values approximate their fair values at 31 December 2006.

## 20. HELD FOR TRADING INVESTMENTS

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Equity securities held for trading		
— listed in Hong Kong	239,362	31,191
— listed outside Hong Kong	_	15,310
	239,362	46,501

The fair values of the above equity securities held for trading are determined based on the quoted market bid prices available on the relevant exchanges.

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### 21. HELD-TO-MATURITY DEBT SECURITY

As at 31 December 2005, the amount of held-to-maturity debt security represents quoted treasury bill outside Hong Kong with fixed interest of 3.87% per annum and maturity date on 2 March 2006.

### 22. DERIVATIVES FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	2006		2005	
	Assets	Assets Liabilities		Liabilities
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Over-the-counter contingent forward transaction	4,573	774	1,399	_
Interest rate swap	_	_	_	742
	4,573	774	1,399	742

### Over the counter contingent forward transaction

As at the balance sheet date, the Group has certain forward agreements to purchase certain listed equity securities at a fixed price over a 52-weeks period from the date of the agreements remaining outstanding. According to the agreements, the purchase commitments of the Group will be terminated when the market prices of the equity securities rises to pre-determined price level. As at the balance sheet date, the aggregated maximum purchase commitment of the Group under the agreements were HK\$783,250,000 (2005: HK\$48,521,000) of which HK\$598,874,000 (2005: HK\$45,666,000) will not be crystallised. For the commitments that will not be crystallised, the market price of the underlying equity securities has reached the pre-determined price level and the agreements were terminated subsequently after the balance sheet date.

## Interest rate swap

As at 31 December 2005, the Group had a swap agreement which might be callable by the counter party of the swap agreement remaining outstanding. According to the swap agreement, the Group would pay an amount determined by the notional amount of US\$5,000,000 at an inter bank interest rate and receive an amount determined by the notional amount of US\$5,000,000 at a fixed interest rate. As at 31 December 2005, the remaining duration of the swap agreement was 9.7 years and the swap agreement was called by the counter party during the year ended 31 December 2006.

The above derivatives are measured at fair value at each balance sheet date. Their fair values are determined based on the quoted market prices for equivalent instruments at the balance sheet date.

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## 23. INVENTORIES

	2006 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000
Properties held for sale Properties under development for sale (Note)	82,824 199,259	88,533 159,735
	282,083	248,268

### Note:

During the year ended 31 December 2005, the Group has entered into a joint venture agreement in the form of a jointly controlled asset to construct certain low-rise houses in Hong Kong. At 31 December 2006, the aggregate amount of assets recognised in the financial statements in relation to interests in jointly controlled assets is HK\$14,841,000 (2005: HK\$6,202,000).

The remaining balance of HK\$184,418,000 (2005: HK\$153,533,000) represented freehold land in overseas held for future development. The construction is expected to complete 12 months after the balance sheet date.

## 24. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Ageing analysis of trade receivables:		
Within 30 days	1,977	2,034
31 days to 60 days	1,675	898
61 days to 90 days	60	800
Over 90 days	_	157
Trade receivables	3,712	3,889
Other receivables	21,407	10,673
	25,119	14,562

The Group has established different credit policies for each of the Group's businesses and allows a credit period of not more than 90 days to its trade customers. The fair value of the Group's trade and other receivables at 31 December 2006 was approximate to the corresponding carrying amount.

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## 25. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents approximates their fair value at the balance sheet date.

## 26. OTHER PAYABLES

The Group's other payable of HK\$276,346,000 (2005: Nil) is expected to be settled after more than one year. The fair value of the Group's other payables at 31 December 2006 was approximate to the corresponding carrying amount.

## 27. BANK LOANS

The secured bank loans were repayable within 5 years from the date of the inception of the loans by monthly instalments and bearing interest as determined by a premium over the Hong Kong Interbank Offering Rates, which is equal to the effective interest rate, as follows:

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year	18,000	15,050
In the second year	18,000	18,000
In the third to fifth years inclusive	36,700	54,700
Less: Amounts repayable within one	72,700	87,750
year shown under current liabilities	(18,000)	(15,050)
Amount due after one year	54,700	72,700

The fair value of the Group's bank loans as at 31 December 2006 was approximate to the corresponding carrying amount.

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## 28. DEFERRED TAXATION

The following are the major deferred tax liabilities recognised and movements thereon during the current year and the prior year:

	Accelerated		
	depreciation	Revaluation	
	allowances	of assets	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2005	2,897	30,710	33,607
Change in tax rate	_	(3,946)	(3,946)
Charge to income statement	563	17,381	17,944
At 31 December 2005			
and 1 January 2006	3,460	44,145	47,605
Charge/(credit) to income statement	162	(275)	(113)
At 31 December 2006	3,622	43,870	47,492

No deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of the tax losses due to the unpredictability of future profit streams. At the balance sheet date, the Group has unrecognised tax losses of HK\$10,275,000 (2005: HK\$10,262,000) available for offset against future profits of which HK\$39,000 (2005: HK\$45,000) will be expired in 2008, HK\$363,000 (2005: HK\$379,000) will be expired in 2009 and HK\$338,000 (2005: Nil) will be expired in 2010 and the remaining losses may be carried forward indefinitely.

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## 29. SHARE CAPITAL

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Authorised:		
10,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000
5,000,000,000 convertible preference shares of HK\$0.01 each	50,000	50,000
	1,050,000	1,050,000
Issued:		
4,316,425,295 (2005: 1,229,814,484)		
fully paid ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	431,643	122,982
At 31 December 2005: 3,703,590,076 partly paid		
convertible preference shares of HK\$0.01 each	_	3,703
	431,643	126,685

## (a) Issue of capital

On 27 June 2005, the Immediate Holding Company, which is also the holder of all convertible preference shares of HK\$0.01 each ("CPS") of the Company in issue, contributed HK\$2,658,000 to the Company to pay up 147,709,924 10% partly paid CPS in full. On the same day, the Immediate Holding Company exercised the conversion right of CPS to convert 147,709,924 fully paid CPS into 10,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares ("Share(s)") of HK\$0.1 each of the Company.

In June 2006, the Company has issued 2,811,411,970 Shares at a subscription price of HK\$1.98 per Share ("PAH Subscription") by private arrangement. The proceeds from the subscription of HK\$5,566,596,000, before related expenses, was received by the Company.

On 15 August 2006, the Immediate Holding Company contributed HK\$66,665,000 to the Company to pay up 3,703,590,076 10% partly paid CPS in full. On the same day, the Immediate Holding Company exercised the conversion right of CPS to convert 3,703,590,076 fully paid CPS into 275,191,901 fully paid Shares.

During the period from 19 June 2006 to 31 December 2006, the Company has issued 6,940 Shares pursuant to the exercise of subscription rights attached to the warrants issued by the Company as mentioned in note 30.

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## **29. SHARE CAPITAL** (Continued)

## (b) CPS

In 2001, 4,000,000,000 CPS were issued partly paid as to 10% of the subscription price of HK\$0.02 per share pursuant to the subscription agreement entered into with the Immediate Holding Company and were subscribed by the Immediate Holding Company. There is no time restriction for the unpaid amount of HK\$72,000,000 of the CPS to be fully paid up. The Company has no right to make calls with respect to amounts unpaid on any partly paid CPS.

The holder may convert fully paid CPS into new ordinary shares of the Company during the period commencing on 14 September 2001 and ending on the date five years thereafter, inclusive, at any time at the rate of one ordinary share of HK\$0.01 each for every one fully paid convertible preference share (subject to adjustment).

During the period from 1 December 2003 to 31 December 2004, the Company consolidated every 20 ordinary shares in issue into one ordinary share in issue and effected a rights issue which constituted events giving rise to adjustments to the conversion rate of the outstanding CPS. Accordingly, the conversion rate of the outstanding CPS was adjusted to 14.771 fully paid CPS for one Share.

During the year, the PAH Subscription constituted events giving rise to adjustments to the conversion rate of the outstanding CPS. Accordingly, the conversion rate of the outstanding CPS was further adjusted to 13.4582 fully paid CPS for one Share.

During the period commencing on 14 September 2001 and ending on the date five years thereafter, inclusive, at any time, the holder of the CPS, whether partly paid or fully paid, may require the Company to redeem, to the extent that conversion has not been elected by the holder of the CPS, the outstanding CPS for the amount paid up. The holder of the CPS has waived its redemption right attached to the CPS. The Company does not have the right to redeem the CPS.

If the CPS are still in issue after five years commencing on 14 September 2001, the holders of the CPS will automatically forfeit all of their redemption/conversion rights under the CPS and the CPS will become preference shares without carrying any conversion or redemption features thereafter. Any paid-up capital of the CPS will continue to be retained in the accounts of the Company.

Any CPS which have been fully paid up will rank pari passu for dividends with the ordinary shares from time to time in issue. Partly paid CPS are not entitled to any dividends.

The holders of the CPS are entitled to receive notices of general meetings, but not to attend or vote.

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#### 29. **SHARE CAPITAL** (Continued)

#### (c) Share premium

The application of the share premium account is governed by Section 34 of the Cayman Islands Companies Law.

A summary of the movements in issued capital of the Company is as follows:

#### (i) **Shares**

	Number	
	of Shares	Amount
		HK\$'000
At 1 January 2005	1,219,814,484	121,982
Conversion of CPS	10,000,000	1,000
At 31 December 2005		
and 1 January 2006	1,229,814,484	122,982
Conversion of CPS	275,191,901	27,519
Exercise of subscription rights attached to warrants	6,940	1
PAH Subscription	2,811,411,970	281,141
At 31 December 2006	4,316,425,295	431,643

#### (ii) **CPS**

	Number of	Number of	
	CPS partly paid	CPS fully paid	Amount
			HK\$'000
At 1 January 2005	3,851,300,000	_	3,851
Fully paid up of the CPS	(147,709,924)	147,709,924	1,329
Conversion into Shares		(147,709,924)	(1,477)
At 31 December 2005			
and 1 January 2006	3,703,590,076	_	3,703
Fully paid up of the CPS	(3,703,590,076)	3,703,590,076	33,332
Conversion into Shares		(3,703,590,076)	(37,035)
At 31 December 2006	_	_	_

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## 30. WARRANTS

During the year ended 31 December 2006, the Company had a bonus issue of 122,981,448 units of warrants in the Company to the holders of Shares of the Company whose names appeared on the register of members of the Company on 12 June 2006 on the basis of one unit of warrants for every ten Shares then held by such shareholders. Each unit of warrants entitles the holders thereof to subscribe in cash for one new Share at HK\$1.98 per Share (subject to adjustment). The warrants are exercisable at any time between 19 June 2006 and 18 June 2007, both days inclusive.

A summary of the movements in warrants issued by the Company is as follows:

	Number of
	warrants
Issued during the year	122,981,448
Exercised during the year	(6,940)
Outstanding at the end of the year	122,974,508

## 31. SHARE OPTIONS

The Company operates share option schemes for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations.

Pursuant to the share option scheme adopted by the Company on 9 January 2004, eligible participants include any employees (including full-time and part-time employee), directors (including executive, non-executive and independent non-executive director), suppliers of goods and services, customers, business partners or business associates of the Group, consultant or adviser providing consultancy or advisory services in relation to the businesses, trading agents or holders of any securities issued by any member of the Group or any entity in which the Group holds an equity interest. The share option scheme became effective on 9 January 2004 and, unless otherwise cancelled or amended, will remain in force for 10 years from that date.

The maximum number of unexercised share options currently permitted to be granted under the share option scheme is an amount equivalent, upon their exercise, to 10% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time. The maximum number of shares issuable under share options to each eligible participant in the share option scheme within any 12-month period, is limited to 1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time. Any further grant of share options in excess of this limit is subject to shareholders' approval in a general meeting.

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## **31. SHARE OPTIONS** (Continued)

Under the share option scheme, share options granted to a director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company, or to any of their associates, are subject to approval in advance by the independent non-executive directors. In addition, any share options granted to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or to any of their associates, in excess of 0.1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time or with an aggregate value (based on the price of the Company's shares at the date of the grant) in excess of HK\$5,000,000, within any 12-month period, are subject to shareholders' approval in advance in a general meeting.

The offer of a grant of share options under the share option scheme may be accepted within 28 days from the date of the offer, upon payment of a nominal consideration of HK\$1 in total by the grantee. The exercise period of the share options granted is determinable by the directors, and commences from the date the grantee accepts the share options and ends on the expiry date of the share option scheme.

The exercise price of the share options granted under the share option scheme is determinable by the directors, but may not be less than the highest of (i) closing price of the Company's shares on the Stock Exchange on the date of the offer of the share options; (ii) the average Stock Exchange closing price of the Company's shares for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of the offer; and (iii) the nominal value of a share of the Company.

Share options do not confer rights on the holders to dividends or to vote at shareholders' meetings.

There was no share option granted under the share option scheme during the current and prior periods or remain outstanding as at 31 December 2006.

## 32. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

## (a) Acquisition of a subsidiary

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net assets acquired:		
Interests in property development	8,448,000	_
Satisfied by:		
Cash	3,295,510	_
Amount due to ultimate holding company	5,152,490	_
	8,448,000	_

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#### 32. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (Continued)

#### (a) **Acquisition of a subsidiary** (Continued)

The subsidiary acquired during the year did not have any significant turnover and profit for the year. If the acquisition had occurred on 1 January 2006, the subsidiary's turnover and profit contributed to the Group would not be significantly different to that reported above.

#### (b) Major non-cash transactions

During the year, 1,108,101,010 Shares were issued and allotted to the Immediate Holding Company to set-off against the amount due to ultimate holding company of HK\$2,194,040,000.

#### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS** 33.

During the years ended 31 December 2005 and 2006, the Group had the following transactions with related parties:

- (i) During the year, the Group received consultancy service fee income of HK\$240,000 (2005: HK\$240,000) from a jointly controlled entity. The consultancy service fee income was charged on a monthly basis of HK\$20,000 as agreed by both parties.
- (ii) The amounts due to minority shareholders of subsidiaries were unsecured and with no fixed repayment terms, of which HK\$18,700,000 (2005: HK\$12,489,000) was bearing interest at prevailing market rate and HK\$6,382,000 (2005: HK\$19,435,000) was interest free. During the year, interest of HK\$803,000 (2005: HK\$634,000) was payable to such minority shareholders.
- During the year, the Group paid rental expenses and building management fees amounting to HK\$924,000 (2005: HK\$669,000) in aggregate to an intermediate holding company for the leasing of an administrative office in Hong Kong.
- As at 31 December 2006, a director of the Company granted a guarantee to a bank to secure the (iv) liabilities of the Group to the extent of HK\$42,718,000 (2005: HK\$22,000,000).
- (v) The loan from ultimate holding company was unsecured, interest bearing at prevailing market rate and with no fixed repayment terms. During the year, interest of HK\$798,000 (2005: Nil) was payable to the Ultimate Holding Company.

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## 33. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

- On 8 April 2006, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, Profit Sphere International Limited (vi) entered into a sale and purchase agreement (the "Agreement") with the Ultimate Holding Company for the acquisition of the entire interests in New Bedford Properties Limited in turn to acquire 80% interest in three property projects located at Lotes P, V, T and T1, Novos Aterros da Areia Preta, Macau for the consideration of HK\$8,448,000,000. Pursuant to the Agreement, a deposit of HK\$200 million was paid by the Group upon the signing of the Agreement and the Group may, at the Group's discretion, settle the outstanding balance (i) at completion of the Agreement (the "Completion") or (ii) within one year from the Completion. The Group has the right to extend the time for the settlement of the outstanding balance to within three years from the Completion. In case where the Company is unable to raise sufficient funds to finance the acquisition within three years from the Completion, the Group has the right to further extend the settlement of the outstanding balance for an unlimited period until such time the liquidity position of the Company permits the settlement. The completion took place on 15 June 2006. The amount due to the Ultimate Holding Company was unsecured and bearing interest at the Hong Kong Interbank Offering Rate plus 0.5% per annum. During the year, interest of HK\$74,097,000 (2005: Nil) was payable to the Ultimate Holding Company. Outstanding balance due to the Ultimate Holding Company for the acquisition together with accrued interest was \$3,026,231,000 as at 31 December 2006 (2005: Nil).
- (vii) On 5 May 2006, the Company entered into a subscription agreement with Kowloon Development Company Limited, an intermediate holding company of the Company, for the subscription of 1,598,000,000 Shares at a subscription price of HK\$1.98 each, totalling HK\$3,164,040,000, by the Immediate Holding Company. The subscription was completed in June 2006. Details of the subscription was set out in the circular of the Company date 23 May 2006.
- (viii) During the year, interest of HK\$1,747,000 (2005: Nil) was paid to an intermediate holding company.
- (ix) During April and May 2006, Hantec Securities Company Limited, a company controlled by Mr. Or Wai Sheun, a director of the Company, acted as an arranger for the subscription of 583,311,867 Shares under the PAH Subscription and received an arranger's fee of HK\$20,212,000, being 1.75% of the gross proceeds received from the issue of 583,311,867 Shares.
- (x) On 19 June 2006, the Company had a bonus issue of 122,981,448 units of warrants of which 69,897,537 units of warrants were issued to the Immediate Holding Company. Details of the bonus issue is set out in note 30.

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## 34. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

### As Lessee

The Group leases certain of its office properties, vehicle parking spaces and factory premises under operating lease arrangements. Leases for properties are negotiated for terms from three months to two years.

As at 31 December 2006, the Group had total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year	735	209
In the second to fifth years inclusive	122	_
	857	209

### As Lessor

The Group leases certain of its inventories under operating lease arrangements with lease terms for less than three years. As at 31 December 2006, total future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2006 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000
Within one year In the second to fifth years inclusive	4,299 583	4,038 3,330
	4,882	7,368

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### 35. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

As at 31 December 2006, certain assets of the Group were pledged to secure credit facilities granted to the Group, as follows:

- (a) legal charge over all of the Group's medium term leasehold land with an aggregate net book value of HK\$114,217,000 (2005: HK\$117,037,000);
- (b) legal charge over all of the Group's buildings with an aggregate net book value of HK\$31,156,000 (2005: HK\$31,925,000);
- (c) floating charge over all short term investments of the Group of HK\$239,362,000 (2005: HK\$54,184,000);
- (d) floating charge over all interest in derivative financial instruments of the Group of HK\$4,573,000 (2005: HK\$1,399,000);
- (e) floating charge over certain receivables of the Group of HK\$10,324,000 (2005: HK\$10,770,000);
- (f) floating charge over all of the Group's margin deposits of HK\$65,994,000 (2005: Nil); and
- (g) floating charge over certain cash and cash equivalents of the Group of HK\$145,870,000 (2005: HK\$12,406,000).

## 36. KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance sheet date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are also discussed below.

## Depreciation and amortisation

The Group's carrying value of plant and equipment as at 31 December 2006 was HK\$7,805,000. The Group depreciates the plant and equipment on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of 4 to 10 years, and after taking into account of their estimated residual value, using the straight-line method commencing from the date the plant and equipment is placed into intended use. The estimated useful life and dates that the Group places the plant and equipment into productive use reflects the directors' estimate of the periods that the Group intend to derive future economic benefits from the use of the Group's plant and equipment.

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## **36. KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY** (Continued)

## Estimated impairment of goodwill

Determining whether goodwill is impaired requires an estimation of the value in use of the cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated. The value in use calculation requires the Group to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the cash-generating unit and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value. As at 31 December 2006, the carrying amount of goodwill was HK\$16,994,000. Details of the recoverable amount calculation are disclosed in note 18.

## Interests in property development

Interests in property development are stated at their fair value at the balance sheet date. As at 31 December 2006, the carrying amount of interests in property development was HK\$9,490,063,000. In determining the fair value of interests in property development, the Group estimates the future cash flows expected to arise from the interests in property development and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value. Cash flow projections for the interests in property development are based on the past performance, current market conditions and management's expectations for the market development and terms provided under the co-investment agreements.

## 37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group is exposed to interest rate, price and credit risks arisen in the normal course of the Group's business as set out below. The management manages and monitors these exposures to ensure appropriate measures are implemented on a timely and effective manner and these risks are limited by financial policies and practices undertaken by the Group.

## Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk through the impact of rate changes on interest bearing bank borrowings and intercompany borrowings. The interest rate and terms of repayment of borrowings of the Group are disclosed in notes 27, 33(ii), 33(v) and 33(vi) respectively. The Group currently does not have an interest rate hedging policy. However, the management monitors interest rate change exposure and will consider hedging significant interest rate change exposure should the need arise.

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## 37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (Continued)

### Price risk

The Group's held-for-trading investments are measured at fair value at each balance sheet date. Therefore, the Group is exposed to equity security price risk. The management manages this exposure by maintaining a portfolio of investments with different risk profiles.

### Credit risk

The Group's maximum exposure to credit risk in the event of the counterparties failure to perform their obligations as at 31 December 2006 in relation to each class of recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as stated in the consolidated balance sheet. In order to minimise the credit risk, the management of the Group has delegated a team responsible for determination of credit limits, credit approvals and other monitoring procedures to ensure that follow-up action is taken to recover overdue debts. In addition, the Group reviews the recoverable amount of each individual trade debt at each balance sheet date to ensure that adequate impairment losses are made for irrecoverable amounts. In this regard, the directors of the Company consider that the Group's credit risk is significantly reduced.

The Group has no significant concentration of credit risk, with exposure spread over a number of counterparties and customers.

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#### **PARTICULARS OF SUBSIDIARIES** 38.

Particulars of the subsidiaries at 31 December 2006 are as follow:

		Nominal value		
	Place of incorporation/	of issued ordinary share capital/	Percentage of equity	
Name	registration and operations	registered capital	attributable to the Company	Principal activities
Directly held:				
City Power Services Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100%	Inactive
Newcott Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$10,000	100%	Investment holding
Noble Prime International Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100%	Investment holding
Power Charm International Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100%	Investment holding
Sinocharm Trading Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100%	Investment holding
Indirectly held:				
Acestart Investments Limited	British Virgin Islands/Macau	US\$1	70.5%	Property trading and investment
Century Leader Profits Limited	British Virgin Islands/the PRC	US\$100	91%	Property trading and investment
Genius Star Investments Limited	British Virgin Islands/Macau	US\$1	100%	Financial investment

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#### PARTICULARS OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued) 38.

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and operations	Nominal value of issued ordinary share capital/ registered capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company	Principal activities			
Indirectly held: (Continued)							
Glentech International Company Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	100%	Provision of consultancy services			
Hin Rich International Limited	British Virgin Islands/Macau	US\$1	58%	Financial investment			
Imperial Profit Investment Limited	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	US\$1	100%	Financial investment			
Kam Yuen Property Investment Limited	Macau	MOP30,000	58%	Property investment and development			
Marvel Talent Corporation	British Virgin Islands	US\$200	100%	Inactive			
New Bedford Properties Limited *	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100%	Investment holding			
New Cosmos Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$100	58%	Investment holding			
Noble Gainer Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	100%	Inactive			
Power Giant Limited	British Virgin Islands/Macau	US\$1	100%	Property trading and investment			

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## 38. PARTICULARS OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

		Nominal value					
		of issued					
	Place of	ordinary	Percentage				
	incorporation/	share capital/	of equity				
	registration	registered	attributable to	Principal			
Name	and operations	capital	the Company	activities			
Indirectly held: (Continued)							
Profit Sphere International Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100%	Investment holding			
Sheen Concord Enterprises Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	100%	Property investment and development			
Success Ever Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100%	Investment holding			
The Hong Kong Ice & Cold Storage Company Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$500,000	100%	Ice manufacturing and provision of cold storage			
Think Bright Limited	British Virgin Islands/Macau	US\$200	70.5%	Property trading and investment			
Top Vision Assets Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100%	Investment holding			

None of the subsidiaries had any debt securities subsisting at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

<sup>\*</sup> The equity interests in the subsidiary was acquired on 15 June 2006.