# 九 洲 發 展 有 限 公 司 JIUZHOU DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LIMITED

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# **ANNUAL REPORT 2007**







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# **Corporate Information**

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Zhu Lifu *(Chairman)* Gu Zengcai *(Deputy Chairman)* Huang Xin *(Chief Executive Officer)* Jin Tao Yu Huaguo Wu Hanqiu Liang Han<sup>#</sup> Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen<sup>\*</sup> Chu Yu Lin, David<sup>\*</sup> Albert Ho<sup>\*</sup>

# Non-executive Director

\* Independent Non-executive Director

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

Albert Ho *(Chairman)* Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen Chu Yu Lin, David Liang Han

## REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen *(Chairman)* Chu Yu Lin, David Albert Ho Liang Han Gu Zengcai

## COMPANY SECRETARY AND QUALIFIED ACCOUNTANT

Poon Yu Keung

## AUDITORS

Ernst & Young *Certified Public Accountants* Hong Kong

# **Corporate Information**

## PRINCIPAL BANKERS

Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, Zhuhai Branch Bank of China, Zhuhai Branch Everbright Bank of China, Zhuhai Branch Bank of Communications, Zhuhai Branch Construction Bank of China, Zhuhai Branch

## LEGAL ADVISORS

Chiu & Partners

## PRINCIPAL SHARE REGISTRARS

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## **BRANCH SHARE REGISTRARS**

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## HEAD OFFICE AND PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

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## REGISTERED OFFICE

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## Chairman's Statement

Pursuant to a resolution passed by the board of directors (the "Board") of Jiuzhou Development Company Limited (the "Company") on 24 August 2006, the financial year end date of the Company was changed from 30 April to 31 December. The purpose of this change is to make the financial year end date of the Company to be in line with the financial year end of its major operating subsidiaries in Mainland China. In this regard, the financial statements for this year is prepared based on the twelve months period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2007. Hence, the comparative amounts shown in the consolidated income statement, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement and the related notes of the previous period, which covered only for the eight months from 1 May 2006 to 31 December 2006, may not be fully comparable with the amounts for the year.

I hereby present the audited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2007 (the "year"). The consolidated turnover of the Group for the year was approximately HK\$299,392,000 and the net profit attributable to shareholders was approximately HK\$79,405,000, representing an increase of approximately 58% and 80% respectively as compared with the eight months ended 31 December 2006. Basic earnings per share for the year were HK7.12 cents. The Board recommends a final dividend of HK2 cents per share, which is subject to the approval of the Company's Shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

During the year, the number of visitors to Zhuhai maintained an upward trend with the benefits from the continuous growth of the economy of China. Together with management's efforts in the active development of sale and cost control, the Group achieved excellent results during the year. The operating profits of marine passenger transportation and ferry terminal of the Group increased more than double as compared with the eight



months ended 31 December 2006. In this year, Zhuhai City will promote the development of tourism with great effort, which in turn will enhance the prosperous development of the Group's tourism sector. For marine passenger transportation, with closer connections and cooperations between Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macau, the opportunities for the Group to expand in this aspect will be greatly increased.

In addition, the Board will also actively seek and explore suitable investment opportunities and potential projects in order to broaden and strengthen its profit base, maximising the benefit of the shareholders. I, on behalf of the Board, would like to express my sincere gratitude to the independent non-executive directors, Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen, Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David and Mr. Albert Ho for their contributions to the Group over the year, and the efforts made by all of the staff.

On behalf of the Board **Zhu Lifu** *Chairman* 

Hong Kong 21 April 2008









### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

Owing to the change of financial year end date, the results of the Group in the current year covering the twelve months from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2007 are therefore not entirely comparable with the results for the eight months ended 31 December 2006 ("the Period Last Year"), i.e. from 1 May 2006 to 31 December 2006.

# 1. Marine passenger transportation and port businesses

Our marine passenger transportation business continuously benefited from the opening of individual visits to Hong Kong and Macau and the rapid economic growth of Mainland, which attracted many tourists and business travellers from Mainland China and Hong Kong to visit Zhuhai. The number of passenger trips of the ferry services between Zhuhai and Hong Kong, and Zhuhai and Shekou during the year operated by Zhuhai High-Speed Passenger Ferry Co., Ltd. ("Ferry Company") was 1,821,000 and 611,000, respectively, representing an increase of approximately 87% and 80% respectively as compared with the passenger traffic of approximately 975,000 trips and 339,000 trips respectively for the eight months ended 31 December 2006. It was attributable, on one hand, to the quick and efficient expansion of fleet capacity by the management to keep pace with the operation of more liner-times and new routes, and on the other hand, to the increased sales effort in actively exploration of the tourist market. In early July 2007, Ferry Company opened up the passenger line between Hong Kong Airport and Jiuzhou Port, and suspended the passenger line between Tuen Mun and Jiuzhou Port in October during the same year. Through the connections



between sea, land and air, the number of travellers in the nearby regions which were being attracted to take the ferry lines operated by the Group increased sharply. This led to more than double increase in operating profit as compared with the Period Last Year.

In port business sector, Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Passenger Transport Service Co., Ltd. ("Jiuzhou Port Passenger Transport") is mainly engaged in ticket agency and provides port facilities for liner companies to operate the lines between Jiuzhou and Hong Kong and between Jiuzhou and Shekou, Tour around Macao and Island cruise in Zhuhai. Jiuzhou Port operated by Jiuzhou Port Passenger Transport is the main port from cities in southwestern Pearl River Delta to Hong Kong and is the largest of its kind in Mainland China, recording the highest water transport volume among its Chinese counterparts. During the year, the transport volume of the Hong Kong line and Shekou line increased remarkably as the management exerted great effort in reconstructing stations to link water and land transports closely together, and significantly

increasing the transport volume of Hong Kong line and Shekou line. Together with effective control of operating costs, the operating profit of the current year increased more than 50% as compared with the Period Last Year.

### 2. Hotel Business

During the year, the average occupancy rate of our hotel was approximately 62% and its occupancy rate and average room rates were remained at the similar level as compared with the Period Last Year. Despite continuous increase in operating costs and intensive competition, the management of our hotels successfully maintained stable development of the accommodation services of the resort hotel business and travel agency business by strengthening internal management and reducing energy consumption, and thereby enhancing operating efficiency. As for catering, banquets and sale of food, continuous growth was maintained through active sale promotion and the brilliant brand effect, and was able to capture a leading position in the Zhuhai market.

### 3. The New Yuanming Palace and the Fantasy Water World

During the year, the number of visitors of the New Yuanming Palace was approximately 770,000, representing an increase of approximately 54% as compared with the visitor traffic of approximately 500,000 visitors for the eight months ended 31 December 2006. The average ticket price was slightly increased by 2%, mainly because the New Yuanming Palace modified its operating strategy by raising the ticket prices of certain programs and ticket price for individual visitors. More promotion programs were launched and celebration activities for various festivals such as the Children's Art Festival were organised by the management. These activities aimed at enhancing the brand image of the New Yuanming Palace as well as attracting visitors.

During the year, the number of visitors of the Fantasy Water World was approximately 232,000, representing 85% of approximately 274,000 visitors for the eight months ended 31 December 2006, or a decrease of approximately 15% as compared with the Period Last Year. The decrease in number of visitors was mainly due to the frequent rainy days and typhoon during the year. The completion of a large scale water park in the nearby region further intensified the competition, which resulted in a decrease in the number of visitors as compared with the Period Last Year.

### 4. Others

As the operating revenue and assets of the Group were mainly denominated in Renminbi ("RMB"), the continuous rise in the exchange rate of RMB to Hong Kong dollars led to an increase in exchange gain of approximately HK\$6,500,000 to the Group during the year, as compared to the Period Last Year. In addition, the operations of the Group's service businesses such as the marine passenger transportation business, hotel and tourist attractions businesses were mainly transacted in cash, allowing the Group to possess huge cash flow and the average balance of short term liquid funds amounted to more than HK\$300,000,000 during the year. In order to enhance the effectiveness of such liquid funds, the management of the Group adopted financial prudence as the utmost important principle, by placing the liquid funds in short term investments and managed them flexibly and effectively so as to optimise the returns on assets. Adding the fact that the stock market

in Mainland China was exceptionally feverish during the year and the interest rate continued to rise steadily. As a result, the securities investments and financial revenue earned by the Group for the year increased by approximately HK\$11,500,000 as compared with the Period Last Year.

### PROSPECTS

Looking forward to the coming year, in addition to active development and promotion of tourism in Zhuhai, the Group's businesses of marine passenger transportation, hotels and tourism will continue to benefit from the economic growth of Mainland China. The Group, however, will be affected by the rise in the prices of energy/materials and commodities at the same time. The management will strictly and actively control the costs, strengthen sale promotion, reinforce, reform and innovate the mode of operations, and organise and optimise the internal travel and transport resources in the hope of increasing crossselling and economies of scale. Simultaneously, the Group will continue to explore high guality and suitable investments projects in order to consolidate its leading position in marine passenger transportation and tourism and to allow the Group to maintain continuous growth and development.

In March 2008, the Company entered into a letter of intent with Shenzhen Airport Co., Ltd. ("Shenzhen Airport Co."), the shares of which are listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange. Both parties intended to conduct possible strategic cooperation in the development of operations, piers and investments of ancillary facilities constructions for the lines. Pursuant to the letter of intent, the parties would jointly conduct research and analysis on the potential new ferry lines between Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macau. In addition, the Company will further explore opportunities of cooperation in response to the development plan of the pier and ancillary facilities of Shenzhen Airport Co. and market conditions. Please refer to the announcement of the Company on 17 April 2008 for details.

On the same date mentioned above, Ferry Company also entered into a cooperation agreement with a subsidiary of Shenzhen Airport Co., intending to explore the new ferry lines between Shenzhen Airport Ferry Terminal and Macau, and between Shenzhen Airport Ferry Terminal and Hong Kong. The new lines will become another growth point for the Group if the operation of the new lines are confirmed.

On 29 December 2006, the Group entered into a conditional sale and purchase agreement ("Land Agreement") with the Zhuhai Guoyuan Investment Company Limited ("Zhuhai Guoyuan") for the acquisition of several parcels of land leased to the Group where certain building structures of the Hotel Business were erected ("Hotel Land") for an aggregate cash consideration of RMB90,900,000. A refundable deposit of RMB78,000,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$83,300,000) has been paid to Zhuhai Guoyuan by the Group.

Pursuant to the Land Agreement, the acquisition of the Hotel Land is conditional upon the completion of a debt restructuring agreement (please refer to note 2.1 to the financial statements for information on the latter agreement). In case the aforesaid acquisition is not completed on 16 April 2008 or any such later dates agreed by the parties, the Group has the right to terminate the transaction and demand Zhuhai Guoyuan to return all the deposits, together with the interests calculated at the prevailing PRC bank borrowing rates from 29 December 2006.

On 18 March 2008, the Group entered into an extension agreement to extend the longstop date of the Land Agreement from 16 April 2008 to 16 October 2008. This

was mainly because more time is required to obtain an order from the court of Macau to permanently stay the winding-up order or approve the debt restructuring or settlement of Zhu Kuan Group Company Limited ("Zhu Kuan Macau") (being a condition precedent to the completion of the Land Agreement).

It was disclosed in the annual report of the Company for the Period Last Year that in August 2006, Zhu Kuan Macau, Zhu Kuan (HK) Company Limited ("Zhu Kuan (HK)"), liquidators and Zhuhai Guoyuan have entered into the debt restructuring agreement, and the debt restructuring proposal has been progressing steadily in accordance with the debt restructuring agreement. In November 2007, the High Court of Hong Kong granted a permanent stay on the proceedings of liquidations on of Zhu Kuan Macau and Zhu Kuan HK (please refer to note 2.1 to the financial statements and the announcement of the Company of 7 November 2007 for details).

# LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The Group generally finances its operations with internally generated cashflow and banking facilities provided by its principal bankers in Mainland China (the "PRC"). As at 31 December 2007, the Group has no outstanding banking borrowings (31 December 2006: Nil). The Group's cash and bank balances and short term bank deposits as at 31 December 2007 amounted to approximately HK\$345.1 million (31 December 2006: HK\$208.4 million), of which approximately HK\$300.2 million (31 December 2006: HK\$114.2 million) were denominated in RMB and the remaining were all in Hong Kong dollars. In addition, the Group held short term investments in financial instruments of approximately HK\$128.0 million as at 31 December 2007 (31 December 2006: HK\$120.5 million), of which approximately HK\$116.9 million (31 December 2006: HK\$120.5 million) were denominated in RMB. The short

term financial instruments comprised mainly investment in certain short term investment funds and some listed securities in Mainland China and Hong Kong with a view to enhance the Group's return on the surplus working capital. Since the Group has no outstanding banking borrowings as at 31 December 2007 and 31 December 2006 respectively, and based on the total bank borrowings in relation to shareholders' fund, the Group's gearing ratio as at 31 December 2007 and 31 December 2006 respectively was zero.

# NUMBER AND REMUNERATION OF EMPLOYEES

At the year end, the Group had approximately 1,516 employees. Remuneration of employees is determined and reviewed annually with reference to the market standard, individual performance and working experience, and certain staff is entitled to commission and share options. In addition to the basic salaries, the Group also provides, depending on the results of the Group and individual performance, staff benefits including discretionary bonus, contributory provident fund or mandatory provident fund, and professional tuition/training subsidies in order to retain quality employees.

### CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2007, the Group had no significant contingent liabilities.

# FUTURE PLANS FOR MATERIAL INVESTMENTS OR CAPITAL ASSETS

As at 31 December 2007, the Group had no future plans for material investments or capital assets, saved for those disclosed under the heading "Management Discussion and Analysis — Prospects".

### FOREIGN EXCHANGE EXPOSURE

Most of the businesses of the Group are operated in Mainland China, and the principal revenues and costs were denominated in RMB or Hong Kong Dollars. Therefore, the management believes that there is no need for the Group to make use of financial instruments for hedging purposes.

As the assets and liabilities of the Group are mostly in RMB, the management considers that no significant exposure to foreign exchange exists.

### CAPITAL STRUCTURE

On 4 April 2006, the Company placed 159,800,000 warrants of HK0.55 cent each to certain independent institutional or private investors. Each warrant carries the right to subscribe for one ordinary share of HK\$0.10 each in the Company at a subscription price of HK\$0.55 per share from the date of issue to 3 April 2007.

The net proceeds of approximately HK\$85.6 million, upon full exercise of the subscription rights attaching to the 159,800,000 warrants, will be utilised by the Group for overhaul and medium repair and maintenance and overall planning of the tourist attractions and hotel facilities of the Group.

During the year, 19,620,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each were issued pursuant to the exercise of the Company's warrants for a total cash consideration, before issue expenses, of approximately HK\$10.8 million. As at 31 December 2007, all warrants issued in April 2006 were fully exercised. Out of the total raised net proceeds, approximately HK\$13.3 million were utilised and the remaining unutilised sums were principally placed as cash at bank, short-term funds and listed securities temporarily. As at 31 December 2007, the number of issued ordinary shares was 1,118,600,000 shares in aggregate and the shareholders' equity of the Group was approximately HK\$1,222 million.

## MATERIAL INVESTMENTS HELD, SIGNIFICANT ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS

During the year, there was no material acquisition or disposal of investment, subsidiary or associated company, saved for those disclosed under the heading "Management Discussion and Analysis — Prospects".



### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

Mr. Zhu Lifu, aged 48, is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company. He was a postgraduate and has worked as an economist. Mr. Zhu is now the Chairman and General Manager of Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation ("ZJPGC"). He had worked for the Head of Finance Department under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Zhuhai branch of People's Bank of China, 珠光企業集團財務有限公司 and Zhuhai City Commercial Bank. He had been the Managing Director of 珠光企業集團財務有限公司, the Acting President and the Chairman of Zhuhai City Commercial Bank. Since May 2001, he has been the Chairman and General Manager of Zhuhai Jinzhou Port Group Corporation. He joined the Company and was appointed as executive director of the Company in October 2003. Since February 2004, he was appointed as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company. Mr. Zhu was a postgraduate in Finance in Zhongnan University of Economics and Law. He has over twenty years' experience in finance, financial and enterprise management.

**Mr. Gu Zengcai**, aged 45, is the Deputy Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company. Mr. Gu is also currently the deputy general manager of ZJPGC and the Chairman of Zhuhai Holiday Resort Hotel Co., Ltd.. He has worked in the Printing and Dyeing Mill of Yanchen, Jiangsu, Zhuhai Fuhua Group Company Limited, Huayin City Credit Union and Zhuhai City Commercial Bank as financial division head and office



director of audit department. He has also been the Deputy General Office Director of Huavin City Credit Union. He had worked for Zhuhai City Commercial Bank in the capacities of president of the branch, assistant to the president of the main office, general manager of the Capital Planning Department of the main office and of the financial accounting department, the Officer Director of the policy research centre, the general manager of the credit department and had been the chief accountant of ZJPGC. He joined the Company and was appointed as an executive director of the Company in October 2003. On 24 August 2006, he was appointed as the Deputy Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company. Mr. Gu is qualified as a Registered Accountant, Accountant and Auditor in the PRC. He has over twenty years' experience in financial management, auditing, enterprise management and finance.

### EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS (continued)

Mr. Huang Xin, aged 42, has been appointed as an executive director and Chief Executive Officer of the Company in July 2006. Mr Huang is recently appointed as the deputy general manager of ZJPGC as well in April 2008. He holds a doctorate degree and obtained a title of senior economist from the Ministry of Finance of the PRC and was invited as visiting professor and researcher of a number of universities. Mr. Huang previously worked with Ministry of Finance, China Trust and Investment Corporation for Economic Development, China Cinda Asset Management Corporation and Beijing Enterprises Holdings Limited. He served as secretary to general manager, secretary to the board of directors, general manager of securities business department, deputy general manager of Beijing Enterprises Holdings High-tech Development Co. Ltd., executive director and general manager of Winghap (Macau) Company Limited, executive director and general manager of East Sea International (Macau) Company Limited, deputy chairman and general manager of Zhuhai Heng Fok Machinery & Electric Industrial Company Limited. He has over twenty years of experience in trust, insurance, securities, investment banking, financial management, corporate management and venture investment

**Mr. Jin Tao**, aged 45, was appointed as an executive director of the Company in September 2002. He holds a master degree and is qualified as a Senior Engineer. Mr. Jin is also currently the deputy general manager of ZJPGC, Chairman of the New Yuanming Palace Tourist Co., Ltd of Zhuhai S.E.Z. and 珠海水上娛樂有限 公司; and the expert and committee member of Zhuhai Municipal City Planning Committee and an expert of Zhuhai Municipal Tourist Development Committee. Mr.

Jin had worked in 黎陽機械公司 under the Ministry of Aviation of the PRC, the Electro-mechanical General Factory of Zhuhai and Gongbei Industry General Co. of Zhuhai S.E.Z.. Since November 1999, Mr. Jin has joined ZJPGC, worked in Zhuhai High-Speed Passenger Ferry Co., Ltd. in the capacity of deputy manager of the Technology Department; the Secretary of the Board of Directors, the Manager of the Operation Development Department and the Chief Engineer of ZJPGC. Mr. Jin has over twenty years' experience in enterprise management, shipping management and maintenance, and technological development.

Mr. Yu Huaguo, aged 42, is an executive director of the Company. He holds a master degree. Mr. Yu is also currently the deputy general manager of ZJPGC. Mr. Yu has previously worked in Zhuhai branch of People's Bank of China, Zhu Kuan (Hong Kong) Company Limited as the deputy chief-in-charge, deputy manager and manager of the Finance and Securities Department, deputy manager and manager of the Financial Investment Department and assistant to General Manager. Mr. Yu joined the Company since January 1998 and has served as an executive director. deputy general manager and general manager of the Company. Since February 2004, he had been appointed as the Deputy Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company. In July 2006, Mr. Yu resigned from the offices of Deputy Chairman, General Manager/ Chief Executive Officer of the Company due to his appointment as the deputy general manager of ZJPGC. Mr. Yu received his Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. He has over twenty years' experience in finance, securities, capital and enterprise management.

### EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS (continued)

**Mr. Wu Hanqiu**, aged 59, was appointed as an executive director of the Company in September 2002. He had worked in Zhuhai Overseas Chinese Travel Service and Zhuhai Sugar Cigarette Wine Company. Since July 1991, He has worked in Zhuhai Holiday Resort Co., Ltd. and Zhuhai Holiday Resort Hotel Co., Ltd. in the capacities of manager of the finance department, assistant general manager, deputy general manager, Deputy Chairman and General Manager. From April 2005 to April 2006, Mr. Wu was the Deputy Chairman and General Manager of the New Yuanming Palace Tourist Co., Ltd. of Zhuhai S.E.Z. Mr. Wu has over twenty years' experience in enterprise operation, finance management and hotel management.

## NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. Liang Han, aged 75, is a non-executive director and a member of the Audit Committee and the Remuneration Committee of the Company. Mr. Liang has worked in the County of Nan Hai's Supplies Commune, Materials Bureau, Commerce Bureau, Planning Committee and the County Government. He was the Deputy General Manager of Hong Kong Economic and Trade International (Group) Co., Ltd., during 1988-1991. During 1991-1993, he was the Deputy General Manager of Zhuhai International Company Limited, the General Manager of China Point Finance Ltd. and China Point Bullion Ltd., Deputy Chairman of Hong Kong Ling Ding Ocean Traffic Investment Limited. He has also been the Deputy Chairman of Zhu Kuan (Hong Kong) Company Limited since 1992 but retired from his office in July 1999. Mr. Liang has extensive experience in administrative management, enterprise management and investment management.

Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen J.P., aged 60, joined the Company as an Independent Non-executive Director in April 1998. He is also the Chairman of the Remuneration Committee and a member of the Audit Committee of the Company. Mr. Hui is currently the Chief Executive Officer of OSK Asia Holdings Limited. He has 37 years of experience in the securities and investment industry. Mr. Hui had for years been serving as Council Member and Vice Chairman of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong, member of the Advisory Committee of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission, and was also a director of the Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited. Mr. Hui was appointed by the Government of the HKSAR a Justice of the Peace in 2004 and was also appointed a member of the Zhuhai Municipal Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference in 2006. He is at present a member of the Listing Committee of the Hong Kong Exchange & Clearing Company Limited, an appointed member of the Securities and Futures Appeals Tribunal and a member of the Committee on Real Estate Investment Trusts of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission. Mr. Hui is also a member of the Standing Committee on Company Law Reform, an appointed member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants Investigation Panel A. Mr. Hui also serves as independent nonexecutive director of Luk Fook Holdings (International) Limited, Lifestyle International Holdings Limited, Chun Wo Holdings Limited and Frasers Property (China) Limited whose shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

## NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS (continued)

**Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David, SBS, J.P.**, aged 64, joined the Company as an Independent Non-executive Director in April 1998. He is also a member of the Audit Committee and the Remuneration Committee of the Company. Mr. Chu received his Master of Business Administration degree from Harvard University after degrees in electrical engineering and management at Northeastern University and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree from Northeastern University. Prior to joining the Group, he had worked in a number of sizeable international corporations such as General Electric Co., Chi Wo Properties Limited and Gammon Properties Limited, Gammon (Hong Kong) Limited and Jardine Matheson & Company Limited. Mr. Chu is a Justice of the Peace of the HKSAR.

**Mr. Albert Ho**, aged 50, was appointed as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company in September 2004. He is also the Chairman of the Audit Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee of the Company. Mr. Ho graduated from the Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia with a Bachelor of Economics degree in 1985 and obtained his Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Hong Kong in 1991. He is a Certified Public Accountant and fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants. He has extensive experience in financial and corporate management. Mr. Albert Ho is also an independent non-executive director of Yu Ming Investments Limited, a listed company in Hong Kong.

## SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Ms. Fan Ning, aged 39, is the Deputy General Manager of the Company. She holds a master degree and has worked as an economist. Ms. Fan obtained her Master of Business Administration degree from the Opening University of Hong Kong. Ms. Fan had worked in the Zhuhai branch of Industrial and Commercial Bank of China and ZJPGC in the capacities of department head, deputy manager and manager of International Business Department, Operation Department and Development and Planning Department, and was involved in the fields of international settlements, credit business, project development, and sales and marketing. Ms. Fan joined the Company in April 2006 and has over ten years' experience in finance investment, project development and corporate management.

Mr. Lu Tong, aged 40, is the Assistant General Manager of the Company. He holds a master degree. Mr. Lu had worked in many enterprises under the Zhu Kuan Group in the capacities of assistant manager, deputy manager and manager, and was involved in various fields including company legal affairs, project finance and investment management etc.. He joined the Company in May 1998. Mr. Lu received his Bachelor of Laws degree from Shenzhen University and is a qualified lawyer in the PRC. He was a postgraduate in Finance in the University of International Business and Economics and received his Master of Business Administration degree from the Royal Roads University subsequently. He has over ten years' experience in company law, finance investment, project finance and corporate management.

### SENIOR MANAGEMENT (continued)

**Mr. Poon Yu Keung**, aged 43, is the financial controller and company secretary of the Company. He holds a master degree. Mr. Poon had worked in Zhu Kuan (Hong Kong) Company Limited as financial controller. He joined the Company as financial controller and company secretary in April 1998. Mr. Poon graduated from The Hong Kong Polytechnic with a professional diploma in accountancy and obtained his Executive MBA degree from The Chinese University of Hong Kong in 2004. He is a fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants in England and a Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Poon has nearly twenty years' experience in auditing, accounting and finance.



The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Company and of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2007.

# CHANGE OF FINANCIAL YEAR END DATE

Pursuant to a resolution of the board of directors of the Company passed on 24 August 2006, the Company's financial year end date was changed from 30 April to 31 December to be coterminous with the financial year end date of the major operating subsidiaries. Accordingly, the comparative amounts for the consolidated income statement, statement of changes in equity, cash flow



statement and related notes only covered the Group's eight months of operation from 1 May 2006 to 31 December 2006 and are not entirely comparable.

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The principal activities of the Group consist of investment holding, the management of a holiday resort, a theme park and an amusement park, and the provision of port facilities and ticketing services in Zhuhai, the People's Republic of China excluding Hong Kong and Macau (the "PRC"). The principal activities of the principal subsidiaries are set out in note 17 to the financial statements.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the Company's and of the Group's principal activities during the year.

### **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The Group's profit for the year and the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group at that date are set out in the financial statements on pages 38 to 119.

The directors recommend the payment of a final dividend of HK2 cents per ordinary share in respect of the year to the shareholders on the register of members on 27 May 2008. This recommendation has been incorporated in the financial statements as an allocation of retained profits within the equity section of the balance sheets.

### SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A summary of the published results and assets, liabilities and minority interests of the Group for the past three years ended 30 April 2006, the eight months ended 31 December 2006 and the year ended 31 December 2007, as extracted from the audited financial statements is set out on page 120. This summary does not form part of the audited financial statements.

### PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Company and of the Group during the year are set out in note 12 to the financial statements.

## **RIGHTS TO USE PORT FACILITIES**

Details of movements in the rights to use port facilities of the Group during the year are set out in note 14 to the financial statements.

## SHARE CAPITAL AND WARRANTS

Details of movements in the Company's issued share capital and warrants during the year are set out in note 31 to the financial statements.

## **PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS**

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's bye-laws or the Bermuda Companies Act 1981 which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro rata basis to existing shareholders.

## PURCHASE, REDEMPTION OR SALE OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

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

### RESERVES

Details of movements in the reserves of the Company and of the Group during the year are set out in note 33(b) to the financial statements and in the consolidated statement of changes in equity, respectively.

## DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

At 31 December 2007, the Company's reserves available for distribution, calculated in accordance with the Bermuda Companies Act 1981, amounted to HK\$24,863,000, of which HK\$22,372,000 has been proposed as final dividend for the year. In addition, the Company's contributed surplus, amounting to HK\$628,440,000 as at 31 December 2007, is available for distribution. However, the Company cannot declare or pay a dividend, or make a distribution out of the contributed surplus if (i) it is, or would after the payment be, unable to pay its liabilities as they become due; or (ii) the net realisable value of its assets would thereby be less than the aggregrate of its liabilities as its share capital and share premium account. The Company's share premium account with a balance of HK\$459,870,000 as at 31 December 2007 is distributable in the form of fully-paid bonus shares.

## MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

During the year, the percentages of sales and purchases attributable to the Group's major customers and suppliers were as follows:

- (i) The aggregate amount of revenue generated from the Group's five largest customers accounted for less than 30% of the Group's total revenue for the year; and
- (ii) The aggregate amount of purchases attributable to the Group's five largest suppliers accounted for less than 30% of the Group's total purchases for the year.

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None of the directors of the Company or any of their associates or any shareholders (which, to the best knowledge of the directors, own more than 5% of the Company's issued share capital) had any beneficial interest in the Group's five largest customers or five largest suppliers during the year.

## DIRECTORS

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

### **Executive directors:**

Mr. Zhu Lifu *(Chairman)* Mr. Gu Zengcai *(Deputy Chairman)* Mr. Huang Xin *(Chief Executive Officer)* Mr. Jin Tao Mr. Yu Huaguo Mr. Chen Yonglin (resigned on 19 April 2007) Mr. Wu Hanqiu

### Non-executive directors:

Mr. Liang Han Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen\* Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David\* Mr. Albert Ho\*

\* Independent non-executive directors

The directors of the Company, including the executive directors, a non-executive director and independent nonexecutive directors, are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Company's bye-laws.

In accordance with bye-law 111(A) of the Company's bye-laws, Mr. Yu Huaguo, Mr. Wu Hanqiu, Mr. Liang Han and Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen will retire by rotation and, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

The Company has received from each of the independent non-executive directors an annual confirmation of independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"). The Company considers that all the independent non-executive directors are independent.

## DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS

No director proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract with the Company which is not determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

### DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

The directors' fees are subject to shareholders' approval at general meetings. Other emoluments are determined by the Company's board of directors with reference to the directors' duties, responsibilities and performance and the results of the Group.

## DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS

No director had a material interest in any contract of significance to the business of the Group to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party during the year.

# DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 31 December 2007, the interests and short positions of the directors of the Company in shares and underlying shares of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")), that was required to be recorded by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code"), were as follows:

Long positions in ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each of the Company:

directly and beneficially owned 2,250,000 1,000,000 1,602,000
1,000,000
1,000,000
1,002,000
2,160,000
1,500,000
500,000
2,700,000
250,000

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2007, none of the directors of the Company had registered any interests and short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company or any of its associated corporations that were required to be recorded pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

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## DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

At no time during the year were rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any director or their respective spouse or minor children, or were any such rights exercised by them; or was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the directors to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

At 31 December 2007, the following interests of 5% or more of the issued ordinary shares of the Company were recorded in the register of interests required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO:

### Long positions in ordinary shares of the Company:

	Number of	Percentage of
	ordinary shares	the Company's
	directly and	issued ordinary
Name	beneficially held	shares
Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation	235,200,000	21.0%
Pioneer Investment Ventures Limited*	337,000,000	30.1%

\* In accordance with Part XV of the SFO, Zhu Kuan Group Company Limited and Zhu Kuan Company of the Zhuhai SEZ were deemed to be interested in the 337,000,000 shares of the Company held by Pioneer Investment Ventures Limited because:

 Zhu Kuan Group Company Limited (in liquidation) is the immediate holding company of Pioneer Investment Ventures Limited (in provisional liquidation); and

— Zhu Kuan Company of the Zhuhai SEZ is the immediate holding company of Zhu Kuan Group Company Limited.

The 337 million shares (representing approximately 30.1% issued ordinary shares in the Company) held by Pioneer Investment Ventures Limited have been pledged to Longway Services Group Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation (see also note 2.1 to the financial statements for further details).

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2007, no person, other than the directors of the Company whose interests are set out in the section "Directors' interests and short positions in shares and underlying shares" above, had registered an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company as recorded pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

## CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the Group entered into certain connected and continuing connected transactions as defined under the Listing Rules, as detailed in note 38 to the financial statements. In the opinion of the Company's board of directors, including the independent non-executive directors, these connected transactions were:

- (a) conducted in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group;
- (b) conducted in accordance with the terms of the relevant agreements;
- (c) conducted on normal commercial terms and on an arm's length basis;
- (d) conducted on terms no less favourable than those available to/from independent third parties; and
- (e) fair and reasonable so far as the shareholders of the Company are concerned.

## SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the directors, at least 25% of the Company's total issued share capital was held by the public as at the date of this report.

## POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Details of the significant post balance sheet events of the Group are set out in note 41 to the financial statements.

## **AUDITORS**

Ernst & Young retire and a resolution for their reappointment as auditors of the Company will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

On behalf of the board

Zhu Lifu

Chairman

Hong Kong 21 April 2008

The board of directors ("Board") of the Company is pleased to present this Corporate Governance Report in the Group's annual report for the year ended 31 December 2007.

The manner in which the principles and code provisions in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices ("CG Code") contained in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") ("Listing Rules") are applied and implemented are explained as follows:

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Group is committed to achieving high standards of corporate governance to safeguard the interests of shareholders and to enhance corporate value and accountability.

Good corporate governance has always been recognised as vital to the Group's success and to sustain development of the Group. We commit ourselves to a high standard of corporate governance as an essential component of quality and have introduced corporate governance practices appropriate to the conduct and growth of its business.

The Company has applied the principles as set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices ("CG Code") contained in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") ("Listing Rules").

The Code on Corporate Governance Practices ("CG Code") contained in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") ("Listing Rules") sets out the principles of good corporate governance and two levels of corporate governance practices:

- (a) code provisions which listed issuers are expected to comply with or to give considered reasons for any deviation; and
- (b) recommended best practices for guidance only, which listed issuers are encouraged to comply with or give considered reasons for deviation.

The Company's corporate governance practices are based on the principles, code provisions and certain recommended best practices as set out in the CG Code.

Apart from the fact that the Company's non-executive directors have no fixed term of office, the Company has complied with the code provisions in the CG Code in all other aspects throughout the year under review.

The Company has also put in place certain recommended best practices as set out in the CG Code.

The Company is committed to enhance its corporate governance practices appropriate to the conduct and growth of its business and to review its corporate governance practices from time to time to ensure they comply with the statutory and professional standards and align with the latest developments.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the leadership and control of the Company and oversees the Group's businesses, strategic decisions and performances. The senior management was delegated the authority and responsibilities by the Board for the day-to-day management and operations of the Group. In addition, the Board has also established Board committees and has delegated to these Board committees various responsibilities set out in their terms of reference respectively.

Every director shall ensure that he carries out his duty in good faith and in compliance with the standards of applicable laws and regulations, and acts in the interests of the Company and its shareholders at all times.

### **Delegation of management functions**

The Board takes responsibility for all major matters of the Company including: the approval and monitoring of all policy matters, overall strategies and budgets, internal control and risk management systems, material transactions (in particular those that may involve conflicts of interest), financial information, appointment of directors and other significant financial and operational matters.

All directors have full and timely access to all relevant information as well as the advice and services of the Company Secretary, with a view to ensuring that Board procedures and all applicable rules and regulations are followed. Each director is normally able to seek independent professional advice in appropriate circumstances at the Company's expense, upon making request to the Board.

The day-to-day management, administration and operation of the Company are delegated to the Chief Executive Officer and the senior management. The delegated functions and work tasks are periodically reviewed. Approval has to be obtained from the Board prior to any significant transactions entered into by the abovementioned officers.

### **Board composition**

The Board currently comprises 10 members, consisting of 6 executive directors, 1 non-executive director and 3 independent non-executive directors.

The Company has met the recommended best practice under the CG Code for the Board to have at least one-third of its members comprising independent non-executive directors.

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### BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

### Board composition (continued)

The Board of the Company comprises the following directors:

#### Executive directors:

Mr. Zhu Lifu	(Chairman)
Mr. Gu Zengcai	(Deputy Chairman)
Mr. Huang Xin	(Chief Executive Officer)
Mr. Jin Tao	
Mr. Yu Huaguo	
Mr. Wu Hanqiu	

#### Non-executive director:

Mr. Liang Han

### Independent non-executive directors:

Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stepehen Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David Mr. Albert Ho

The list of directors (by category) is also disclosed in all corporate communications issued by the Company pursuant to the Listing Rules from time to time.

The relationships among the members of the Board are disclosed under "Directors and Senior Management" from pages 13 to 17.

During the year ended 31 December 2007, the Board at all times met the requirements of the Listing Rules relating to the appointment of at least three independent non-executive directors with at least one independent non-executive director possessing appropriate professional qualifications, or accounting or related financial management expertise.

The Company has received written annual confirmation from each independent non-executive director of his independence pursuant to the requirements of the Listing Rules. The Company considers all independent non-executive directors to be independent in accordance with the independence guidelines set out in the Listing Rules.

All directors, including non-executive directors and independent non-executive directors, have brought a wide spectrum of valuable business experience, knowledge and professionalism to the Board for its efficient and effective functioning. Independent non-executive directors are invited to serve on the Audit and Remuneration Committees of the Company.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

### **Chairman and Chief Executive Officer**

The Company fully supports the division of responsibility between the Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer to ensure a balance of power and authority. The positions of the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer are held by Mr. Zhu Lifu and Mr. Huang Xin respectively. Their respective responsibilities are clearly defined and set out in writing.

With the support of the Company Secretary and the senior management, the Chairman is responsible for ensuring that the directors receive adequate, complete and reliable information in a timely manner and appropriate briefing on issues arising at Board meetings, and that all key and appropriate issues are discussed by the Board in a timely manner. The Chief Executive Officer focuses on implementing objectives, policies and strategies approved and delegated by the Board. He has the executive responsibilities over the Company's day-to-day management and operations. The Chief Executive Officer is also responsible for developing strategic plans and formulating the organizational structure, control systems and internal procedures and processes for the Board's approval.

### Appointment/re-election and removal of directors

In accordance with the Company's Bye-laws which were amended by a special resolution at the annual general meeting held on 28 October 2005 for the purpose of compliance with the CG Code, all directors of the Company are subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years and any new director appointed to fill a causal vacancy or as an addition to the Board shall submit himself/herself for re-election by shareholders at the first general meeting after appointment.

Under code provision A.4.1 of the CG Code, non-executive directors should be appointed for a specific term, subject to re-election. The Company has deviated from this provision in that the Company's non-executive directors are not appointed for a specific term but all directors of the Company are subject to retirement by rotation once every three years and any new director appointed to fill a casual vacancy shall submit himself/herself for re-election by shareholders at the first general meeting after appointment pursuant to the Company's Bye-laws.

The procedures and process of appointment, re-election and removal of directors are laid down in the Company's Bye-laws. The Company does not have a nomination committee and the role and function of such committee are performed by the Board. The Board as a whole is responsible for reviewing the Board composition, monitoring the appointment of directors and assessing the independence of independent non-executive directors.

The Board reviewed its own structure, size and composition regularly to ensure that it has a balance of expertise, skills and experience appropriate for the requirements of the business of the Company. Where vacancies on the Board exist, the Board will carry out the selection process by making reference to the skills, experience, professional knowledge, personal integrity and time commitments of the proposed candidates, the Company's needs and other relevant statutory requirements and regulations. An external recruitment agency may be engaged to carry out the recruitment and selection process when necessary.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

### Appointment/re-election and removal of directors (continued)

In accordance with the Company's Bye-Law 111(A), Mr. Yu Huaguo, Mr. Wu Hanqiu, Mr. Liang Han and Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen shall retire by rotation and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the next forthcoming annual general meeting.

The Board recommended the re-appointment of the directors standing for re-election at the next forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company.

The Company will issue a circular containing detailed information of the directors standing for re-election.

### **Training for directors**

Each newly appointed director receives induction on the first occasion of his/her appointment, so as to ensure that he/she has appropriate understanding of the business and operations of the Company and that he/she is fully aware of his/her responsibilities and obligations under the Listing Rules and relevant regulatory requirements. Such induction shall be supplemented with visits to the Company's key plant sites and meetings with senior management of the Company.

The directors are continually updated with legal and regulatory developments, and the business and market changes to facilitate the discharge of their responsibilities. Continuing briefings and professional development to directors will be arranged whenever necessary.

#### **Board meetings**

#### Board practices and conduct of meetings

Annual meeting schedules and draft agenda of each meeting are normally made available to directors in advance.

Notices of regular Board meetings are served to all directors at least 14 days before the meetings. For other Board and committee meetings, reasonable notice is generally given.

Board papers together with all appropriate, complete and reliable information are sent to all directors at least 3 days before each Board meeting or committee meeting to keep the directors apprised of the latest developments and financial position of the Company and to enable them to make informed decisions. The Board and each director also have separate and independent access to the senior management whenever necessary.

The senior management, Chief Executive Officer and Company Secretary attend all regular Board meetings and when necessary, other Board and committee meetings to advise on business developments, financial and accounting matters, statutory compliance, corporate governance and other major aspects of the Company.

The Company Secretary is responsible to take and keep minutes of all Board meetings and committee meetings. Draft minutes are normally circulated to directors for comment within a reasonable time after each meeting and the final version is open for directors' inspection.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

#### Board meetings (continued)

### Board Practices and Conduct of Meetings (continued)

According to current Board practice, any material transaction, which involves a conflict of interests for a substantial shareholder or a director, will be considered and dealt with by the Board at a duly convened Board meeting. The Company's Bye-laws contains provisions requiring directors to abstain from voting and not to be counted in the quorum at meetings for approving transactions in which such directors or any of their associates have a material interest.

### Directors' attendance records

Regular board meetings are held at least four times a year at approximately quarterly intervals for reviewing and approving the financial and operating performance, and considering and approving the overall strategies and policies of the Company.

The attendance records of each director at the Board meetings during the year ended 31 December 2007 are set out below:

	Attendance/
Name of Directors	Number of Meetings
Executive Directors	
Mr. Zhu Lifu <i>(Chairman)</i>	11/12
Mr. Gu Zengcai (Deputy Chairman)	12/12
Mr. Huang Xin (Chief Executive Officer)	11/12
Mr. Jin Tao	10/12
Mr. Yu Huaguo	11/12
Mr. Wu Hanqiu	11/12
Non-executive Director	
Mr. Liang Han	5/12
Independent non-executive Directors	
Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen	11/12
Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David	11/12
Mr. Albert Ho	11/12

Apart from regular Board meetings, two meetings of the independent non-executive directors without the presence of executive directors and non-executive director were also held during the year to consider certain connected transactions of the Company. The attendance rate of these meetings was 100%.

## DELEGATION OF MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS

The Board takes responsibility for all major matters of the Company, including: the approval and monitoring of all policy matters, overall strategies and budgets, internal control and risk management systems, material transactions (in particular those may involve conflict of interests), financial information, appointment of directors and other significant financial and operational matters.

All directors have full and timely access to all relevant information as well as the advice and services of the Company Secretary, with a view to ensuring that Board procedures and all applicable rules and regulations are followed. Each director is normally able to seek independent professional advice in appropriate circumstances at the Company's expense, upon making request to the Board.

The Board has delegated a schedule of responsibilities to the senior management of the Company. These responsibilities include the implementation of decisions of the Board, the co-ordination and direction of day-to-day operation and management of the Company in accordance with the management strategies and plans approved by the Board, formulating and monitoring the production and operating plans and budgets, and supervising and monitoring the control systems.

The Board has established two committees, namely, the Remuneration Committee and Audit Committee, for overseeing particular aspects of the Company's affairs. All Board committees of the Company are established with defined written terms of reference which are posted on the Company's website and are available to shareholders upon request.

The Board also has the full support of the Chief Executive Officer and the senior management to discharge its responsibilities.

## REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT Remuneration committee

The primary functions of the Remuneration Committee include making recommendations on and approving the remuneration policy and structure and remuneration packages of the executive directors and the senior management. The Remuneration Committee is also responsible for establishing transparent procedures for developing such remuneration policy and structure to ensure that no director or any of his/her associates will participate in deciding his/her own remuneration, which remuneration will be determined by reference to the performance of the individual and the Company as well as market practice and conditions.

The Remuneration Committee comprises 5 members, namely Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen, Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David, Mr. Albert Ho, Mr. Liang Han and Mr. Gu Zengcai, the majority of them are independent non-executive directors.

## REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT (continued)

### Remuneration committee (continued)

The Remuneration Committee has reviewed the remuneration policy and structure of the Company, and the remuneration packages as well as the performance related bonuses of the executive directors and the senior management for the year under review.

The Human Resources Department is responsible for collection and administration of the human resources data and making recommendations to the Remuneration Committee for consideration. The Remuneration Committee shall consult the Chairman and/or the Chief Executive Officer of the Company about these recommendations on remuneration policy and structure and remuneration packages.

The Remuneration Committee held 3 meetings in 2007 and the attendance records are set out below:

	Attendance/
Name of Directors	Number of Meetings
Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen <i>(Chairman)</i>	3/3
Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David	3/3
Mr. Albert Ho	3/3
Mr. Liang Han	3/3
Mr. Gu Zengcai	3/3

### Audit committee

The Audit Committee comprises four non-executive directors, namely Mr. Liang Han, Mr. Albert Ho, Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen and Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David, and the majority of them are independent non-executive directors (including one independent non-executive director who possesses the appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise). None of the members of the Audit Committee is a former partner of the Company's existing external auditors.

The main duties of the Audit Committee include the following:

- To review the financial statements and reports and consider any significant or unusual items raised by the qualified accountant, internal auditor or external auditors before submission to the Board.
- To review the relationship with the external auditors by reference to the work performed by the auditors, their fees and terms of engagement, and make recommendation to the Board on the appointment, re-appointment and removal of external auditors.
- To review the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's financial reporting system, internal control system and risk management system and associated procedures.

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## REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT (continued)

### Audit committee (continued)

The Audit Committee provides supervision on the internal controls system of the Group and reported to the Board on any material issues and makes recommendations to the Board.

During the year under review, the Audit Committee has reviewed the Group's annual results and annual report for the year ended 31 December 2007, the financial reporting and compliance procedures, the Company's internal control and risk management review and processes and the re-appointment of the external auditors.

The Audit Committee held three meetings during the year ended 31 December 2007 and the attendance records are set out below:

	Attendance/
Name of Directors	Number of Meetings
Mr. Albert Ho	3/3
Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen	3/3
Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David	3/3
Mr. Liang Han	3/3

### External auditors and auditors' remuneration

The statement of the external auditors of the Company about their reporting responsibilities on the financial statements is set out in the "Independent Auditors' Report" from pages 36 to 37.

The remuneration paid to the external auditors of the Company in respect of audit services and non-audit services for the year ended 31 December 2007 amounted to HK\$1,200,000 and HK\$320,000 respectively.

#### Model code for securities transactions

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules.

Specific enquiry has been made of all the directors and the directors have confirmed that they have complied with the Model Code throughout the year ended 31 December 2007.

The Company also has established written guidelines on no less exacting terms than the Model Code (the "Employees Written Guidelines") for securities transactions by employees who are likely to be in possession of unpublished pricesensitive information of the Company.

No incident of non-compliance of the Employees Written Guidelines by the employees was noted by the Company during the year ended 31 December 2007.

## ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

### Directors' responsibilities for financial reporting

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for preparing the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2007.

The directors are responsible for overseeing the preparation of financial statements of the Company with a view to ensuring that such financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and that relevant statutory requirements and applicable accounting standards are complied with.

The Management provides such explanation and information to the Board so as to enable the Board to make an informed assessment of the financial information and position of the Company put to the Board for approval.

### Internal controls

The internal control system of the Group is designed to facilitate effective and efficient operations, to ensure reliability of financial reporting and compliance with applicable laws and regulations, to identify and manage potential risks and to safeguard assets of the Group. The senior management shall review and evaluate the control process and monitor any risk factors on a regular basis and report to the Audit Committee on any findings and measures to address the variances and identified risks.

# COMMUNICATIONS WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND INVESTORS/INVESTOR RELATIONS

The Company believes that effective communication with shareholders is essential for enhancing investor relations and investors' understanding of the Group's business performance and strategies. The Group also recognises the importance of transparency and timely disclosure of corporate information which enables shareholders and investors to make the best investment decision.

The general meetings of the Company provide the best opportunity for communication between the Board and the shareholders. The Chairman of the Board as well as chairmen of the Remuneration Committee and Audit Committee or, in their absence, other members of the respective committees and, where applicable, the independent Board committee, are available to answer questions at the shareholders' meetings.

The Company continues to enhance communications and relationships with its investors. Designated senior management maintains regular dialogue with institutional investors and analysts to keep them abreast of the Company's developments. Enquiries from investors are dealt with in an informative and timely manner.

To promote effective communication, the Company maintains a website at www.0908.hk, where up-to-date information and updates on the Company's business developments and operations, financial information, corporate governance practices and other information are available for public access. Investors may write directly to the Company at its principal place of business in Hong Kong or via email to 0908hk@0908.hk for any inquiries.

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## SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS

To safeguard the shareholders' interests and rights, separate resolutions are proposed at shareholders' meetings on each substantial issue, including the election of individual directors.

The rights of shareholders and the procedures for demanding a poll on resolutions at shareholders' meetings at which voting is taken on a poll are contained in the Company's Bye-laws. Details of such rights to demand a poll were included in all circulars to shareholders and will be explained during the proceedings of meetings.

Poll results will be posted on the websites of the Company and of the Stock Exchange after the shareholders' meeting.
# <sup>36</sup> Independent Auditors' Report

# **UERNST & YOUNG**

#### To the shareholders of Jiuzhou Development Company Limited

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

We have audited the financial statements of Jiuzhou Development Company Limited set out on pages 38 to 119, which comprise the consolidated and company balance sheets as at 31 December 2007, and the consolidated income statement, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

### DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and the true and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and the true and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

### AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. Our report is made solely to you, as a body, in accordance with Section 90 of the Bermuda Companies Act 1981, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# Independent Auditors' Report (continued)

### **OPINION**

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2007 and of the Group's profit and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards and have been properly prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

Without qualifying our opinion, we draw attention to note 2.1 to the financial statements concerning the adoption of the going concern basis on which the financial statements have been prepared. As explained in that note, liquidators (the "Liquidators") were appointed for a shareholder of the Company (the "Major Shareholder"), holding indirectly 337 million shares of the Company, and provisional liquidators (the "Provisional Liquidators") were appointed for another shareholder of the Company (the "Registered Shareholder"), which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Major Shareholder and directly holds the aforesaid 337 million shares in the Company, pursuant to various winding-up orders.

The above 337 million shares (the "Pledged Shares") held by the Registered Shareholder were charged in prior years in favour of a wholly-owned subsidiary of a substantial shareholder of the Company (the "Chargee"), and a dispute has arisen between the Chargee and the Provisional Liquidators over the proposed transfer of such shares.

Any changes in the registered holders of the Pledged Shares may result in a change in the composition of the board of directors of the Company.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, the validity of which depends upon the fulfilment of the conditions of the conditional settlement agreement concerning the Pledged Shares entered into, among other parties, the Major Shareholder, the Registered Shareholder, the Chargee, the Liquidators and the Provisional Liquidators on 5 August 2006 (the "Settlement Agreement"). The fulfilment of the Settlement Agreement is in turn subject to the completion of the debt restructuring agreement entered into, among other parties, the Major Shareholder, the Provisional Liquidators on 5 August 2006 (the "Settlement Agreement"). The fulfilment of the Settlement Agreement and the Provisional Liquidators on 5 August 2006 (the "Debt Restructuring Agreement"). The financial statements do not include any adjustments that may be necessary should the conditions of the Settlement Agreement and the Debt Restructuring Agreement not be fulfilled, and as a direct consequence of which should any decisions be subsequently taken by the bankers, creditors, the Liquidators and/or the Provisional Liquidators over the future direction of the business and financial operations of the Group, which may affect the Group's ability to continue to operate as a going concern.

#### Ernst & Young

Certified Public Accountants 18th Floor Two International Finance Centre 8 Finance Street, Central

Hong Kong, 21 April 2008

# **Consolidated Income Statement**

Year ended 31 December 2007

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	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
REVENUE 5	299,392	189,691
Cost of sales	(230,023)	(144,385)
	(200,020)	(111,000)
Gross profit	69,369	45,306
Other income and gains 5	58,858	37,882
Selling and distribution costs	(6,870)	(4,365)
Administrative expenses	(60,847)	(40,628)
Other operating expenses, net	(5,751)	(4,993)
Share of profits and losses of a jointly-controlled entity	36,729	16,058
PROFIT BEFORE TAX 6	91,488	49,260
	,	
Tax 8	(9,498)	(3,995)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR/PERIOD	81,990	45,265
Attributable to:		
Equity holders of the Company 9	79,405	44,145
Minority interests	2,585	1,120
	81,990	45,265
	00.970	10,000
PROPOSED DIVIDEND 10	22,372	10,990
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY		
HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY 11		
Basic	HK7.12 cents	HK4.43 cents
Diluted	HK7.11 cents	HK4.30 cents

# **Consolidated Balance Sheet**

31 December 2007

		2007	2006
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	12	392,807	365,349
Prepaid land lease payments	13	191,524	195,167
Rights to use port facilities	14	19,944	19,122
Intangible asset	15	5,883	7,930
Interest in a jointly-controlled entity	18	120,739	80,096
Interests in an associate	19	—	—
Available-for-sale investments	20	17,474	619
Prepayments and deposits	21	88,044	154,752
Total non-current assets		836,415	823,035
CURRENT ASSETS			
Securities measured at fair value through profit or loss	22	128,024	120,517
Inventories	23	2,651	2,123
Trade receivables	24	28,852	21,460
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	27	19,621	21,167
Due from a jointly-controlled entity	25	476	3,459
Cash and cash equivalents	27	345,083	208,392
Total current assets		524,707	377,118
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade payables	28	19,377	13,403
Accrued liabilities and other payables		76,433	63,911
Construction payables	29	4,322	4,139
Tax payable		15,236	11,872
Due to related companies	26	801	816
Total current liabilities		116,169	94,141
NET CURRENT ASSETS		408,538	282,977
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,244,953	1,106,012
		1,244,000	1,100,012
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		10.440	5.0.40
Deferred tax liabilities	30	12,446	5,842
Net assets		1,232,507	1,100,170
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company			
Issued capital	31	111,860	109,898
Reserves	33(a)	1,087,475	971,737
Proposed dividend	10	22,372	10,990
		1,221,707	1,092,625
Minority interests		10,800	7,545
Total equity		1,232,507	1,100,170
		1,232,307	1,100,170

Zhu Lifu

**Gu Zengcai** Director

Director

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# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

Year ended 31 December 2007

					Attributable	to equity h	olders of the Available- for-sale	e Company						
	lssued capital HK\$'000	Share premium account* HK\$'000	Con- tributed surplus* HK\$'000	Warrant reserve* HK\$'000	Goodwill r reserve* HK\$'000	Asset revaluation reserve* HK\$'000	investment	Statutory reserve funds* HK\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve* HK\$'000	Retained profits* HK\$'000	Proposed dividend HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000	Minority interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
At 1 January 2007 Net revaluation surplus	109,898	452,272	446,355	353	(200,573)	33,552	-	75,769	38,452	125,557	10,990	1,092,625	7,545	1,100,170
(note 12) Change in fair value of an available-	-	-	-	-	-	10,836	-	-	-	-	-	10,836	-	10,836
for-sale ( <i>note 20</i> ) Exchange realignment Share of reserve movement of a	_	_		_	_	_	(12,900)	_		_	_	(12,900) 50,321	670	( 12,900) 50,991
jointly-controlled entity Deferred tax adjustment on	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,650	-	-	9,650	-	9,650
revaluation of property, plant and equipment (note 30)	_	-	-	-	-	(2,709)	-	-	-	-	-	(2,709)	-	( 2,709)
Effect on deferred tax due to change on tax rate (note 30)	_	-	_	_	_	( 3,895)	_	_	_	_	_	( 3,895)	_	( 3,895)
Total income and expense for the year recognised directly in equity	_	_	_	_	_	4,232	(12,900)	_	59,971	_	_	51,303	670	51,973
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	79,405	-	79,405	2,585	81,990
Total income and expense for the year Final 2006 dividend declared		_	_			4,232	(12,900)		59,971 —	79,405 (196)	(10,990)	130,708 (11,186)	3,255	133,963 ( 11,186)
Proposed final 2007 dividend (note 10) Warrants exercised (note 31) Share issue expenses	 1,962	 8,829	_	_	-		-	-	-	( 22,372)	22,372	 10,791	-	 10,791
(note 31) Transfer to statutory reserve funds	_	( 1,231)	-	_	_	_	-		_	(3,006)	_	( 1,231)	_	( 1,231)
Transfer to retained profits Share of reserve movement of	_	_	_	(353)	_	_	_	- 0,000	_	( 3,000) 353	_	_	_	_
a jointly-controlled entity	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,225	-	( 7,225)	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2007	111,860	459,870	446,355	-	(200,573)	37,784	(12,900)	86,000	98,423	172,516	22,372	1,221,707	10,800	1,232,507

\* These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of HK\$1,087,475,000 (2006: HK\$971,737,000) in the consolidated balance sheet.

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2007

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company Available-													
	Issued capital HK\$'000	Share premium account* HK\$'000	Con- tributed surplus* HK\$'000	Warrant reserve* HK\$'000	Goodwill r reserve* HK\$'000		for-sale investment revaluation reserve* HK\$'000	Statutory reserve f funds* HK\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve* HK\$'000	Retained profits* HK\$'000	Proposed dividend HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000	Minority interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
At 1 May 2006 Net revaluation deficit <i>(note 12)</i> Disposal of an available-for-sale	84,218 —	378,515 —	446,355 —	353 —	(200,573)	36,613 (3,518)	3,101	71,102 —	20,414	109,709 —	42,109 —	991,916 (3,518)	12,122 —	1,004,038 (3,518)
investment Exchange realignment Share of reserve movement of a	-		-	-	-	_	(3,101)	-	 16,161	_		(3,101) 16,161	 146	(3,101) 16,307
jointly-controlled entity Deferred tax adjustment on revaluation of property, plant and	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,877	-	-	1,877	-	1,877
equipment (note 30)	-	-	-	-	-	457	-	-	-	-	-	457	-	457
Total income and expense for the period recognised directly in equity	_	_	_	_	_	(3,061)	(3,101)	_	18,038	_	_	11,876	146	12,022
Profit for the period						_				44,145		44,145	1,120	45,265
Total income and expense for the period Final 2006 dividend declared Proposed final 2006 dividend	-	_	_	-	_	(3,061)	(3,101)	-	18,038 —	44,145 (12,640)	(42,109)	56,021 (54,749)	1,266 —	57,287 (54,749)
(note 10) Dividends paid to a minority	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(10,990)	10,990	-	-	-
shareholder Warrants exercised (note 31) Share options exercised (note 31)	9,700 15.980	43,651 31.161	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		(5,843)	(5,843) 53,351 47,141
Share issue expenses (note 31) Transfer to statutory reserve funds Share of reserve movement of a	-	(1,055)				-		2,208		(2,208)		(1,055)	_	(1,055)
jointly-controlled entity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,459	-	(2,459)	-	-	-	_
At 31 December 2006	109,898	452,272	446,355	353	(200,573)	33,552	-	75,769	38,452	125,557	10,990	1,092,625	7,545	1,100,170

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# **Consolidated Cash Flow Statement**

Year ended 31 December 2007

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			Eight months
		Year ended	ended
		31 December	31 December
		2007	2006
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		01 400	10.000
Profit before tax		91,488	49,260
Adjustments for:			
Share of profits and losses of a jointly-controlled entity		(36,729)	(16,058)
Interest income	5	(5,674)	(3,715)
Dividend income from listed equity investments	5	(583)	(27)
Depreciation	6	31,203	19,614
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	6	7,166	4,745
Amortisation of rights to use port facilities	6	654	326
Loss on disposal and write-off of items of property,			
plant and equipment	6	103	292
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary	6	_	(212)
Loss on disposal of an associate	6	_	538
Net fair value gains on securities measured			
at fair value through profit or loss	5, 6	(4,959)	(1,074)
Gain on disposal of an available-for-sale investment	5, 6	_	(3,101)
Impairment of golf club memberships	6	2,565	2,475
Impairment of interest in an associate	6	· _	612
Impairment of trade and other receivables	6	2,837	340
		,	
		88,071	54,015
Decrease/(increase) in securities measured at fair value		, -	,
through profit or loss		(2,548)	251
Increase in inventories		(528)	(378)
Decrease/(increase) in trade receivables		(7,514)	2,171
Decrease/(increase) in prepayments, deposits and other receivable		(1,064)	1,287
Decrease/(increase) in an amount due from a jointly-controlled er		2,983	(156)
Decrease in an amount due from a shareholder	litty	2,300	5,362
Decrease in amounts due from related companies			1,009
Increase in trade payables		 5,974	2,990
Increase in accrued liabilities and other payables		5,974 12,522	11,551
Increase in construction payables		12,522	
Increase in construction payables			485 238
increase/(decrease) in amounts due to related companies		(15)	
Cash generated from operations		98,064	78,825
Overseas taxes paid		(6,134)	(2,308)
Dividends received from listed equity investments		583	27
Net cash inflow from operating activities		92,513	76,544

# Consolidated Cash Flow Statement (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2007

Notes	Year ended 31 December 2007 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Eight months ended 31 December 2006 <i>HK\$'000</i>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest received	5,674	3,715
Dividends received from a jointly-controlled entity	5,736	18,846
Purchases of items of property, plant and equipment	(19,935)	(6,721)
Acquisition of an available-for-sale investment	(29,706)	
Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposal of an associate	314	974 818
Proceeds from disposal of an available-for-sale investment	_	7,480
Disposal of a subsidiary 34	_	1,588
Proceeds from disposal of held-to-maturity investments	—	48,077
Decrease/(increase) in non-current prepayments and deposits	66,708	(148,500)
Decrease in time deposits with original maturity		00.454
over three months when acquired	9,927	82,451
Net cash inflow from investing activities	38,718	8,728
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from issue of shares 31	10,791	100,492
Shares issue expenses 31	(1,231)	(1,055)
Dividend paid to a minority shareholder of a subsidiary	_	(5,843)
Dividend paid	(11,186)	(54,749)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	(1,626)	38,845
	400.005	
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year/period	129,605 198,465	124,117 71,297
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	17,013	3,051
	,010	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR/PERIOD	345,083	198,465
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash and bank balances 27	206,061	173,431
Time deposits with original maturity within three months		
when acquired 27	139,022	25,034
	345,083	198,465



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		Notes	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000
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NON-CURRENT ASSETS				
Property, plant and equipment		12	1,034	1,425
Interests in subsidiaries		17	1,045,488	1,120,525
Available-for-sale investment		20	16,806	_
Total non-current assets			1,063,328	1,121,950
CURRENT ASSETS				
Securities measured at fair value th	ough profit or loss	22	11,085	—
Prepayments, deposits and other re	ceivables		2,120	1,852
Cash and cash equivalents		27	143,862	92,020
Total current assets			157,067	93,872
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accrued liabilities and other payabl	es		8,262	8,033
NET CURRENT ASSETS			148,805	85,839
Net assets			1,212,133	1,207,789
EQUITY				
Issued capital		31	111,860	109,898
Reserves		33(b)	1,077,901	1,086,901
Proposed dividend		10	22,372	10,990
Total equity			1,212,133	1,207,789

**Zhu Lifu** Director **Gu Zengcai** Director

# Notes to Financial Statements

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## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

Jiuzhou Development Company Limited is a limited liability company incorporated in Bermuda. The principal place of business of the Company is located at Units 3709-10, 37th Floor, West Tower, Shun Tak Centre, 168-200 Connaught Road Central, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong.

During the year, the Group was engaged in the following principal activities:

- investment holding
- management of a holiday resort
- management of a theme park
- management of an amusement park
- provision of port facilities and ticketing services

### 2.1 CORPORATE INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

By an order of the High Court of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (the "High Court") dated 14 August 2003, provisional liquidators of Zhu Kuan Group Company Limited ("Zhu Kuan Macau") and Zhu Kuan (Hong Kong) Company Limited ("Zhu Kuan (HK)") were appointed following the filing of winding-up petitions by one of their creditors. Both Zhu Kuan Macau and Zhu Kuan (HK) were the then controlling shareholders of the Company.

337 million shares of the Company are registered in the name of and are directly held by Pioneer Investment Ventures Limited ("PIV"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Zhu Kuan Macau incorporated in the British Virgin Islands. By an order of the High Court and the Court of the British Virgin Islands, provisional liquidators (the "Provisional Liquidators") of PIV were appointed following the filing of a voluntary winding-up petition by the provisional liquidators of Zhu Kuan Macau on behalf of Zhu Kuan Macau.

During the year ended 30 April 2005, a winding-up order was granted by the Court of First Instance of the Macau Special Administrative Region (the "Macau Court") against Zhu Kuan Macau. In addition, a winding-up order was granted by the High Court against Zhu Kuan (HK). Liquidators (the "Liquidators") have been appointed in respect of the two winding-up orders.

The 337 million shares attributable to PIV (the "PIV Charged Shares") have been pledged to Longway Services Group Limited ("Longway"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation ("Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group"), a substantial shareholder of the Company, the minority shareholder of Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Passenger Traffic Services Co., Ltd. ("Jiuzhou Port Company"), a 90%-owned subsidiary of the Group, and the joint venture partner of Zhuhai High-Speed Passenger Ferry Co., Ltd. ("Ferry Company"), the Group's jointly-controlled entity. Steps have been taken by Longway to perfect the security conferred to it by the share charge. The Provisional Liquidators however consider that due to the petitions, the transfer of the PIV Charged Shares cannot be effected.

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### 2.1 CORPORATE INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION (continued)

On 5 August 2006, (1) a debt restructuring agreement (the "Debt Restructuring Agreement") was made between, among other parties, Zhu Kuan Macau, Zhu Kuan (HK), the Liquidators and 珠海市國源投資有限公司 ("Zhuhai Guoyuan"), and (2) a conditional settlement agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") was made between, among other parties, Zhu Kuan Macau, PIV, Longway and the Liquidators. Upon the completion of the Debt Restructuring Agreement, Zhuhai Guoyuan will take full ownership of the assets of Zhu Kuan Macau and Zhu Kuan (HK) and their respective winding-up petitions will be removed. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Longway and the Liquidators agreed that the legal proceedings between both parties for the transfer of the PIV Charged Shares will be stayed until the completion of the Debt Restructuring Agreement, following which Longway will be able to enforce its rights over the PIV Charged Shares.

The above pledges were not used as security against any of the Group's borrowing facilities. Furthermore, the Group is not the subject of any of the winding-up petitions/orders mentioned above.

According to the Company's announcement made on 7 November 2007, the High Court had granted a permanent stay (i.e. suspension) on the proceedings of liquidations on Zhu Kuan (HK) and Zhu Kuan Macau. However, no major progress was noted from the Macau Court on the proceedings of liquidation on Zhu Kuan Macau up to the date of these financial statements.

As at 31 December 2007 and up to the date of these financial statements, the Group has neither given financial assistance (such as loans or guarantees) to Zhu Kuan Macau, Zhu Kuan (HK), PIV or any of their subsidiaries and associates, nor has the Group received any financial assistance from Zhu Kuan Macau, Zhu Kuan (HK), PIV or any of their subsidiaries and associates. The major connected transactions made between (a) the Group on the one part and (b) the group of companies comprising Zhu Kuan Macau and Zhu Kuan (HK) and their respective subsidiaries (other than the Group) on the other part are certain lease arrangements under which the Group is the lessee. The subject premises of such lease arrangements are certain of the facilities (including villas, a health centre and recreational facilities) of Zhuhai Holiday Resort Hotel Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of the Company. Further details of such transactions are set out in note 38 to the financial statements.

Further details concerning the above are also set out in the Company's various press announcements during the period from August 2003 to November 2007.

The financial statements of the Group have been prepared in the assumption that the Group will continue to operate as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

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### 2.1 CORPORATE INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION (continued)

The directors of the Company believed that the entering into of the Debt Restructuring Agreement by Zhu Kuan Macau and other parties with the Liquidators and the permanent stay granted by the High Court in November 2007 as referred to above are significant steps towards the resolution of the legal proceedings faced by Zhu Kuan Macau and Zhu Kuan (HK). However, up to the date of these financial statements, the directors of the Company cannot give absolute assurance that the future business and financial operations of the Group will not be significantly affected if the conditions of the Settlement Agreement are not fulfilled which is in turn subject to the completion of the Debt Restructuring Agreement.

Should the Group be unable to continue as a going concern as a result of the winding-up petitions/orders and/ or any subsequent changes in the registered holders of the PIV Charged Shares, adjustments would have to be made to restate the values of assets to their recoverable amounts, to provide for any further liabilities which might arise, and to reclassify non-current assets and liabilities as current assets and liabilities, respectively. The effects of such adjustments have not been reflected in these financial statements.

### 2.2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which also include all Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for certain buildings and investments, which have been measured at fair value. These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$") and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand, except when otherwise indicated.

Pursuant to a resolution of the board of directors of the Company passed on 24 August 2006, the Company's financial year end date was changed from 30 April to 31 December to be coterminous with the financial year end date of the major operating subsidiaries. Accordingly, the comparative amounts shown in the consolidated income statement, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement and related notes only covered the Group's eight months of operation from 1 May 2006 to 31 December 2006 and may not be fully comparable with the amounts for the year.

#### **Basis of consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries for the year ended 31 December 2007. Adjustments are made to bring into line any dissimilar accounting policies that may exist. The results of subsidiaries are consolidated from the date of acquisition, being the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases. All significant intercompany transactions and balances within the Group are eliminated on consolidation.

Minority interests represent the interests of outside shareholders not held by the Group in the results and net assets of the Company's subsidiaries.

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# 2.3 IMPACT OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Group has adopted the following new and revised HKFRSs for the first time for the current year's financial statements. The adoption of these new and revised standards and interpretations has had no material effect on these financial statements.

HKFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures
HKAS 1 Amendment	Capital Disclosures
HK(IFRIC)-Int 8	Scope of HKFRS 2
HK(IFRIC)-Int 9	Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives
HK(IFRIC)-Int 10	Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment

The principal effects of adopting these new and revised HKFRSs are as follows:

#### (a) HKFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures

This standard requires disclosures that enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the significance of the Group's financial instruments and the nature and extent of risks arising from those financial instruments. The new disclosures are included throughout the financial statements. While there has been no effect on the financial position or results of operations of the Group, comparative information has been included/revised where appropriate.

### (b) Amendment to HKAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements — Capital Disclosures

This amendment requires the Group to make disclosures that enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the Group's objectives, policies and processes for managing capital. These new disclosures are shown in note 40 to the Group's financial statements.

#### (c) HK(IFRIC)-Int 8 Scope of HKFRS 2

This interpretation requires HKFRS 2 to be applied to any arrangement in which the Group cannot identify specifically some or all of the goods or services received, for which equity instruments are granted or liabilities (based on a value of the Group's equity instruments) are incurred by the Group for a consideration, and which appears to be less than the fair value of the equity instruments granted or liabilities incurred. The interpretation has had no effect on the Group's financial statements.

#### (d) HK(IFRIC)-Int 9 Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives

This interpretation requires that the date to assess whether an embedded derivative is required to be separated from the host contract and accounted for as a derivative is the date that the Group first becomes a party to the contract, with reassessment only if there is a change to the contract that significantly modifies the cash flows. The interpretation has had no effect on the Group's financial statements.

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# 2.3 IMPACT OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (continued)

#### (e) HK(IFRIC)-Int 10 Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment

The Group has adopted this interpretation as of 1 January 2007, which requires that an impairment loss recognised in a previous interim period in respect of goodwill or an investment in either an equity instrument classified as available-for-sale or a financial asset carried at cost is not subsequently reversed. As the Group had no impairment losses previously reversed in respect of such assets, the interpretation has had no impact on the financial position or results of operations of the Group.

# 2.4 IMPACT OF ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Group has not applied the following new and revised HKFRSs, that have been issued but are not yet effective, in these financial statements.

HKFRS 2 Amendment	Vesting Conditions and Cancellations <sup>1</sup>
HKFRS 3 (Revised)	Business Combinations <sup>5</sup>
HKFRS 8	Operating Segments <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 1 (Revised)	Presentation of Financial Statements <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 23 (Revised)	Borrowing Costs <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 27 (Revised)	Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements <sup>5</sup>
HK(IFRIC)-Int 11	HKFRS 2 — Group and Treasury Share Transactions $^{2}$
HK(IFRIC)-Int 12	Service Concession Arrangements <sup>3</sup>
HK(IFRIC)-Int 13	Customer Loyalty Programmes <sup>4</sup>
HK(IFRIC)-Int 14	HKAS 19 — The Limit on a Defined Benefit Asset,
	Minimum Funding Requirements and their Interaction <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009

<sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 March 2007

<sup>3</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2008

<sup>4</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2008

<sup>5</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009

The Group is in the process of making an assessment of the impact of these new and revised HKFRSs upon their initial application. So far, it has concluded that while the adoption of HKFRS 8 and HKAS 1 (Revised) may result in new or amended disclosures, these new and revised HKFRSs should not have any significant impact on the Group's results of operations and financial position.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 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:

- (a) service income, when the relevant services have been provided;
- (b) from the sale of tickets, when the tickets have been sold to the customers;
- (c) from the sale of food and beverages, when the food and beverages have been provided;
- (d) from the sale of goods, when the significant risks and title of the goods have been transferred to the customers, provided that the Group maintains neither managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership, nor effective control over the goods sold;
- (e) interest income, on an accrual basis using the effective interest method by applying the rate that discounts the estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset;
- (f) rental income, on a time proportion basis over the lease terms; and
- (g) dividend income, when the shareholder's right to receive payment has been established.

#### **Subsidiaries**

A subsidiary is an entity whose financial and operating policies the Company controls, directly or indirectly, so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

The results of subsidiaries are included in the Company's income statement to the extent of dividends received and receivable. The Company's interests in subsidiaries are stated at cost less any impairment losses.

#### Joint ventures

A joint venture is an entity set up by contractual arrangement, whereby the Group and other parties undertake an economic activity. The joint venture operates as a separate entity in which the Group and the other parties have an interest.

The joint venture agreement between the venturers stipulates the capital contributions of the joint venture parties, the duration of the joint venture entity and the basis on which the assets are to be realised upon its dissolution. The profits and losses from the joint venture's operations and any distributions of surplus assets are shared by the venturers, either in proportion to their respective capital contributions, or in accordance with the terms of the joint venture agreement.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Joint ventures (continued)

A joint venture is treated as:

- (a) a subsidiary, if the Group has unilateral control, directly or indirectly, over the joint venture;
- (b) a jointly-controlled entity, if the Group does not have unilateral control, but has joint control, directly or indirectly, over the joint venture;
- (c) an associate, if the Group does not have unilateral or joint control, but holds, directly or indirectly, generally not less than 20% of the joint venture's registered capital and is in a position to exercise significant influence over the joint venture; or
- (d) an equity investment accounted for in accordance with HKAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurements, if the Group holds, directly or indirectly, less than 20% of the joint venture's registered capital and has neither joint control of, nor is in a position to exercise significant influence over, the joint venture.

#### Jointly-controlled entities

A jointly-controlled entity is a joint venture that is subject to joint control, resulting in none of the participating parties having unilateral control over the economic activity of the jointly-controlled entity.

The Group's share of the post-acquisition results and reserves of a jointly-controlled entity is included in the consolidated income statement and consolidated reserves, respectively. The Group's interest in a jointly-controlled entity is stated in the consolidated balance sheet at the Group's share of net assets under the equity method of accounting, less any impairment losses. Unrealised gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and its jointly-controlled entities are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the jointly-controlled entities, except where unrealised losses provide evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred.

#### Associates

An associate is an entity, not being a subsidiary or a jointly-controlled entity, in which the Group has a long term interest of generally not less than 20% of the equity voting rights and over which it is in a position to exercise significant influence.

The Group's share of the post-acquisition results and reserves of its associates is included in the consolidated income statement and consolidated reserves, respectively. The Group's interests in associates are stated in the consolidated balance sheet at the Group's share of net assets under the equity method of accounting, less any impairment losses.

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### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) Goodwill

Goodwill arising on the acquisition of subsidiaries and a jointly-controlled entity represents the excess of the cost of the business combination over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the acquirees' identifiable assets acquired, and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed as at the date of acquisition.

#### Goodwill on acquisitions for which the agreement date is on or after 1 May 2005

Goodwill arising on acquisition is initially recognised in the consolidated balance sheet as an asset at cost and is subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. In the case of associates and jointly-controlled entities, goodwill is included in the carrying amount thereof, rather than as a separately identified asset on the consolidated balance sheet.

The carrying amount of goodwill is reviewed for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units, or groups of cash-generating units, that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the Group are assigned to those units or groups of units.

Impairment is determined by assessing the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) to which the goodwill relates. Where the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in a subsequent period.

Where goodwill forms part of a cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) and part of the operation within that unit is disposed of, the goodwill associated with the operation disposed of is included in the carrying amount of the operation when determining the gain or loss on disposal of the operation. Goodwill disposed of in this circumstance is measured based on the relative values of the operation disposed of and the portion of the cash-generating unit retained.

Prior to the adoption of the HKICPA's Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 30 Business Combinations ("SSAP 30") in 2001, goodwill arising on acquisition was eliminated against consolidated reserves in the year of acquisition. On the adoption of HKFRS 3 Business Combinations, such goodwill remains eliminated against consolidated reserves and is not recognised in the consolidated income statement when all or part of the business to which the goodwill relates is disposed of or when a cash-generating unit to which the goodwill relates becomes impaired.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Impairment of non-financial assets other than goodwill

Where an indication of impairment exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required (other than inventories, financial assets and goodwill), the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's or cash-generating unit's value in use and its fair value less costs to sell, and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, in which case the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss is recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pretax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. An impairment loss is charged to the consolidated income statement in the period in which it arises in those expense categories consistent with the function of the impaired asset, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is accounted for in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

An assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognised impairment loss of an asset other than goodwill and certain financial assets is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount of that asset, but 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 years. A reversal of such impairment loss is credited to the consolidated income statement in the period in which it arises, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is accounted for in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) Related parties

A party is considered to be related to the Group if:

- the party, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, (i) controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Group; (ii) has an interest in the Group that gives it significant influence over the Group; or (iii) has joint control over the Group;
- (b) the party is an associate;
- (c) the party is a jointly-controlled entity;
- (d) the party is a member of the key management personnel of the Group;
- (e) the party is a close member of the family of any individual referred to in (a) or (d);
- (f) the party is an entity that is controlled, jointly-controlled or significantly influenced by or for which significant voting power in such entity resides with, directly or indirectly, any individual referred to in (d) or (e); or
- (g) the party is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefits of the employees of the Group, or of any entity that is a related party of the Group.

#### Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Property, plant and equipment, other than construction in progress, are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use. Expenditure incurred after items of property, plant and equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance, is normally charged to the consolidated income statement in the period in which it is incurred. In situations where it can be clearly demonstrated that the expenditure has resulted in an increase in the future economic benefits expected to be obtained from the use of an item of property, plant and equipment and the cost of the item can be measured reliably, the expenditure is capitalised as an additional cost of that asset or as a replacement.

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### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Property, plant and equipment and depreciation (continued)

Valuations are performed frequently enough to ensure that the fair value of a revalued asset does not differ materially from its carrying amount. Changes in the values of property, plant and equipment are dealt with as movements in the asset revaluation reserve. If the total of this reserve is insufficient to cover a deficit, on an individual asset basis, the excess of the deficit is charged to the consolidated income statement. Any subsequent revaluation surplus is credited to the consolidated income statement to the extent of the deficit previously charged. On disposal of a revalued asset, the relevant portion of the asset revaluation reserve realised in respect of previous valuations is transferred to retained profits as a movement in reserves.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis to write off the cost or valuation of each item of property, plant and equipment to its residual value over its estimated useful life as follows:

Medium-term leasehold buildings outside Hong Kong	20 years or over the lease terms,
	whichever is shorter
Furniture, fixtures, equipment, motor vehicles, plant and	5 to 10 years
machinery and leasehold improvements	

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, the cost or valuation of that item is allocated on a reasonable basis among the parts and each part is depreciated separately.

Residual values, useful lives and the depreciation method are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on disposal or retirement recognised in the consolidated income statement in the year the asset is derecognised is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset.

Construction in progress represents building structures under construction, which is stated at cost less any impairment losses, and is not depreciated. Cost comprises the direct costs of construction during the period of construction. Construction in progress is reclassified to the appropriate category of property, plant and equipment when completed and ready for use.

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### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) Rights to use port facilities

Rights to use port facilities are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and any impairment losses. Amortisation is provided on the straight-line basis to write off the cost of the rights over the contracted period of 40 years.

The unamortised balance of the rights to use port facilities is reviewed at the end of each year and is written off to the extent that the unamortised balance is no longer likely to be recovered.

#### Leases

Leases where substantially all the rewards and risks of ownership of assets remain with the lessor are accounted for as operating leases. Where the Group is the lessor, assets leased by the Group under operating leases are included in non-current assets, and rentals receivable under the operating leases are credited to the consolidated income statement on the straight-line basis over the lease terms. Where the Group is the lessee, rentals payable under the operating leases are charged to the consolidated income statement on the straight-line basis over the lease terms.

Prepaid land lease payments under operating leases are initially stated at cost and subsequently recognised on the straight-line basis over the lease terms.

#### Intangible assets (other than goodwill)

Intangible assets of the Group represented golf club memberships. The useful lives of golf club memberships are assessed to be indefinite. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually either individually or at the cash-generating unit level. Such intangible assets are not amortised. The useful life of an intangible asset with an indefinite useful life is reviewed annually to determine whether indefinite life assessment continues to be supportable. If not, the change in the useful life assessment from indefinite to finite is accounted for on a prospective basis.

#### Investments and other financial assets

Financial assets in the scope of HKAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurements* are classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables and available-for-sale financial assets, as appropriate. When financial assets are recognised initially, they are measured at fair value, plus, in the case of investments not at fair value through profit or loss, directly attributable transaction costs. The Group assesses whether a contract contains an embedded derivative when the Group first becomes a party to it and assesses whether an embedded derivative is required to be separated from the host contract when the analysis shows that the economic characteristics and risks of the embedded derivative are not closely related to those of the host contract. Reassessment only occurs if there is a change in the terms of the contract that significantly modifies the cash flows that would otherwise be required under the contract.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Investments and other financial assets (continued)

The Group determines the classification of its financial assets after initial recognition and, where allowed and appropriate, re-evaluates this designation at the balance sheet date.

All regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, that is, the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the period generally 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 include financial assets held for trading. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of sale in the near term. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments. Gains or losses on investments held for trading are recognised in the income statement. The net fair value gain or loss recognised in the income statement does not include any dividends or interest earned on these financial assets, which are recognised in accordance with the policies set out for "Revenue recognition" above.

#### Loans and receivables

Loans and advances are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any allowance for impairment. Amortised cost is calculated taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and includes fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate and transaction costs. Gains and losses are recognised in the income statement when the loans and receivables are derecognised or impaired, as well as through the amortisation process.

#### Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets in listed and unlisted equity securities that are designated as available-for-sale or are not classified in any of the other two categories. After initial recognition, available-for-sale financial assets are measured at fair value with gains or losses recognised as a separate component of equity until the investment is derecognised or until the investment is determined to be impaired, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously reported in equity is included in the income statement. Interest and dividends earned are reported as interest income and dividend income, respectively and are included in "Other income" in the income statement in accordance with the policies set out for "Revenue recognition" above. Losses arising from the impairment of such investments are recognised in the income statement as "Impairment losses on available-for-sale financial assets" and are transferred from the available-for-sale investment revaluation reserve.

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### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Investments and other financial assets (continued)

#### Available-for-sale financial assets (continued)

When the fair value of unlisted equity securities cannot be reliably measured because (a) the variability in the range of reasonable fair value estimates is significant for that investment or (b) the probabilities of the various estimates within the range cannot be reasonably assessed and used in estimating fair value, such securities are stated at cost less any impairment losses.

#### Fair value

The fair value of investments that are actively traded in organised financial markets is determined by reference to quoted market bid prices at the close of business on the balance sheet date. For investments where there is no active market, fair value is determined using valuation techniques. Such techniques include using recent arm's length market transactions; reference to the current market value of another instrument which is substantially the same; a discounted cash flow analysis and option pricing models.

#### Impairment of financial assets

The Group assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired.

#### Assets carried at amortised cost

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on loans and receivables carried at amortised cost has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate (i.e., the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition). The carrying amount of the asset is reduced either directly or through the use of an allowance account. The amount of the impairment loss is recognised in the income statement. Loans and receivables together with any associated allowance are written off when there is no realistic prospect of future recovery and all collateral has been realised or has been transferred to the Group.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed by adjusting the allowance account. Any subsequent reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the income statement, to the extent that the carrying value of the asset does not exceed its amortised cost at the reversal date.

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### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Impairment of financial assets (continued)

#### Assets carried at amortised cost (continued)

In relation to trade and other receivables, a provision for impairment is made when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all of the amounts due under the original terms of an invoice. The carrying amount of the receivables is reduced through the use of an allowance account. Impaired debts are derecognised when they are assessed as uncollectible.

#### Assets carried at cost

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on an unquoted equity instrument that is not carried at fair value because its fair value cannot be reliably measured or on a derivative asset that is linked to and must be settled by delivery of such an unquoted equity instrument has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Impairment losses on these assets are not reversed.

#### Available-for-sale financial assets

If an available-for-sale financial asset is impaired, an amount comprising the difference between its cost (net of any principal payment and amortisation) and its current fair value, less any impairment loss previously recognised in the income statement, is transferred from equity to the income statement. A provision for impairment is made for available-for-sale equity investments when there has been a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value below its cost or where other objective evidence of impairment exists. The determination of what is "significant" or "prolonged" requires judgement. In addition, the Group evaluates other factors, such as the share price volatility. Impairment losses on equity instruments classified as available-forsale are not reversed through the income statement.

#### **Derecognition of financial assets**

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognised where:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired;
- the Group retains the rights to receive cash flows from the asset, but has assumed an obligation to pay them in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement; or
- the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset and either (a) has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Derecognition of financial assets** (continued)

Where the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the asset is recognised to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement in the asset. Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Group could be required to repay.

Where continuing involvement takes the form of a written and/or purchased option (including a cash-settled option or similar provision) on the transferred asset, the extent of the Group's continuing involvement is the amount of the transferred asset that the Group may repurchase, except that in the case of a written put option (including a cash-settled option or similar provision) on an asset measured at fair value, where the extent of the Group's continuing involvement is limited to the lower of the fair value of the transferred asset and the option exercise price.

#### Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities including trade payables, accrued liabilities and other payables and other monetary liabilities are initially stated at fair value less directly attributable transaction costs and are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost.

Gains and losses are recognised in the income statement when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the amortisation process.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires.

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and a recognition of a new liability, and the difference between the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the income statement.

#### Inventories

Inventories, which comprise mainly food, beverages and souvenirs for resale purposes, are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowances for obsolete or slow-moving items. Cost is determined on the first-in, first-out basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling prices less any estimated costs to be incurred to completion and disposal.

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### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, and short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash, are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and have a short maturity of generally within three months when acquired, less bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

For the purpose of the balance sheets, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and at banks, including term deposits, which are not restricted as to use.

#### **Provisions**

A provision is recognised when a present obligation (legal or constructive) has arisen as a result of a past event and it is probable that a future outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, provided that a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

When the effect of discounting is material, the amount recognised for a provision is the present value at the balance sheet date of the future expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation. The increase in the discounted present value amount arising from the passage of time is included in finance costs in the income statement.

#### Income tax

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the consolidated income statement, or in equity if it relates to items that are recognised in the same or a different period directly in equity.

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities.

Deferred tax is provided, using the liability method, on all temporary differences at the balance sheet date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences, except:

- where the deferred tax liability arises from goodwill or the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, an associate and interest in a joint venture, where the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Income tax** (continued)

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, carryforward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carryforward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised, except:

- where the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary differences arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, an associate and interest in a joint venture, deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised. Conversely, previously unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at each balance sheet date and are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset and are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

#### **Employee benefits**

#### Share-based payment transactions

The Company operates a share option scheme for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. Employees (including directors) of the Group receive remuneration in the form of share-based payment transactions, whereby employees render services as consideration for equity instruments ("equity-settled transactions").

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### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Employee benefits** (continued)

#### Share-based payment transactions (continued)

The cost of equity-settled transactions with employees is measured by reference to the fair value at the date at which they are granted. In valuing equity-settled transactions, no account is taken of any performance conditions, other than conditions linked to the price of the shares of the Company ("market conditions"), if applicable.

The cost of equity-settled transactions is recognised, together with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled, ending on the date on which the relevant employees become fully entitled to the award (the "vesting date"). The cumulative expense recognised for equity-settled transactions at each balance sheet date until the vesting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has expired and the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The charge or credit to the consolidated income statement for a period represents the movement in the cumulative expense recognised as at the beginning and end of that period.

No expense is recognised for awards that do not ultimately vest, except for awards where vesting is conditional upon a market condition, which are treated as vesting irrespective of whether or not the market condition is satisfied, provided that all other performance conditions are satisfied.

Where the terms of an equity-settled award are modified, as a minimum an expense is recognised as if the terms had not been modified. In addition, an expense is recognised for any modification, which increases the total fair value of the share-based payment arrangement, or is otherwise beneficial to the employee as measured at the date of modification.

Where an equity-settled award is cancelled, it is treated as if it had vested on the date of cancellation, and any expense not yet recognised for the award is recognised immediately. However, if a new award is substituted for the cancelled award, and is designated as a replacement award on the date that it is granted, the cancelled and new awards are treated as if they were a modification of the original award, as described in the previous paragraph.

The dilutive effect of outstanding options is reflected as additional share dilution in the computation of earnings per share.

The Group has adopted the transitional provisions of HKFRS 2 Share-based Payment in respect of equitysettled awards and has applied HKFRS 2 only to equity-settled awards granted after 7 November 2002 that had not vested on 1 May 2005 and to those granted on or after 1 May 2005.

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### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

**Employee benefits** (continued)

#### Pension schemes

The Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme (the "MPF Scheme") under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance for 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 consolidated income statement as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the MPF Scheme. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of the Group in an independently administered fund.

The subsidiaries operating in the People's Republic of China excluding Hong Kong and Macau (the "PRC") are members of the state-managed pension scheme operated by the PRC government. The pension scheme contributions, which are based on a certain percentage of the salaries of the PRC employees, are charged to the consolidated income statement of the entities in the period to which they relate and represent the amount of contributions payable to the defined contribution plan.

#### Dividends

Final dividends proposed by the directors are classified as a separate allocation of retained profits within the equity section of the balance sheets, until they have been approved by the shareholders in a general meeting. When these dividends have been approved by the shareholders and declared, they are recognised as a liability.

#### **Foreign currencies**

These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars, which is the Company's functional and presentation currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. Foreign currency transactions are initially recorded using the functional currency rates ruling at the date of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the functional currency rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to the income statement. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined.

The functional currencies of certain overseas subsidiaries, an associate and a jointly-controlled entity are currencies other than Hong Kong dollars. As at the balance sheet date, the assets and liabilities of these entities are translated into the presentation currency of the Company at the exchange rates ruling at the balance sheet date and, their income statements are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the weighted average exchange rates for the year. The resulting exchange differences are included in the exchange fluctuation reserve. On disposal of a foreign entity, the deferred cumulative amount recognised in equity relating to that particular foreign operation is recognised in the consolidated income statement.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

### Foreign currencies (continued)

For the purpose of the consolidated cash flow statement, the cash flows of overseas subsidiaries are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the exchange rates ruling at the dates of the cash flows. Frequently recurring cash flows of overseas subsidiaries which arise throughout the year are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the weighted average exchange rates for the year.

### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of the Group's financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities, at the reporting date. However, uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets or liabilities affected in the future.

#### Judgements

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, management has made the following judgements, apart from those involving estimations, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements:

#### Classification between investment properties and owner-occupied properties

The Group determines whether a property qualifies as an investment property, and has developed criteria in making that judgement. Investment property is a property held to earn rentals or for capital appreciation or both. Therefore, the Group considers whether a property generates cash flows largely independently of the other assets held by the Group.

Some properties comprise a portion that is held to earn rentals or for capital appreciation and another portion that is held for use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes. If these portions could be sold separately, the Group accounts for the portions separately. If these portions could not be sold separately, the property is an investment property only if an insignificant portion is held for use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes. Otherwise, the property is classified as an owner-occupied property.

Judgement is made on an individual property basis to determine whether ancillary services are so significant that a property does not qualify as an investment property.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (continued)

#### Judgements (continued)

#### Impairment of assets (continued)

In determining whether an asset is impaired or whether the event previously causing the impairment no longer exists, the Group has to exercise judgement in the area of asset impairment, particularly in assessing: (1) whether an event has occurred that may affect the asset value, or such an event affecting the asset value has not been in existence; (2) whether the carrying value of an asset can be supported by the net present value of future cash flows, which are estimated based upon the continued use of the assets; and (3) the appropriate key assumptions to be applied in preparing cash flow projections including whether these cash flow projections are discounted using an appropriate rate. Changing the assumptions selected by management to determine the level of impairment, including the discount rates or the growth rate assumptions in the cash flow projections, could have a material effect on the net present value used in the impairment test.

#### **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 discussed below.

#### Estimation of fair value of leasehold buildings

In the absence of current prices in an active market for similar properties, the Group considers information from a variety of sources, including:

- (a) current gross replacement costs of the improvement less allowance for physical deterioration and all relevant forms of obsolescence and optimisation;
- (b) recent prices of similar properties on less active markets, with adjustments to reflect any changes in economic conditions since the date of the transactions that occurred at those prices; and
- (c) discounted cash flow projections based on reliable estimates of future cash flows, supported by the terms of any existing lease and other contracts and (when possible) by external evidence such as current market rents for similar properties in the same location and condition, and using discount rates that reflect current market assessments of the uncertainty in the amount and timing of the cash flows.

The principal assumptions for the Group's estimation of the fair value include those related to current market rents for similar properties in the same location and condition, appropriate discount rates, expected future market rents and future maintenance costs.

The carrying amounts of leasehold buildings at 31 December 2007 were approximately HK\$335,370,000 (2006: HK\$316,197,000) (note 12).

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (continued)

#### **Estimation uncertainty** (continued)

#### Impairment of available-for-sale financial assets

The Group classifies certain assets as available-for-sale and recognises movements of their fair values in equity. When the fair value declines, management makes assumptions about the decline in value to determine whether there is an impairment that should be recognised in the income statement. At 31 December 2007, no impairment losses have been recognised for available-for-sale assets (2006: Nil). The carrying amount of available-for-sale assets was approximately HK\$17,474,000 (2006: HK\$619,000), the details of which were set out in note 20 to the financial statements.

### 4. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Segment information is presented by way of the Group's primary segment reporting basis, by business segment. In determining the Group's geographical segments, revenues are attributed to the segments based on the location of the customers, and assets are attributed to the segments based on the location of the assets. No further geographical segment information is presented as over 90% of the Group's revenue is derived from customers based in the PRC, and over 90% of the Group's assets are located in the PRC.

The Group's operating businesses are structured and managed separately, according to the nature of their operations and the products and services they provide. Each of the Group's business segments represents a strategic business unit that offers products and services which are subject to risks and returns that are different from those of the other business segments. Summary details of the business segments are as follows:

- the hotel segment consists of the management of a holiday resort hotel in Zhuhai, the PRC (the "Hotel Business");
- (b) the tourist attraction segment consists of the management of a theme park and an amusement park in Zhuhai, the PRC;
- (c) the provision of port facilities and ticketing services segment provides port facilities and ticketing services in Zhuhai, the PRC; and
- (d) the corporate and others segment comprises the Group's investment holding and trading of securities, together with corporate expense items.

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## 4. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

The following tables present revenue, profit/(loss) and certain asset, liability and expenditure information for the Group's business segments for the year ended 31 December 2007 and the eight months ended 31 December 2006.

				Provision of port facilities and									
	He	otel		Tourist a	attraction	ticketing	services	Corporate	and others	Conse	Consolidated		
		Eigh	it months		Eight months		Eight months		Eight months		Eight months		
	Year ended		ended	Year ended	ended	Year ended	ended	Year ended	ended	Year ended	ended		
	31 December	31 D	ecember	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December		
	2007		2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006		
	HK\$'000		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Segment revenue:													
Sales to external													
customers	188,811		119,709	57,658	40,740	52,923	29,242	-	-	299,392	189,691		
Segment results	10,607		(1,092)	5,196	3,937	29,951	12,489	3,331	14,153	49,085	29,487		
Interest income										5,674	3,715		
Share of profits and													
losses of a jointly-													
controlled entity	-		-	-	-	36,729	16,058	-	-	36,729	16,058		
Profit before tax										91,488	49,260		
Тах										(9,498)	(3,995)		
Profit for the year/period										81,990	45,265		

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## 4. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

					Provision of port	facilities and				
	Hote	el	Tourist att	raction	ticketing s	ervices	Corporate an	nd others	Consolid	lated
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Assets and liabilities:										
Segment assets	407,320	338,011	414,702	407,679	108,851	70,150	309,510	304,217	1,240,383	1,120,057
Interest in a jointly-										
controlled entity	-	-	-	-	120,739	80,096	-	-	120,739	80,096
Total assets									1,361,122	1,200,153
Segment liabilities	58,270	39,470	14,422	14,554	25,547	20,249	2,694	7,996	100,933	82,269
Unallocated liabilities									27,682	17,714
Total liabilities									128,615	99,983
Other segment										
information:										
Depreciation and										
amortisation	12,458	7,934	23,798	15,222	2,260	1,163	507	366	39,023	24,685
Capital expenditure	10,234	1,538	3,936	816	5,717	2,985	48	1,382	19,935	6,721
Impairment of golf club	-, -	,	-,		-,	1		1	- ,	- ,
memberships	2,565	2,475	_	_	_	_	_	_	2,565	2,475
Impairment of trade and										
other receivables, net	162	145	2,715	208	(40)	(13)	_	_	2,837	340
Net fair value gains on										
securities measured										
at fair value through										
profit or loss	-	-	-	-	-	_	(4,959)	(1,074)	(4,959)	(1,074)

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## 5. REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

Revenue, which is also the Group's turnover, represents proceeds from the provision of services, sale of goods, tickets, food and beverages, and the provision of port facilities and ticketing services, less sales tax and after trade discounts and returns, during the year/period.

An analysis of the Group's revenue, other income and gains is as follows:

		Eight months
	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue		
Sale of goods and provision of services	299,392	189,691
Other income and gains		
Interest income	5,674	3,715
Net fair value gains on securities measured at fair value through profit or		
loss	4,959	1,074
Gains on disposal of securities measured at fair value through profit or		
loss	23,582	15,382
Gain on disposal of an available-for-sale equity investment	_	3,101
Dividend income from listed equity investments	583	27
Gross rental income	10,142	6,782
Foreign exchange differences, net	12,496	5,971
Others	1,422	1,830
	58,858	37,882
	358,250	227,573

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## 6. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	Year ended 31 December 2007 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Eight months ended 31 December 2006 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Cost of inventories sold	30,306	17,667
Cost of services provided*	199,717	126,718
Depreciation	31,203	19,614
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	7,166	4,745
Amortisation of rights to use port facilities	654	326
Minimum lease payments under operating leases in respect of land and		020
buildings	14,511	8,938
Auditors' remuneration	1,200	1,070
Employee benefits expenses (including directors' remuneration — note 7):	,	
Wages and salaries	59,433	42,648
Pension scheme contributions	2,920	1,688
	62,353	44,336
Loss on disposal and write-off of items of property, plant and		
equipment**	103	292
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary**	_	(212)
Loss on disposal of an associate**	_	538
Net fair value gains on securities measured at fair value through profit or		
loss	(4,959)	(1,074)
Gains on disposal of securities measured at fair value through profit or		
loss	(23,582)	(15,382)
Gain on disposal of an available-for-sale equity investment	—	(3,101)
Impairment of interest in an associate**	—	612
Impairment of golf club memberships**	2,565	2,475
Impairment of trade receivables, net	122	206
Impairment of other receivables**	2,715	134
Foreign exchange differences, net	(12,496)	(5,971)

\* Cost of services provided includes HK\$87,072,000 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: HK\$55,918,000) in respect of employee benefits expenses, depreciation of property, plant and equipment, amortisation of prepaid land lease payments, amortisation of rights to use port facilities and minimum lease payments under operating leases in respect of land and buildings, which are also included in the respective total amounts disclosed separately above for these types of expenses.

\*\* These items are included in "Other operating expenses, net" on the face of the consolidated income statement.
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### 7. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES Directors' remuneration

Directors' remuneration for the year/period, disclosed pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and Section 161 of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, is as follows:

	Gro	up
		Eight months
	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Fees		
<ul> <li>Independent non-executive directors</li> </ul>	600	399
- Non-executive director	200	133
	800	532
	540	0.40
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	548	310
Performance related bonuses	177	491
Pension scheme contributions	44	34
	769	835
	1,569	1,367

There were no share options granted to the directors during the year ended 31 December 2007 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: Nil). 44,410,000 share options were granted to the directors in prior years in respect of their services to the Group. All the previously granted share options were exercised during the eight months ended 31 December 2006.

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# 7. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES (continued)

Directors' remuneration (continued)

#### (a) Independent non-executive directors

The fees paid to independent non-executive directors during the year/period were as follows:

		Eight months
	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Mr. Hui Chiu Chung, Stephen	200	133
Mr. Chu Yu Lin, David	200	133
Mr. Albert Ho	200	133
	600	399

There were no other emoluments payable to the independent non-executive directors during the year (eight months ended 31 December 2006: Nil).

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# 7. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES (continued)

Directors' remuneration (continued)

#### (b) Executive directors and a non-executive director

		Salaries, allowances and benefits	Performance related	Pension scheme	Total
	Fees	in kind	bonuses	contributions	remuneration
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Year ended					
31 December 2007					
-					
Executive directors:					
Mr. Zhu Lifu	-	—	—	—	-
Mr. Gu Zengcai	-	—	-	—	—
Mr. Huang Xin	_	212	90	23	325
Mr. Jin Tao	_	_	_	_	_
Mr. Yu Huaguo	_	_	_	_	_
Mr. Chen Yonglin*	_	217	_	5	222
Mr. Wu Hanqiu	—	119	87	16	222
	—	548	177	44	769
Non-executive director:					
Mr. Liang Han	200	_	_	_	200
	200	548	177	44	969

Mr. Chen Yonglin resigned as a director of the Company on 19 April 2007.

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# 7. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES (continued)

Directors' remuneration (continued)

#### (b) **Executive directors and a non-executive director** (continued)

	Fees <i>HK\$'000</i>	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind <i>HK\$'000</i>	Performance related bonuses <i>HK\$'000</i>	Pension scheme contributions <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total remuneration <i>HK\$'000</i>
Eight months ended 31 December 2006					
Executive directors: Mr. Zhu Lifu Mr. Gu Zengcai Mr. Huang Xin Mr. Jin Tao Mr. Jin Tao Mr. Yu Huaguo Mr. Chen Yonglin Mr. Wu Hanqiu		 106  48 78 78	— 321 — 28 71 71	— 9 — 5 10	
Non-executive director: Mr. Liang Han		310	491	34	835
	133	310	491	34	

There was no arrangement under which a director waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year (eight months ended 31 December 2006: Nil).

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# 7. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES (continued)

#### Five highest paid employees

The five highest paid employees during the year included one (eight months ended 31 December 2006: one) director, details of whose remuneration are set out above. Details of the remuneration of the remaining four (eight months ended 31 December 2006: four) non-director, highest paid employees for the year are as follows:

	Gro	oup
	Eight mon	
	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	2,018	1,482
Pension scheme contributions	90	43
	2,108	1,525

The number of non-director, highest paid employees whose remuneration fell within the following bands is as follows:

		Number of employees	
			Eight months
		Year ended	ended
		31 December	31 December
		2007	2006
Nil to HK\$1,000,000		3	4
HK\$1,000,001 to HK\$1,500,0	000	1	_
		4	4

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# 7. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES (continued)

#### Five highest paid employees (continued)

No emoluments were paid by the Group to the non-director, highest paid employees as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group, or as compensation for loss of office.

There were no share options granted to the non-director, highest paid employees during the year ended 31 December 2007 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: Nil). All the previously granted share options were exercised during the eight months ended 31 December 2006.

#### 8. TAX

Hong Kong profits tax had not been provided as the Group did not generate any assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the current year (eight months ended 31 December 2006: Nil). The Group's subsidiaries established in the PRC are subject to a PRC income tax rate of 15% (eight months ended 31 December 2006: 15%).

	Group	
		Eight months
	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Group:		
Current — Hong Kong	—	—
Current — PRC	9,498	3,995
Total tax charge for the year/period	9,498	3,995

# <sup>78</sup> Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

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#### 8. TAX (continued)

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to profit before tax using the statutory rates for the tax jurisdictions in which the Company and the majority of its subsidiaries are domiciled to the tax charge at the effective tax rate is as follows:

	Grou	р
		Eight months
	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit before tax	91,488	49,260
Tax at the statutory tax rates	29,911	14,463
Lower tax rate for specific provinces or local authority	(16,142)	(6,784)
Profits and losses attributable to a jointly-controlled entity	(5,510)	(2,409)
Income not subject to tax	(3,657)	(2,104)
Expenses not deductible for tax	2,677	1,282
Tax losses utilised from previous periods	—	(755)
Tax losses not recognised	2,219	_
Others	—	302
Tax charge at the Group's effective tax rate	9,498	3,995

The share of tax attributable to a jointly-controlled entity amounting to approximately HK\$7,853,000 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: HK\$3,285,000) is included in "Share of profits and losses of a jointly-controlled entity" on the face of the consolidated income statement. There was no profits tax attributable to the associate of the Group as the associate did not generate any assessable profits during the current year (eight months ended 31 December 2006: Nil).

During the 5th Session of the 10th National People's Congress, which was concluded on 16 March 2007, the PRC Corporate Income Tax Law (the "New Corporate Income Tax Law") was approved and became effective on 1 January 2008. The New Corporate Income Tax Law introduces a wide range of changes which include, but are not limited to, the unification of the income tax rate for domestic-invested and foreign-invested enterprises at 25%.

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#### 8. TAX (continued)

Pursuant to the Notice on the Implementation Rules for Grandfathering Relief under the New Corporate Income Tax Law issued by The State Council of the PRC on 26 December 2007, effective from 1 January 2008, the existing preferential income tax rate of 15% pertaining to the Group's subsidiaries operated in the PRC will gradually transit to applicable tax rate of 25%.

# 9. PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The consolidated profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2007 includes a profit of approximately HK\$18,870,000 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: HK\$6,860,000) which has been dealt with in the financial statements of the Company (note 33(b)).

#### 10. DIVIDEND

	Com	pany
		Eight months
	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Proposed final — HK2 cents (eight months ended 31 December 2006:		
HK1 cent) per ordinary share	22,372	10,990

The proposed final dividend for the year is subject to the approval of the Company's shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

### 11. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company of approximately HK\$79,405,000 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: HK\$44,145,000) and the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year of 1,115,428,548 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: 996,425,298).

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company of approximately HK\$79,405,000 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: HK\$44,145,000). The weighted average number of ordinary shares of 1,116,969,581 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: 1,027,378,150) used in the calculation is the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year, as used in the basic earnings per share calculation, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise of all warrants of 1,541,033 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: 20,342,191) during the year. For the eight months ended 31 December 2006, the weighted average number of ordinary shares assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise of all warrants of 1,541,033 (eight months ended 31 December 2006: 20,342,191) during the year. For the eight months ended 31 December 2006, the weighted average number of ordinary shares assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise of all share options was 10,610,661.

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## 12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Group

		Medium-term leasehold	Furniture, fixtures, equipment, motor vehicles, plant and	
		buildings	machinery	
	Construction	outside	and leasehold	
	in progress <i>HK\$'000</i>	Hong Kong <i>HK\$'000</i>	improvements <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
31 December 2007				
At 31 December 2006 and				
1 January 2007:				
Cost or valuation	3,881	316,197	169,827	489,905
Accumulated depreciation	on <u> </u>		(124,556)	(124,556)
Net carrying amount	3,881	316,197	45,271	365,349
At 1 January 2007, net of accumulated depreciation	3,881	316,197	45,271	365,349
Additions	11,254	158	8,523	19,935
Disposals and write-offs	—	_	(417)	(417)
Surplus on revaluation	_	10,836	_	10,836
Depreciation provided during the year		(16,187)	(15,016)	(31,203)
Transfers	(7,514)	_	7,514	_
Exchange realignment	424	24,366	3,517	28,307
At 31 December 2007, net of				
accumulated depreciation	8,045	335,370	49,392	392,807
At 31 December 2007:				
Cost or valuation	8,045	335,370	196,608	540,023
Accumulated depreciation			(147,216)	(147,216)
			(147,210)	(147,210)
Net carrying amount	8,045	335,370	49,392	392,807
Analysis of cost or valuation:				
At cost	8,045	_	196,608	204,653
At 31 December 2007 valu	ation —	335,370		335,370
	8,045	335,370	196,608	540,023

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### 12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued) Group

			Furniture,	
			fixtures,	
			equipment,	
		Medium-term	motor vehicles,	
		leasehold	plant and	
		buildings	machinery	
	Construction	outside	and leasehold	
	in progress <i>HK\$'000</i>	Hong Kong <i>HK\$'000</i>	improvements <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
31 December 2006				
At 1 May 2006:				
Cost or valuation	2,188	320,074	159,368	481,630
Accumulated depreciation			(109,512)	(109,512)
Net carrying amount	2,188	320,074	49,856	372,118
At 1 May 2006, net of				
accumulated depreciation	2,188	320,074	49,856	372,118
Additions	2,610	397	3,714	6,721
Disposals and write-offs	(768)	(4)	(494)	( 1,266)
Disposal of a subsidiary (note 34)	_	_	(130)	( 130)
Deficit on revaluation	_	(3,518)	_	(3,518)
Depreciation provided during				
the period	_	(10,259)	(9,355)	(19,614)
Transfers	(214)	_	214	_
Exchange realignment	65	9,507	1,466	11,038
At 31 December 2006, net of				
accumulated depreciation	3,881	316,197	45,271	365,349
At 31 December 2006:				
Cost or valuation	3,881	316,197	169,827	489,905
Accumulated depreciation			(124,556)	(124,556)
Net carrying amount	3,881	316,197	45,271	365,349
Analysis of cost or valuation:				
At cost	3,881	_	169,827	173,708
At 31 December 2006 valuation		316,197		316,197
	3,881	316,197	169,827	489,905

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### 12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued) Company

	Furniture, fixtures, equipment, motor vehicles and leasehold improvements HK\$'000
31 December 2007	
At 31 December 2006 and 1 January 2007:	
Cost Accumulated depreciation	2,572 (1,147)
Net carrying amount	1,425
At 1 January 2007, net of accumulated depreciation	1,425
Additions Depreciation provided during the year	44 (435)
At 31 December 2007, net of accumulated depreciation	1,034
At 31 December 2007:	
Cost Accumulated depreciation	2,616 (1,582)
Net carrying amount	1,034
31 December 2006	
At 1 May 2006:	
Cost Accumulated depreciation	1,217 (902)
Net carrying amount	315
At 1 May 2006, net of accumulated depreciation	315
Additions	1,355
Depreciation provided during the period	(245)
At 31 December 2006, net of accumulated depreciation	1,425
At 31 December 2006:	
Cost Accumulated depreciation	2,572 (1,147)
Net carrying amount	1,425

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### 12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

On 31 December 2007, the medium-term leasehold buildings of the Group were revalued by Castores Magi (Hong Kong) Limited ("Castores"), an independent firm of professionally qualified valuers. Depending on the nature of the properties, various leasehold buildings of the Group were revalued at approximately HK\$329,186,000 and HK\$6,184,000 on the depreciated replacement cost basis and the open market basis, respectively. Revaluation surplus resulting therefrom of HK\$10,836,000 was credited to the asset revaluation reserve.

Had the Group's medium-term leasehold buildings been carried at cost less accumulated depreciation, they would have been included in the financial statements at a net book value of HK\$247,943,000.

### 13. PREPAID LAND LEASE PAYMENTS

	Group	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Carrying amount at beginning of year/period	202,285	205,653
Exchange realignment	3,628	1,377
Amortisation recognised during the year/period	(7,166)	(4,745)
Carrying amount at end of year/period	198,747	202,285
Current portion included in prepayments, deposits and		
other receivables under current assets	(7,223)	(7,118)
Non-current portion	191,524	195,167

The prepaid land lease payments are held under medium-term leases and are situated outside Hong Kong.

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### 14. RIGHTS TO USE PORT FACILITIES

	<b>Group</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>
31 December 2007	
At 31 December 2006 and 1 January 2007: Cost Accumulated amortisation	22,915 (3,793)
Net carrying amount	19,122
At 1 January 2007, net of accumulated amortisation Amortisation recognised during the year Exchange realignment	19,122 (654 1,476
At 31 December 2007, net of accumulated amortisation	19,944
At 31 December 2007: Cost Accumulated amortisation	24,716 (4,772)
Net carrying amount	19,944
31 December 2006	
At 1 May 2006: Cost Accumulated amortisation	22,199 (3,312
Net carrying amount	18,887
At 1 May 2006, net of accumulated amortisation Amortisation recognised during the period Exchange realignment	18,887 (326) 561
At 31 December 2006, net of accumulated amortisation	19,122
At 31 December 2006: Cost Accumulated amortisation	22,915 (3,793)
Net carrying amount	19,122

The balance represents the Group's rights to use certain buildings and structures erected at the Jiuzhou Port in Zhuhai, the PRC, for a term up to 27 March 2040 (note 38(b)).

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### 15. INTANGIBLE ASSET

	<b>Group</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>
31 December 2007	
At 31 December 2006 and 1 January 2007:	
Cost	22,420
Accumulated impairment	(14,490)
Net carrying amount	7,930
At 1 January 2007, net of accumulated impairment	7,930
Impairment during the year	(2,565)
Exchange realignment	518
At 31 December 2007	5,883
At 31 December 2007:	
Cost	24,182
Accumulated impairment	(18,299)
Net carrying amount	5,883
31 December 2006	
At 1 May 2006:	
Cost	22,120
Accumulated impairment	(12,015)
Net carrying amount	10,105
At 1 May 2006, net of accumulated impairment	10,105
Impairment during the period	( 2,475)
Exchange realignment	300
At 31 December 2006	7,930
At 31 December 2006:	
Cost	22,420
Accumulated impairment	(14,490)
Net carrying amount	7,930

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#### 15. INTANGIBLE ASSET (continued)

The balance represents memberships of a golf club in Zhuhai, the PRC, held by the Group. The memberships are perpetual and are freely transferrable. The memberships were acquired by the Group to provide golf club facilities for the Group's customers.

The recoverable amount of the golf club memberships as at the balance sheet date were determined by the Group with reference to the open market basis assessed by Castores. An impairment charge resulting therefrom of approximately HK\$2,565,000 was charged to the consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 December 2007.

#### 16. GOODWILL

As detailed in note 2.5 to the financial statements, the Group applied the transitional provisions of HKFRS 3 that permitted goodwill in respect of business combinations which occurred prior to 2001, to remain eliminated against consolidated reserves.

The amount of goodwill remaining in the consolidated reserves as at 31 December 2006 and 31 December 2007, arising from the acquisition of subsidiaries prior to the adoption of SSAP 30 in 2001, was approximately HK\$200,573,000.

### 17. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	Company	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	892,808	892,808
Due from subsidiaries	152,680	227,717
	1,045,488	1,120,525

The amounts due from subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed terms of repayment. The carrying amounts of the amounts due from subsidiaries approximate to their fair values.

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#### 17. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Particulars of the principal subsidiaries are as follows:

		Nominal value			
	Place of	of issued and		Percentage	
	incorporation/	paid-up share/	of equity	attributable	
	registration	registered	to th	e Company	Principal
Name	and operations	capital	Direct	Indirect	activities
Jiuzhou Tourist	British Virgin	US\$15,600	100	_	Investment and
Development	Islands/				property holding
Company Limited	Hong Kong				
Zhuhai Holiday Resort	PRC	HK\$184,880,000	_	100	Management of
Hotel Co., Ltd. (note a)					a holiday resort
The New Yuanming	PRC	RMB60,000,000	_	100	Management of
Palace Tourist					a theme park
Co., Ltd. of					
Zhuhai S.E.Z. <i>(note a)</i>					
珠海水上娛樂有限公司	PRC	RMB22,500,000	_	100	Management of
(note a)					an amusement park
Jiuzhou Port Company	PRC	RMB42,330,000	_	90	Provision of port
(note b)					facilities and
					ticketing services

#### Notes:

(a) Registered as wholly-foreign-owned enterprises under the PRC law

(b) Registered as a contractual joint venture under the PRC law

The statutory financial statements of the subsidiaries listed above were not audited by Ernst & Young Hong Kong or other member firm of the Ernst & Young global network.

The above table lists the subsidiaries of the Company which, in the opinion of the Company's board of directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

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### 18. INTEREST IN A JOINTLY-CONTROLLED ENTITY

	Group	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Share of net assets of an unlisted jointly-controlled entity	120,739	80,096

Particulars of the jointly-controlled entity indirectly held by the Company are as follows:

		Place of		Percentage of		
	Paid-up	registration	Ownership	Voting	Profit	Principal
Name	capital	and operations	interest	power	sharing	activity
Ferry Company	RMB65,374,000	PRC	49	49	49	Provision of ferry services

The statutory financial statements were not audited by Ernst & Young Hong Kong or other member firm of the Ernst & Young global network.

The following table illustrates the summarised financial information of the Group's jointly-controlled entity:

		2007	2006
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Share of the jointly-control	led entity's assets and liabilities:		
Non-current assets		69,472	57,024
Current assets		114,584	73,453
Current liabilities		(55,498)	(42,562)
Non-current liabilities		(7,819)	(7,819)
Net assets		120,739	80,096

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### 18. INTEREST IN A JOINTLY-CONTROLLED ENTITY

		Eight months
	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Share of the jointly-controlled entity's results:		
Revenue	155,067	84,557
Other income	13,023	1,740
Total revenue	168,090	86,297
Total expenses	(123,508)	(66,954)
Тах	(7,853)	(3,285)
Profit after tax	36,729	16,058

### 19. INTEREST IN AN ASSOCIATE

	Group	
	<b>2007</b> 20	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Share of net assets of an unlisted associate	—	

Particulars of the associate are as follows:

			Percentage of ownership	
Neme	Particulars of	Place of incorporation	interest attributable	Principal
Name	issued share capital	and operations	to the Group	activity
Allways Internet Limited	Ordinary shares of HK\$3,000,000	Hong Kong	50	Investment holding

The statutory financial statements of the associate were not audited by Ernst & Young Hong Kong or other member firm of the Ernst & Young global network.

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### 20. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENTS

	Group		Com	pany
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Hong Kong listed equity investment, at fair value#	16,806	_	16,806	_
Unlisted equity investment, at				
cost	668	619	—	_
	17,474	619	16,806	

On 10 July 2007, the Company subscribed certain shares in a company listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong # Limited (the "Stock Exchange") through private placement for an aggregate consideration of HK\$29,706,000. At 31 December 2007, the market price of this company dropped and resulted in a decrease in fair value of approximately HK\$12,900,000. The directors of the Company are of the opinion that the recent drop in market price, which in turn the underlying fair value, was merely a short term fluctuation affected by the unstable market sentiment and did not constitute an impairment loss as there was no fundamental adverse change to the financial performance/position of the company invested. Consequently, the decrease in fair value of approximately HK\$12,900,000 was recognised as a reserve movement in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

### 21. PREPAYMENTS AND DEPOSITS

	Group	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Rental prepayments	4,744	4,668
Deposits	83,300	150,084
	88,044	154,752

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#### 21. PREPAYMENTS AND DEPOSITS (continued)

The deposits paid by the Group were for certain proposed acquisition transactions as further explained below:

(a) On 30 June 2006, the Group entered into a letter of intent with Zhuhai Guoyuan (the "First Intent Letter"). Pursuant to the First Intent Letter, the Group has the first right of acquisition over several parcels of land (the "Hotel Land") leased to the Group where certain building structures of the Hotel Business were erected. In return, the Group paid a refundable deposit of approximately RMB78 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$83.3 million) to Zhuhai Guoyuan. Pursuant to the First Intent Letter, the deposit will be refunded to the Group should no formal legal binding agreement be entered on or before 31 December 2006.

On 29 December 2006, the Group and Zhuhai Guoyuan entered into a conditional sale and purchase agreement (the "Land Agreement") for the acquisition of the Hotel Land for an aggregate cash consideration of approximately RMB90.9 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$97.1 million).

Pursuant to the Land Agreement, the acquisition of the Hotel Land is conditional upon the completion of the Debt Restructuring Agreement. If the completion of the above land acquisition is not completed by 16 April 2008 or other later date as agreed, the Group has the right to terminate the transaction and demand full refund of the deposit, together with the interest calculated at the prevailing PRC bank borrowing rate from 29 December 2006, from Zhuhai Guoyuan. Details of the Land Agreement, which constituted a connected party transaction under the Listing Rules, was announced by the Company in a press announcement dated 26 January 2007.

Subsequently, an announcement dated 18 March 2008 was made by the Company and the Group had entered into an extension agreement with Zhuhai Guoyuan to extend the longstop date from 16 April 2008 to 16 October 2008 for satisfaction of the conditions precedent under the Land Agreement.

(b) On 5 July 2006, the Group entered into a letter of intent with 珠海市國資委 (State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of Zhuhai Municipal Government) ("SASAC") (the "Intent Letter"). Pursuant to the Intent Letter, the Group has the first right of acquiring certain equity interests of two PRC companies with interests in certain public transportation services and in racing circuit, golf club and property development businesses in Zhuhai, respectively, from SASAC. In return, the Group paid refundable deposits in aggregate of approximately RMB72 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$72.0 million) to SASAC. 92

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### 21. PREPAYMENTS AND DEPOSITS (continued)

(b) On 29 December 2006, the Group entered into a supplementary letter of intent (the "Supplementary Letter") with SASAC, pursuant to which the Group ceased the negotiation with SASAC regarding the proposed acquisition of the equity interest in the PRC company which is engaged in public transportation services. The aggregate deposit of approximately RMB72 million paid by the Group thus served as a refundable deposit solely for the proposed acquisition of the equity interest in the PRC company which is engaged in racing circuit, golf club and property development businesses in Zhuhai. The deposit, together with the interest calculated at the prevailing PRC bank borrowing rate from 5 January 2007, would be refunded to the Group if no formal agreement had been entered into by 4 July 2007.

Up to 4 July 2007, no formal agreement had been entered into between the Group and SASAC for the proposed acquisition. The refundable deposit of approximately RMB72 million plus the related interest was fully refunded by SASAC.

	Group		Company	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Held-for-trading:				
Listed equity investments in				
Hong Kong	11,085	_	11,085	_
Listed equity investments in				
the PRC	25,231	_	_	_
Unlisted investment funds in				
the PRC	91,708	60,329	_	_
	128,024	60,329	11,085	-
Designated as securities				
measured at fair value through				
profit or loss:				
Unlisted debt investments in				
the PRC	_	60,188	_	_
	128,024	120,517	11,085	

### 22. SECURITIES MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

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### 23. INVENTORIES

	Group	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Food, beverages and souvenirs held for resale	2,651	2,123

### 24. TRADE RECEIVABLES

	Group	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade receivables	31,478	23,878
Impairment	(2,626)	(2,418)
	28,852	21,460

A defined credit policy is maintained within the Group. The general credit terms range from one to three months, except for certain well-established customers with a good repayment history, where the terms are extended to 18 months. Each customer has a maximum credit limit. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables to minimise its credit risk. Overdue balances are regularly reviewed by senior management. In view of the aforementioned, there is no significant concentration of credit risk. Trade receivables are non-interest-bearing.

As at 31 December 2007, the Group had a receivable from the Zhuhai Municipal Government arising from the use of the Group's hotel facilities amounting to approximately HK\$18,419,000 (2006: HK\$15,327,000). Such balance was included in trade receivables under current assets. The trade receivable with the Zhuhai Municipal Government is unsecured and interest-free, and the credit term granted is as mentioned above.

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#### 24. TRADE RECEIVABLES (continued)

An aged analysis of the trade receivables at the balance sheet date, net of impairment allowance, is as follow:

	Group	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Current to 3 months	13,338	9,956
4 to 6 months	3,741	334
7 to 12 months	8,286	762
Over 12 months	3,487	10,408
	28,852	21,460

The carrying amounts of trade receivables approximate to their fair values.

The movements in impairment allowance of trade receivables are as follows:

	Group	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At the beginning of year/period	2,418	2,148
Impairment losses recognised	162	206
Amount written off as uncollectible	(105)	—
Write back of impairment losses	(40)	_
Exchange realignment	191	64
	2,626	2,418

Included in the above impairment allowance of trade receivables is an allowance for individually impaired trade receivables of approximately HK\$2,626,000 (2006: HK\$2,418,000) with a carrying amount of approximately HK\$3,360,000 (2006: HK\$4,009,000). The individually impaired trade receivables relate to customers that were in default or delinquency in payments and only a portion of the receivables is expected to be recovered. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements over these balances.

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#### 24. TRADE RECEIVABLES (continued)

The aged analysis of the trade receivables that are not considered to be impaired is as follows:

	Group	
	2007 2	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Neither past due nor impaired	24,252	19,499
More than 2 months but less than 1 year past due	4,434	1,961
More than 1 year past due	166	_
	28,852	21,460

Receivables that were neither past due nor impaired relate to a large number of diversified customers for whom there was no recent history of default.

Receivables that were past due but not impaired relate to a number of independent customers that have a good repayment record with the Group. Based on past experience, the directors of the Company are of the opinion that no impairment allowance is necessary in respect of these balances as there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the balances are still considered fully recoverable. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements over these balances.

### 25. DUE FROM A JOINTLY-CONTROLLED ENTITY

The amount due from a jointly-controlled entity is unsecured, interest-free and has no fixed term of repayment. The carrying value approximates to its fair value.

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### 26. BALANCES WITH RELATED COMPANIES

Particulars of the amounts due from related companies are as follows:

#### Group

	At	Maximum	At
	31 December	amount	31 December
	2006	during the year	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Macau-Mondial Travel & Tou ("Macau-Mondial")	rs Ltd. 5,398	5,398	5,398
Zhuhai Special Economic Zo	ne Hotel		
("Zhuhai SEZ Hotel")	458	458	458
	5,856		5,856
Impairment	(5,856)		(5,856)

The amounts due from Macau-Mondial and Zhuhai SEZ Hotel, subsidiaries of Zhu Kuan Macau, represented the outstanding balances arising from the sale of tickets in prior years. Full provision in respect of the amounts had been made in prior years.

The balances with related companies are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed terms of repayment. The carrying amounts approximate to their fair values.

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### 27. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	Group		Company	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Cash and bank balances Time deposits with original maturity:	206,061	173,431	8,043	66,986
Within three months Over three months	139,022 —	25,034 9,927	135,819 —	25,034 —
	345,083	208,392	143,862	92,020

At the balance sheet date, the cash and bank balances of the Group denominated in Renminbi ("RMB") amounted to approximately HK300,163,000 (2006: HK\$114,182,000). RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies. However, under the PRC's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for other currencies through banks authorised to conduct foreign exchange business.

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Short-term time deposits are made for varying periods of between seven days and one year depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Group, and earn interest at the respective short-term time deposit rates. The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents approximate to their fair values.

### 28. TRADE PAYABLES

An aged analysis of the trade payables as at the balance sheet date is as follows:

	Group	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Current to 3 months	13,058	9,368
4 to 6 months	406	178
7 to 12 months	2,611	291
Over 12 months	3,302	3,566
	19,377	13,403

The trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on 60-day terms. The carrying amounts approximate to their fair values.

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### 29. CONSTRUCTION PAYABLES

Construction payables, which represent amounts due to construction contractors, are unsecured, interest-free and repayable in accordance with the terms of the respective construction contracts. The carrying amounts approximate to their fair values.

### 30. DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES

The movement in deferred tax liabilities of the Group during the year/period are as follows:

	Revaluation of leasehold buildings
	HK\$'000
31 December 2007	
At 31 December 2006 and 1 January 2007	5,842
Effect on deferred tax due to change in the PRC tax rate#	3,895
Deferred tax charged to equity during the year	2,709
At 31 December 2007	12,446
31 December 2006	
At 1 May 2006	6,299
Deferred tax credited to equity during the period	(457)
At 31 December 2006	5,842

# Due to the enactment of the New Corporate Income Tax Law as set out in note 8 to the financial statements, the deferred tax liabilities of the Group was recalculated at 25% (31 December 2006: 15%) as at 31 December 2007.

The Group has tax losses arising in Hong Kong of approximately HK\$39,915,000 (2006: HK\$27,235,000) that are available indefinitely for offsetting against future taxable profits of the companies in which the losses arose. Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these losses as they have arisen in companies that have been loss-making for some time and/or the future income stream to recoup such losses is unpredictable.

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### 31. SHARE CAPITAL

2007	2006
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
200,000	200,000
111,860	109,898
	HK\$'000 200,000

During the year ended 31 December 2007, 19,620,000 warrants were exercised at a subscription price of HK\$0.55 each resulting in the issuing 19,620,000 shares of HK\$0.10 each for a total cash consideration of approximately HK\$10,791,000, before issue expenses.

During the eight months ended 31 December 2006, the movements in the share capital of the Company were as follows:

- (a) 9,588,000 warrants of the Company were exercised immediately prior to 30 April 2006 at a subscription price of HK\$0.55 each for 9,588,000 shares of HK\$0.10 each for a total cash consideration, before issue expenses, of approximately HK\$5,273,000. The 9,588,000 shares were issued to the subscribers in May 2006.
- (b) 159,800,000 share options were exercised during the eight months ended 31 December 2006 for 159,800,000 shares of HK\$0.10 each for a total cash consideration of approximately HK\$47,141,000, before issue expenses.
- (c) 97,002,000 warrants of the Company were exercised during the eight months ended 31 December 2006 at a subscription price of HK\$0.55 each for 97,002,000 shares of HK\$0.10 each for a total cash consideration, before issue expenses, of approximately HK\$53,351,000.

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#### 31. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

A summary of the transactions during the eight months ended 31 December 2006 and the year ended 31 December 2007 with reference to the above movements in the Company's share capital is as follows:

			Share	
	Number of	Issued	premium	
	shares in issue	capital	account	Total
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 May 2006	832,590,000	84,218	378,515	462,733
Warrants exercised:				
Shares fully paid before 30				
April 2006 but issued in I	Мау			
2006	9,588,000	_	_	_
Shares fully paid and issue	d 97,002,000	9,700	43,651	53,351
	106,590,000	9,700	43,651	53,351
Share options exercised:				
Shares fully paid and issue	d 159,800,000	15,980	31,161	47,141
Share issue expenses	_		(1,055)	(1,055)
At 31 December 2006 and				
1 January 2007	1,098,980,000	109,898	452,272	562,170
Warrants exercised:				
Shares fully paid and issue	d 19,620,000	1,962	8,829	10,791
Share issue expenses	_	_	(1,231)	(1,231)
At 31 December 2007	1,118,600,000	111,860	459,870	571,730

#### Share options

Details of the Company's share option scheme are included in note 32 to the financial statements.

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#### 31. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

#### Warrants

On 4 April 2006, the Company placed 159,800,000 warrants of HK0.55 cent each to certain independent third parties for total proceeds of approximately HK\$879,000, before issue expenses of HK\$526,000. Each warrant entitles the holder thereof to subscribe for one ordinary share of HK\$0.10 of the Company at a subscription price of HK\$0.55 per share, payable in cash and subject to adjustment, from the date of issue to 3 April 2007.

As at 1 January 2007, the Company had 19,620,000 warrants outstanding and were fully exercised during the year resulted in the Company issuing 19,620,000 additional ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each for a total cash consideration of HK\$10,791,000 (before issue expense of HK\$1,231,000).

#### 32. SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company operates a share option scheme (the "Scheme") for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants for their contribution to the Group and/or to enable the Group to recruit and retain high-calibre employees and attract human resources that are valuable to the Group and any entity in which the Group holds any equity interest ("Invested Entity"). Eligible participants of the Scheme include (i) the directors and employees of the Company, its subsidiaries or any Invested Entity, suppliers and customers of the Group, or (ii) any Invested Entity, any person or entity that provides research, development or other technological support to the Group, or (iii) any Invested Entity, or any shareholder of any member of the Group, or (iv) any Invested Entity, or any holder of any securities issued by any member of the Group or any Invested Entity. The Scheme became effective on 26 September 2002 and, unless otherwise terminated or amended, will remain in force for 10 years.

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#### 32. SHARE OPTION SCHEME (continued)

The maximum number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all outstanding share options granted and yet to be exercised under the Scheme and any other share option schemes of the Company must not exceed 30% of the total number of shares in issue from time to time. The total number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all share options granted under the Scheme may not exceed 239,700,000 shares, which represents 10% of the total number of shares in issue as refreshed in the annual general meeting held on 29 October 2004 (i.e., not exceeding 79,900,000 shares in the Company), plus the 159,800,000 share options previously granted. Share options which lapse in accordance with the terms of the Scheme or any other share option schemes of the Company will not be counted for the purpose of calculating the 10% limit. The Company may seek approval of the shareholders in a general meeting for refreshing the 10% limit under the Scheme, save that the total number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all share options to be granted under the Scheme and any other share option schemes of the Company under the limit as refreshed shall not exceed 10% of the total number of shares in issue as at the date of approval of the limit as refreshed. Share options previously granted under the Scheme or any other share option schemes of the Company (including share options outstanding, cancelled, lapsed or exercised in accordance with the terms of the Scheme or any other share option schemes of the Company) will not be counted for the purpose of calculating the limit as refreshed. The total number of shares issued and to be issued upon the exercise of the share options granted to each eligible participant (including both exercised and outstanding options) within any 12-month period shall not exceed 1% of the total number of shares in issue.

Each grant of share options to a director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company, or to any of their respective associates under the Scheme must comply with the requirements of Rule 17.04 of the Listing Rules and must be subject to approval by the independent non-executive directors to whom share options have not been granted. In addition, any grant of share options to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or to any of their respective associates, which would result in the shares issued and to be issued upon the exercise of all share options already granted and to be granted (including share options exercised, cancelled and outstanding) to such person in the 12-month period up to and including the date of such grant in excess of 0.1% of the shares of the Company in issue and with an aggregate value (based on the closing price of the Company's shares at the date of each grant) in excess of HK\$5 million is subject to prior approval from shareholders in a general meeting.

The offer of a grant of share options may be accepted within 28 days from the date of offer, upon the 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 shall not be more than 10 years from the date of offer of the share options, subject to the provisions for early termination as set out in the Scheme. There is no minimum period for which an option must be held before the exercise of the subscription right attaching thereto, except as otherwise imposed by the board of directors.

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#### 32. SHARE OPTION SCHEME (continued)

The exercise price of share options is determinable by the directors, but may not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the Company's shares as quoted on the Stock Exchange on the date of grant 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 grant; and (iii) the nominal value of the Company's shares.

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

As at 1 May 2006, the Company had 159,800,000 share options outstanding, which were fully exercised during the eight months 31 December 2006. The Company has no share options outstanding as at 31 December 2006 and 31 December 2007.

#### 33. RESERVES

#### (a) Group

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein for the year ended 31 December 2007 and for the eight months ended 31 December 2006 presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

The contributed surplus of the Group represents the difference between the nominal value of the shares of the subsidiaries acquired, together with the surplus arising on the acquisition of the site of the Group's theme park, pursuant to the Group reorganisation on 30 April 1998, and the nominal value of the Company's shares issued pursuant to the Group reorganisation.

In accordance with the relevant PRC regulations, the subsidiaries and the jointly-controlled entity established in the PRC are required to transfer a certain percentage of their profits after tax to the statutory reserve funds. Subject to certain restrictions set out in the relevant PRC regulations and the articles of association of the subsidiaries and the jointly-controlled entity, the statutory reserve funds may be used to offset against losses and/or may be capitalised as paid-up capital.

Goodwill arising on the acquisition of subsidiaries in prior years of approximately HK\$200,573,000 (2006: HK\$200,573,000) remains eliminated against consolidated reserves, as further explained in note 16 to the financial statements.

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#### **33. RESERVES** (continued)

(b) Company

	Share			Available- for-sale investment		
	premium	Contributed	Warrant	revaluation	Retained	
	account	surplus	reserve	reserve	profits	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Balance at 1 May 2006	378,515	628,440	353	3,101	22,606	1,033,015
Disposal of an available-for-sale						
investment	_	_	_	(3,101)	_	(3,101)
Final 2006 dividend declared	_	_	_	_	(12,640)	(12,640)
Warrants exercised (note 31)	43,651	_	_	_	_	43,651
Share options exercised (note 31)	31,161	_	_	_	_	31,161
Share issue expenses (note 31)	(1,055)	_	_	_	_	(1,055)
Profit for the period	_	_	_	_	6,860	6,860
Proposed final 2006 dividend						
(note 10)	—	—	_	_	(10,990)	(10,990)
At 31 December 2006 and						
at 1 January 2007	452,272	628,440	353	—	5,836	1,086,901
Change in fair value of an available-						
for-sale investment (note 20)	—	—	—	(12,900)	—	(12,900)
Final 2006 dividend declared	—	—	—	—	(196)	(196)
Warrants exercised (note 31)	8,829	—	—	—	—	8,829
Share issue expenses (note 31)	(1,231)	—	—	—	—	(1,231)
Profit for the year	—	—	—	—	18,870	18,870
Transfer to retained profits	—	—	(353)	—	353	_
Proposed final 2007 dividend						
(note 10)	_	_	_	_	(22,372)	(22,372)
At 31 December 2007	459,870	628,440	_	(12,900)	2,491	1,077,901

The contributed surplus of the Company represents the excess of the then combined net asset value of the subsidiaries acquired pursuant to the reorganisation scheme referred to in note 33(a), over the nominal value of the Company's shares issued in exchange therefor. Under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended), the contributed surplus of the Company is distributable to shareholders in certain circumstances.

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### 34. NOTE TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Disposal of a subsidiary during the eight months ended 31 December 2006:

	HK\$'000
Net assets disposed of:	
Property, plant and equipment	(130)
Cash and bank balances	(292)
Trade receivables	(639)
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	(1,251)
Accrued liabilities and other payables	644
	1,668
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary	212
	1,880
Satisfied by:	
Cash	1,880

An analysis of the net inflow of cash and cash equivalents in respect of the disposal of a subsidiary during the eight months ended 31 December 2006 is as follows:

	HK\$'000
Cash consideration	1,880
Cash and bank balances disposed of	(292)
Net inflow of cash and cash equivalents in respect of the disposal of a subsidiary	

The results of the subsidiary disposed of during the eight months ended 31 December 2006 had no significant impact on the Group's consolidated revenue or profit attributable to equity holders of the Company for that period.

### 35. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At the balance sheet date, neither the Group nor the Company had any significant contingent liabilities (2006: Nil).

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### 36. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

#### (a) As lessor

The Group leases certain of its leasehold buildings under operating lease arrangements, with leases negotiated for original terms ranging from 1 to 25 years. The terms of the leases generally also require the tenants to pay security deposits and provide for periodic rent adjustments according to the then prevailing market conditions.

At the balance sheet date, the Group had total future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable operating leases with its tenants falling due as follows:

	Gro	Group	
	2007	2006	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Within one year	9,684	6,809	
In the second to fifth years, inclusive	16,280	21,132	
After five years	2,953	7,620	
	28,917	35,561	

#### (b) As lessee

The Group leases certain of its office premises, hotel and port properties and facilities under operating lease arrangements. Leases are negotiated for original terms ranging from 1 to 44 years.

At the balance sheet date, the Group and the Company had future minimum lease payments under noncancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year In the second to fifth	11,371	12,900	820	1,043
years, inclusive	36,450	39,893	250	442
After five years	263,612	286,804	—	_
	311,433	339,597	1,070	1,485

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### 37. COMMITMENTS

In addition to the operating leases commitments detailed in note 36(b) above, the Group had the following commitments at the balance sheet date:

	Group	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Capital commitments contracted for:		
Acquisition of items of property, plant and equipment	9,101	352
Acquisition of the Hotel Land	13,776	12,900
	22,877	13,252

The Company had no significant commitment at the balance sheet date (2006: Nil).

### 38. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) In addition to those disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the Group had the following material transactions with related parties during the year/period:

			Year ended	Eight months ended
			31 December	31 December
Name	Notes	Nature	2007	2006
			HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Zhuhai Holiday Resort Co., Ltd. (the "Resort Company")	<i>(i)</i>	Rental expenses	8,500	5,667
Ferry Company	(ii)	Port service fees	35,563	20,441
Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation	(iii)	Rental expenses	4,072	2,297
China Marine Bunker Supply Company Jiuzhou Branch	(iv)	Diesel fuel expenses	5,063	706
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### 38. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(a) (continued)

Notes:

- (i) The rental expense paid to the Resort Company, a subsidiary of Zhu Kuan Macau, was calculated based on the terms of the tenancy agreement.
- (ii) Jiuzhou Port Company, a subsidiary of the Company, received agency commission fees and service fees for acting as an agent for the sale of ferry tickets to passengers and for the provision of management services for the berthing facilities at the Jiuzhou Port in Zhuhai to Ferry Company, a jointly-controlled entity. The service fees are charged at a rate of 23.5% on the gross proceeds from the sale of ferry tickets.
- (iii) Jiuzhou Port Company has entered into certain lease agreements with Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation, a substantial shareholder of the Company, as follows:
  - (1) Under a lease agreement dated 28 March 2000, Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation agreed to lease to Jiuzhou Port Company the land use rights in respect of the land surrounding the Jiuzhou Port at an annual rental of RMB515,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$528,000) for a period of 40 years starting from 28 March 2000;
  - (2) Under a lease agreement dated 22 May 2001, Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation agreed to lease to Jiuzhou Port Company the plaza surrounding the Jiuzhou Port at an annual rental of RMB600,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$616,000) for a period of five years starting from 1 June 2001. Upon expiry, the lease was extended with the same annual rental of RMB600,000 without a fixed lease period;
  - (3) Under a renewed lease agreement dated 10 January 2004, Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation agreed to lease to Jiuzhou Port Company certain office premises at an annual rental of approximately RMB755,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$775,000) for a period of five years starting from 1 January 2004;
  - (4) Under a lease agreement dated 9 January 2003, Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation agreed to lease to Jiuzhou Port Company certain port facilities at the Jiuzhou Port adjacent to the land referred to in (1) above at an annual rental of RMB960,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$985,000) for a period of five years starting from 1 January 2003;
  - (5) Under a lease agreement dated 23 December 2003, Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation agreed to lease to Jiuzhou Port Company certain ferry terminals at the Jiuzhou Port adjacent to the land referred to in (1) above at an annual rental of RMB650,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$667,000) for a period of five years starting from 1 January 2004; and
  - (6) Under a lease agreement dated 10 January 2007, Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation agreed to lease to Jiuzhou Tourist Development Company Limited certain office premises at a monthly rental of approximately RMB39,000 (equivalent to HK\$40,000) for a period of two years starting from 1 January 2007.
- (iv) The diesel fuel expenses paid to China Marine Bunker Supply Company Jiuzhou Branch, which is a subsidiary of Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation, were calculated with reference to the diesel fuel supply agreement.

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#### 38. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

#### (b) Other transactions with related parties

In addition, in 1994, Jiuzhou Port Company was granted by Zhuhai Jiuzhou Port Group Corporation, who is also the major shareholder of Ferry Company, the rights to use the port facilities at the Jiuzhou Port for a period of 20 years for a lump sum payment of approximately RMB33,000,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$31,000,000). Under a supplemental lease agreement dated 1 March 2000, the terms of the lease were renegotiated, and both parties agreed to extend the lease to Jiuzhou Port Company for the use of the port facilities, which include certain buildings and structures erected at the Jiuzhou Port, to 40 years from that date, up to 27 March 2040, at no additional cost (note 14);

#### (c) Outstanding balances with related parties

Details of the Group's balances with related parties were set out in notes 25 and 26 to the financial statements.

#### (d) Compensation to key management personnel of the Group

		Eight months
	Year ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Short-term employee benefits	2,186	2,098
Post-employment benefits	100	71
Total compensation paid to key management personnel	2,286	2,169

Further details of directors' remuneration are included in note 7 to the financial statements.

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# 39. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the balance sheet date are as follows:

		Group		
Financial assets				
	Financial		Available-	
	assets at fair		for-sale	
	value through	Loans and	financial	
	profit or loss	receivables	assets	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Available-for-sale investments	-	—	17,474	17,474
Securities measured at fair val	ue			
through profit or loss	128,024	—	-	128,024
Trade receivables	-	28,852	—	28,852
Financial assets included in				
prepayments, deposits and				
other receivables	—	11,337	—	11,337
Due from a jointly-controlled				
entity	—	476	—	476
Cash and cash equivalents	_	345,083	_	345,083
	128,024	385,748	17,474	531,246

Financial	liabilities
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		Financial liabilities at amortised cost
		HK\$'000
Trade payables		19,377
Financial liabilities included in ac	crued liabilities and other payables	67,172
Construction payables		4,322
Tax payable		15,236
Due to related companies		801
		106,908

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### 39. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the balance sheet date are as follows *(continued)*:

Group

2006

Financial assets				
	Financial		Available-	
	assets at fair		for-sale	
	value through	Loans and	financial	
	profit or loss	receivables	assets	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Available-for-sale investments	—	—	619	619
Securities measured at fair value				
through profit or loss	120,517	—	—	120,517
Trade receivables	—	21,460	—	21,460
Financial assets included in				
prepayments, deposits and				
other receivables	_	14,311	_	14,311
Due from a jointly-controlled				
entity	_	3,459	_	3,459
Cash and cash equivalents		208,392	_	208,392
	120,517	247,622	619	368,758

#### Financial liabilities

	Financial
	liabilities at
	amortised cost
	HK\$'000
Trade payables	13,403
Financial liabilities included in accrued liabilities and other payables	55,555
Construction payables	4,139
Tax payable	11,872
Due to related companies	816
	85,785

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# 39. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the balance sheet date are as follows *(continued)*:

2007

		Company				
Financial assets		Financial		Available-		
		assets at fair		for-sale		
		value through	Loans and	financial		
		profits or loss	receivables	asset	Total	
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Due from subsidiaries		_	152,680	_	152,680	
Available-for-sale investment		_	—	16,806	16,806	
Securities measured at fair va	alue					
through profit or loss		11,085	—	—	11,085	
Financial assets included in						
prepayments, deposits and	I					
other receivables		-	1,783	—	1,783	
Cash and cash equivalents		_	143,862	_	143,862	
		11,085	298,325	16,806	326,216	

Financial liabilities

		Financial liabilities at
		amortised cost <i>HK\$'000</i>
Financial liabilities included ir	accrued liabilities and other payables	5,489

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### 39. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the balance sheet date are as follows (continued):

2006

	Company
Financial assets	
	Loans and
	receivables
	HK\$'000
Due from subsidiaries	227,717
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	1,700
Cash and cash equivalents	92,020
	321,437
Financial liabilities	
	Financial
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	liabilities at
	liabilities at amortised cost

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### 40. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's principal financial instruments, comprise securities measured at fair value through profit or loss, available-for-sale investments, balances with related parties and a jointly-controlled entity, and cash and cash equivalents. The Group has various other financial assets and liabilities such as trade and other receivables and trade and other payables, which arise directly from its operations.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are credit risk, foreign currency risk and price risk. The Group had insignificant liquidity risk. The board of directors reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below.

#### (1) Credit risk management

Credit risk is the risk that a customer or counterparty in a transaction may default. It arises from the credit terms which extend to customers and other activities undertaken by the Group. To manage credit risk, the Group has considered the underlying security and the long-established business relationship with the counterparty.

There are no significant concentrations of credit risk within the Group as the customer bases of the Group's trade receivables are widely dispersed in different intermediates and direct customers from different sectors and industries. In particulars, management does not expect any credit risk arisen from the trade receivable from the Zhuhai Municipal Government.

The credit risk of the Group's other financial assets, which comprise cash and cash equivalents, securities measured at fair value through profit or loss, available-for-sale investments, balances with related parties and a jointly-controlled entity, arises from default of the counterparty, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amounts of these instruments.

Further quantitative data in respect of the Group's exposure to credit risk arising from trade receivables are disclosed in note 24 to the financial statements.

#### (2) Liquidity risk management

The Group monitors its risk to a shortage of funds using a recurring liquidity planning tool. This tool considers the maturity of both its financial instruments and financial assets (e.g., trade receivables).

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### 40. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

### (2) Liquidity risk management (continued)

The maturity profile of the Group's financial liabilities as at the balance sheet date, based on the contracted undiscounted payments, was as follows:

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		Less than	3 to less than	
	On demand	3 months	12 months	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
2007				
Trade payables	7,654	11,723	_	19,377
Financial liabilities included in accrued liabilities and other payables	61,967	5,205	_	67,172
Construction payables	4,322		_	4,322
Tax payable	.,	15,236	_	15,236
Due to related companies	801		_	801
	74,744	32,164		106,908
2006				
Trade payables	6,689	6,245	469	13,403
Financial liabilities included in accrued	,	,		,
liabilities and other payables	50,823	4,732	_	55,555
Construction payables	4,139		_	4,139
Tax payable	_	11,872	_	11,872
Due to related companies	816	—	_	816
	62,467	22,849	469	85,785

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### 40. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(2) Liquidity risk management (continued)

Company

		On demand HK\$'000
2007		
Financial liabilities inc	uded in accrued liabilities and other payables	5,489
2006		

5.942

Financial liabilities included in accrued liabilities and other payables

#### (3) Foreign exchange risk management

The Group operates in Hong Kong and Mainland China and is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from various currency exposures, primarily with respect to RMB. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions, recognised assets and liabilities and net investments in operations in Mainland China. Management expected that RMB will continue to appreciate against Hong Kong dollar and will further benefit the Group's net assets position.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity at the balance sheet date to a reasonably possible change in the exchange rates of RMB, with all other variables held constant, of the Group's profit before tax (due to changes in the carrying values of monetary assets and liabilities) and the Group's equity (due to changes in the net assets value of the subsidiaries and the jointly-controlled entity with functional currency of RMB).

		Change in exchange rate %	Increase/ (decrease) in the Group's profit before tax HK\$'000	Increase/ (decrease) in the Group's equity HK\$'000
2007				
If RMB strengthens against Hong Kong dollar If RMB weakens against Hong Kong dollar		5% 5%	4,999 (4,999)	39,441 (39,441)
2006				
If RMB strengthens against Hong Kong dollar If RMB weakens against Hong Kong dollar		5% 5%	2,055 (2,055)	29,053 (29,053)

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### 40. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

#### (4) Price risk management

Price risk is the risk that the fair values of securities decrease as a result of changes in the levels of equity indices and the values of individual securities. The Group is exposed to price risk arising from individual investments classified as securities measured at fair value through profit or loss (note 22) and available-for-sale investments (note 20) as at 31 December 2007. The Group's listed investments are mainly listed on the Hong Kong, Shenzhen and Shanghai stock exchanges and are valued at quoted market prices at the balance sheet date. The Group's unlisted investment funds are valued at quoted prices at the balance sheet date provided by the respective fund manager.

The market equity indices for the following stock exchanges, at the close of business of the nearest trading day in the year to the balance sheet date, and their respective highest and lowest points during the year were as follows:

	31 December 2007	High/low 2007	31 December 2006	High/low 2006
Hong Kong — Hang Seng Index	27,812	31,638/18,664	19,964	20,001/14,944
Shenzhen — A Share Index	1,520	1,629/572	569	569/294
Shanghai — A Share Index	5,521	6,395/2,744	2,815	2,815/1,274

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to every decrease of 15%, 20% and 10% change in the fair values of the securities listed in Hong Kong, the securities listed in Shenzhen and Shanghai and unlisted investments in Mainland China, respectively, with all other variables held constant and before any impact on tax, based on their carrying amounts at the balance sheet date. For the purpose of this analysis, for available-for-sale equity investments, the impact is deemed to be on the available-for-sale investment revaluation reserve and no account is given for factors such as impairment which might have impact on the income statement.

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# 40. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(4) **Price risk management** (continued)

		Decrease	
		in the	Decrease
	Carrying amount	Group's profit	in the Group's
	of securities	before tax	equity
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
2007			
Investments in:			
Hong Kong			
- Available-for-sale listed equity			
investment	16,806	_	(2,521)
	,		(_,)
- Listed equity investments measured at			
fair value through profit or loss	11,085	(1,663)	(1,663)
Mainland China			
— Listed equity investments measured at			
fair value through profit or loss	25,231	(5,046)	(5,046)
Mainland China			
— Unlisted investment funds measured at			
fair value through profit or loss	91,708	(9,171)	(9,171)
2006			
2000			

Investments in:				
Mainland China				
— Unlisted investme	nt funds measured at			
fair value throug	h profit or loss	60,329	(6,033)	(6,033)
- Unlisted debt inve	estments designated			
as securities me	asured at fair value			
through profit or	loss	60,188	(6,019)	(6,019)

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# 40. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

#### (5) Capital management

The primary objective of the Group's capital management is to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and maximise shareholder value.

The Group manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it, in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the dividend payment to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue new shares. The Group is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes during the year ended 31 December 2007 and the eight months ended 31 December 2006.

In addition, the Group monitors capital using a current ratio, which is the total current assets divided by the total current liabilities. The Group's policy is to maintain the current ratio above 2.

#### 41. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

On 24 March 2008, the Group entered into a letter of intent (the "Letter of Intent") with Shenzhen Airport Company Limited ("Shenzhen Airport"), a company whose shares are listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange, in relation to the possible strategic cooperation in the area of transportation and investment on pier and auxiliary facilities. Pursuant to the Letter of Intent, both the Group and Shenzhen Airport shall study and analyse potential new ferry lines between Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macau and to further explore cooperation opportunities based on the development plan of the pier and auxiliary facilities of Shenzhen Airport.

On the same date, a cooperation agreement (the "Cooperation Agreement") was entered into between the Ferry Company and a subsidiary of Shenzhen Airport in relation to the exploration of new cruise lines between (i) Shenzhen Airport pier and Macau; and (ii) Shenzhen Airport pier and Hong Kong.

### 42. COMPARATIVE AMOUNTS

Pursuant to a resolution of the board of directors of the Company passed on 24 August 2006, the Company's financial year end date was changed from 30 April to 31 December to be coterminous with the financial year end date of the major operating subsidiaries. Accordingly, the comparative amounts shown in the consolidated income statement, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement and related notes only covered the Group's eight months of operation from 1 May 2006 to 31 December 2006 and may not be fully comparable with the amounts for the year.

As further explained in note 2.3 to the financial statements, due to the adoption of the new and revised HKFRSs during the current year, certain comparative amounts have been disclosed separately for the first time in 2007.

### 43. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 21 April 2008.

# <sup>120</sup> Financial Summary

The following is a summary of the Group's published results and assets, liabilities and minority interests of the Group for the last five financial periods prepared on the basis set out in note (i) below:

### RESULTS

		Eight months			
	Year ended	ended			
	31 December	31 December	Year ended 30 April		
	2007	2006	2006	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
REVENUE	299,392	189,691	230,707	214,689	193,610
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	91,488	49,260	40,655	25,617	5,180
Тах	(9,498)	(3,995)	(4,247)	(3,641)	(2,050)
PROFIT FOR THE					
YEAR/PERIOD	81,990	45,265	36,408	21,976	3,130
Attributable to:					
Equity holders of					
the Company	79,405	44,145	34,805	20,406	2,064
Minority interests	2,585	1,120	1,603	1,570	1,066
	81,990	45,265	36,408	21,976	3,130

# ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND MINORITY INTERESTS

	31 December		30 April		
	2007	2006	2006	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Total assets	1,361,122	1,200,153	1,088,171	1,020,985	994,218
Total liabilities	(128,615)	(99,983)	(84,133)	(80,836)	(81,009)
Minority interests	(10,800)	(7,545)	(12,122)	(10,234)	(8,664)
	1,221,707	1,092,625	991,916	929,915	904,545

Note:

(i) The amounts for each of the three years ended 30 April 2006 and the eight months ended 31 December 2006 were extracted from the audited financial statements of the Group and conform with the current year's presentation and accounting treatment.