AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group, and has discussed auditing, internal control and financial reporting matters including review of the unaudited interim financial statements.

COMPLIANCE WITH CODE OF BEST PRACTICE

None of the Directors of the Company is aware of any information which would reasonably indicate that the Company was not in compliance with the Code of Best Practice, as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, at any time during the six months ended 30 June 2001.

BOOK CLOSURE

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 25 to 26 September 2001, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered. The record date for the second quarterly interim dividend is at the close of business on 26 September 2001. In order to qualify for the abovementioned second quarterly interim dividend, all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company's Registrars, Tengis Limited, at 4th Floor, Hutchison House, 10 Harcourt Road, Central, Hong Kong, not later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, 24 September 2001.

APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to extend our gratitude and sincere appreciation to all management and staff members for their hard work and dedication throughout the period.

By Order of the Board Yeung Hin Chung, John Managing Director

Hong Kong, 7 September 2001