## COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF BEST PRACTICE

In the opinion of the directors, the Company has complied with the Code of Best Practice as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules throughout the period covered by the interim report, except that the independent non-executive directors of the Company are not appointed for specific terms, but are subject to retirement by rotation and reelection at annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the provision of the Company's bye-laws.

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

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

By Order of the Board

Cheung Ngan

Chairman

Hong Kong, 21 December 2001