

Notice of Annual General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at Salon III & IV, Mezzanine Floor, Grand Hyatt Hong Kong, 1 Harbour Road, Hong Kong, on Friday, 30 May 2003 at 4:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the Audited Consolidated Financial Statements and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2002.
2. To declare a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2002.
3. To re-elect Retiring Directors and authorise the Board of Directors to fix directors' remuneration.
4. To re-appoint Auditors and authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.
5. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, to pass with or without modifications the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

A. **"THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) of this Resolution and pursuant to section 57B of the Companies Ordinance, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company or securities convertible into such shares or warrants or similar rights to subscribe for any shares in the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved.
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which would or might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period.

- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue, (ii) the exercise of rights of subscription under the terms of any warrants issued by the Company or any securities which are convertible into shares of the Company, (iii) any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company or (iv) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on shares of the Company in accordance with the Article of Association of the Company, shall not exceed 20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

- (d) for the purposes of this Resolution:

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders in General Meeting.

“Rights Issue” means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to holders of shares of the Company on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong).”



B. **"THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) of this Resolution the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to repurchase its own shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or any other stock exchange on which the securities of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of shares of the Company which may be repurchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue on the date of passing of this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this Resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in General Meeting."

- C. **"THAT** conditional upon Resolutions 5.A. and 5.B. being passed, the aggregate nominal amount of the number of shares in the capital of the Company which are repurchased by the Company under the authority granted to the Directors as mentioned in Resolution 5.B. shall be added to the aggregate nominal amount of share capital that may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors of the Company pursuant to Resolution 5.A., provided that the amount of share capital repurchased by the Company shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the total nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue on the date of this Resolution."

By Order of the Board

Linda L. Zhou

Executive Director

Hong Kong, 23 April 2003

Notice of Annual General Meeting (continued)

Notes:

- (1) A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint more than one proxy to attend and vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- (2) In order to be valid, the instrument appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a copy of such authority notarially certified, must be deposited at the Company's registered office at Room 1803 China Merchants Tower, Shun Tak Centre, 168-200 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting.
- (3) The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 28 May 2003 to 30 May 2003, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the final dividend to be approved at the meeting, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's registrars, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on 27 May 2003.
- (4) At the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 28 May 2002, Ordinary Resolutions were passed giving general mandates to Directors to repurchase shares of the Company on the Stock Exchange and to allot, issue and otherwise deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company. Under the terms of the Companies Ordinance and the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange these general mandates lapse at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting for 2003, unless renewed at that meeting. The Ordinary Resolutions sought in items 5.A. and 5.B. of this notice renew these mandates.
- (5) With reference to the Ordinary Resolutions sought in items 5.A. and 5.B. of this notice, the Directors wish to state that they have no immediate plans to issue any new shares or repurchase any existing shares of the Company. Approval is being sought from members as a general mandate pursuant to the Companies Ordinance and the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange. The Circular required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange in connection with the proposed new issue and repurchase mandates will be dispatched to shareholders together with the Annual Report of the Company.

