**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an annual general meeting of the Company will be held at Suites 2401-2404, 24th Floor, CITIC Tower, No. 1 Tim Mei Avenue, Central, Hong Kong on Friday, 22 August 2003 at 10:00 a.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 March 2003;
- 2. To re-elect Directors and to fix the remuneration of Directors;
- 3. To re-appoint Auditors and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration;
- 4. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

## "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase shares of HK\$0.10 each in the capital of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong 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 the Company is authorised to repurchase pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate of the nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing 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 earliest 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 date on which the authority given under this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting of the Company."
- 5. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

## "THAT:

(a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares of HK\$0.10 each in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) 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) and issued by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); (ii) an issue of shares under any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company; or (iii) an issue of shares as scrip dividends pursuant to the articles of association of the Company from time to time, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate of the nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purpose of this Resolution,

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earliest 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 date on which the authority given under this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting of the Company; and

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to the holders of shares of the Company whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares as at that date (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 recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong applicable to the Company)."

6. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

**"THAT** subject to the passing of the Resolutions Nos. 4 and 5 set out in the notice convening this meeting, the general mandate granted to the Directors of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares pursuant to Resolution No. 5 set out in the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate

nominal amount of the share capital of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to Resolution No. 4 set out in the notice convening this meeting, provided that such amount of shares so repurchased shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this Resolution."

7. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as a special resolution:

**"THAT** the existing Articles of Association of the Company be and are hereby amended in the following manner:

(a) by adding the following new definition after the existing definition "capital" in Article 2:

"Clearing House" means a clearing house recognised by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the shares of the Company are listed or quoted on a stock exchange in such jurisdiction."

- (b) by replacing the existing Article 86.(A) with the following new Article:
  - 86.(A) If a Clearing House (or its nominee) is a member of the Company, it may appoint such person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its proxy of proxies or as its corporate representative or representatives to the extent permitted by the Companies Act at any meeting of the Company or at any meeting of any class of members of the Company provided that, if more than one proxy or corporate representative is so appointed, the appointment shall specify the number and class of shares in respect of which each such proxy or corporate representative is so appointed. A person so appointed under the provisions of this Article shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the Clearing House (or its nominee) which he represents as that Clearing House (or its nominee) could exercise as if it were an individual member of the Company."

By Order of the Board **MA Pizhi** *Managing Director* 

## Hong Kong, 18 July 2003

Notes:

- 1. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. To be valid, a form of proxy, together with any power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must be lodged with the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong at Suites 2401-2404, 24th Floor, CITIC Tower, No. 1 Tim Mei Avenue, Central, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof.
- 3. A circular setting out further information regarding Resolutions Nos. 4 to 6 above will be dispatched to members of the Company together with the 2003 annual report.
- 4. On 1 April 2003, Securities and Futures (Clearing House) Ordinance was repealed and Securities and Futures Ordinance came into effect. The Directors noted that the words "clearing house" in the existing Company's Article 86.(A) needs to be changed as it refers to the repealed Securities and Futures (Clearing House) Ordinance. The Directors therefore propose to amend the Company's Articles of Association by adoption of a new definition of "Clearing House" and to replace the existing Article 86.(A) to enable the Clearing House to appoint multiple proxies/corporate representatives to attend and vote at any shareholders' meeting of the Company.