

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2003

	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Operating activities		
Profit from ordinary activities before taxation	857,153	1,142,188
Adjustments for:		
– Realised and unrealised (gain)/loss on investments in securities	(9,321)	4,283
– Dividend income from listed securities	(1,291)	(1,008)
– Interest income	(21,153)	(36,761)
– Finance costs	34,803	49,858
– Depreciation and amortisation	903,034	850,994
– Gain on disposal of fixed assets	(5,883)	(2,519)
– Share of profit of associates	(7,548)	(1,081)
– Share of profit of jointly controlled entity	(1,304)	(342)
Effect of foreign exchange rates	(8,573)	(18,653)
Operating profit before changes in working capital	1,739,917	1,986,959
Decrease in spare parts and stores	3,080	265
Decrease in accounts receivable	63,987	83,353
Increase in deposits and prepayments	(7,659)	(38,883)
Increase in non-current prepayments	(16,903)	(101,040)
Increase in property under development	(72,914)	–
(Decrease)/increase in accounts payable and accruals	(25,289)	1,886
Decrease in amount due from jointly controlled entity	2,051	1,039
Increase in third party claims payable	10,866	48,079
Decrease in contingency provision – insurance	(10,837)	(84,735)
Increase in provision for long service payments	4,137	1,509
Increase in employee benefit assets	(61,582)	(25,205)
Cash generated from operations	1,628,854	1,873,227
Interest received	21,849	37,384
Interest paid	(34,788)	(50,225)
Hong Kong Profits Tax paid	(52,342)	(211,727)
PRC tax paid	(2,085)	(381)
Net cash from operating activities	1,561,488	1,648,278

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	Note	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Investing activities			
Withdrawal/(placement) of deposits with banks		12,876	(12,876)
Placement of pledged bank deposit		—	(100,000)
Payment for purchase of fixed assets		(919,468)	(1,265,775)
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets		6,487	4,565
Payment for purchase of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired		—	(33,383)
Payment for purchase of associate		(75,500)	(42,235)
New loans to associates		(18,264)	(15,307)
Capital repayment from jointly controlled entity		273	2,915
Dividends received from listed securities		1,291	1,008
Net cash used in investing activities		(992,305)	(1,461,088)
Financing activities			
Dividends paid		(816,800)	(770,952)
Proceeds from new bank loans		1,787,000	2,896,000
Repayment of bank loans		(1,365,740)	(2,996,721)
Proceeds from other unsecured loans		24,000	24,000
Repayment of other unsecured loans		(40,684)	(7,316)
Repayment to minority shareholders		(10,896)	(11,416)
Net cash used in financing activities		(423,120)	(866,405)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		146,063	(679,215)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		1,425,788	2,086,350
Effect of foreign exchange rates changes		8,664	18,653
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	24	1,580,515	1,425,788

The notes on pages 99 to 126 form part of these financial statements.