CLOSURE OF REGISTER

The Register of Members will be closed from 14th April, 2005 to 19th April, 2005, both dates inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. The record date for the interim dividend is at the close of business on 19th April, 2005.

In order to qualify for the interim dividend, shareholders should ensure that all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, are lodged with the Company's Principal Registrars, Friendly Registrars Limited, G/F., Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong by not later than 4:30 p.m. on 13th April, 2005.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SHARES

During the interim period, the Company and its subsidiary companies had not purchased, sold or redeemed any of the listed shares of the Company.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 31st December, 2004, the interests and short positions held by the Directors in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")), as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 352 of the SFO or otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") contained in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("Listing Rules"), were as follows:

Long Positions in Shares of the Company

Name of Directors	Number of Ordinary Shares	Capacity and Nature of Interest	% of Issued Share Capital
Mr. Robert Ng Chee Siong	885,502	Beneficial owner of 223,199 shares and spouse interest in 662,303 shares	0.10%
Mr. Ronald Joseph Arculli, GBS, OBE, 3	JP 282,167	Beneficial owner	0.03%
Mr. Paul Cheng Ming Fun, JP	68,966	Beneficial owner	≃ 0%
Mr. Gilbert Lui Wing Kwong	-	-	-
Mr. Peter Wong Man Kong, BBS, JP	-	-	-
Mr. Thomas Tang Wing Yung	-	-	_

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS (Continued)

Save as disclosed above, as at 31st December, 2004, none of the Directors had or was deemed to have any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 352 of the SFO or required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS

As at 31st December, 2004, the interests and short positions of the substantial shareholders and other shareholders in the shares and underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register kept under Section 336 of Part XV of the SFO were as follows:

Long Positions in Shares of the Company

Name of Substantial Shareholders	Number of Ordinary Shares	Capacity and Nature of Interest	% of Issued Share Capital
Mr. Ng Teng Fong	389,265,034 (Note 1)	Beneficial owner of 34,247,143 shares, spouse interest in 950,148 shares, and interest of controlled corporations in 354,067,743 shares	46.90%
Strathallan Investment Limited	93,009,122 (Note 2)	Beneficial owner	11.20%
Tamworth Investment Limited	138,115,603 (Note 2)	Beneficial owner	16.64%