

DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Save as the Scheme (as defined hereinafter), the details of which are set out in the paragraph headed "EMPLOYMENT AND REMUNERATION POLICY" in this interim financial report, at no time during the period were rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate granted to any director or their respective spouse or minor children, or were any such rights exercised by them; or was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the directors, their respective spouse or minor children to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

At 30 September 2006, the following interests and short positions of 5% or more of the issued share capital of the Company were recorded in the register of interests required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO: