

(Stock Code : 291)

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at 50th Floor, China Resources Building, 26 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Thursday, 2 June 2005 at 3:30 p.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the audited Financial Statements and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2004.
- 2. To declare a final dividend.
- 3. To re-elect retiring Directors and to fix the fees for all Directors.
- 4. To re-appoint Auditors and authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.
- 5. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

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\$1.00 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 securities 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 Directors of the Company are authorised to repurchase pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date 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 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 set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting of the Company."

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

ORDINARY RESOLUTION

"THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below and pursuant to Section 57B of the Companies Ordinance, 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\$1.00 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 (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 of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company; (iii) an issue of shares upon the exercise of the subscription or conversion rights under the terms of any warrants or any securities of the Company which are convertible into shares of the Company; or (iv) 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 nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as 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 set out in 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 on the register 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 recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong applicable to the Company)."

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

ORDINARY RESOLUTION

"THAT subject to the passing of the resolution as proposed under items nos.5 and 6 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 the resolution as proposed under item no.6 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 shares in the capital of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to the resolution as proposed under item no.5 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 issued share capital of the Company as at the date of the said Resolution."

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

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

"THAT the existing articles of association of the Company be and is hereby amended by deleting the existing article 108 and article 110 in their entirety and substituting therefor the following new articles:

- 108. Meetings of the Directors and of any committee of the Directors may be held from time to time in any part of the world as may be convenient. A Director shall be deemed to be present at a meeting of the Directors or any committee if he participates by telephone or other electronic means provided that all Directors participating in such meeting can hear each other at the same time.
- 110. At each annual general meeting, one-third of the Directors for the time being (or if their number is not a multiple of three (3), the number nearest to but not less than one-third) shall retire from office by rotation and shall be eligible for re-election, provided that every Director (including those appointed for a specific term) shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. A Director retiring at a meeting as aforesaid shall remain in office until the conclusion of that meeting."

By Order of the Board LEE Yip Wah, Peter Secretary

Hong Kong, 21 April 2005

Notes:

- 1. Any member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him. 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 registered office of the Company at 39th Floor, China Resources Building, 26 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting.
- 3. With regard to item no.2 in this notice, the Board of Directors of the Company recommends a final dividend of HK\$0.16 per ordinary share payable on or about 17 June 2005. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 30 May 2005 to Thursday, 2 June 2005, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the

proposed final dividend, all share transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company's Registrar, Standard Registrars Limited at G/F, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 27 May 2005.

4. With regard to item no.3 in this notice, the Board of Directors of the Company proposes that four retiring Directors, namely Mr. LAU Pak Shing, Mr. WANG Qun, Mr. ZHONG Yi and Mr. XIE Shengxi, who shall be eligible for re-election, be re-elected as Directors of the Company. Details of these Directors are set out in the appendix II of the circular to shareholders dated 21 April 2005. The Board of Directors of the Company recommends to the shareholders that the Directors' fee for the year ending 31 December 2005 shall be determined at HK\$50,000 per annum for each executive and non-executive Director and HK\$140,000 per annum for each independent non-executive Director, prorated, where appropriate, and payable in December, 2005.

As at the date of this notice, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Song Lin (Chairman), Mr. Chen Shulin (Managing Director), Mr. Qiao Shibo (Deputy Managing Director), Mr. Yan Biao (Deputy Managing Director), Mr. Keung Chi Wang, Ralph (Deputy Managing Director), Mr. Lau Pak Shing, Mr. Wang Qun, Mr. Zhong Yi and Mr. Kwong Man Him; the non-executive directors are Mr. Jiang Wei and Mr. Xie Shengxi; and the independent non-executive directors are Dr. Chan Po Fun, Peter, Mr. Houang Tai Ninh and Dr. Li Ka Cheung, Eric.

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