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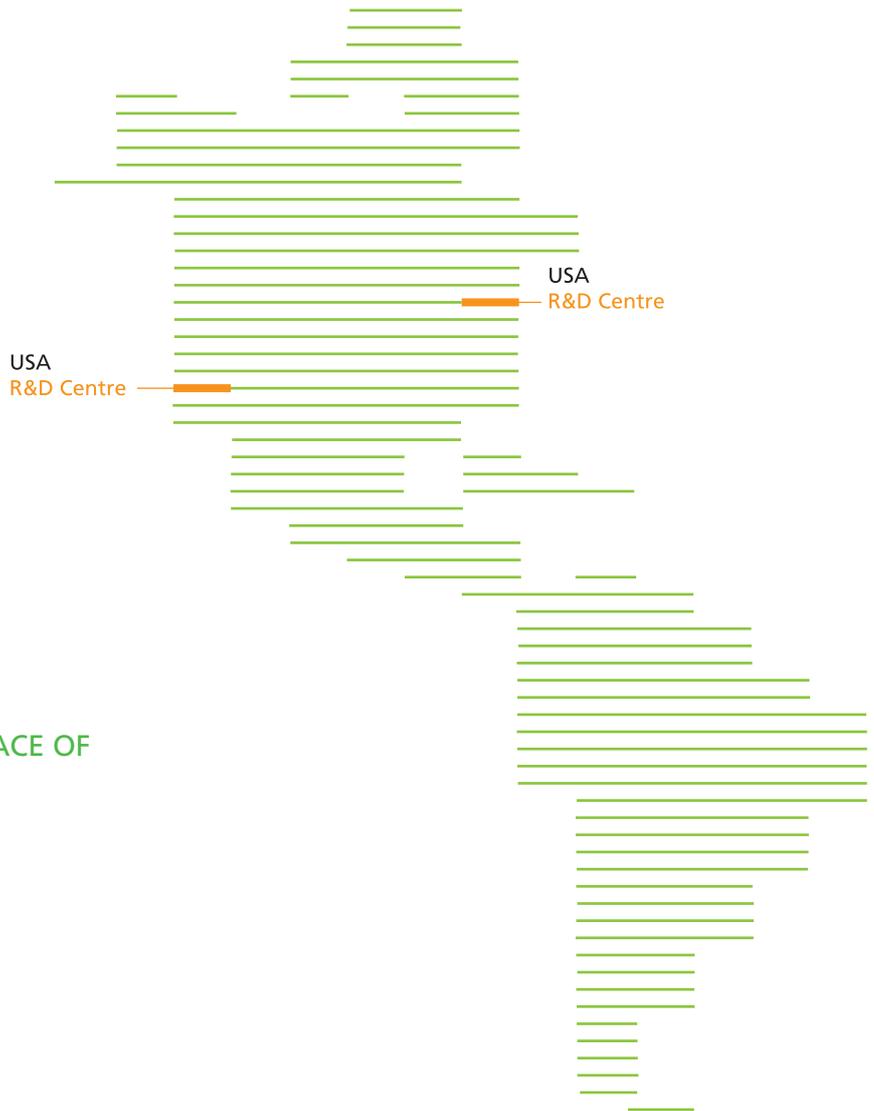
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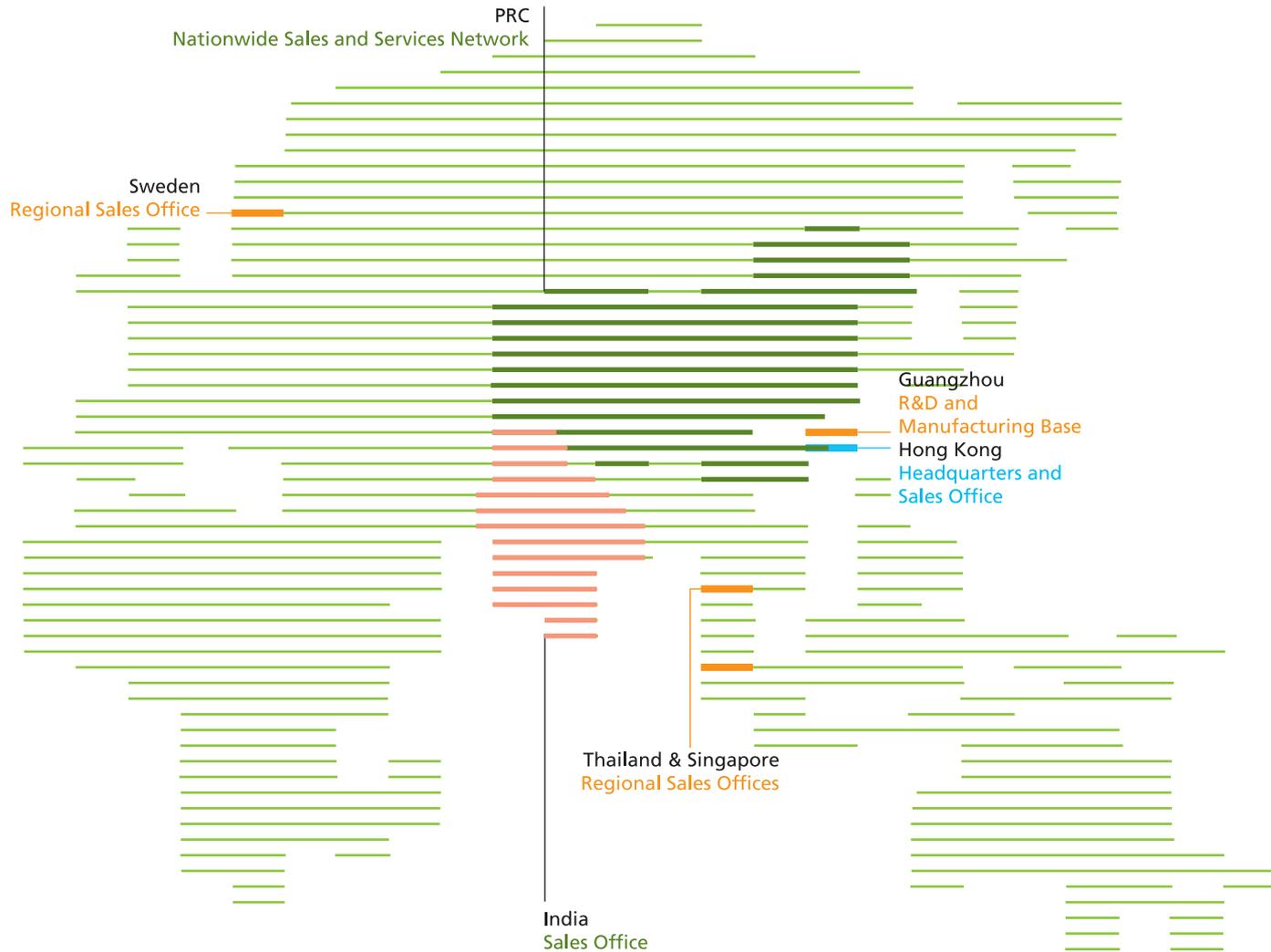


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# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

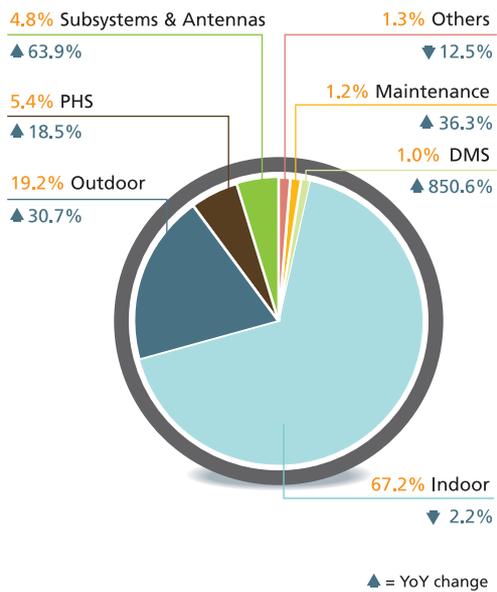
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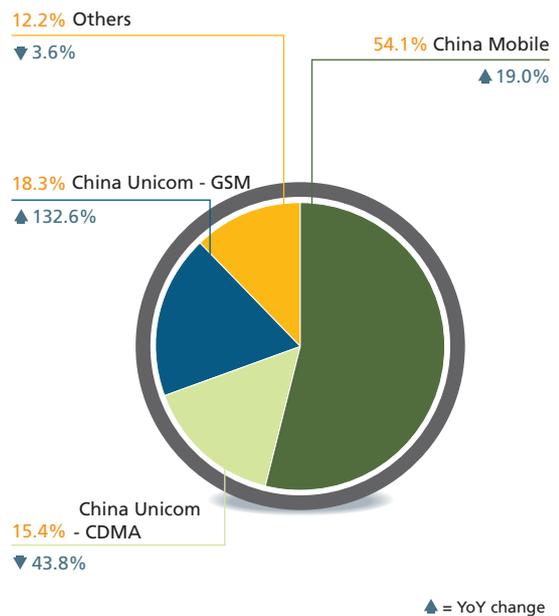
## PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS



## REVENUE BREAKDOWN BY SOLUTIONS (2005)



## REVENUE BREAKDOWN BY CUSTOMERS (2005)



## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For the year ended 31 December	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)	Change %
Revenue	<b>1,170,515</b>	1,092,761	+7%
Gross profit	<b>474,326</b>	563,379	-16%
Profit attributable to shareholders	<b>82,089</b>	237,478	-65%
Basic earnings per share (HK cents)	<b>9.86</b>	28.59	-66%
Dividend per share (HK cents)			
Interim dividend (HK cents)	<b>nil</b>	4	n/a
Final dividend (HK cents)	<b>3</b>	5	-40%

## KEY FINANCIAL FIGURES

As at 31 December	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Total assets	<b>2,182,236</b>	1,828,652
Net assets	<b>1,187,658</b>	1,100,986
Cash and bank balances	<b>492,414</b>	516,299
Current ratio	<b>2.0X</b>	2.3X
A/R turnover days	<b>174</b>	137
A/P turnover days	<b>170</b>	153
Inventory turnover days	<b>286</b>	260
Return on average equity	<b>7.2%</b>	23.5%
Gearing ratio	<b>14.0%</b>	8.6%

## CORPORATE MILESTONE 2005



Participated in CommunicAsia 2005  
from 14 to 17 June in Singapore



▲ Participated in 3GSM World Congress from 14 to 17  
February in Cannes, France

Participated in the 9th Dalian International Information  
Technology and Communications Exhibition from 13 to  
16 July in Dalian, the PRC



▲ Participated in 3G World Congress & Exhibition from  
16 to 18 November in Hong Kong

Participated in the 15th PT/Wireless & Networks Comm China 2005 from 18 to 22 October in Beijing, the PRC



Ranked first in the China Mobile Group's central procurement programme for outdoor repeaters and BTS antennas in July.

Set up a power amplifier research centre in Silicon Valley, the US in September

Our senior expert presenting in 2005 International TD-SCDMA Summit, Beijing, the PRC in April



Commissioning of a multi-system wireless enhancement project in Shenzhen International Exhibition Centre, the PRC in July



Visit from the officials of RF Administration Bureau of Ministry of Information Industry, the PRC in September



Our 800MHz CDMA repeater was awarded the first class award for commercialisation of technology development in August



Launched MASELink microwave solution in August

## CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

The Group has been well-prepared for the 3G product development, production and services. Leveraging our leading position in the 2G market, we expect to benefit significantly from the launch of 3G services in the PRC.

**Fok Tung Ling**  
Chairman and President





## BUSINESS REVIEW

2005 was a challenging year for Comba. The Group recorded another year of growth in revenue amid uncertainties surrounding the possible reorganisation of the business operations of the telecommunications operators in the PRC. During the year, certain mobile operators were cautious in implementing their network expansion plans, the businesses of wireless subsystems and enhancement solutions providers in the PRC were therefore affected. In addition, the 2G mobile market is getting mature and competitive in the PRC. This has driven down the market prices of the Group's products and therefore its gross profit margin was unfavourably affected. Nevertheless, in view of the 3G business opportunities ahead, we continued to strengthen our market leadership position. We continued to implement all-round growth strategies in product development, solution innovation, improving customer services quality and market expansion. For instance, new products and solutions include Dynamic Traffic Routing solutions, 3G products (especially TD-SCDMA products), base station extension systems and full range of base station antennas, etc. In addition, we have set up a Power Amplifier

R&D centre in Silicon Valley, the US and have successfully launched our multi-carrier power amplifiers (MCPA) product line which is expected to be widely used in 3G mobile market for internal and OEM applications.

China Mobile Communications Corporation and its subsidiaries (the "China Mobile Group") and China United Telecommunications Corporation and its subsidiaries (the "China Unicom Group") remained to be our largest customers during 2005. Through our technical services and nationwide support network, we played an important role in helping customers to enhance the quality of their mobile networks. We have also participated in the 3G trials undertaken by the mobile operators.

Through PHS business and trials on 3G products, we have demonstrated our strength and expertise, and have established good relationships with the fixed line operators, the possible candidates for 3G licences in the PRC. During 2005, we also expanded our sales channels to the core equipment manufacturer market. This has helped broaden our customer base.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT



Export market witnessed another year of strong growth. In order to expand our international market and broaden our name recognition, we are actively expanding our international presence and have participated in international exhibitions during 2005, including 3GSM World Congress in France in February, CommunicAsia in Singapore in June and the 3G World Congress in Hong Kong in November. The Group has already established presence in Singapore, Sweden, Thailand and India to concentrate on the development in the Asia Pacific and EMEA markets. With the successful integration of internal resources and products meeting international standards and demand, we are confident that the growth momentum of export sales will continue in 2006 and beyond.

In preparation for our anticipated business growth moving forward, we have taken multiple steps to prepare ourselves better for future challenges. We have launched a new SAP ERP system in May 2005 that integrates our procurement, finance, accounting, production, operations and project management functions into an automated platform. We have also completed the construction of our new headquarters in Guangzhou Science City, Guangdong, PRC. We expect to

relocate our R&D, sales and marketing and general management functions to the new headquarters resulting in more space in the existing facilities being used for production by the end of June 2006.

### INDUSTRY OUTLOOK

The mobile market in the PRC has been growing rapidly, with the number of subscribers approaching 400 million by the end of 2005. More and more mobile applications services are available and the mobile subscribers are demanding better services from the operators. This has resulted in greater capital expenditure on network optimisation by operators to enhance the quality of their mobile networks. In the near term, we remain cautiously optimistic on the 2G wireless enhancement solutions market as mobile operators continue to improve the breadth and depth of the mobile communications network. Pricing inevitably is trending downwards but the number of players will be fewer at the same time.

From 2007 onwards, the mobile communications market in the PRC is expected to achieve another round of substantial growth. The State government is expected to finalise the 3G



policy in 2006. A few commercial trial networks are being built using the TD-SCDMA standard. It is widely expected that licences will be granted in the PRC in the foreseeable future. During initial rollout, demand for 3G wireless enhancement products and solutions may outstrip supply.

We are therefore very excited about the business opportunities brought forth for Comba by the granting of 3G licences in the PRC. The Group has been well-prepared for the 3G product development, production and services. Leveraging our leading position in the 2G market, we expect to benefit significantly from the launch of 3G services in the PRC. We are also working diligently to expand our business beyond the PRC market and to the core equipment manufacturer market. These growth strategies will broaden our customer base and create new revenue streams that will transform Comba gradually into a group with relatively more balanced income sources.

Last but not least, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our customers who have given us the opportunity to be of service to them. Additionally, I would like to thank our

shareholders, business partners, fellow directors and employees for their support and contribution. 2005 was a challenging year for Comba, so our growth strategies could not have been more timely implemented. As regards 2006 and beyond, we are confident and are delighted to face the tremendous growth opportunities in the mobile communications network enhancement equipment and subsystem market. We will continue to create value for our customers, present a good working environment for our employees, perform social responsibilities, endeavour to deliver higher growth and maximize shareholders' value.

**Fok Tung Ling**

*Chairman and President*

Hong Kong, 21 April 2006

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS



### BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### Revenue

The Group's revenue for the year ended 31 December 2005 was HK\$1,170,515,000, representing an increase of approximately 7.1% from the previous year. While the Group experienced continued wireless enhancement capital expenditure by the GSM mobile operators in the PRC in improving the quality of mobile networks, such increase was offset by the slowdown in the implementation of capital expenditure plans on wireless enhancement solutions in CDMA network in the PRC in 2005. On the other hand, the Group recorded remarkable revenue growth in the international market in 2005.

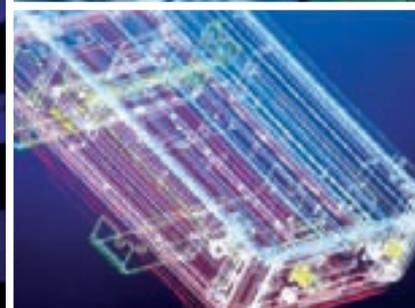
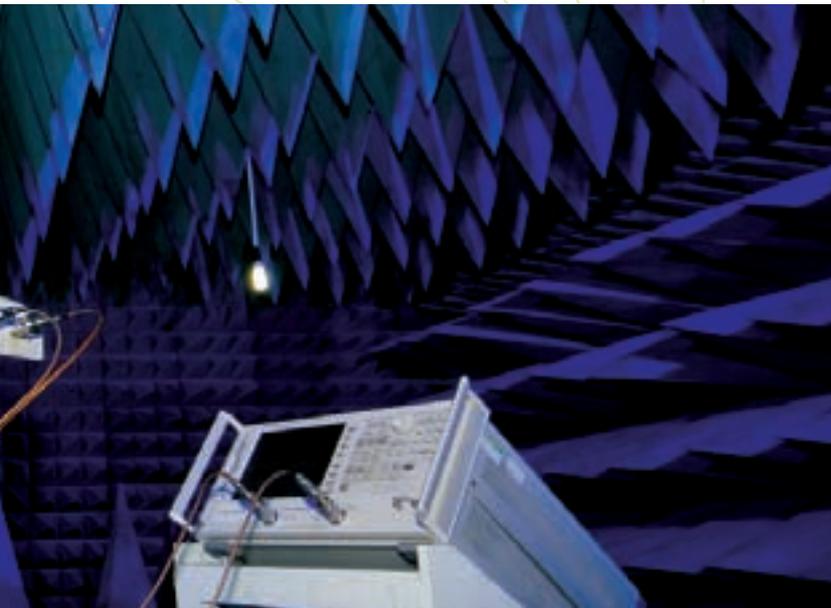
By the end of 2005, the Group operated over 30 offices in the PRC providing sales, project survey and design, project management, installation and maintenance services to its customers locally, covering almost every single province and municipality in the PRC. The Group expanded steadily to

strengthen its position as a leading wireless enhancement solutions provider in the PRC.

#### *By customers*

Revenue generated from the China Mobile Group increased steadily by 19.0% and accounted for 54.1% of the Group's revenue in 2005. During the year, revenue generated from the GSM network of the China Unicom Group increased by 132.6% while revenue generated from its CDMA network decreased by 43.8%. Revenue generated from China Unicom Group accounted for 33.7% of the Group's revenue in 2005, with GSM and CDMA accounting for 18.3% and 15.4% respectively.

The Group has strategically broadened its customer base by developing businesses with customers other than the mobile operators in the PRC. Revenue from other customers including agents in the PRC and international customers accounted for 12.2% of the Group's revenue in 2005.

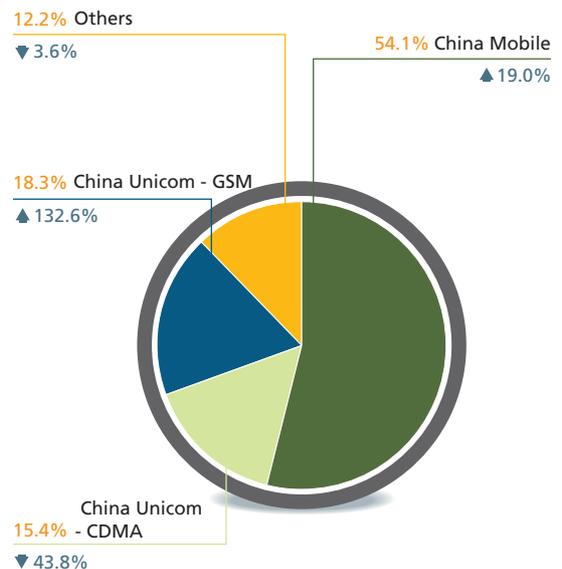


*By solutions/products*

Revenue generated from indoor wireless enhancement solutions accounted for 67.2% of the Group's revenue in 2005, as compared to 73.7% in 2004. Revenue generated from outdoor wireless enhancement solutions accounted for 19.2% of the Group's revenue in 2005, compared to 15.7% in 2004. Outdoor solutions revenue increased as more outdoor solutions were deployed in areas like Guangdong province and Beijing. In general, the Group continued to benefit from the steady wireless enhancement capital expenditure by the mobile operators.

Apart from providing turnkey solutions in wireless enhancement to mobile operators, the Group also sold base transceiver station ("BTS") subsystems, including tower top solutions and BTS antennas. Revenue from subsystems and antennas grew by 63.9% and accounted for 4.8% of the Group's revenue in 2005, compared to 3.1% in 2004.

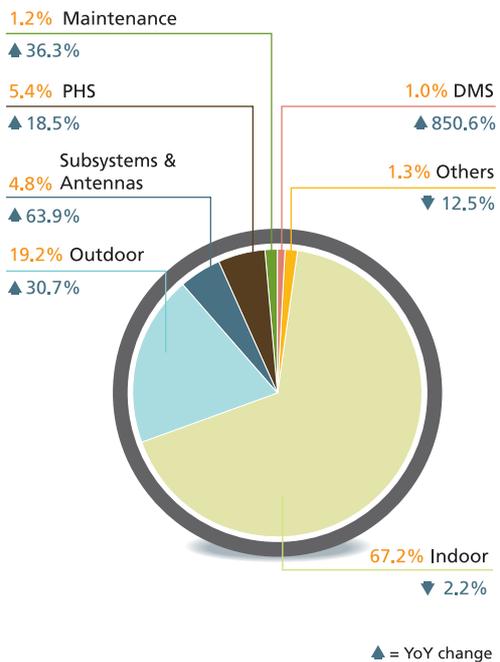
Revenue Breakdown by Customers (2005)



▲ = YoY change

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Revenue Breakdown by Solutions (2005)

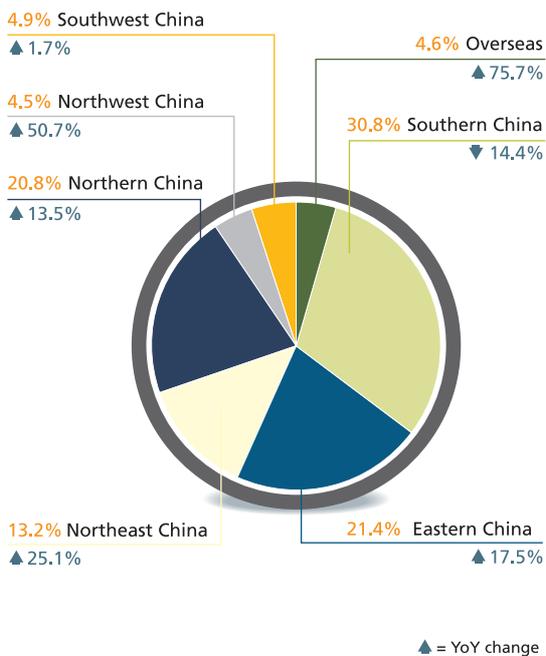


Revenue generated from the wireless enhancement equipment for the PHS network grew by 18.5% and accounted for 5.4% of the Group's revenue in 2005, compared to 4.8% in 2004. The Group considers that such penetration into the fixed line operators serves as a good foundation on which the Group can develop more businesses with them especially in 3G network rollout. In addition, revenue from extended maintenance services grew by 36.3% and accounted for 1.2% of the Group's revenue in 2005, compared to 0.9% in 2004. Revenue from DMS increased more than eightfold and accounted for 1.0% of the Group's revenue in 2005, compared to 0.1% in 2004. The Group's diversification strategy in products and solutions gradually started contributing to its revenue.

By regions

In respect of the PRC market, over 85% of the Group's revenue was generated from various coastal and developed regions. Southern region remained as the major revenue contributor, accounting for 30.8% of the Group's revenue in 2005. Eastern region, Northern region and Northeast region accounted for 21.4%, 20.8% and 13.2% respectively of the Group's revenue in 2005.

Revenue Breakdown by Regions (2005)



Export sales (including sales to core equipment manufacturers) accounted for 4.6% of the Group's revenue in 2005, representing an increase of 75.7% over 2004. Since the first half of 2004, the Group has continued to expand its business in the international market by setting up sales offices in Sweden, Thailand and India.

### Gross profit

In order to maintain its leadership position and capture new markets, the Group has adjusted its pricing strategy to ensure its products and solutions are cost effective and of better price-performance. On the other hand, the Group is also facing continued pressure on the average selling price and hence gross profit margin of its products and solutions for the maturing 2G mobile communications market in the PRC. In 2005, although the Group managed to negotiate better pricing in materials and implemented various cost saving measures such as improvements in production technology and product redesign, the impact of these measures generally lagged behind and were not sufficient to compensate the effect brought by the downward trend in selling prices in the short term. As a result of the downward price trend, the Group also increased its resources in the provision of project management and technical support services nationwide in the PRC for the increase in number of projects undertaken. Gross profit margin was 40.5% in 2005 compared to 51.6% in 2004, due to the reasons mentioned above. Gross profit of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2005 was HK\$474,326,000, representing a decrease of 15.8% over 2004.

### Research and development costs

The Group has increased its resources considerably in the research and development ("R&D") of its products and solutions including those related to 3G. For instance, the Group expanded its R&D team in the PRC substantially during 2005. In addition, the Group purchased more R&D equipment and incurred more expenses in broadening its product portfolio. On the other hand, in order to accelerate its R&D capabilities in power amplifiers, the Group set up an R&D centre in Silicon Valley, the US in the third quarter of 2005. R&D costs therefore increased substantially to HK\$62,509,000 and accounted for 5.3% of revenue in 2005 compared to 3.4% in 2004.



## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### Selling and distribution costs

Selling and distribution costs were HK\$86,955,000 in 2005, representing an increase of 25.3% over 2004. This was largely due to the increase in headcount in the Group's nationwide network in the PRC to strengthen its presence and increase its market share. Nevertheless, in the second half of 2005, the Group already streamlined certain of its operations in the nationwide network amid slow down in CDMA capital expenditure. This has since helped reduce the impact on its operating results from such nationwide expansion in anticipation of 3G opportunities. International expansion also contributed to the increase in selling and distribution costs.

### Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses were HK\$223,000,000 in 2005, representing an increase of 5.6% over 2004. Around two-fifths of administrative expenses were payroll and related expenses for both 2004 and 2005. Others included office rental and expenses, travelling and depreciation charges. As a result of the recent changes to the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, the cost of share options granted by the Company to the Group's employees has to be accounted for by the Company as an expense in its income statement starting from accounting periods commencing after 1 January 2005. As such, option expense amounting to HK\$16,896,000 was charged to the income statement in 2005, compared to HK\$17,627,000 in 2004 as restated.

### Finance costs

Finance costs were HK\$21,480,000 in 2005, representing an increase of 125.4% over 2004. This was mainly due to the increase in bank loans to finance the Group's working capital and the increase in interest rates during the year. In addition, finance costs on factored trade receivables also increased by HK\$6,540,000 over 2004.

### Tax

Effective tax rate was 8.5% in 2005, compared to 2.5% in 2004. Such increase was due to the fact that one of the Group's subsidiaries in the PRC enjoyed full tax exemption in 2004 but is currently subject to corporate income tax at half the standard rate.

### Net profit

Profit attributable to shareholders ("Net Profit") for the year ended 31 December 2005 was HK\$82,089,000, representing a decrease of 65.4% over 2004. Net profit margin was 7.0% in 2005 compared to 21.7% in 2004 as restated. The decrease was mainly due to the decrease in gross profit and increases in costs and expenses described above.

## PROSPECT

### Businesses – solutions/products

#### *Wireless enhancement solutions*

The Directors believe that the future development of the Group's 3G operations represents an excellent business opportunity to the Company in the medium term. The Group has continuously invested in R&D to enhance its product portfolio and capabilities for the WCDMA and TD-SCDMA standards. Having set up an R&D centre in Silicon Valley, the US, the Group has expanded its R&D capabilities especially in multi-carrier power amplifiers ("MCPA"). The Group is well prepared for 3G in all aspects and a number of 3G solutions have been deployed. This enables the Group to understand the need, and meet the demand, of operators immediately upon the granting of 3G licences.

MII officials indicated that the 3G policy would be finalised in 2006. The State government has been actively promoting the development of the TD-SCDMA standard. For instance, three telecom operators in the PRC are building a commercial trial network separately for the TD-SCDMA standard. The granting of 3G licences in the PRC is therefore foreseeable in the near future. Once the licences are granted, the Group anticipates the demand for wireless enhancement solutions for 3G networks to be strong and possibly outstrip supply. This will bring tremendous business opportunities to the Group, which can leverage its leading position in the wireless enhancement solutions market in the PRC. In addition, the development of some PHS products has helped the Group to establish relationships with fixed line operators in the PRC which are involved in the above-mentioned trial networks for TD-SCDMA standard.

The Directors also believe that 2G and 3G networks will coexist for a long period of time, operators will still need to invest in the construction of 2G network. Both the China Mobile Group and the China Unicom Group indicated recently that they would increase capital expenditure in their respective GSM networks in 2006 compared to 2005. Apart from investing in core network equipment to provide a larger capacity, mobile operators would invest in the optimisation of network quality and resources in order to improve the breadth and depth of the network, the former is to increase the coverage areas to rural areas and second tier cities while the latter is to improve the signal strength inside an area like basements and elevators. The Directors therefore remain cautiously optimistic about the wireless enhancement solutions market in the PRC, no matter when the 3G licences are granted.



## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Group has launched various new solutions and products to meet the needs of the market. For instance, in 2005, the Group developed various new solutions including Dynamic Traffic Routing solutions. The continued investment made by the Group has made its products even more cost effective and competitive in the industry. For instance, the Group was ranked first by the China Mobile Group in its central procurement programme for outdoor repeaters in July 2005. This has strengthened the Group's leading position in the industry.

Mobile operators have increasingly adopted the practice of central procurement in order to streamline their supply chain management. The Directors believe that it is good for the market as a whole because fewer players will be selected and the Group may capture a larger market share. Nevertheless, inevitably, the average selling price of the wireless enhancement products is expected to be trending downwards and gross profit margin is expected to be under pressure.

*Subsystems and Antennas*

The Group has actively expanded its capabilities on subsystems and antennas. This rapid expansion aligns with its consolidated effort in international and core equipment manufacturer market expansion. The Group's continuous investment in R&D has enabled it to develop a complete product portfolio including smart antennas, multi-band antennas with 3G capabilities, camouflaged antennas and a full range of tower top solutions. This effort drastically increases its core competency in BTS antennas, enabling the Group to be ranked first by the China Mobile Group in its central procurement programme for BTS antennas in July 2005. Revenue from BTS antennas has since been growing rapidly in the PRC. With respect to the international market, the Group has started gaining traction. In addition, the Group is in the process of qualifying its subsystems and antennas with international operators and core equipment manufacturers. The Directors believe that this market segment is going to provide strong growth momentum for the Group.

*Digital Microwave Systems ("DMS")*

The Group has launched its MASELink DMS solutions in the international market. It currently has a complete portfolio of DMS solutions that is capable of operating across all frequency bands from 6GHz to 26GHz and ranges from the traditional PDH based microwave solution with capacities of up to 16 E-1 (32Mbps) to SDH microwave solution at an STM-1 (155Mbps) capacity. With the MASELink Super PDH solution, the Group is one of the few companies that is able to offer a true 100Mbps IP radio solution. With feature-rich and competitively positioned DMS solutions, the Group believes that its DMS revenue will continue its growth momentum, especially after 3G licences are granted in the PRC.

*Extended maintenance services*

The Group has accumulated a growing installed base over the years which serve as a solid base for recurring income. Upon expiry of the free warranty period of the wireless enhancement solutions projects undertaken by the Group in previous years, the Group is in a position to negotiate extended maintenance services contracts with its customers and it expects to generate more revenue from this business segment.

**Businesses — markets***International market*

The Directors view the international market expansion as one of the most important strategies for the Group's future growth. The Group has been focusing on the PRC market and concurrently building up its core technical and manufacturing competencies to get ready for this expansion. The Group has established the EMEA (Europe, Middle East & Africa) regional headquarters in Stockholm, Sweden and has also established direct presence in the Thailand, Singapore and India markets which are coordinated from the corporate headquarters located in Hong Kong. The Group has broadened its international customer base to increase its global brand recognition and to allow more effective business development.

In addition to the expansion of its network, the Group has established dedicated marketing organisation with employees around the world. Coupled with a Global Service & Support Team (“GSST”) in Singapore, the Group is now in a position to address different market requirements as well as to offer a complete solution from consultation to post-sales support and maintenance. The Directors are committed to the international expansion and believe that it will provide substantial growth for the Group in 2006 and beyond. In order to meet and adapt to customer and market needs, the Group is continually restructuring and adding to the technical and human resources required to address the international market effectively.

#### *Core equipment manufacturer market*

The Directors also view the core equipment manufacturer market as an important strategy for expansion. With established R&D and manufacturing capabilities, the Group has developed products catering to the needs of core equipment manufacturers both inside and outside of the PRC. The core equipment manufacturer market is synergistic to the Group’s overall product expansion plan. Its products will be integrated to BTS equipment and this effectively expands the Group’s addressable market.

The Group has made a concerted move into the core equipment manufacturer market over the past year and has already gained traction with certain key domestic core equipment manufacturers. The global core equipment manufacturer outsourcing market is expected to grow with equipment manufacturers increasingly outsourcing some of the components. The PRC itself is expected to be a powerful contributor to the core equipment manufacturer outsourcing market over the next 3 years driven by 3G licence issuance and the subsequent network upgrades and installations. Given the Group’s capabilities, the Directors believe that it will be able to leverage its production base and international network to gain share in the core equipment manufacturer market.

#### Operations

In an attempt to improve its operating efficiency and internal control, the Group implemented a new SAP ERP system in the PRC in 2005. A high level of integration of logistics management has been achieved. The Group also expects to improve efficiency and control in the areas of materials procurement, inventory control, overall production management, project coordination management and working capital management. The new ERP system will be implemented throughout the Group in 2006.

The construction of the new PRC headquarters of the Group in Guangzhou Science City, Guangzhou, the PRC has been completed. The Group expects to relocate the sales and marketing and the R&D departments to the new headquarters by June 2006. After that, the existing plant in the Guangzhou Economic and Technology Development District will mainly be used for production. The increase in production floor space will enable the Group to meet business demand flexibly in the next few years.

#### Conclusion

The Group remains cautiously optimistic about the opportunities that the future development of the 3G mobile market in the PRC will bring in the medium term. As and when the 3G licences are granted to telecommunications operators in the PRC, the Group expects significant business opportunities from both existing and new customers. Based on its preparation so far, the Group believes that it will be ready to face the challenges and benefit from the opportunities in the 3G mobile market. On the other hand, in order to fuel its long term growth, the Group is committed to developing international and core equipment manufacturer markets, which are its strategic areas of expansion. Being the market leader in the PRC in terms of market share, R&D and production capabilities, the Group is well positioned to provide quality products and services in these markets. The Group is also committed to allocating resources to pursue this growth strategy to achieve a more balanced customer base.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Group continues to focus on its core competency in radio frequency technology. To cope with the changes in market needs, it will continue to invest in products and technology based research and development and to enlarge its production platform to meet expected growth in demand for its products and solutions. Such capital expenditure of the Group is expected to be funded by various means of financing. Finally, the Group will endeavour to maintain a solid and healthy financial position, consolidate its leading market position, and pursue a balanced and carefully planned growth strategy, in order to maximise the shareholders' value.

**LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES & CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

The Group generally finances its operations from cashflow generated internally and bank loans. As at 31 December 2005, the Group had net current assets of HK\$960,419,000. Current assets comprised inventories of HK\$572,948,000, trade receivables of HK\$618,290,000, notes receivables of HK\$35,585,000, factored trade receivables of HK\$115,296,000, prepayments, deposits and other receivables of HK\$112,807,000, short term time deposits of HK\$178,296,000 and cash and cash equivalents of HK\$314,118,000. Current liabilities comprised trade and bills payables of HK\$356,753,000, tax payable of HK\$18,867,000, other payables and accruals of HK\$284,036,000, current portion of finance lease payables of HK\$180,000, interest-bearing bank and other borrowings of HK\$190,723,000, bank advances on factored trade receivables of HK\$115,296,000, and provision for product warranties of HK\$21,066,000.

The average receivable turnover for the year ended 31 December 2005 was 174 days compared to 137 days for the year ended 31 December 2004. The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on credit. The contractual credit period is generally for a period of three to six months except for those retention money receivables with payment ranging from six to twenty-four months. The average payable turnover for the year ended 31 December 2005 was 170 days compared to 153 days for the year ended 31 December 2004. The average inventory turnover for the year ended 31 December 2005 was 286 days compared to 260 days for the year ended 31 December 2004.

As at 31 December 2005, the Group's cash and bank balances were mainly denominated in Renminbi ("RMB"), Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$") and United States dollars ("US\$") while the Group's bank borrowings were mainly denominated in RMB, HK\$ and US\$. The interest rates on the Group's bank borrowings are principally on a floating basis at prevailing market rates. The Group's revenue and expenses, assets and liabilities are mainly denominated in RMB, US\$ and HK\$. Since the exchange fluctuations among these currencies are low, the Board considers that there is no significant exchange risk.

The Group's gearing ratio, calculated as total interest-bearing debts (including bank loans and advances, and finance lease payables) over total assets, was 14.0% as at 31 December 2005. (2004: 8.6%)

### CHARGE ON ASSETS

The Group's bank borrowings were secured by a charge on a time deposit amounted to HK\$63,000,000 (2004: HK\$102,000,000).

### CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2005, the Group had no contingent liability as detailed in the financial statements (2004: HK\$13,603,000).

### EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES

As at 31 December 2005, the Group had around 3,200 staff. The total staff costs for the year under review was HK\$248,931,000. The Group offers competitive remuneration schemes to its employees based on industry practices as well as the employees' and the Group's performance. In addition, share options and discretionary bonuses are also granted to eligible staff based on the performance of each such employee as well as the Group.

## DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT



Mr. Fok Tung Ling

### DIRECTORS

#### Executive Directors

Mr. Fok Tung Ling (霍東齡), aged 49, chairman of the Board and the president. Mr. Fok is primarily responsible for the Group's overall strategic planning, management and business development. From 1982 to 1987, Mr. Fok worked as an engineer in the Microwave Telecommunications Main Station of the Guangdong Bureau of Post and Telecommunications (廣東省郵電局微波通信總站). In 1986, he graduated from the Beijing Institute of Post and Telecommunications (currently known as the Beijing University of Post and Telecommunications) (現北京郵電大學) majoring in microwave communications. Prior to 1991, Mr. Fok worked as an executive at the China Electronics Import-Export Corporation, South China Branch (中國電子進出口總公司華南分公司) and was involved in the import and export of electronic products. From 1991 to 1997, Mr. Fok was engaged in the trading of telecommunications and electronic equipment and components before co-founding the Group in 1997. Mr. Fok has over 18 years of experience in wireless communications. Mr. Fok is the sole director of Prime Choice Investments Limited and Total Master Investments Limited, both of which are substantial shareholders of the Company.

**Mr. Zhang Yue Jun****Mr. Chan Kai Leung, Clement****Mr. Wu Jiang Cheng**

Mr. Zhang Yue Jun (張躍軍), aged 47, vice chairman & executive vice president, R&D. Mr. Zhang is responsible for the overall research and development of new technology and products. He graduated from South China Institute of Technology (currently known as South China University of Technology) (現華南理工大學) in 1982 and obtained a bachelor's degree in wireless engineering. From 1982 to 1990, Mr. Zhang worked as a microwave telecommunications engineer in Nanjing and from 1990 to 1997 he was the deputy chief engineer of a joint venture company in Shenzhen, mainly responsible for wireless telecommunications projects. Mr. Zhang has over 23 years of experience in wireless communications and he co-founded the Group in 1997. Mr. Zhang is the sole director of Wise Logic Investments Limited, which is a substantial shareholder of the Company.

Mr. Chan Kai Leung, Clement (陳繼良), aged 42, executive director and financial controller, finance & investor relations. He is also the qualified accountant and company secretary of the Company. Mr. Chan is primarily responsible for the overall

financial management, accounting, investor relations and company secretarial matters of the Group. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and an associate of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Chan obtained a master's degree in business administration from the University of Sheffield in the United Kingdom. He has over 17 years of experience in auditing, investment banking and accounting and he joined the Group in 2001.

Mr. Wu Jiang Cheng (伍江成), aged 46, executive director and senior vice president, PRC marketing & sales. He is responsible for the setting, implementation and control of the Group's overall sales and marketing strategies in the PRC. He graduated from the Southwest Jiaotong University (西南交通大學) and obtained a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. Mr. Wu has over 10 years of experience as a lecturer in engineering with the last two years in the Guangzhou University and over 13 years of experience in communications and marketing. He joined the Group in 1997.

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Mr. Yan Ji Ci

Mr. Zheng Guo Bao

Mr. Yeung Pui Sang, Simon

Mr. Yan Ji Ci (嚴紀慈), aged 51, executive director and senior vice president, production operations. Mr. Yan is responsible for the operations in the Group's production facilities in Guangzhou, the PRC, he is also supervising the overall day to day management of the Group's branches in different provinces in the PRC. Mr. Yan graduated from South China Normal University (華南師範大學), majoring in political science. Mr. Yan has over 28 years of experience in operations and human resources management. He joined the Group in 1997.

Mr. Zheng Guo Bao (鄭國寶), aged 40, executive director. Mr. Zheng is also the chief executive officer of the WaveLab Holdings Limited, an indirect subsidiary of the Company. Mr. Zheng is primarily responsible for the strategic development of the digital microwave systems products. He graduated from University of Science and Technology of China and obtained bachelor and master degrees in electrical engineering. From 2000 to 2002, Mr. Zheng served as chief engineer in Filtronic Sigtek, Inc., Maryland USA. Prior to the position, he worked as an engineering manager in wireless communication division of L3 Communications (former EER Systems, Inc.), Virginia USA. He is the member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics

Engineers (IEEE). Mr. Zheng has over 19 years of experience in RF/micro wave/millimeter-wave technology and wireless communications especially in the area of research and development, and engineering management. He joined the Group in 2003.

Mr. Yeung Pui Sang, Simon (楊沛樂), aged 33, executive director and senior vice president, strategy & international operations. Mr. Yeung is also the chief operating & strategy officer of Comba Telecom Systems International Limited, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Yeung was the vice president of strategy & business development and a founding employee of LGC Wireless, Inc. ("LGC") based in the Silicon Valley, USA. Mr. Yeung also held multiple positions at LGC including the general manager of a business unit, director of technical marketing, general manager of sales, and principal engineer. Mr. Yeung holds a master of science degree in engineering from University of California at Berkeley and a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Purdue University. Mr. Yeung has over 10 years of experience in the telecom industry. He joined the Group in 2004.



#### Independent Non-executive Directors

Mr. Yao Yan (姚彦), aged 68, independent non-executive director. Mr. Yao is currently the deputy director of Academy Committee of State Key Lab and a professor in the Department of Electronics Engineering of Tsinghua University. He was the director of the State Key Lab in 1998. Mr. Yao joined the Group in 2003.

Mr. Lau Siu Ki, Kevin (劉紹基), aged 47, independent non-executive director. He has over 20 years of experience in corporate finance, financial advisory and management, accounting and auditing. He is currently working as a consultant in the financial advisory field. Prior to that, Mr. Lau had worked in an international accounting firm for over 15 years. Mr. Lau is a fellow member of both the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants ("ACCA") as well as the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. He is now a member of the Council of ACCA. He has also served as a member of the Committee of the Hong Kong branch of ACCA since 1995 and was the Chairman of ACCA Hong Kong for the year 2000/2001. Mr. Lau is also an independent non-executive director of certain other companies listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Mr. Lau joined the Group in 2003.

Mr. Liu Cai (劉彩), aged 66, independent non-executive director. He is the vice chairman and secretary-general of the China Institute of Communications and chairman of the Consultative Committee for Telecom Law Drafting of the Ministry of Information Industry. From 1988 to 2001, Professor Liu worked with the former Ministry of Post and Telecommunications and the Ministry of Information Industry of the PRC (the "Ministries"). As the director-general of the Policy and Regulation Department of the Ministries, he was directly involved in policy setting, reform planning, laws and regulations drafting for the telecommunications industry of the PRC. Before joining the Ministry in 1988, Professor Liu was engaged in research and development work at the China Academy of Post and Telecommunications after graduating from the Beijing Institute of Post and Telecommunications (currently known as the Beijing University of Post and Telecommunications). Mr. Liu joined the Group in 2003.

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### SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Mr. Chen Sui Yang (陳遂陽), aged 42, vice president, wireless enhancement business unit. Mr Chen is mainly responsible for the research and development of the new products and technology in wireless enhancement. He graduated from the Northwest Institute of Telecommunications Engineering (currently known as Xidian University) (現西安電子科技大學) and obtained a bachelor's degree in antenna technology in 1985. He is now taking an EMBA degree course in China Europe International Business School (CEIBS) (中歐國際工商學院). Mr Chen has over 20 years of experience in technology research of wireless communications. He joined the Group in 1998.

Mr. Zhang Jin Yu, Charles (張金玉), aged 42, deputy financial controller, PRC finance. Mr. Zhang is responsible for the Group's accounting and financial management in the PRC. He is a member of the Certified General Accountants of Canada. He obtained a master of science degree in accounting from the University of New Haven in Connecticut, the United States of America in 1998 and a master's degree in economic from

South-western University of Economics and Finance (西南財經大學) in 1990. He has over 15 years of experience in accounting and financial management and joined the Group in 2004.

Mr. Fredrik Dyfverman, aged 35, vice president of sales and business development for the Group's international branch in Sweden. Mr. Dyfverman is responsible for developing the Group's brand as well as the sales platform outside China market. Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Dyfverman was the vice president of system sales of Allgon Systems AB, based in Stockholm, Sweden. He graduated from the Kalmar University and obtained the bachelor of science degree in industrial engineering in 1996. Mr Dyfverman has 8 years of experience in the wireless industry. He joined the Group in 2004.

Mr. Ong Sing Jye (王新杰), aged 37, general manager of the Group's international branch in Singapore. He is also the director of the global service & support function within Comba International. Mr Ong holds a master's degree from the Imperial College, London in advanced IT and an MBA from the University



of Hull. He graduated with good honors from the University of Birmingham, specializing in Electronics and Communications Engineering. He has more than 12 years of experience in the telecommunications industry and joined the Group in 2002.

Mr. Zhang Shan Yu (張山宇), aged 48, deputy general manager of the Group's sales and marketing department and director of the Group's Northeastern branch. Mr. Zhang is responsible for the Group's business development in Liaoning, Jilin and Heilongjiang provinces. He graduated from Dalian Institute of Technology (currently known as Dalian University of Technology) (現大連理工大學) and obtained a bachelor's degree in wireless technology. Mr. Zhang has over 23 years of experience in engineering, marketing and management. He joined the Group in 1997.

Mr. Feng Yong (馮勇), aged 34, deputy general manager of the Group's sales and marketing department and director of the Group's Eastern branch. Mr. Feng is responsible for senior level relationship with the Group's major customers and the Group's business development in Shanghai, Zhejiang and

Jiangsu provinces. He graduated from the China Europe International Business School (CEIBS) (中歐國際工商學院) and obtained an executive master of business administration degree in 2005. Mr. Feng has over 8 years of experience in marketing and management. He joined the Group in 2000.

Mr. Chen Jin Jian (陳錦堅), aged 47, project manager of the Group. Mr. Chen is responsible for the Group's new headquarters project in Guangzhou Science City. He graduated from the Guangdong Radio and Television University (廣東廣播電視大學) and obtained a professional diploma in electronic technology. Mr. Chen has over 26 years of experience in quality control and procurement. He joined the Group in 1997.

Mr. Shen Wen Bo (沈文波), aged 42, deputy general manager of the Group's sales and marketing department and director of the Group's Northwestern branch. Mr. Shen is responsible for senior level relationship with the Group's major customers and the Group's business development in Shaanxi, Qinghai and Gansu provinces; he is also responsible for Ningxia Huizu and Xinjiang Uygur autonomous regions. He obtained his master's

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degree in business administration from the Macao University of Science and Technology (澳門科技大學) in Macau. Mr Shen has over 20 years of experience in marketing and management. He joined the Group in 1999.

Mr. Qiao Hong Feng (喬宏楓), aged 44, director of the Group's Northern branch. Mr Qiao is responsible for the Group's business development in Shandong and Henan provinces. He graduated from Nankai University (南開大學) and obtained an executive master of business administration degree (EMBA) in 2005. Mr Qiao has over 15 years of experience in marketing and management. He joined the Group in 1999.

Mr. Meng Cheng Zhi (蒙承志), aged 37, director of the Group's Southern branch as well as the general manager of the Group's Guangdong branch. Mr. Meng is responsible for the Group's business development in Guangdong, Hunan, Hainan and Guangxi provinces. He graduated from the Chengdu University of Electronic Science and Technology (currently known as University of Electronic Science and Technology) (現電子科技大學). Mr. Meng has over 13 years of experience in engineering and management. He joined the Group in 1997.

Ms. Li Yu Wen (李宇雯), aged 35, deputy general manager of the Group's sales and marketing department. Ms Li is responsible for daily operations management of the Group's sales and marketing department and the liaison with key customers in Guangdong province. She graduated from the Yunnan University (雲南大學) and obtained a bachelor's degree in physics. She is now taking an EMBA degree course in Tsinghua University. Ms Li has over 13 years of experience in the market of communications, operation and project management. Ms Li served the GMCC in engineering construction of wireless communications solution projects for many years. She joined the Group in 1997.

Mr. Liu Yi Bo (劉義波), aged 37, general manager of the Group's wireless enhancement business unit. Mr Liu is responsible for the management of technical support and research and development system in the Group's wireless enhancement product line. He graduated from University of Electronic Science & Technology of China (電子科技大學) and obtained a bachelor's degree in electronic magnetic field and microwave technology. Mr Liu has over 14 years of experience in engineering and project management. He joined the Group in 1997.

Mr. Su Hua Hong (蘇華鴻), aged 65, senior engineer of professor level, wireless business technical director of the Group. Mr. Su is responsible for solution design of wireless enhancement product for the Group. He graduated from the Beijing Institute of Post and Telecommunications (currently known as Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications) (現北京郵電大學) and obtained a master's degree. He was the chief engineer of the Research Centre of Institute of Design and the deputy director of Wireless Department of the Ministry of Post and Telecommunications, the PRC. Mr Su obtained the engineering technology prominent contribution certificate from the State Council in 1992, and enjoyed the national level of government special allowance. Mr. Su has over 40 years of experience in telecommunications. He joined the Group in 2001.

Mr. Sun Ru Shi (孫孺石), aged 66, senior engineer, technical director of the Group's Eastern branch. Mr Sun is responsible for special project solution design of the Group. Mr Sun graduated from Xi'an Jiaotong University (西安交通大學) and obtained a bachelor's degree. Mr. Sun obtained the prominent contribution award from the State Council in 1992 and enjoyed the national level of government special allowance. Mr Sun has over 40 years of experience in communications. He joined the Group in 2003.

Mr. Bu Bin Long (卜斌龍), aged 43, general manager of the Group's sub-system and antenna business unit. Mr Bu is responsible for the Group's research & development in antenna products and operations management of sub-systems and mobile communications base stations. Mr Bu graduated in 1985 from Northwest Institute of Telecommunications Engineering (currently known as Xidian University) (現西安電子科技大學) and obtained a master's degree in electronic magnetic field and microwave technology. Mr Bu has over 20 years of experience in the domain of satellite antennas and mobile communications antennas. He joined the Group in 2003.

Mr. Zhu Qin (朱勤), aged 48, microwave systems technical director of the Group. Mr Zhu is responsible for the Group's research & development and technical management in digital microwave products. Mr Zhu graduated from South China Institute of Technology (currently known as South China University of Technology) (現華南理工大學) and obtained a bachelor's degree in radio technology. Mr Zhu has over 23 years of experience in development and technical management of microwave communication products. He joined the Group in 2004.

Mr. Wang Wei (王偉), aged 42, deputy technical director of the Group's research & development centre and the general manager of the Group's R&D centre in Nanjing, the PRC. Mr Wang is responsible for the Group's research & development of the new products in RF technology of digital microwave systems. Mr Wang graduated from the Department of Information Physics, Nanjing University (南京大學) and obtained a bachelor's degree in science. Mr Wang has over 20 years of experience in research & development in RF technology of digital microwave systems. He joined the Group in 2005.

Mr. Di Ying Jie (鄧英傑), aged 44, is the technical expert of microwave RF passive accessories and senior research supervisor of the Group. Mr Di is responsible for the product development in microwave RF passive accessories. Mr Di graduated from Xidian University (西安電子科技大學) majoring in electronic magnetic field and microwave technology and obtained his doctorate degree in engineering. He was subsequently engaged in the post-doctorate research work with the University of Birmingham in the United Kingdom (英國伯明罕大學). Mr Di has been engaged in design research of microwave RF passive accessories for many years. Mr Di is also very experienced in product development in microwave RF passive accessories. He joined the Group in 2004.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

The Group is committed to achieving high standards of corporate governance to ensure transparency and accountability. It believes that corporate governance is crucial to the development of the Group and helps safeguard the interests of the Company's shareholders.

The Company has complied with the code provisions as set out in Appendix 14 to the Rules (the "Listing Rules") Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") throughout the accounting period for the year ended 31 December 2005, except for the deviation from Code Provision A.2.1 which stipulates that the roles of chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual and that their divisions of responsibility should be clearly established and set out in writing. The Company currently has not complied with Code Provision A.2.1 as the Company considers that through the supervision of its board of Directors (the "Board"), a balancing mechanism exists so that the interests of the shareholders are fairly represented. Nevertheless, the Company will be reviewing its situation regularly and will comply with this code at an appropriate time in the future should it consider appropriate and necessary.

## DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules (the "Model Code") as the Company's code of conduct for dealings in securities of the Company by its directors (the "Directors"). Each of the Directors has confirmed that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code throughout the financial year ended 31 December 2005.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

As at the date of this report, the Board comprises 10 Directors. Details of the composition of the Board, relationship among members of the Board (if any), term of appointment of the Directors, and biographical information of the Directors are set out in the sections "Report of the Directors" and "Directors and Senior Management" of Annual Report 2005. The Board held 5 meetings during the financial year with attendance record as follows:

<b>Attendance at Board Meeting</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (5 meetings in total)</b>
<i>Executive Directors:</i>	
Fok Tung Ling (Chairman & President)	5
Zhang Yue Jun	5
Chan Kai Leung, Clement	5
Wu Jiang Cheng	4
Yan Ji Ci	4
Zheng Guo Bao	4
Yeung Pui Sang, Simon (appointed on 7 April 2005)	5
<i>Independent Non-executive Directors:</i>	
Yao Yan	4
Lau Siu Ki, Kevin	5
Liu Cai	3

Full Board meetings are held at least 4 times a year. The Board decides on corporate strategies, approves overall business plans and supervises the Group's financial performance, management and organisation on behalf of the shareholders. Specific tasks that the Board delegates to the Group's management include the preparation of annual and interim financial statements for the Board's approval before public reporting; implementation of strategies approved by the Board; the monitoring of operating budgets; the implementation of internal control procedures; and the ensuring of compliance with relevant statutory requirements and other rules and regulations.

The Board evaluates the independence of all independent non-executive Directors on an annual basis and has received written confirmation from each independent non-executive Director regarding his independence. As at the date of this report, the Board is satisfied that all such Directors are in full compliance with the independence guidelines as laid down in the Listing Rules.

The Board acknowledges their responsibilities for the preparation of the financial statements of the Group.

## REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The remuneration committee comprises three independent non-executive Directors, Mr Yao Yan, Mr Lau Siu Ki, Kevin and Mr Liu Cai. Mr Lau Siu Ki, Kevin is the chairman of the remuneration committee. Its primary duties are to advise the Board on the remuneration policy for all Directors and senior management and to determine, review and monitor the remuneration packages and any compensation arrangements made to the Directors and senior management. The remuneration committee has adopted terms of reference which are in line with the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules (the "Corporate Governance Code"). The remuneration committee met once during the year with attendance by Mr Lau Siu Ki, Kevin and Mr Yao Yan to review the remuneration policy and determine the remuneration packages of executive Directors. The remuneration committee also authorised the Board to determine the remuneration packages of the senior management.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee comprises three independent non-executive Directors, Mr Yao Yan, Mr Lau Siu Ki, Kevin and Mr Liu Cai. Mr Lau Siu Ki, Kevin is the chairman of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee has adopted terms of reference which are in line with the Corporate Governance Code. Its primary duties are to review the completeness, accuracy and fairness of the Company's financial statements, the Company's financial reporting system and internal control procedures, the scope and nature of the external audit and matters concerning the engagement of external auditors. The Group's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2005 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee, who is of the opinion that such statements comply with applicable accounting standards and legal requirements, and that adequate disclosures have been made. The Audit Committee held 2 meetings during the year with attendance record as follows:

<b>Attendance at Audit Committee</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended (2 meetings in total)</b>
Yao Yan	2
Lau Siu Ki, Kevin	2
Liu Cai	0

## AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

During the year, the Group engaged auditors to perform audit and audit related services, and incurred audit and audit related service fees of approximately HK\$2,354,000 (2004: HK\$1,257,000)

## CORPORATE TRANSPARENCY AND INVESTOR RELATIONS

The Company always endeavours to improve transparency and accountability to its shareholders in the best possible way. Immediately after reporting its interim or annual results, the Company holds press conferences and investment analyst conferences where the financial performance, business review and prospect of the Group are presented. This also sets an open communications platform for the Group's senior management to address any questions that the investment community and the media may have.

Web-cast presentation is also sent to shareholders and investors around the world to ensure information is disseminated on a fair and timely basis. In addition, the Group's senior management holds road shows and attends investor conferences regularly throughout the year. This provides the investment community with an opportunity to understand the business of the Group better. The Company was one of the finalists for the award of "Best Investor Relations Officer – small or mid-cap company in Hong Kong and Taiwan" during this year.

The Company issues press releases and announcements where appropriate to provide updated information about the Group's business development in a timely manner. The Company also updates its website regularly to ensure information about its latest development is disseminated promptly.

# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors of Comba Telecom Systems Holdings Limited (the "Company") are pleased to present their report and the audited financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2005.

## PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The principal activities of the subsidiaries comprise the research, development, manufacture and sale of wireless telecommunications network enhancement system equipment and the provision of related engineering services. There were no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year.

## RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The Group's profit for the year ended 31 December 2005 and the state of affairs of the Company and the Group at that date are set out in the financial statements on pages 39 to 99.

The directors recommend the payment of a final dividend of HK 3 cents per ordinary share in respect of the year (2004: HK 5 cents per ordinary share), to shareholders on the register of members on 26 May 2006. This recommendation has been incorporated in the financial statements as an allocation of retained profits within the equity section of the balance sheet. No interim dividend was paid for the year ended 31 December 2005 (2004: HK4 cents per ordinary share).

## USE OF PROCEEDS FROM THE COMPANY'S INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING

The proceeds from the Company's issue of new shares at the time of its listing on the Stock Exchange in July 2003, after deduction of related issuance expenses, amounted to approximately HK\$396 million. These proceeds were fully applied during the period from 15 July 2003 to 31 December 2005 in accordance with the proposed applications set out in the Company's listing prospectus, as follows:

- (i) approximately HK\$80,000,000 was used for long term research and development, including 3G-enabled products;
- (ii) approximately HK\$50,000,000 was used for the expansion of product and service portfolios;

- (iii) approximately HK\$120,000,000 was used for the enlargement of production facilities;
- (iv) approximately HK\$60,000,000 was used for the expansion in sales network and market coverage; and
- (v) a balance of HK\$86,000,000 was applied as additional working capital of the Group.

## SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A summary of the published results and assets, liabilities and minority interests of the Group for the last five financial years, as extracted from the audited financial statements and restated/reclassified as appropriate, is set out on page 100. This summary does not form part of the audited financial statements.

## PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Company and the Group during the year are set out in note 14 to the financial statements.

## SHARE CAPITAL AND SHARE OPTIONS

Details of movements in the Company's share capital and share options during the year are set out in notes 30 and 31 to the financial statements.

## PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's articles of association or the laws of the Cayman Islands which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro rata basis to existing shareholders.

## PURCHASE, REDEMPTION OR SALE OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

Neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the year.

## RESERVES

Details of movements in the reserves of the Company and the Group during the year are set out in note 32(b) to the financial statements and in the consolidated statement of changes in equity, respectively.

## DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

At 31 December 2005, the Company's reserves available for distribution, calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, amounted to HK\$416,107,000, of which HK\$24,991,000 has been proposed as a final dividend for the year. In addition, the Company's share premium account, in the amount of HK\$319,148,000, may be distributed, provided immediately following the date on which the distribution or dividend proposed to be paid, the Company will be able to pay off its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

## MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

In the year under review, sales to the Group's five largest customers accounted for approximately 94.9% of the total sales for the year and sales to the largest customer included therein amounted to approximately 54.6%. Purchases from the Group's five largest suppliers accounted for less than 30% of the total purchases for the year.

None of the directors of the Company or any of their associates or any shareholders which, to the best knowledge of the directors, own more than 5% of the Company's issued share capital had any beneficial interest in the Group's five largest customers.

## DIRECTORS

The directors of the Company during the year were:

### *Executive directors:*

Mr. Fok Tung Ling (Chairman and President)	("Mr. Fok")
Mr. Zhang Yue Jun	("Mr. Zhang")
Mr. Chan Kai Leung, Clement	("Mr. Chan")
Mr. Wu Jiang Cheng	("Mr. Wu")
Mr. Yan Ji Ci	("Mr. Yan")
Mr. Zheng Guo Bao	("Mr. Zheng")
Mr. Yeung Pui Sang, Simon (appointed on 7 April 2005)	("Mr. Yeung")

### *Independent non-executive directors:*

Mr. Yao Yan	("Mr. Yao")
Mr. Lau Siu Ki, Kevin	("Mr. Lau")
Mr. Liu Cai	("Mr. Liu")

In accordance with article 87(1) of the Company's articles of association, Mr. Fok, Mr. Wu, Mr. Yan, and Mr. Zheng will retire by rotation and, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting. All the independent non-executive directors are appointed for a term of one year.

The Company has received annual confirmations of independence from Mr. Yao, Mr. Lau, and Mr. Liu as at the date of this report and considers them to be independent.

## BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Biographical details of the directors of the Company and the senior management of the Group are set out on pages 22 to 29 of the annual report.

## DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS

Each of the executive directors (except Mr. Zheng and Mr. Yeung) has entered into a service contract with the Company for an initial term of three years which commenced on 1 July 2003, and will continue thereafter until terminated by either party giving not less than six month's written notice. As these contracts were entered into on or before 31 January 2004, they are exempt from the shareholders' approval requirement under Rule 13.68 of the Listing Rules. Mr. Zheng has entered into a service contract with the Company for an initial term of two years which commenced on 30 March 2004. Mr. Yeung has entered into a service contract with the Company for an initial term of 18 months which commenced on 7 April 2005 and will continue thereafter until terminated by not less than six months' notice in writing served by either party on the other.

Apart from the foregoing, no director proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract with the Company which is not determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

## DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

The directors' fees are subject to shareholders' approval at general meetings. Other emoluments are reviewed by the Company's remuneration committee with reference to the Directors' duties, responsibilities and performance and the results of the Group.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

**DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS**

No contracts of significance in relation to the Group's business to which the Company, its holding company, or any of its subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries, was a party, and in which a director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

**DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES**

At 31 December 2005, the interests and short positions of the directors in the share capital and underlying shares of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")), as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code were as follows:

*Long positions in ordinary shares of the Company:*

Name of director	Notes	Number of ordinary shares held, capacity and nature of interest			Percentage of the Company's issued share capital
		Directly beneficially owned	Through controlled corporation	Total	
Mr. Fok	(a)	8,248,000	437,954,000	446,202,000	53.56
Mr. Zhang	(b)	—	117,000,000	117,000,000	14.05
Mr. Chan	(c)	666,000	—	666,000	0.08
Mr. Wu	(c)	1,800,000	—	1,800,000	0.22
Mr. Yan	(c)	1,700,000	—	1,700,000	0.20
Mr. Zheng		1,450,000	—	1,450,000	0.17
Mr. Yeung	(c)	500,000	—	500,000	0.06
		14,364,000	554,954,000	569,318,000	68.34

Notes:

- (a) 394,156,000 shares and 43,798,000 shares are beneficially owned by Prime Choice Investments Limited ("Prime Choice") and Total Master Investments Limited ("Total Master"), respectively. By virtue of his 100% shareholding in each of Prime Choice and Total Master, Mr. Fok is deemed or taken to be interested in the total of 437,954,000 shares owned by Prime Choice and Total Master.
- (b) These shares are beneficially owned by Wise Logic Investments Limited ("Wise Logic"). By virtue of his 100% shareholding in Wise Logic, Mr. Zhang is deemed or taken to be interested in the 117,000,000 shares owned by Wise Logic.

- (c) Each of Mr. Chan, Mr. Wu and Mr. Yan has share options in respect of 2,000,000 ordinary shares. Mr. Yeung has share options in respect of 4,000,000 ordinary shares, details of which are disclosed in note 31 to the financial statements.

Certain directors have non-beneficial personal equity interests in certain subsidiaries held for the benefit of the Company solely for the purpose of complying with the minimum company membership requirements.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2005, none of the directors had registered an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations that was required to be recorded pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

### DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Save as disclosed in the share option scheme disclosures in note 31 to the financial statements, at no time during the year were rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any director or their respective spouse or minor children, or were any such rights exercised by them; or was the Company, its

holding company, or any of its subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the directors to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

### SHARE OPTION SCHEME

Details of the share option scheme are set out in note 31 to the financial statements.

### SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

At 31 December 2005, the following interests 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:

*Long positions:*

Name	Notes	Capacity and nature of interest	Number of ordinary shares held	Percentage of the Company's issued share capital
Prime Choice		Beneficial owner	394,156,000	47.32
Total Master		Beneficial owner	43,798,000	5.26
Mdm. Chen Jing Na ("Mdm. Chen")	(a)	Interest of spouse	446,202,000	53.56
Wise Logic		Beneficial owner	117,000,000	14.05
Mdm. Cai Hui Ni ("Mdm. Cai")	(b)	Interest of spouse	117,000,000	14.05

Notes:

(a) Mdm. Chen is the spouse of Mr. Fok and is deemed to be interested in the 446,202,000 shares in which Mr. Fok is deemed or taken to be interested for the purposes of the SFO.

(b) Mdm. Cai is the spouse of Mr. Zhang and is deemed to be interested in the 117,000,000 shares in which Mr. Zhang is deemed or taken to be interested for the purposes of the SFO.

There are duplications of interests in the issued share capital of the Company in respect of :

(i) 394,156,000 shares between Prime Choice and Mdm. Chen;

(ii) 43,798,000 shares between Total Master and Mdm. Chen; and

(iii) 117,000,000 shares between Wise Logic and Mdm. Cai.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2005, no person, other than the directors of the Company, whose interests are set out in the section "Directors' interests and short positions in shares and underlying shares" above, had registered an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company that was required to be recorded pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

### CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

*Continuing connected transactions under conditional waiver from strict compliance under Rule 14.26 of the Old Listing Rules*

Comba Telecom Systems (Guangzhou) Limited (“Comba Systems Guangzhou”) and 波達通信設備（廣州）有限公司 (WaveLab Telecom Equipment (Guangzhou) Limited) (“WaveLab Guangzhou”) were connected persons for the following reasons:

- (a) Being an executive director of the Company, Mr. Zheng is a connected person in relation to the Company at the Company’s level and Mr. Zheng is entitled to exercise more than 10% of the voting power at the general meeting of WaveLab Holdings Limited (“WaveLab Holdings”), WaveLab Holdings is a non wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company which falls within the meaning of Rule 14A.11(5) of the Listing Rules. As such, WaveLab Holdings Limited (“WaveLab Holdings”) is a connected person in relation to the Company. In addition, since Mr. Zheng has a shareholding of more than 30% in WaveLab Holdings, WaveLab Holdings is also an associate of Mr. Zheng and hence a connected person in relation to the Company.
- (b) Comba Systems Guangzhou is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. Likewise, WaveLab Guangzhou, a wholly foreign owned enterprise established under the laws of the PRC, is also a wholly-owned subsidiary of WaveLab Holdings. Therefore Comba Systems Guangzhou and Wavelab Guangzhou are also connected persons in relation to the Company under the Listing Rules.

On 1 March 2004, Comba Systems Guangzhou entered into an agreement (the “Product Sales Agreement”) with WaveLab Guangzhou pursuant to which WaveLab Guangzhou agreed to sell outdoor units and other products used in connection with microwave transmission (the “Products”) to Comba Systems Guangzhou and to grant Comba Systems Guangzhou the sole and exclusive right to sell the Products in the Mainland China, Hong Kong and Macau for a term of three years expiring 28 February 2007. The price of the Products is to be agreed

between WaveLab Guangzhou and Comba Systems Guangzhou in writing from time to time. Comba Systems Guangzhou intended to integrate most, if not all, of the Products acquired with the products of Comba Systems Guangzhou.

The entering into of the Product Sales Agreement and the sale and purchase of the Products contemplated thereunder (the “Transactions”) constituted continuing connected transactions of the Company falling under Rule 14.26 of the Listing Rules in force prior to the amendments which took effect on 31 March 2004 (the “Old Listing Rules”).

On 30 March 2004, the Stock Exchange granted to the Company a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements of Rule 14.26 of the Old Listing Rules that the written approval of the Product Sales Agreement and the Transactions by the Company’s controlling shareholder, Mr. Fok, would be accepted in lieu of holding a physical shareholders’ meeting. The Stock Exchange also granted to the Company a conditional waiver (the “Waiver”) from strict compliance with the requirements of Rule 14.26 of the Old Listing Rules in respect of the three financial years ending 31 December 2006. These conditions and further details of the Products Sales Agreement were set out in the announcement issued by the Company on 1 March 2004.

For the year ended 31 December 2005, the total actual expenditure in respect of the Products purchased by Comba Systems Guangzhou pursuant to the Transactions amounted to approximately HK\$6,268,000 (2004:HK\$1,872,000).

In accordance with the conditions of the Waiver, the directors (including the independent non-executive directors) of the Company have reviewed the Transactions and confirm that:

- (i) the Transactions were entered into in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group; conducted on normal commercial terms, or (where there is no sufficient comparable transactions to judge whether they are on normal commercial terms) on terms no less favourable to the Group than terms available to or from independent third parties; and conducted, in accordance with the Product Sales Agreement, on terms that are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the shareholders of the Company as a whole; and

- (ii) the total annual expenditure in respect of the Products purchased by Comba Systems Guangzhou pursuant to the Transactions in the financial year ended 31 December 2005 did not exceed HK\$112 million, being the cap amount as stated in the Waiver for the financial year ended 31 December 2005 (the "Cap Amount").

The auditors of the Company have also reviewed the Transactions and confirmed to the Board in writing that:

- (i) the Transactions have been approved by the Board;
- (ii) the Transactions have been entered into in accordance with the Product Sales Agreement; and
- (iii) the aggregate value of the Transactions in the financial year ended 31 December 2005 did not exceed the Cap Amount.

According to the transitional arrangements announced regarding the amendments of Listing Rules which took effect on 31 March 2004, the Waiver, which has been granted to the Company for a fixed period, shall continue to apply until the earlier of (1) the expiry of the Waiver and (2) the Company failing to comply with any of the conditions of the Waiver or the Product Sales Agreement being renewed or there being a material change to the terms of the Product Sales Agreement.

### SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the directors, at least 25% of the Company's total issued share capital was held by the public as at the date of this report.

### CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company has complied with the code provisions as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules throughout the accounting period for the year ended 31 December 2005, except for the deviation from Code Provision A.2.1 which stipulates that the roles of chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual and that their divisions of responsibility should be clearly established and set out in writing. The Company currently has not complied with Code Provision A.2.1 as the

Company considers that through the supervision of its Board, a balancing mechanism exists so that the interests of the shareholders are fairly represented. Nevertheless, the Company will be reviewing its situation regularly and will comply with this code at an appropriate time in the future should it consider appropriate and necessary.

### MODEL CODE OF SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code as the Company's code of conduct for dealings in securities of the Company by the directors. Based on specific enquiry of the Company's directors, the Company confirmed that the directors have complied with required standard set out in the Model Code throughout the accounting period covered by this annual report.

### AUDITORS

Ernst & Young retire and a resolution for their reappointment as auditors of the Company will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

**Fok Tung Ling**  
*Chairman and President*

Hong Kong  
21 April 2006

# REPORT OF THE AUDITORS



To the members

Comba Telecom Systems Holdings Limited

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

We have audited the financial statements on pages 39 to 99 which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

The Company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements which give a true and fair view. In preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view it is fundamental that appropriate accounting policies are selected and applied consistently. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those financial statements and to report our opinion solely to you, as a body, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

## BASIS OF OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. An audit includes an examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's and the Group's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

## OPINION

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2005 and of the profit and cash flows of the Group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

*Certified Public Accountants*

Hong Kong  
21 April 2006

# CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

Year ended 31 December 2005

	Notes	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
REVENUE	6	1,170,515	1,092,761
Cost of sales		(696,189)	(529,382)
Gross profit		474,326	563,379
Other income	6	8,851	8,705
Research and development costs		(62,509)	(37,057)
Selling and distribution costs		(86,955)	(69,391)
Administrative expenses		(223,000)	(211,147)
Other expenses		(3,454)	(8,342)
Finance costs	8	(21,480)	(9,531)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX		85,779	236,616
Tax	10	(7,315)	(6,031)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		78,464	230,585
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the parent		82,089	237,478
Minority interests		(3,625)	(6,893)
		78,464	230,585
DIVIDENDS	12		
Interim		—	33,291
Proposed final		24,991	41,637
		24,991	74,928
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT (HK cents)			
Basic	13	9.86	28.59
Diluted		9.75	27.96

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

31 December 2005

	Notes	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	14	172,380	135,993
Prepaid land lease payments	15	13,040	13,041
Goodwill	16	21,916	21,916
Deferred tax assets	17	19,318	—
Other intangible assets	18	8,242	3,807
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>234,896</b>	174,757
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Inventories	20	572,948	516,650
Trade receivables	21	618,290	495,176
Notes receivables		35,585	39,318
Factored trade receivables	22	115,296	—
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	23	112,807	86,452
Short term time deposits	24	178,296	267,533
Cash and cash equivalents	24	314,118	248,766
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>1,947,340</b>	1,653,895
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and bills payables	25	356,753	292,409
Other payables and accruals	26	284,036	249,138
Interest-bearing bank loans	27	190,723	157,782
Bank advances on factored trade receivables	22	115,296	—
Current portion of finance lease payables	28	180	180
Tax payable		18,867	2,495
Provision for product warranties	29	21,066	14,200
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>986,921</b>	716,204
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>960,419</b>	937,691
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>1,195,315</b>	1,112,448
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Long term portion of finance lease payables	28	—	180
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>—</b>	180
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>1,195,315</b>	1,112,268

	Notes	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>EQUITY</b>			
<b>Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent</b>			
Issued capital	30	83,302	83,273
Reserves	32(a)	1,079,365	976,076
Proposed final dividend	12	24,991	41,637
		<b>1,187,658</b>	1,100,986
<b>Minority interests</b>		<b>7,657</b>	11,282
Total equity		<b>1,195,315</b>	1,112,268

**Fok Tung Ling**  
*Director*

**Chan Kai Leung, Clement**  
*Director*

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year ended 31 December 2005

		Attributable to equity holders of the parent												
		Issued	Share	Share	Assets		Exchange		Proposed		Minority	Total		
Notes		share	premium	option	Capital	revaluation	Statutory	fluctuation	Retained	final	Total	interests	equity	
		capital	account	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	profits	dividend				
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
		(Retated)												
At 1 January 2004														
As previously reported		83,000	312,659	—	46,510	1,365	46,832	956	385,681	41,500	918,503	13,243	931,746	
Prior year adjustments		—	—	3,415	—	—	—	—	(3,415)	—	—	—	—	
As restated		83,000	312,659	3,415	46,510	1,365	46,832	956	382,266	41,500	918,503	13,243	931,746	
Final 2003 dividend declared		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(41,500)	(41,500)	—	(41,500)	
Issue of new shares		30	273	5,865	—	—	—	—	—	—	6,138	—	6,138	
Arising on revaluation of land and buildings		—	—	—	—	(631)	—	—	—	—	(631)	—	(631)	
Exchange realignment		—	—	—	—	—	—	(3,594)	—	—	(3,594)	—	(3,594)	
Total income and expense														
recognised directly in equity		—	—	—	—	(631)	—	(3,594)	—	—	(4,225)	—	(4,225)	
Net profit for the year		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	237,478	—	237,478	(6,893)	230,585	
Total income and expense for the year														
Revaluation reserve released on disposal		—	—	—	—	256	—	—	—	—	256	—	256	
Equity-settled share option expenses		—	—	17,627	—	—	—	—	—	—	17,627	—	17,627	
Interim 2004 dividend		12	—	—	—	—	—	—	(33,291)	—	(33,291)	—	(33,291)	
Proposed final 2004 dividend		12	—	—	—	—	—	—	(41,637)	41,637	—	—	—	
Capital injection from minority shareholders of a subsidiary		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,932	4,932	
At 31 December 2004		83,273	318,524*	21,042*	46,510*	990*	46,832*	(2,638)*	544,816*	41,637	1,100,986	11,282	1,112,268	

		Attributable to equity holders of the parent											
		Issued	Share	Share	Assets		Exchange		Proposed		Minority	Total	
Notes		share	premium	option	Capital	revaluation	Statutory	fluctuation	Retained	final	Total	interests	equity
		capital	account	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	profits	dividend			
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2005													
As previously reported		83,273	318,524	—	46,510	990	46,832	(2,638)	565,858	41,637	1,100,986	11,282	1,112,268
Prior year adjustments		—	—	21,042	—	—	—	—	(21,042)	—	—	—	—
As restated		83,273	318,524	21,042	46,510	990	46,832	(2,638)	544,816	41,637	1,100,986	11,282	1,112,268
Final 2004 dividend declared		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(41,651)	(41,651)	—	(41,651)
Issue of new shares		30	29	624	—	—	—	—	—	—	653	—	653
Arising on revaluation of land and buildings		14	—	—	—	1,489	—	—	—	—	1,489	—	1,489
Exchange realignment		—	—	—	—	—	—	27,196	—	—	27,196	—	27,196
Total income and expense													
recognised directly in equity		—	—	—	—	1,489	—	27,196	—	—	28,685	—	28,685
Net profit for the year		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	82,089	—	82,089	(3,625)	78,464
Total income and expense for the year													
Equity-settled share option expenses		—	—	16,896	—	—	—	—	—	—	16,896	—	16,896
Under-provision of 2004 final dividend		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(14)	14	—	—	—
Proposed final 2005 dividend		12	—	—	—	—	—	—	(24,991)	24,991	—	—	—
Transfer from retained profit		32(a)	—	—	—	—	23,824	—	(23,824)	—	—	—	—
<b>At 31 December 2005</b>		<b>83,302</b>	<b>319,148*</b>	<b>37,938*</b>	<b>46,510*</b>	<b>2,479*</b>	<b>70,656*</b>	<b>24,558*</b>	<b>578,076*</b>	<b>24,991</b>	<b>1,187,658</b>	<b>7,657</b>	<b>1,195,315</b>

\* These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of HK\$1,079,365,000 (2004: HK\$976,076,000) in the consolidated balance sheet.

# CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Year ended 31 December 2005

	Notes	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Profit before tax		<b>85,779</b>	236,616
Adjustments for:			
Interest income	6	<b>(6,125)</b>	(7,857)
Finance cost	8	<b>21,480</b>	9,531
Depreciation	7	<b>29,565</b>	23,017
Recognition of prepaid land lease payments	15	<b>292</b>	286
Amortisation of intangible assets	7	<b>2,595</b>	1,380
Goodwill amortisation	7	<b>—</b>	5,199
Loss on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment	7	<b>670</b>	1,543
Equity-settled share option expenses		<b>16,896</b>	17,627
Operating profit before working capital changes		<b>151,152</b>	287,342
Increase in inventories		<b>(56,298)</b>	(281,249)
Increase in trade receivables		<b>(123,114)</b>	(174,281)
Decrease/(increase) in notes receivables		<b>3,733</b>	(39,318)
Increase in prepayments, deposits, and other receivables		<b>(26,355)</b>	(46,164)
Increase in trade and bills payables		<b>64,344</b>	141,974
Increase in other payables and accruals		<b>34,898</b>	110,706
Increase in provisions for product warranties		<b>6,866</b>	2,536
Increase in factored trade receivables		<b>(115,296)</b>	—
Bank advances on factored trade receivables		<b>115,296</b>	—
Cash generated from operations		<b>55,226</b>	1,546
Income tax paid		<b>(10,030)</b>	(16,636)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities		<b>45,196</b>	(15,090)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Interest received		<b>6,125</b>	7,857
Purchases of items of property, plant and equipment	14	<b>(64,667)</b>	(67,105)
Acquisition of intangible assets	18	<b>(6,952)</b>	(1,276)
Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment		<b>2,719</b>	906
Decrease/(increase) in short term time deposits	24	<b>89,237</b>	(152,077)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities		<b>26,462</b>	(211,695)

	Notes	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities		<b>26,462</b>	(211,695)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Proceeds from issue of capital	30	<b>653</b>	6,138
New bank loans		<b>367,645</b>	406,294
Repayment of bank loans		<b>(334,704)</b>	(320,489)
Capital element of finance lease rental payments		<b>(180)</b>	(216)
Interest paid		<b>(21,460)</b>	(9,491)
Interest element on finance lease rental payments		<b>(20)</b>	(40)
Dividends paid		<b>(41,651)</b>	(74,791)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from financing activities		<b>(29,717)</b>	7,405
<b>NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		<b>248,766</b>	471,555
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net		<b>23,411</b>	(3,409)
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR</b>			
<b>ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash and bank balances	24	<b>312,501</b>	248,766
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of less than three months when acquired	24	<b>1,617</b>	—
		<b>314,118</b>	248,766

# BALANCE SHEET

31 December 2005

	Notes	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Interests in subsidiaries	19	<b>373,108</b>	373,108
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Due from subsidiaries	19	<b>481,256</b>	416,423
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	23	<b>63</b>	452
Short term time deposits	24	—	41,750
Cash and cash equivalents	24	<b>4,027</b>	11,405
Total current assets		<b>485,346</b>	470,030
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Other payables and accruals	26	<b>1,959</b>	1,587
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
		<b>483,387</b>	468,443
Net assets		<b>856,495</b>	841,551
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Issued capital	30	<b>83,302</b>	83,273
Reserves	32(b)	<b>748,202</b>	716,641
Proposed final dividend	12	<b>24,991</b>	41,637
Total equity		<b>856,495</b>	841,551

**Fok Tung Ling**  
Director

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Director

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

Comba Telecom Systems Holdings Limited (the "Company") was incorporated as an exempted company with limited liability in the Cayman Islands on 17 May 2002 under the Companies Law, Cap. 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands.

The head office and principal place of business of the Company is located at Units 1503-1510, Delta House, 3 On Yiu Street, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong.

During the year, the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") were principally engaged in the research, development, manufacture and sale of wireless telecommunications network enhancement system equipment and the provision of related engineering services.

## 2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which also include Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for certain buildings which have been measured at fair value. These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$") and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand except when otherwise indicated.

### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries for the year ended 31 December 2005. The results of subsidiaries are consolidated from the date of acquisition, being the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases. All significant intercompany transactions and balances within the Group are eliminated on consolidation.

Minority interests represent the interests of outside shareholders in the results and net assets of the Company's subsidiaries.

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## 2.2 IMPACT OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The following new and revised HKFRSs affect the Group and are adopted for the first time for the current year's financial statements:

HKAS 1	Presentation of Financial Statements
HKAS 2	Inventories
HKAS 7	Cash Flow Statements
HKAS 8	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
HKAS 10	Events after the Balance Sheet Date
HKAS 12	Income Taxes
HKAS 14	Segment Reporting
HKAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment
HKAS 17	Leases
HKAS 18	Revenue
HKAS 19	Employee Benefits
HKAS 21	The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates
HKAS 24	Related Party Disclosures
HKAS 27	Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements
HKAS 32	Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation
HKAS 33	Earnings per Share
HKAS 36	Impairment of Assets
HKAS 37	Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets
HKAS 38	Intangible Assets
HKAS 39	Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement
HKAS 39 (Amendment)	Transition and Initial Recognition of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities
HKFRS 2	Share-based Payment
HKFRS 3	Business Combinations

The adoption of HKASs 2, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 19, 27, 33, 37 and 38 has had no material impact on the accounting policies of the Group and the Company and the methods of computation in the Group's and the Company's financial statements.

HKAS 1 has affected the presentation of minority interests on the face of the consolidated balance sheet, consolidated income statement, consolidated statement of changes in equity and other disclosures.

HKAS 21 had no material impact on the Group. As permitted by the transitional provisions of HKAS 21, goodwill arising in a business combination prior to 1 January 2005 and fair value adjustments arising on that acquisition are deemed to be in the currency of the Company. In respect of acquisitions subsequent to 1 January 2005, any goodwill arising on the acquisition of a foreign operation and any fair value adjustments to the carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and are translated at the closing rate in accordance with HKAS 21.

HKAS 24 has expanded the definition of related parties and affected the Group's related party disclosures.

## 2.2 IMPACT OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

The impact of adopting the other HKFRSs is summarised as follows:

### (a) HKAS 17 – Leases

In prior years, leasehold land and buildings held for own use were stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses.

Upon the adoption of HKAS 17, the Group's leasehold interest in land and buildings is separated into leasehold land and buildings. The Group's leasehold land is classified as an operating lease, because the title of the land is not expected to pass to the Group by the end of the lease term, and is reclassified from property, plant and equipment to prepaid land lease payments, while buildings continue to be classified as part of property, plant and equipment. Prepaid land premiums for land lease payments under operating leases are initially stated at cost and subsequently amortised on the straight-line basis over the lease term. When the lease payments cannot be allocated reliably between the land and buildings elements, the entire lease payments are included in the cost of the land and buildings as a finance lease in property, plant and equipment.

This change in accounting policy has had no effect on the consolidated income statement and retained profits. The comparative amounts for the year ended 31 December 2004 in the consolidated balance sheet have been restated to reflect the reclassification of the leasehold land.

### (b) HKAS 32 and HKAS 39 – Derecognition of financial assets

HKAS 39 provides more rigorous criteria for the derecognition of financial assets than the criteria applied in previous periods. Under HKAS 39, a financial asset is derecognised, when and only when, either the contractual rights to the asset's cash flows expire, or the asset is transferred and the transfer qualifies for the derecognition in accordance with HKAS 39. The decision as to whether a transfer qualifies for derecognition is made by applying a combination of risks and rewards and control tests. The Group has applied the relevant transitional provisions and applied the revised accounting policy prospectively to the transfers of financial assets from 1 January 2005 onwards. As a result, the Group's trade and bills receivables discounted with full recourse with we derecognised prior to 1 January 2005 have not been restated. As at 31 December 2005, the Group's trade and bills receivables discounted with full recourse have not been derecognised. Instead, the related borrowings of HK\$115,296,000 have been recognised on the balance sheet date. The relevant finance costs incurred in order to obtain such borrowings are included in the carrying amount of the borrowings on initial recognition and amortised over the terms of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

The effects of the above changes are summarised in note 2.4 to the financial statements. In accordance with HKAS 32, the comparative amounts of certain other receivables have been reclassified under loans and advances and receivables for presentation purposes.

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## 2.2 IMPACT OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

### (c) HKFRS 2 – Share-based Payment

In prior years, no recognition and measurement of share-based payment transactions in which employees (including directors) were granted share options over shares in the Company were required until such options were exercised by employees, at which time the share capital and share premium were credited with the proceeds received.

Upon the adoption of HKFRS 2, when employees (including directors) render services as consideration for equity instruments (“equity-settled transactions”), the cost of the equity-settled transactions with employees is measured by reference to the fair value at the date at which the instruments are granted. In prior year, the fair value is determined by adoption of the Black-Scholes pricing model. The fair value of share options granted during the year is determined by adoption of binomial model.

The main impact of HKFRS 2 on the Group is the recognition of the cost of these transactions and a corresponding entry to equity for employee share options. The revised accounting policy for share-based payment transactions is described in more detail in note 3 “Summary of significant accounting policies” below.

The Group has adopted the transitional provisions of HKFRS2 under which the new measurement policies have not been applied to (i) options granted to employees on or before 7 November 2002; and (ii) options granted to employees after 7 November 2002 but which had vested before 1 January 2005.

The cost of equity-settled transactions is recognised, together with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled, ending on the date on which the relevant employee becomes fully entitled to the award (the “vesting date”). The cumulative expense recognised for equity-settled transactions at each balance sheet date until the vesting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has expired and the Group’s best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The charge or credit to the income statement for a period represents the movement in cumulative expense recognised as at the beginning and the end of that period.

The dilutive effect of outstanding options is reflected as additional share dilution in the computation of earnings per share.

The effects of adopting HKFRS 2 are summarised in note 2.4 to the financial statements.

### (d) HKFRS 3 – Business Combinations and HKAS 36 – Impairment of Assets

In prior years, goodwill arising on acquisitions prior to 1 January 2001 were eliminated against the consolidated retained profits and credited to the consolidated capital reserve, respectively, in the year of acquisition and were not recognised in the income statement until disposal or impairment of the acquired businesses.

Goodwill arising on acquisitions on or after 1 January 2001 was capitalised and amortised on the straight-line basis over its estimated useful life and was subject to impairment testing when there was any indication of impairment.

The adoption of HKFRS 3 and HKAS 36 has resulted in the Group ceasing annual goodwill amortisation and commencing testing for impairment at the cash-generating unit level annually (or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired).

Any excess of the Group’s interest in the net fair value of the acquirees’ identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of acquisition of subsidiaries (previously referred to as negative goodwill), after reassessment, is recognised immediately in the income statement.

## 2.2 IMPACT OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

### (d) HKFRS 3 – Business Combinations and HKAS 36 – Impairment of Assets (continued)

The transitional provisions of HKFRS 3 have required the Group to eliminate at 1 January 2005 the carrying amounts of accumulated amortisation with a corresponding adjustment to the cost of goodwill and to derecognise at 1 January 2005 the carrying amounts of negative goodwill (including that remaining in the consolidated capital reserve) against retained profits. Goodwill previously eliminated against the retained earnings remains eliminated against the retained earnings and is not recognised in the income statement when all or part of the business to which the goodwill relates is disposed of or when a cash-generating unit to which the goodwill relates becomes impaired.

The effects of the above changes are summarised in note 2.4 to the financial statements. In accordance with the transitional provisions of HKFRS 3, comparative amounts have not been restated.

## 2.3 IMPACT OF ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Group has not applied the following new and revised HKFRSs, that have been issued but are not yet effective, in these financial statements. Unless otherwise stated, these HKFRSs are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2006:

HKAS 1 Amendment	Capital Disclosures
HKFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures

The HKAS 1 Amendment shall be applied for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007. The revised standard will affect the disclosures about qualitative information about the Group's objective, policies and processes for managing capital; quantitative data about what the Company regards as capital; and compliance with any capital requirements and the consequences of any non-compliance.

HKFRS 7 incorporates the disclosure requirements of HKAS 32 relating to financial instruments. This HKFRS shall be applied for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007.

Except as stated above, the Group expects that the adoption of the other pronouncements will not have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements in the period of initial application.

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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF THE IMPACT OF CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### (a) Effect on the consolidated balance sheet

At 1 January 2005	Effect of adopting				Total
	HKAS 17 <sup>#</sup>	HKFRS 2	HKFRS 3 <sup>*</sup>	HKASs 32 and 39 <sup>®</sup>	
Effect of new policies (Increase/(decrease))	Prepaid land lease payments	Equity-settled share option arrangements	Discontinuation of amortisation of goodwill	Derecognition of financial assets	HK\$'000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
<b>Assets</b>					
Property, plant and equipment	(13,327)	—	—	—	(13,327)
Prepaid land lease payments	13,041	—	—	—	13,041
Other receivables	286	—	—	—	286
					—
<b>Liabilities/equity</b>					
Capital reserve	—	21,042	—	—	21,042
Retained profits	—	(21,042)	—	—	(21,042)
					—

\* Adjustments taken effect prospectively from 1 January 2005

# Adjustments/presentation taken effect retrospectively

® In accordance with the transitional provision of HKAS 39, HKAS 39 should not be applied retrospectively. Factored trade receivables and bank advances on factored trade receivables in the amount of HK\$206,767,000 respectively as at 31 December 2004 have not been restated.

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF THE IMPACT OF CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## (a) Effect on the consolidated balance sheet (continued)

At 31 December 2005	Effect of adopting				Total
	HKAS 17	HKFRS 2	HKFRS 3	HKASs 32 and 39	
Effect of new policies (Increase/(decrease))	Prepaid land lease payments	Equity-settled share option arrangements	Discontinuation of amortisation of goodwill	Derecognition of financial assets	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
<b>Assets</b>					
Property, plant and equipment	(13,332)	—	—	—	(13,332)
Prepaid land lease payments	13,040	—	—	—	13,040
Goodwill	—	—	6,020	—	6,020
Factored trade receivables	—	—	—	115,296	115,296
Other receivable	292	—	—	—	292
					121,316
<b>Liabilities/equity</b>					
Bank advances on factored trade receivables	—	—	—	115,296	115,296
Capital reserve	—	37,938	—	—	37,938
Retained profits	—	(37,938)	6,020	—	(31,918)
					121,316

## (b) Effect on the balances of equity at 1 January 2004 and at 1 January 2005

Effect of new policies (Increase/(decrease))	Effect of adopting				Total
	HKAS 17	HKFRS 2	HKFRS 3	HKASs 32 and 39	
	Prepaid land lease payments	Equity-settled share option arrangements	Discontinuation of amortisation of goodwill	Derecognition of financial assets	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
1 January 2004					
Retained profits	—	(3,415)	—	—	(3,415)
					(3,415)
1 January 2005					
Retained profits	—	(21,042)	—	—	(21,042)
					(21,042)

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## 2.4 SUMMARY OF THE IMPACT OF CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(c) Effect on the consolidated income statement for the years ended 31 December 2005 and 2004

Effect of new policies	Effect of adopting				Total HK\$'000
	HKAS 17 Prepaid land lease payments HK\$'000	HKFRS 2 Equity-settled share option arrangements HK\$'000	HKFRS 3 Discontinuation of amortisation of goodwill HK\$'000	HKASs 32 and 39 Derecognition of financial assets HK\$'000	
<b>Year ended 31 December 2005</b>					
Increase in administrative expenses	—	(16,896)	—	—	(16,896)
Decrease in other expenses	—	—	6,020	—	6,020
<b>Total increase/(decrease) in profit</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(16,896)</b>	<b>6,020</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(10,876)</b>
Increase/(decrease) in basic earnings per share (HK cents)	—	(2.03)	0.72	—	(1.31)
Increase/(decrease) in diluted earnings per share (HK cents)	—	(2.01)	0.72	—	(1.29)
<b>Year ended 31 December 2004</b>					
Increase in administrative expenses	—	(17,627)	—	—	(17,627)
<b>Total decrease in profit</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(17,627)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(17,627)</b>
Increase/(decrease) in basic earnings per share (HK cents)	—	(2.12)	—	—	(2.12)
Increase/(decrease) in diluted earnings per share (HK cents)	—	(2.07)	—	—	(2.07)

### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Subsidiaries

A subsidiary is an entity whose financial and operating policies the Company controls, directly or indirectly, so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

*Goodwill on acquisitions for which the agreement date is on or after January 2005.*

Goodwill arising on acquisition is recognised in the consolidated balance sheet as an asset, initially measured at cost and subsequently at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

The results of subsidiaries are included in the Company's income statement to the extent of dividends received and receivable. The Company's interests in subsidiaries are stated at cost less any impairment losses.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill arising on the acquisition of subsidiaries represents the excess of the cost of the business combination over the Group's interest in the net fair value of acquirees' identifiable assets and liabilities acquired, and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed as at the date of acquisition.

The carrying amount of goodwill is reviewed for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units, or groups of cash-generating units, that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the Group are assigned to those units or groups of units. Each unit or group of units to which the goodwill is so allocated:

- represents the lowest level within the Group at which the goodwill is monitored for internal managements purposes; and
- is not larger than a segment based on either the Group's primary or the Group's secondary reporting format determined in accordance with HKAS 14 "Segment Reporting".

Impairment is determined by assessing the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) to which the goodwill relates. Where the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised.

Where goodwill forms part of a cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) and part of the operation within that unit is disposed of, the goodwill associated with the operation disposed of is included in the carrying amount of the operation when determining the gain or loss on disposal of the operation. Goodwill disposed of in this circumstance is measured based on the relative values of the operation disposed of and the portion of the cash-generating unit retained.

An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in a subsequent period.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Goodwill (continued)

*Goodwill previously eliminated against the consolidated reserves.*

Prior to the adoption of SSAP 30 "Business Combinations" in 2001, goodwill arising on acquisition was eliminated against the consolidated retained profits in the year of acquisition. On the adoption of HKFRS 3, such goodwill remains eliminated against the consolidated retained profits and is not recognised in profit or loss when all or part of the business to which the goodwill relates is disposed of or when a cash-generating unit to which the goodwill relates becomes impaired.

### Impairment of assets

Where an indication of impairment exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required (other than inventories, financial assets and goodwill), the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An asset's recoverable amount is calculated as the higher of the asset's or cash-generating unit's value in use and its fair value less costs to sell, and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, in which case, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss is recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. An impairment loss is charged to the income statement in the period in which it arises, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is accounted for in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

An assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognised impairment loss of an asset other than goodwill is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount of that asset, however not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any depreciation/amortisation), had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of such impairment loss is credited to the income statement in the period in which it arises, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is accounted for in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Related parties

A party is considered to be related to the Group if:

- (a) the party, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, (i) controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Group; (ii) has an interest in the Group that gives it significant influence over the Group; or (iii) has joint control over the Group;
- (b) the party is an associate;
- (c) the party is a jointly-controlled entity;
- (d) the party is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or its parent;
- (e) the party is a close member of the family of any individual referred to in (a) or (d);
- (f) the party is an entity that is controlled, jointly controlled or significantly influenced by or for which significant voting power in such entity resides with, directly or indirectly, any individual referred to in (d) or (e); or
- (g) the party is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of the employees of the Group, or of any entity that is a related party of the Group.

#### Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Property, plant and equipment, other than construction in progress, are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use. Expenditure incurred after items of property, plant and equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance, is normally charged to the income statement in the period in which it is incurred. In situations where it can be clearly demonstrated that the expenditure has resulted in an increase in the future economic benefits expected to be obtained from the use of an item of property, plant and equipment, and where the cost of the item can be measured reliably, the expenditure is capitalised as an additional cost of that asset or as a replacement.

Valuations are performed frequently enough to ensure that the fair value of a revalued asset does not differ materially from its carrying amount. Changes in the values of property, plant and equipment are dealt with as movements in the assets revaluation reserve. If the total of this reserve is insufficient to cover a deficit, on an individual asset basis, the excess of the deficit is charged to the income statement. Any subsequent revaluation surplus is credited to the income statement to the extent of the deficit previously charged. On disposal of a revalued asset, the relevant portion of the assets revaluation reserve realised in respect of previous valuations is transferred to retained profits as a movement in reserves.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Property, plant and equipment and depreciation (continued)

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis to write off the cost or valuation of each item of property, plant and equipment to its residual value over its estimated useful life. The estimated useful lives used for this purpose are as follows:

Buildings	Over the shorter of lease terms and 20 years
Plant and machinery	5 to 10 years
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	5 years
Motor vehicles	5 years

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, the cost or valuation of that item is allocated on a reasonable basis among the parts and each part is depreciated separately.

Residual values, useful lives and the depreciation method are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on disposal or retirement of a fixed asset recognised in the income statement in the year the asset is derecognised, is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset.

Construction in progress represents a building under construction, which is stated at cost less any impairment losses, and is not depreciated. Cost comprises the direct costs of construction during the period of construction. Construction in progress is reclassified to the appropriate category of property, plant and equipment when completed and ready for use.

### Intangible assets other than goodwill

The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed to be either finite or indefinite. Intangible assets with finite lives are amortised over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortisation period and the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at each balance sheet date.

#### *Computer software*

ERP system and purchased computer software are stated at cost, less any impairment losses, and are amortised on the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives used for this purpose are as follows:

ERP system	3 years
Computer software	5 years

#### *Research and development costs*

All research costs are charged to the income statement as incurred.

Expenditure incurred on projects to develop new products is capitalised and deferred only when the Group can demonstrate the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset so that it will be available for use or sale, its intention to complete and its ability to use or sell the asset, how the asset will generate future economic benefits, the availability of resources to complete the project and the ability to measure reliably the expenditure during the development. Product development expenditure, which does not meet these criteria, is expensed when incurred.

### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Leases

Leases that transfer substantially all the rewards and risks of ownership of assets to the Group, other than legal title, are accounted for as finance leases. At the inception of a finance lease, the cost of the leased asset is capitalised at the present value of the minimum lease payments and recorded together with the obligation, excluding the interest element, to reflect the purchase and financing. Assets held under capitalised finance leases are included in property, plant and equipment, and depreciated over the shorter of the lease terms and the estimated useful lives of the assets. The finance costs of such leases are charged to the income statement so as to provide a constant periodic rate of charge over the lease terms.

Assets acquired through hire purchase contracts of a financing nature are accounted for as finance leases, but are depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

Leases where substantially all the rewards and risks of ownership of assets remain with the lessor are accounted for as operating leases. Where the Group is the lessee, rentals payable under the operating leases are charged to the income statement on the straight-line basis over the lease terms.

Prepaid land lease payments under operating leases are initially stated at cost and subsequently recognised on the straight-line basis over the lease terms. When the lease payments cannot be allocated reliably between the land and buildings elements, the entire lease payments are included in the cost of the land and buildings as a finance lease in property, plant and equipment.

#### Investments and other financial assets

Applicable to the year ended 31 December 2004:

The Group classified its equity investments, other than subsidiaries, associates and jointly-controlled entities, as long term investments and short term investments.

#### *Long term investments*

Long term investments are non-trading investments in listed and unlisted equity securities intended to be held on a long term basis.

Listed securities are stated at their fair values on the basis of their quoted market prices at the balance sheet date, on an individual investment basis. Unlisted securities are stated at their estimated fair values, on an individual basis. The estimated fair values of unlisted investments are determined by the directors having regard to, inter alia, the prices of the most recent reported sales or purchases of the securities, or comparison of price/earnings ratios and dividend yields of the securities with those of similar listed securities, with allowance made for the lower liquidity of the unlisted securities.

The gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of a security are dealt with as movements in the investment revaluation reserve, until the security is sold, collected, or otherwise disposed of, or until the security is determined to be impaired, when the cumulative gain or loss derived from the security recognised in the investment revaluation reserve, together with the amount of any further impairment, is charged to the income statement in the period in which the impairment arises.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### *Investments and other financial assets (continued)*

#### *Short term investments*

Short term investments are investments in equity securities held for trading purposes and are stated at their fair values on the basis of their quoted market prices at the balance sheet date, on an individual investment basis. The gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of a security are credited or charged to the income statement in the period in which they arise.

Applicable to the year ended 31 December 2005:

Financial assets in the scope of HKAS 39 are classified as either financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, or loans and receivables as appropriate. When financial assets are recognised initially, they are measured at fair value, plus, in the case of investments not at fair value through profit or loss, directly attributable transaction costs. The Group determines the classification of its financial assets after initial recognition and, where allowed and appropriate, re-evaluates this designation at the balance sheet date.

All regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, i.e., the date that the Group commits to purchase the asset. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the period generally established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

#### *Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial assets classified as held for trading are included in the category "financial assets at fair value through profit or loss". Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of sale in the near term. Gains or losses on investments held for trading are recognised in the income statement.

#### *Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Such assets are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses are recognised in the income statement when the loans and receivables are derecognised or impaired, as well as through the amortisation process.

#### *Fair value*

The fair value of investments that are actively traded in organised financial markets is determined by reference to quoted market bid prices at the close of business at the balance sheet date. For investments where there is no active market, fair value is determined using valuation techniques. Such techniques include using recent arm's length market transactions; reference to the current market value of another instrument which is substantially the same; a discounted cash flow analysis; and option pricing models.

### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Impairment of financial assets (applicable to the year ended 31 December 2005)

The Group assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired.

##### *Assets carried at amortised cost*

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on loans and receivables carried at amortised cost has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate (i.e., the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition). The carrying amount of the asset is reduced either directly or through the use of an allowance account. The amount of the impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

The Group first assesses whether objective evidence of impairment exists individually for financial assets that are individually significant, and individually or collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. If it is determined that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, whether significant or not, the asset is included in a group of financial assets with similar credit risk characteristics and that group is collectively assessed for impairment. Assets that are individually assessed for impairment and for which an impairment loss is or continues to be recognised are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed. Any subsequent reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the income statement, to the extent that the carrying value of the asset does not exceed its amortised cost at the reversal date.

#### Derecognition of financial assets (applicable to the year ended 31 December 2005)

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognised where:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired;
- the Group retains the rights to receive cash flows from the asset, but has assumed an obligation to pay in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement; or
- the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset and either (a) has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

Where the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the asset is recognised to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement in the asset. Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Group could be required to repay.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Derecognition of financial liabilities (applicable to the year ended 31 December 2005)

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires.

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and a recognition of a new liability, and the difference between the respective carrying amounts is recognised in profit or loss.

### Interest-bearing loans and borrowings

All loans and borrowings are initially recognised at the fair value of the consideration received less directly attributable transaction costs.

After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Gains and losses are recognised in net profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the amortisation process.

### Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on the weighted average basis and, in the case of work in progress and finished goods, comprises direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of overheads. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling prices less any estimated costs to be incurred to completion and disposal.

### Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, and short term highly liquid investments which are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and have a short maturity of generally within three months when acquired, less bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

For the purpose of the balance sheets, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and at banks, including term deposits, and assets similar in nature to cash, which are not restricted as to use.

### Provisions

A provision is recognised when a present obligation (legal or constructive) has arisen as a result of a past event and it is probable that a future outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, provided that a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

When the effect of discounting is material, the amount recognised for a provision is the present value at the balance sheet date of the future expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation. The increase in the discounted present value amount arising from the passage of time is included in finance costs in the income statement.

Provisions for product warranties granted by the Group on certain products are recognised based on sales volume and past experience of the level of repairs and returns, discounted to their present values as appropriate.

### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Income tax

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the income statement, or in equity if it relates to items that are recognised in the same or a different period directly in equity.

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities.

Deferred tax is provided, using the liability method, on all temporary differences at the balance sheet date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences, except:

- where the deferred tax liability arises from goodwill or the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of taxable temporary differences associated with interests in subsidiaries, except where the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, carryforward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carryforward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised except:

- where the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary differences arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of deductible temporary differences associated with interests in subsidiaries, deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised. Conversely, previously unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at each balance sheet date and are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset, if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and when the revenue can be measured reliably, on the following bases:

- (a) income from the sale of goods and rendering of services associated with goods sold, when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, provided that the Group maintains neither managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership, nor effective control over the goods sold; and
- (b) interest income, on an accrual basis using the effective interest method by applying the rate that discounts the estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

### Employee benefits

#### *Pension schemes and other retirement benefits*

The Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme (the "MPF Scheme") under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance, for those employees who are eligible to participate in the MPF Scheme. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employees' basic salaries and are charged to the income statement as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the MPF Scheme. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of the Group in an independently administered fund. The Group's employer contributions vest fully with the employees when contributed into the MPF Scheme.

The employees of the Group's subsidiaries, which operate in Mainland China are required to participate in a central pension scheme operated by the local municipal government. These subsidiaries are required to contribute a certain percentage of its payroll costs to the central pension scheme. The contributions are charged to the income statement as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the central pension scheme.

#### *Share-based payment transactions*

The Company operates a share option scheme for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. Employees (including directors) of the Group receive remuneration in the form of share-based payment transactions, whereby employees render services as consideration for equity instruments ("equity-settled transactions").

The cost of equity-settled transactions with employees is measured by reference to the fair value at the date at which they are granted. In prior year, the fair value is determined by adoption of the Black-Scholes pricing model. The fair value of share options granted during the year is determined by adoption of binomial model. In valuing equity-settled transactions, no account is taken of any performance conditions, other than conditions linked to the price of the shares of the Company ("market conditions"), if applicable.

### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Employee benefits (continued)

##### *Share-based payment transactions (continued)*

The cost of equity-settled transactions is recognised, together with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled, ending on the date on which the relevant employees become fully entitled to the award (the "vesting date"). The cumulative expense recognised for equity-settled transactions at each balance sheet date until the vesting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has expired and the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The charge or credit to the income statement for a period represents the movement in the cumulative expense recognised as at the beginning and end of that period.

No expense is recognised for awards that do not ultimately vest, except for awards where vesting is conditional upon a market condition, which are treated as vesting irrespective of whether or not the market condition is satisfied, provided that all other performance conditions are satisfied.

Where the terms of an equity-settled award are modified, as a minimum an expense is recognised as if the terms had not been modified. In addition, an expense is recognised for any modification, which increases the total fair value of the share-based payment arrangement, or is otherwise beneficial to the employee as measured at the date of modification.

Where an equity-settled award is cancelled, it is treated as if it had vested on the date of cancellation, and any expense not yet recognised for the award is recognised immediately. However, if a new award is substituted for the cancelled award, and is designated as a replacement award on the date that it is granted, the cancelled and new awards are treated as if they were a modification of the original award, as described in the previous paragraph.

The dilutive effect of outstanding options is reflected as additional share dilution in the computation of earnings per share.

The Group has adopted the transitional provisions of HKFRS 2 in respect of equity-settled awards and has applied HKFRS 2 only to equity-settled awards granted after 7 November 2002 that had not vested on 1 January 2005 and to those granted on or after 1 January 2005.

#### Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are recognised as expenses in the income statement in the period in which they are incurred.

#### Dividends

Final dividends proposed by the directors are classified as a separate allocation of retained profits within the equity section of the balance sheet, until they have been approved by the shareholders in a general meeting. When these dividends have been approved by the shareholders and declared, they are recognised as a liability.

Interim dividends are simultaneously proposed and declared because the Company's memorandum and articles of association grant the directors the authority to declare interim dividends. Consequently, interim dividends are recognised immediately as a liability when they are proposed and declared.

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## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Foreign currencies

These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars, which is the Company's functional and presentation currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. Foreign currency transactions are initially recorded using the functional currency rates ruling at the date of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the functional currency rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to profit or loss. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined.

The functional currencies of certain overseas subsidiaries are currencies other than the Hong Kong dollar. As at the balance sheet date, the assets and liabilities of these entities are translated into the presentation currency of the Company (i.e., Hong Kong dollars) at the exchange rates ruling at the balance sheet date and, their income statements are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the weighted average exchange rates for the year. The resulting exchange differences are included in a separate component of the exchange fluctuation reserve. On disposal of a foreign entity, the deferred cumulative amount recognised in equity relating to that particular foreign operation is recognised in the income statement.

For the purpose of the consolidated cash flow statement, the cash flows of overseas subsidiaries are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the exchange rates ruling at the dates of the cash flows. Frequently recurring cash flows of overseas subsidiaries which arise throughout the year are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the weighted average exchange rates for the year.

## 4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

### Impairment of property, plant, and equipment

The Group tests annually whether property, plant, and equipment have suffered any impairment, in accordance with the accounting policy stated in note 3. The recoverable amounts of cash-generating units have been determined based on a value-in-use calculation. These calculations require the use of estimates such as the future revenue and discount rates.

#### 4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES (CONTINUED)

##### Estimation uncertainty

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance sheet date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are discussed below.

##### *Impairment of goodwill*

The Group determines whether goodwill is impaired at least on an annual basis. This requires an estimation of the value in use of the cash-generating units to which the goodwill is allocated. Estimating the value in use requires the Group to make an estimate of the expected future cash flows from the cash-generating unit and also to choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. The carrying amount of goodwill at 31 December 2005 was approximately HK\$21,916,000 (2004: HK\$21,916,000). More details are given in note 16.

##### *Provision for product warranties*

The Group generally provides one to two year warranties to its customers on certain of its products, under which faulty products are repaired or replaced. The amount of provisions is estimated based on sales volume and past experience of the level of repairs and returns. The estimation basis is reviewed on an ongoing basis and revised where appropriate. During the year, the provision for product warranties was not discounted as the effect of discounting was not material.

#### 5. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Segment information is required by HKAS 14 "Segment Reporting" to be presented by way of two segment formats: (i) on a primary segment reporting basis, which the Group has determined to be by business segment; and (ii) on a secondary segment reporting basis, which the Group has determined to be by geographical segment.

The Group is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of wireless telecommunications network enhancement system equipment and the provision of related engineering services. All of the Group's products are of a similar nature and subject to similar risks and returns. Accordingly, the Group's operating activities are attributable to a single business segment.

In addition, the Group's revenue, expenses, profit, assets and liabilities and capital expenditures are principally attributable to a single geographical region, which is the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"). Therefore, no analysis in business or geographical segment is presented.

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## 6. REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME

Revenue, which is also the Group's turnover, represents the net invoiced value of goods sold and services rendered during the year, net of value-added tax, and after allowances for returns and trade discounts. All significant intra-group transactions have been eliminated on consolidation.

An analysis of revenue and other income is as follows:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
<b>Revenue</b>		
Manufacture and sale of wireless telecommunications network enhancement system equipment and provision of related engineering services	<b>1,170,515</b>	1,092,761
<b>Other income</b>		
Bank interest income	<b>6,125</b>	7,857
Others	<b>2,726</b>	848
	<b>8,851</b>	8,705

## 7. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging:

	Notes	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Cost of inventories sold and services provided		<b>674,558</b>	510,807
Depreciation	14	<b>29,565</b>	23,017
Amortisation of intangible assets	18	<b>2,595</b>	1,380
Goodwill amortisation of the year*	16	—	5,199
Minimum lease payments under operating leases in respect of land and buildings		<b>28,968</b>	24,075
Auditors' remuneration		<b>2,354</b>	1,257
Staff costs (excluding directors' emoluments, note 9):			
Salaries and wages		<b>187,041</b>	159,871
Staff welfare expenses		<b>12,865</b>	12,779
Equity-settled share option expenses		<b>16,896</b>	17,627
Pension scheme contributions#		<b>15,389</b>	6,519
		<b>232,191</b>	196,796
Provision for doubtful debts		<b>1,713</b>	959
Provision for product warranties	29	<b>21,631</b>	18,575
Provision for obsolete inventories		—	13,641
Loss on disposal of items of property, plant, and equipment		<b>670</b>	1,543

\* The amortisation of goodwill is included in "Other expenses" on the face of the consolidated income statement.

# As at 31 December 2005, the Group had no forfeited contributions available to reduce its contributions to the pension schemes in future years (2004: Nil).

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## 8. FINANCE COSTS

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Interest on bank loans wholly repayable within one year	12,729	7,300
Interest on finance leases	20	40
Finance costs on the factored trade receivables	8,731	2,191
	<b>21,480</b>	9,531

## 9. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES

Directors' remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and Section 161 of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, is as follows:

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Fees	440	440
Other emoluments		
Salaries and allowances and benefits in kind	9,343	7,310
Performance related bonuses*	5,375	4,743
Employee share option benefits	1,402	1,164
Pension scheme contributions	180	78
	<b>16,300</b>	13,295
	<b>16,740</b>	13,735

\* Certain executive directors of the Company are entitled to bonus payments which are determined as a percentage of the profit after tax of the Group.

During the year, one director has been granted share options, in respect of his services to the Group, under the share option scheme of the Company, further details of which are set out in note 31 to the financial statements. The fair value of such options, which has been amortised to the current income statement, was determined as at the date of the grant and was included in the above directors' remuneration disclosures.

## 9. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES (CONTINUED)

### (a) Independent non-executive directors

The fees paid to independent non-executive directors during the year were as follows:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Mr. Yao Yan	120	120
Mr. Lau Siu Ki, Kevin	120	120
Mr. Liu Cai	200	200
	<b>440</b>	440

There were no other emoluments payable to the independent non-executive directors during the year (2004: Nil).

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## 9. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES (CONTINUED)

### (b) Executive directors

2005	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	Performance related bonuses	Employee share option benefits	Pension scheme contributions	Total remuneration
Executive directors:	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Mr. Fok	1,934	1,149	—	12	3,095
Mr. Zhang	1,502	939	—	36	2,477
Mr. Chan	1,412	315	287	12	2,026
Mr. Wu	1,068	756	287	36	2,147
Mr. Yan	940	661	287	38	1,926
Mr. Zheng	1,344	—	—	37	1,381
Mr. Yeung (appointed on 7 April 2005)	1,143	1,555	541	9	3,248
	<b>9,343</b>	<b>5,375</b>	<b>1,402</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>16,300</b>

2004	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	Performance related bonuses	Employee share option benefits	Pension scheme contributions	Total remuneration
Executive directors:	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Mr. Fok	1,862	1,253	—	12	3,127
Mr. Zhang	1,256	865	—	22	2,143
Mr. Chan	1,171	338	388	12	1,909
Mr. Wu	741	1,198	388	22	2,349
Mr. Yan	720	933	388	10	2,051
Mr. Zheng	1,560	156	—	—	1,716
	<b>7,310</b>	<b>4,743</b>	<b>1,164</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>13,295</b>

There was no arrangement under which a director waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year.

The five highest paid employees during the year included five (2004: five) directors, details of whose remuneration are set out above.

## 10. TAX

No provision of Hong Kong profits tax has been made as the Group did not generate any assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the year (2004: Nil). Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates, based on existing legislation, interpretations and practices in respect thereof.

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Current year provision:		
Hong Kong	—	—
Elsewhere	—	—
Mainland China	<b>26,329</b>	6,031
Overseas	<b>304</b>	—
Deferred tax (note 17)	<b>(19,318)</b>	—
Total tax charge for the year	<b>7,315</b>	6,031

According to the Income Tax Law of the PRC for Foreign Investment Enterprises and approved by relevant tax authorities, Comba Telecom System (Guangzhou) Limited ("Comba Guangzhou"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company operating in the Mainland China was exempted from the PRC corporate income tax for the two years commencing from its first profit-making year from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2001 and thereafter was entitled to a 50% reduction in the PRC corporate income tax for the subsequent three years from 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2004.

In addition, Comba Guangzhou was designated as an advanced technology foreign investment enterprise by the Guangzhou Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation Bureau in August 2004. Under the current PRC tax legislation, upon expiry of its tax holiday, a foreign investment enterprise having the status of advanced technology enterprise is entitled to the preferential tax rate at 50% of the applicable standard rate, subject to a minimum rate of 10%, for another three years. During the year, provision for PRC corporate income tax for Comba Guangzhou has been made at the applicable reduced tax rate of 10%.

According to Income Tax Law of the PRC for Foreign Investment Enterprises and Foreign Enterprises, Comba Telecom Technology (Guangzhou) Limited ("Comba Technology"), another subsidiary of the Company established in the PRC, was entitled to an exemption from the PRC corporate income tax for the two years commencing from its first profit-making year 1 January 2003 to 31 December 2004 and thereafter was entitled to a 50% reduction in the PRC corporate income tax for the subsequent three years from 1 January 2005 to 31 December 2007.

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## 10. TAX (CONTINUED)

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to profit before tax using the statutory rate for the country in which the Company and the majority of its subsidiaries are domiciled to the tax expense at the effective tax rate, and a reconciliation of the applicable rate to the effective tax rate, are as follows:

	2005		2004	
	HK\$'000	%	HK\$'000 (Restated)	% (Restated)
Profit before tax	<b>85,779</b>		236,616	
Tax at the applicable rate	<b>12,867</b>	<b>15.0</b>	35,492	15.0
Expenses/(income) not deductible for/ (subject to) tax	<b>3,698</b>	<b>4.3</b>	4,670	1.9
Tax losses not recognised	<b>9,837</b>	<b>11.5</b>	5,871	2.5
Tax exemptions	<b>(19,087)</b>	<b>(22.3)</b>	(40,002)	(16.9)
Tax charge at the Group's effective rate	<b>7,315</b>	<b>8.5</b>	6,031	2.5

The Group has tax losses arising in Hong Kong and other countries of HK\$65,579,000 (2004: HK\$39,137,000) that are available for offsetting against future taxable profits of the companies in which the losses arose. Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these losses as they have arisen in subsidiaries that have been loss-making for some time. Apart from the above, there were no significant unrecognised deferred tax assets as at 31 December 2005.

At 31 December 2005, there was no significant unrecognised deferred tax liability (2004: Nil).

There are no income tax consequences attaching to the payment of dividends by the Company to its shareholders.

## 11. NET PROFIT FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES ATTRIBUTABLE TO EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT

The net profit from ordinary activities attributable to equity holders of the parent for the year ended 31 December 2005 dealt with in the financial statements of the Company, was HK\$39,046,000 (2004: 61,631,000 (restated)) (note 32(b)).

## 12. DIVIDENDS

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Interim – Nil (2004: HK4 cents) per ordinary share	—	33,291
Proposed final – HK 3 cents (2004: HK5 cents) per ordinary share	<b>24,991</b>	41,637
	<b>24,991</b>	74,928

The proposed final dividend for the year is subject to the approval of the Company's shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

**13. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT**

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the net profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the net profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent. The weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation is the ordinary shares in issue during the year, as used in the basic earnings per share calculation and the weighted average number of ordinary shares assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise or conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

The calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share are based on:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>Earnings</b>		
Net profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent, used in the basic and diluted earnings per share calculation	<b>82,089</b>	237,478

	Number of shares	
	2005	2004
<b>Shares</b>		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year used in basic earnings per share calculation	<b>832,918,000</b>	830,693,000
Effect of dilution – weighted average number of ordinary shares:	<b>8,595,000</b>	18,700,000
	<b>841,513,000</b>	849,393,000

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## 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

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	Buildings	Plant and machinery	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	Motor vehicles	Construction in progress	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
31 December 2005						
At 31 December 2004 and at 1 January 2005:						
Cost or valuation	33,960	85,917	39,198	10,856	8,734	178,665
Accumulated depreciation	(201)	(25,300)	(11,908)	(5,263)	—	(42,672)
Net carrying amount	33,759	60,617	27,290	5,593	8,734	135,993
At 1 January 2005, net of accumulated depreciation	33,759	60,617	27,290	5,593	8,734	135,993
Additions	1,796	23,423	11,896	1,507	26,045	64,667
Surplus on revaluation	1,489	—	—	—	—	1,489
Disposals	—	(2,163)	(947)	(279)	—	(3,389)
Provided during the year	(2,680)	(15,317)	(9,661)	(1,907)	—	(29,565)
Transfer	1,057	—	—	—	(1,057)	—
Exchange realignment	1,028	1,460	427	98	172	3,185
<b>At 31 December 2005, net of accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>36,449</b>	<b>68,020</b>	<b>29,005</b>	<b>5,012</b>	<b>33,894</b>	<b>172,380</b>
At 31 December 2005						
Cost or valuation	37,241	107,867	50,395	11,263	33,894	240,660
Accumulated depreciation	(792)	(39,847)	(21,390)	(6,251)	—	(68,280)
Net carrying amount	36,449	68,020	29,005	5,012	33,894	172,380

## 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

Group (continued)

	<b>Buildings</b>	<b>Plant and machinery</b>	<b>Furniture, fixtures and office equipment</b>	<b>Motor vehicles</b>	<b>Construction in progress</b>	<b>Total</b>
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
31 December 2004						
At 31 December 2003 and at 1 January 2004:						
Cost or valuation	31,680	42,527	33,041	10,060	786	118,094
Accumulated depreciation	(132)	(10,514)	(8,860)	(3,996)	—	(23,502)
<b>Net carrying amount</b>	<b>31,548</b>	<b>32,013</b>	<b>24,181</b>	<b>6,064</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>94,592</b>
At 1 January 2004, net of accumulated depreciation						
	31,548	32,013	24,181	6,064	786	94,592
Reclassification	—	3,857	(3,857)	—	—	—
Additions	3,253	37,647	13,648	1,257	11,300	67,105
Surplus on revaluation	(375)	—	—	—	—	(375)
Disposals	(1,020)	(731)	(501)	(197)	—	(2,449)
Provided during the year	(3,079)	(12,245)	(6,172)	(1,521)	—	(23,017)
Transfer	3,205	147	—	—	(3,352)	—
Exchange realignment	227	(71)	(9)	(10)	—	137
At 31 December 2004, net of accumulated depreciation						
	33,759	60,617	27,290	5,593	8,734	135,993
At 31 December 2004						
Cost or valuation	33,960	85,917	39,198	10,856	8,734	178,665
Accumulated depreciation	(201)	(25,300)	(11,908)	(5,263)	—	(42,672)
<b>Net carrying amount</b>	<b>33,759</b>	<b>60,617</b>	<b>27,290</b>	<b>5,593</b>	<b>8,734</b>	<b>135,993</b>

The net book value of the Group's property, plant and equipment held under finance leases included in the total amount of motor vehicles at 31 December 2005 amounted to HK\$303,000 (2004: HK\$494,000).

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## 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

The Group's leasehold land and buildings were revalued individually at the balance sheet date, by Vigers Appraisal & Consulting Limited, independent professionally qualified valuers, at an aggregate open market value of HK\$33,562,000 based on their existing use. Had these leasehold land and buildings stated at cost less accumulated depreciation, the amount would be approximately HK\$31,083,000 as at balance sheet date. As at 31 December 2005, the Group's leasehold land and buildings have been stated at valuation, except that certain land and buildings situated in Mainland China, which are in the process of applying for the transfer of the legal title, were carried at cost with a net book value of approximately HK\$2,887,000. A revaluation surplus of HK\$1,489,000, resulting from the above valuations, has been credited to the land and building revaluation reserve.

The Group's buildings are situated in Mainland China and are held under the following lease terms:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
At valuation:		
Long term leases	3,432	4,189
Medium term leases	30,130	25,031
	<b>33,562</b>	29,220
At cost:		
Long term leases	3,679	4,740
	<b>37,241</b>	33,960

## 15. PREPAID LAND LEASE PAYMENTS

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Carrying amount at 1 January		
As previously reported	—	—
Effect of adopting HKAS 17 (note 2.2(a))	13,327	13,639
As restated:		
Recognised during the year	(292)	(286)
Exchange realignment	297	(26)
Carrying amount at 31 December	13,332	13,327
Current portion included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	(292)	(286)
Non-current portion	13,040	13,041

The leasehold land is held under a long term lease and is situated in Mainland China.

**16. GOODWILL**

The amount of the goodwill capitalised as an asset, arising from the acquisition of subsidiaries, is as follows:

<b>Group</b>	<b>HK\$'000</b>
At 1 January 2005:	
Cost as previously reported	30,101
Effect of adopting HKFRS 3 (note 2.2(d))	(8,185)
Cost as restated	21,916
Accumulated amortisation and impairment as previously reported	(8,185)
Effect of adopting HKFRS 3 (note 2.2(d))	8,185
Accumulated amortisation and impairment as restated	—
Net carrying amount	21,916
Cost at 1 January 2005, net of accumulated impairment	21,916
Impairment during the year	—
Cost and carrying amount at 31 December 2005	21,916
At 31 December 2005:	
Cost	21,916
Accumulated impairment	—
Net carrying amount	21,916
At 1 January 2004:	
Cost	25,172
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	(2,986)
Net carrying amount	22,186
Cost at 1 January 2004, net of accumulated impairment	22,186
Acquisition of additional interests in subsidiaries	4,929
Amortisation provided during the year	(5,199)
Impairment during the year	—
At 31 December 2004	21,916
At 31 December 2004:	
Cost	30,101
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	(8,185)
Net carrying amount	21,916

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## 16. GOODWILL (CONTINUED)

For the purposes of impairment reviews, the recoverable amount of goodwill is determined based on a value-in-use calculation. The value-in-use calculation uses cash flow projections based on financial budgets covering five-year period approved by management. There are a number of assumptions and estimates involved in the preparation of the cash flow projections for the period of five years covered by the approved budget. Key assumptions include the expected growth in revenue and profit margin, and discount rates used to reflect the risks involved. Management prepared the financial budgets reflecting industry development expectations. Judgement is required to determine the key assumptions adopted in the cash flow projections and changes to key assumptions can significantly affect these cash flow projections.

## 17. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS

The movements in deferred tax assets during the year are as follows:

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Deferred tax assets:		
At beginning of year	—	—
Deferred tax credited to the income statement during the year (note 10)	<b>19,318</b>	—
At end of year	<b>19,318</b>	—
Deferred tax assets:		
Unrealised profit arising on consolidation	<b>19,318</b>	—

**18. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Computer software</b>
	HK\$'000
31 December 2005	
Cost at 1 January 2005, net of accumulated amortisation:	3,807
Additions	6,952
Provided during the year	(2,595)
Exchange realignment	78
<b>At 31 December 2005</b>	<b>8,242</b>
At 31 December 2005:	
Cost	13,161
Accumulated amortisation	(4,919)
Net carrying amount	8,242
31 December 2004	
At 1 January 2004	
Cost	4,813
Accumulated amortisation	(895)
Net carrying amount	3,918
Cost at 1 January 2004, net of accumulated amortisation	3,918
Additions	1,276
Provided during the year	(1,380)
Exchange realignment	(7)
At 31 December 2004	3,807
At 31 December 2004 and at 1 January 2005:	
Cost	6,080
Accumulated amortisation	(2,273)
Net carrying amount	3,807

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## 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	Company	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	373,108	373,108
Due from subsidiaries	481,256	416,423
	<b>854,364</b>	789,531

The amounts due from subsidiaries included in the Company's current assets are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed terms of repayment.

Particulars of subsidiaries are as follows:

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment and operations	Nominal value of issued and fully paid-up share/ registered capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
Comba Telecom Systems Investments Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$100	100	—	Investment holding
Praises Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$100	—	100	Investment holding
Comba Telecom Systems Limited 京信通信系統有限公司	Hong Kong	HK\$10,002	—	100	Investment holding and trading
Comba Telecom Systems (Guangzhou) Limited 京信通信系統(廣州)有限公司*	PRC/ Mainland China	HK\$44,300,710	—	100	Manufacture and sale of wireless telecommunications network enhancement system equipment and provision of related engineering services

## 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

Particulars of subsidiaries are as follows: (CONTINUED)

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment and operations	Nominal value of issued and fully paid-up share/ registered capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
Comba Telecom Technology (Guangzhou) Limited 京信通信技術(廣州) 有限公司*	PRC/ Mainland China	HK\$61,323,565	—	100	Manufacture and sale of wireless telecommunications network enhancement system equipment and provision of related engineering services
Comba Telecom Systems (China) Limited 京信通信系統(中國) 有限公司*	PRC/ Mainland China	USD6,619,994	—	100	Dormant
Guangzhou Telink Telecom Equipment Co., Ltd. 廣州泰聯電訊設備有限公司*	PRC/ Mainland China	HK\$1,000,000	—	100	Manufacture and sale of wireless telecommunications network enhancement system equipment and provision of related engineering services
Comba Telecom Systems International Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
Comba Telecom Systems (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	S\$2	—	100	Provision of support and services
Cascade Technology Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	—	100	Investment holding

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## 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

Particulars of subsidiaries are as follows: (CONTINUED)

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment and operations	Nominal value of issued and fully paid-up share/ registered capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
WaveLab Holdings Limited	Cayman Islands	US\$1,000	—	60	Investment holding
WaveLab, Inc.,	State of Virginia/ United States of America	No par value	—	60	Research and development of digital microwave system equipment
WaveLab Asia Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	—	60	Investment holding
WaveLab Telecom Equipment (Guangzhou) Limited 波達通信設備 (廣州) 有限公司	Mainland China	US\$1,750,000	—	60	Sale and manufacture of digital microwave system equipment
Honour Mission Group Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
Team Victory Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
Telink Telecom Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	—	100	Dormant
Telink Telecom (China) Limited 泰聯電訊 (中國) 有限公司**	PRC/ Mainland China	HK\$15,000,000	—	100	Sale and manufacture of telecommunication network enhancement system equipment

## 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

Particulars of subsidiaries are as follows: (CONTINUED)

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment and operations	Nominal value of issued and fully paid-up share/ registered capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
DigiLab Holdings Company Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1,000	—	63	Investment holding
DigiLab Company Limited 廣州高域通信技術有限公司 *	Mainland China	HK\$5,000,000	—	63	Sale and manufacture of transmission equipment
Right Track Technology Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	—	100	Dormant
Comba Telecom Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	—	100	Trading
Comba Telecom Co., Ltd.	Thailand	Baht 980,000	—	100	Provision of marketing services
Comban Telecom Systems AB	Sweden	SEK100,000	—	100	Provision of marketing services
Noblefield International Limited#	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
Comba Telecom Inc.#	United States of America	US\$1	—	100	Research and development

Notes:

# These were subsidiaries set up during the year.

\* These are wholly foreign-owned enterprises under the PRC law.

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## 20. INVENTORIES

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Raw materials	55,402	46,129
Project materials	166,577	167,420
Work in progress	42,319	23,453
Finished goods	308,650	279,648
	<b>572,948</b>	516,650

## 21. TRADE RECEIVABLES

The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on credit. The credit period is generally for a period of three months and is extendable up to two years depending on customer's credit worthiness. The balances also include retention money of approximately 10% to 20% of the total contract sum of each project and is generally receivable after final certification of products by customers, which would be performed six to twelve months after sale, or upon completion of the one to two year warranty period granted to customers. The credit terms for major customers are reviewed regularly by senior management. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables and has a credit control department to minimise the credit risk. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management.

An aged analysis of the trade receivables as at the balance sheet date, based on the invoice date, as follows:

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Within 3 months	285,631	257,663
4 to 6 months	70,400	68,862
7 to 12 months	87,967	105,568
More than 1 year	188,750	77,536
	<b>632,748</b>	509,629
Provision for impairment	<b>(14,458)</b>	(14,453)
	<b>618,290</b>	495,176

**22. FACTORED TRADE RECEIVABLES/BANK ADVANCES ON FACTORED TRADE RECEIVABLES**

At 31 December 2005, a subsidiary of the Group factored trade receivables of HK\$115,296,000 to a bank on a without-recourse basis for cash. As the subsidiary of the Group still retained the risks and rewards associated with the delay in payment by the customers, the financial asset derecognition conditions as stipulated in HKAS 39 have not been fulfilled. Accordingly, bank advances from the factoring of the Group's trade receivables have been accounted for as liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet.

**23. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES**

	Group		Company	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Prepayments	34,893	29,884	—	—
Deposits	156	559	—	—
Other receivables	77,758	56,009	63	452
	<b>112,807</b>	86,452	<b>63</b>	452

**24. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND SHORT TERM TIME DEPOSITS**

	Group		Company	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Cash and bank balances	312,501	248,766	2,410	11,405
Time deposits	179,913	267,533	1,617	41,750
	<b>492,414</b>	516,299	<b>4,027</b>	53,155
Less: Pledged time deposits for short term bank loans and undrawn facilities (note 27(a))	(63,000)	(102,000)	—	(39,000)
Non-pledged short term time deposits with original maturity of over three months	(115,296)	(165,533)	—	(2,750)
	<b>(178,296)</b>	(267,533)	—	(41,750)
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>314,118</b>	248,766	<b>4,027</b>	11,405

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## 24. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND SHORT TERM TIME DEPOSITS (CONTINUED)

At the balance sheet date, the cash and bank balances and time deposits of the Group denominated in Renminbi ("RMB") amounted to approximately HK\$403,972,759 (2004: HK\$374,700,000). The RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies, however, under Mainland China's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for other currencies through banks authorised to conduct foreign exchange business.

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Short term time deposits with original maturity of less than three months are made for varying periods of between one day and three months depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Group, and earn interest at the respective short term time deposit rates. The carrying amounts of the cash and cash equivalents and the short term time deposits approximate to their fair values.

## 25. TRADE AND BILLS PAYABLES

An aged analysis of the trade and bills payables as at the balance sheet date, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Within 3 months	279,504	245,625
4 to 6 months	45,472	25,601
7 to 12 months	13,674	10,144
More than 1 year	18,103	11,039
	<b>356,753</b>	292,409

## 26. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	Group		Company	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Accruals	68,842	65,295	1,940	1,540
Deposits received	97,230	51,304	—	—
Other payables	117,964	132,492	19	—
Dividend payable	—	47	—	47
	<b>284,036</b>	249,138	<b>1,959</b>	1,587

## 27. INTEREST-BEARING BANK LOANS

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Bank loans, wholly repayable within one year:		
Secured	39,759	138,985
Unsecured	150,964	18,797
	<b>190,723</b>	157,782

## Notes:

- (a) The Group's bank loans are secured by the pledge of time deposits amounting to HK\$63,000,000 (2004: HK\$102,000,000) (note 24).
- (b) At 31 December 2005, United States dollars denominated loans are HK\$18,720,000, RMB denominated loans are HK\$141,852,421 and Hong Kong dollars denominated loans are HK\$30,150,525.
- (c) The bank loans bear interest at rates ranging from 0.94% to 5.86% (2004: from 0.7% to 5.58%) per annum.

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## 28. FINANCE LEASE PAYABLES

The Group acquired certain of its motor vehicles through hire purchase contracts of a financing nature. These hire purchase contracts are accounted for as finance leases and have remaining lease terms of one year.

As at the balance sheet date, the total future minimum lease payments under finance leases and their present values were as follows:

Group	Minimum lease payments		Present value of minimum lease payments	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Amounts repayable:				
Within one year	200	200	180	180
In the second year	—	200	—	180
Total minimum finance lease payments	200	400	180	360
Future finance charges	(20)	(40)		
Total net finance lease payables	180	360		
Portion classified as current liabilities	(180)	(180)		
Long term portion	—	180		

## 29. PROVISION FOR PRODUCT WARRANTIES

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
At beginning of the year	14,200	11,664
Additional provisions	21,631	18,575
Amounts utilised during the year	(15,343)	(16,039)
Exchange realignment	578	—
At end of year	21,066	14,200

The Group generally provides one to two year warranties to its customers on certain of its products, under which faulty products are repaired or replaced. The amount of provisions is estimated based on sales volume and past experience of the level of repairs and returns. The estimation basis is reviewed on an ongoing basis and revised where appropriate. During the year, the provision for product warranties was not discounted as the effect of discounting was not material.

## 30. SHARE CAPITAL

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
<b>Shares</b>		
Authorised:		
5,000,000,000 (2004: 5,000,000,000) ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each	<b>500,000</b>	500,000
Issued and fully paid or credited as fully paid:		
833,018,000 (2004: 832,728,000) ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each	<b>83,302</b>	83,273

During the year, the subscription rights attaching to 290,000 share options were exercised at the subscription price of HK\$2.25 per share (note 31), resulting in issue of 290,000 shares of HK\$0.10 each for a total cash consideration of HK\$652,500.

A summary of the transactions during the year with reference to the above movement in the Company's issued ordinary share capital is as follows:

	Number of shares in issue	Issued share capital HK\$'000	Share premium account HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Issued share capital at 1 January 2004	830,000,000	83,000	312,659	395,659
Share options exercised	2,728,000	273	5,865	6,138
At 31 December 2004 and 1 January 2005	832,728,000	83,273	318,524	401,797
Share options exercised	290,000	29	624	653
<b>At 31 December 2005</b>	<b>833,018,000</b>	<b>83,302</b>	<b>319,148</b>	<b>402,450</b>

**Share options**

Details of the Company's share option scheme and the share options issued under the scheme are included in note 31 to the financial statements.

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## 31. SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company operates a share option scheme (the "Scheme") for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. Eligible participants of the Scheme include directors, including independent non-executive directors, or employees, holders of any securities, business or joint venture partners, contractors, agents or representatives, persons or entities that provide research, development or technological support or any advisory, consultancy, professional services for the business of the Group, investors, vendors, suppliers, developers or licensors and customers, licencees, wholesalers, retailers, traders or distributors of goods or services of the Group, the Company's controlling shareholders or companies controlled by a Company's controlling shareholder. The Scheme became effective on 20 June 2003 and, unless otherwise cancelled or amended, will remain in force for 10 years from that date.

The maximum number of unexercised share options currently permitted to be granted under the Scheme is an amount equivalent, upon their exercise, to 10% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time. The maximum number of shares issuable under share options to each eligible participant in the Scheme within any 12-month period, is limited to 1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time. Any further grant of share options in excess of this limit is subject to shareholders' approval in a general meeting.

Share options granted to a director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company, or to any of their associates, are subject to approval in advance by the independent non-executive directors. In addition, any share options granted to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or to any of their associates, in excess of 0.1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time or with an aggregate value (based on the price of the Company's shares at the date of the grant) in excess of HK\$5 million, within any 12-month period, are subject to shareholders' approval in advance in a general meeting.

The offer of a grant of share options may be accepted within 21 days from the date of the offer, upon payment of a nominal consideration of HK\$10 in total by the grantee. The exercise period of the share options granted is determinable by the directors, and commences after a certain vesting period and ends on a date which is not later than 10 years from the date of the offer of the share options or the expiry date of the Scheme, if earlier.

The exercise price of the share options is determinable by the directors, but may not be less than the higher of: (i) the average Stock Exchange closing price of the Company's shares for the number of trading days which have elapsed from the Listing Date; and (ii) the offer price, if the option is granted in five business days (including the Listing Date) before the offer; or (i) the Stock Exchange closing price of the Company's shares on the date of the offer of the share options; and (ii) the average Stock Exchange closing price of the Company's shares for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of the offer, if the option is granted in five business days (including the Listing Date) after offer.

Share options do not confer rights on the holders to dividends or to vote at shareholders' meetings.

### 31. SHARE OPTION SCHEME (CONTINUED)

The following share options were outstanding under the Scheme during the year:

Name or category of participant	At 1 January 2005	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Expired during the year	Forfeited during the year	At 31 December 2005	Date of grant of share options *	Exercise period of share options	Exercise price of share options** HK\$	Price of Company's shares***		
										At grant date of options HK\$	Immediately before the exercise date HK\$	At exercise date of options HK\$
<b>Directors:</b>												
Mr. Chan	2,000,000	—	—	—	—	2,000,000	15 July 2003	15 July 2004 to 14 July 2008	2.25	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mr. Wu	2,000,000	—	—	—	—	2,000,000	15 July 2003	15 July 2004 to 14 July 2008	2.25	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mr. Yan	2,000,000	—	—	—	—	2,000,000	15 July 2003	15 July 2004 to 14 July 2008	2.25	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mr. Yeung	2,000,000	—	—	—	—	2,000,000	7 October 2004	7 November 2004 to 6 October 2009	3.65	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mr. Yeung	—	2,000,000	—	—	—	2,000,000	22 December 2005	21 December 2010	2.625	2.45	N/A	N/A
	8,000,000	2,000,000	—	—	—	10,000,000						
<b>Other employees:</b>												
In aggregate	30,732,000	—	(290,000 )	—	(1,714,000 )	28,728,000	15 July 2003	15 July 2004 to 14 July 2008	2.25	N/A	3.21	3.20
	30,010,000	—	—	—	(3,920,000 )	26,090,000	27 May 2004	27 May 2005 to 26 May 2009	3.925	N/A	N/A	N/A
	—	15,786,000	—	—	—	15,786,000	22 December 2005	22 December 2006 to 21 December 2010	2.625	2.45	N/A	N/A
	60,742,000	15,786,000	(290,000 )	—	(5,634,000 )	70,604,000						
	68,742,000	17,786,000	(290,000 )	—	(5,634,000 )	80,604,000						

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## 31. SHARE OPTION SCHEME (CONTINUED)

Notes to the reconciliation of share options outstanding during the year

- \* The vesting period of the share options is from the date of the grant until the commencement of the exercise period.
- \*\* The exercise price of the share options is subject to adjustment in the case of rights or bonus issues, or other similar changes in the Company's share capital.
- \*\*\* The price of the Company's shares disclosed as at the date of the grant of the share options is the Stock Exchange closing price on the trading day immediately prior to the date of the grant of the options. The price of the Company's shares disclosed immediately before the exercise date of the share options is the weighted average of the Stock Exchange closing prices immediately before the dates on which the options were exercised over all of the exercises of options within the disclosure line.

The 290,000 share options exercised during the year resulted in the issue of 290,000 ordinary shares of the Company and new share capital of HK\$29,000 and share premium of HK\$624,000, as detailed in note 30 to the financial statements.

At the balance sheet date, the Company had 80,604,000 share options outstanding under the Scheme. The exercise in full of the remaining share options would, under the present capital structure of the Company, result in the issue of 80,604,000 additional ordinary shares of the Company and additional share capital of HK\$8,060,400 and share premium of HK\$226,469,100 (before issue expenses).

Subsequent to the balance sheet date, no share option was granted to any of the employees.

At the date of approval of these financial statements, the Company had 77,580,000 share options outstanding under the Scheme, which represented approximately 9.29% of the Company's shares in issue as at that date.

## 32. RESERVES

### (a) Group

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein for the current and the prior years are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity on pages 42 and 43 of the financial statements.

The Group's capital reserve arose mainly from the capitalisation of directors' loans in prior years.

Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations of the PRC, a portion of the profits of the Group's subsidiaries established in the PRC has been transferred to the statutory reserves which are restricted as to use.

## 32. RESERVES (CONTINUED)

## (b) Company

	Share premium account HK\$'000	Contributed surplus* HK\$'000	Share option reserve HK\$'000 (Restated)	Retained profits HK\$'000 (Restated)	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2004	312,659	373,108	3,415	17,264	706,446
Issue of shares	5,865	—	—	—	5,865
Interim 2004 dividend	—	—	—	(33,291)	(33,291)
Net profit for the year	—	—	—	61,631	61,631
Equity-settled share option arrangements	—	—	17,627	—	17,627
Proposed final 2004 dividend	—	—	—	(41,637)	(41,637)
At 31 December 2004	318,524	373,108	21,042	3,967	716,641
Issue of shares	624	—	—	—	624
Net profit for the year	—	—	—	39,046	39,046
Equity-settled share option arrangements	—	—	16,896	—	16,896
Under provision of 2004 final dividend	—	—	—	(14)	(14)
Proposed final 2005 dividend	—	—	—	(24,991)	(24,991)
At 31 December 2005	319,148	373,108	37,938	18,008	748,202

\* The Company's contributed surplus represents the excess of the fair value of the shares of the subsidiaries acquired pursuant to the group reorganisation, over the nominal value of the Company's shares issued in exchange therefor. Under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, a company may make distributions to its members out of the contributed surplus in certain circumstances.

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## 33. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At the balance sheet date, contingent liabilities not provided for in the financial statements were as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Commercial note endorsed with recourse	—	13,603	—	—
Guarantees given to banks in connection with facilities granted to subsidiaries	—	—	<b>120,930</b>	157,292
	—	13,603	<b>120,930</b>	157,292

As at 31 December 2005, the banking facilities granted to the subsidiaries subject to guarantees given to the banks by the Company were utilised to the extent of approximately HK\$68,720,000 (2004: HK\$35,000,000).

## 34 OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

### As lessee

The Group leases certain of its office premises, warehouses and staff dormitories under operating lease arrangements. Leases for these properties are negotiated for terms ranging from one to four years.

At 31 December 2005, the Group and the Company had total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Within one year	<b>11,353</b>	11,382	—	—
In the second to fifth years, inclusive	<b>3,156</b>	5,164	—	—
	<b>14,509</b>	16,546	—	—

**35. COMMITMENTS**

In addition to the operating lease commitments detailed in note 34 above, the Group and the Company had the following capital commitments for the procurement of production facilities at the balance sheet date:

	Group		Company	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Contracted, but not provided for:				
Land and buildings	12,860	4,006	—	—
Plant and machinery	30,939	2,538	—	—

**36. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

- (a) The Group had no significant related party transactions during the year and has no outstanding balances with related parties as at the year end.
- (b) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group:

	Group	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Short term employee benefits	15,158	12,493
Post-employment benefits	180	78
Share-based payments	1,402	1,164
Total compensation paid to key management personnel	16,740	13,735

Further details of directors' emoluments are included in note 9 to the financial statements.

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## 37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's principal financial instruments comprise cash and short term deposits. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to provide finance for the Group's operations. The Group has various other financial assets and liabilities such as trade receivables and trade payables, which arise directly from its operations.

It is, and has been, throughout the year under review, the Group's policy that no trading in financial instruments shall be undertaken.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are cash flow interest rate risk, foreign currency risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The board reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below.

### Cash flow interest rate risk

The interest rate and terms of repayment of interest-bearing loans are disclosed in note 27. The Group does not have any significant exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates as the Group does not have any long term receivables or long term debt obligations.

### Foreign currency risk

The Group mainly operates in the Mainland China with most of the transactions settled in RMB. The Group's assets and liabilities, and transactions arising from its operations are mainly denominated in RMB. The Group has not used any forward contracts or currency borrowings to hedge its exposure as foreign currency risk is considered minimal. The rates of RMB against United States dollar and Hong Kong dollar have been relatively stable over the past few years.

### Credit risk

The Group trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties. It is the Group's policy that all customers who wish to trade on credit terms are subject to credit verification procedures. In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis and the Group's exposure to bad debts is not significant.

The credit risk of the Group's other financial assets, which comprise cash and cash equivalents, arises from default of the counterparty, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amount of these instruments.

Since the Group trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties, there is no requirement for collateral.

### Liquidity risk

The Group does not have any significant exposure to liquidity risk as the Group was in a net current asset position as at 31 December 2005.

### Fair values

The fair values of the Group's financial instruments are not materially different from their carrying amounts. Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time and based on relevant market information and information about the financial instruments. These estimates are subjective in nature, involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgement and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

### 38. COMPARATIVE AMOUNTS

As further explained in notes 2.2 and 2.4 to the financial statements, due to the adoption of new and revised HKFRSs during the current year, the accounting treatment and presentation of certain items and balances in the financial statements have been revised to comply with the new requirements. Accordingly, certain prior year and opening balance adjustments have been made and certain comparative amounts have been reclassified and restated to conform with the current year's presentation and accounting treatment.

On the other hand, research and development costs and certain expenses of the Group's branch offices in the PRC were included in cost of sales in the past. As the Group has expanded its research and development capabilities significantly during the year, it is more meaningful to show the research and development costs separately in the consolidated income statement. In addition, as the Group's branch offices in the PRC are expanding and are currently carrying out more management functions, such expenses were included in the administrative expenses in the consolidated income statement for better presentation.

### 39. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 21 April 2006.

## FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the results and of the assets, liabilities and minority interests of the Group for the last five financial years, as extracted from the published audited financial statements and restated/reclassified as appropriate, is set out below. The amounts for each year in the five year financial summary have been adjusted for the effects of the retrospective changes in accounting policies, as detailed in note 2.2 to the financial statements.

	Year ended 31 December				
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)	2003 HK\$'000 (Restated)	2002 HK\$'000	2001 HK\$'000
<b>RESULTS</b>					
REVENUE	<b>1,170,515</b>	1,092,761	806,232	578,366	430,466
Cost of sales	<b>(696,189)</b>	(529,382)	(404,673)	(294,164)	(237,140)
Gross profit	<b>474,326</b>	563,379	401,559	284,202	193,326
Other income	<b>8,851</b>	8,705	3,990	835	613
Research and development costs	<b>(62,509)</b>	(37,057)	(27,334)	(14,705)	(8,946)
Selling and distribution costs	<b>(86,955)</b>	(69,391)	(42,390)	(27,920)	(17,789)
Administrative expenses	<b>(223,000)</b>	(211,147)	(94,976)	(55,803)	(43,050)
Other expenses	<b>(3,454)</b>	(8,342)	(10,838)	(6,686)	(2,454)
Finance costs	<b>(21,480)</b>	(9,531)	(5,542)	(2,977)	(1,640)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	<b>85,779</b>	236,616	224,469	176,946	120,060
Tax	<b>(7,315)</b>	(6,031)	(15,912)	(14,587)	—
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	<b>78,464</b>	230,585	208,557	162,359	120,060
Attributable:					
Equity holders of the parent	<b>82,089</b>	237,478	214,495	162,359	120,060
Minority interests	<b>(3,625)</b>	(6,893)	(5,938)	—	—
<b>ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND MINORITY INTERESTS</b>					
TOTAL ASSETS	<b>2,182,236</b>	1,828,652	1,317,930	601,176	373,703
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<b>(986,921)</b>	(716,384)	(386,184)	(302,624)	(207,971)
MINORITY INTERESTS	<b>(7,657)</b>	(11,282)	(13,243)	—	—
	<b>1,187,658</b>	1,100,986	918,503	298,552	165,732

Note: The results of the Group for the two years ended 31 December 2002, and its assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2002 and 2001 have been extracted from the Company's prospectus dated 3 July 2003, which also set out the details of the basis of preparation of the consolidation. The results of the Group for the three years ended 31 December 2005 and its assets, liabilities and minority interests as at the end of each of such three years are those set out in the relevant published audited financial statements and are presented on the basis as set out in those financial statements.