



TAI-I INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

台一國際控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 1808)

INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS

The board (the “Board”) of directors (the “Directors”) of Tai-I International Holdings Limited (the “Company”) announces the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “Group”) for the six months ended 30 June 2008 together with comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2007. The interim financial report has not been audited but has been reviewed by the Company’s Audit Committee.

Consolidated Income Statement

For the six months ended 30 June 2008

(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

		Six months ended 30 June	
		2008	2007
	Notes	RMB’000	RMB’000
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Turnover	3	3,636,970	3,109,313
Cost of sales	5(iii)	(3,572,154)	(2,988,076)
Gross profit		64,816	121,237
Other revenue		14,027	15,185
Other net income	4	41,128	20,487
Distribution expenses		(10,632)	(11,261)
General and administrative expenses		(17,052)	(20,266)
Other operating expenses		(2,752)	(4,477)
Profit from operations		89,535	120,905
Finance costs	5(i)	(49,116)	(50,609)
Share of gain of associate		36	-
Profit before taxation		40,455	70,296
Income tax expenses	6	(7,709)	(3,268)
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company		32,746	67,028
Basic and diluted earnings per share (RMB)	8	0.06	0.11

Consolidated Balance Sheet
At 30 June 2008
(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

	<i>Notes</i>	At 30 June 2008 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	At 31 December 2007 RMB'000 (Audited)
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		451,535	464,875
Lease prepayments		32,602	33,020
Interest in associate		38,815	38,779
		<u>522,952</u>	<u>536,674</u>
Current assets			
Inventories		352,296	345,551
Trade and other receivables	9	1,355,177	1,338,989
Derivative financial instruments		66,132	87,803
Pledged deposits		1,259,406	875,178
Time deposits		77,930	209,907
Cash and cash equivalents		169,161	340,295
		<u>3,280,102</u>	<u>3,197,723</u>
Current liabilities			
Bank loans		1,352,198	1,395,899
Trade and other payables	10	1,581,465	1,457,997
Derivative financial instruments		21,676	38,844
Income tax payable		8,448	1,714
		<u>2,963,787</u>	<u>2,894,454</u>
Net current assets		<u>316,315</u>	<u>303,269</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>839,267</u>	<u>839,943</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Deferred tax liabilities		4,795	6,598
		<u>4,795</u>	<u>6,598</u>
Net assets		<u>834,472</u>	<u>833,345</u>
Share capital and reserves			
Share capital		6,000	6,000
Reserves		828,472	827,345
Total equity		<u>834,472</u>	<u>833,345</u>

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT:

1. Basic of preparation

This interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure provision of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, including compliance with International Accounting Standard (“IAS”) 34, “Interim financial reporting” promulgated by the International Accounting Standards Board.

Except as described below, the accounting policies adopted for the interim financial report are consistent with those of the 2007 annual financial statements.

The following new standards, amendments to standards or interpretations are mandatory for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 January 2008 but are not currently relevant for the Group.

- IFRIC 12, Service concession arrangements
- IFRIC 14, IAS 19-The limit on a defined benefit asset, minimum funding requirements and their interaction

The preparation of an interim financial report in conformity with IAS 34 requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses on a year to date basis. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

This interim financial report contains condensed consolidated financial statements and selected explanatory notes. The notes include an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in financial position and performance of the Group since the 2007 annual financial statements. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements and notes thereon do not include all of the information required for full set of financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”).

The financial information relating to the financial year ended 31 December 2007 that is included in the interim financial report as being previously reported information does not constitute the Company’s statutory financial statements for that financial year but is derived from the 2007 annual financial statements. The 2007 annual financial statements are available from the Company’s registered office. The auditors have expressed an unqualified opinion on the 2007 annual financial statements dated 11 April 2008.

2. Segment reporting

A segment is a distinguishable component of the Group that is engaged either in providing products or services (business segment), or in providing products or services within a particular economic environment (geographical segment), which is subject to risks and rewards that are different from those of other segments.

The Group's operation is regarded as a single segment, being an enterprise engaged in the manufacturing and sale of bare copper wires and magnet wires and providing processing services. In addition, analysis of the Group's turnover and results as well as analysis of the Group's carrying amount of segment assets and additions to property, plant and equipment by geographical market has not been presented as over 90% of the sales are generated from the market of the People's Republic of China (the "PRC").

3. Turnover

The principal activities of the Group are the manufacturing and sale of bare copper wires and magnet wires and provision of processing services.

The amount of each significant category of revenue recognised during the period is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Sales of bare copper wires	2,430,141	1,969,653
Sales of magnet wires	1,198,222	1,132,359
Processing services	8,607	7,301
	<hr/> 3,636,970 <hr/>	<hr/> 3,109,313 <hr/>

The Group's operations are mostly located in the PRC. For the six months ended 30 June 2008, a substantial proportion of the Group's products were sold to its customers for further processing, which were eventually exported to overseas countries.

4. Other net income

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Net exchange gain	40,599	17,084
Gain on sales of scrap materials	604	3,370
(Loss)/gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(41)	33
Net gain/(loss) on derivative financial instruments		
– Copper futures contracts	(7,864)	–
– Foreign exchange forward contracts	7,352	–
Others	478	–
	<hr/> 41,128 <hr/>	<hr/> 20,487 <hr/>

5. Profit before taxation

Profit before taxation is arrived at after charging:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
(i) Finance cost		
Interest expenses	44,555	46,682
Letter of credit charges	4,561	3,927
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Total borrowing costs	49,116	50,609
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	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
(ii) Staff cost		
Salaries, wages and other benefits	21,321	20,693
Contributions to defined contribution retirement schemes	1,575	1,660
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	22,896	22,353
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	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
(iii) Other items		
Cost of inventories	3,572,154	2,988,076
Depreciation	14,882	15,567
Amortisation of lease prepayments	418	419
Impairment losses for doubtful debts	—	—
Operating leases charges in respect of properties	1,229	847
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	3,588,683	3,004,909
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6. Income tax expense

Income tax expense represents:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Current tax – PRC		
Provision for the period	9,512	3,268
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	(1,803)	–
	<u>7,709</u>	<u>3,268</u>

No provision has been made for Hong Kong Profits Tax as the Group did not earn income subject to Hong Kong Profits Tax during the period.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands, the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands.

Pursuant to the approvals obtained from the relevant PRC tax authorities, being production oriented enterprises established in an Economic and Technological Zone, Tai-I Jiang Corp (Guangzhou) Co., Ltd. (“Tai-I Jiang Corp”) and Tai-I Copper (Guangzhou) Co., Ltd. (“Tai-I Copper”) are entitled to a preferential income tax rate of 15% and are entitled to a tax concession period in which they are fully exempted from PRC income tax for two years commencing from their first profit-making year (after the offset of tax losses brought forward), followed by a 50% reduction in PRC income tax for the next three years.

On 16 March 2007, the Fifth Plenary Session of the Tenth National People’s Congress passed the Corporate Income Tax Law of the People’s Republic of China (“the new tax law”) which takes effect on 1 January 2008. The new tax law adopts a uniform tax rate of 25% for all enterprises including foreign investment enterprises. According to the new tax law and Circular Guofa [2007] No. 39 “Notice on Corporate Income Tax Rate for the Transitional Period”, the income tax rate applicable to Tai-I Jiang Corp and Tai-I Copper will increase from 15% to 25% over a five year transitional period, being 18% for 2008, 20% for 2009, 22% for 2010, 24% for 2011 and 25% from 2012.

The first profit-making year of Tai-I Jiang Corp is 2005 and Tai-I Jiang Corp is exempted from PRC income tax for the years 2005 and 2006. Tai-I Jiang Corp is entitled to a 50% income tax reduction for the next three years and hence subject to PRC income tax at 7.5%, 9% and 10% for the years 2007, 2008 and 2009 respectively.

The first profit-making year of Tai-I Copper is 2004 and Tai-I Copper is exempted from PRC income tax for the years 2004 and 2005. Tai-I Copper is entitled to a 50% income tax reduction for the next three years and hence subject to PRC income tax at 7.5%, 7.5% and 9% for the years 2006, 2007 and 2008 respectively.

The new tax rate was considered to determine the Group's deferred tax assets and liabilities as at 30 June 2008.

7. Dividends

Dividends attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the period:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Final dividend in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2007, approved and paid during the interim period, of HK6 cents per ordinary share	32,338	—

8. Basic and diluted earnings per share

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share for the six months ended 30 June 2008 is based on the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company of RMB32,746,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB67,028,000) and the weighted average of 600,000,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: 591,712,707) shares in issue during the period.

9. Trade and other receivables

	30 June 2008	31 December 2007
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Trade receivables	749,388	859,838
Bills receivable	236,995	247,915
	986,383	1,107,753
	<i>(i)</i>	
Deposits and prepayments made to suppliers	266,208	136,983
Other receivables	86,872	65,376
Deposits for derivative financial instruments	15,714	28,877
	1,355,177	1,338,989

All of the trade and other receivables are expected to be recovered within one year.

- (i) Included in trade and other receivables are trade receivables and bills receivable (net of impairment loss for doubtful debts) with the following ageing analysis as of the balance sheet date:

	30 June 2008 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	31 December 2007 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Within 1 month	583,860	712,977
Over 1 month but less than 3 months	287,347	270,997
Over 3 months but less than 1 year	101,618	117,217
Over 1 year but less than 2 years	20,645	17,643
Over 2 years	7,398	3,404
	<hr/> 1,000,868	<hr/> 1,122,238
Less: Impairment losses for doubtful debts	(14,485)	(14,485)
	<hr/> 986,383 <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> 1,107,753 <hr/> <hr/>

During the period, credit terms granted to customers of bare copper wire were different from those granted to customers of magnet wire. Customers of bare copper wire were usually required to settle the payment in full prior to delivery or at each month end. For customers of magnet wire, credit terms granted ranged from 30 days to 60 days. The credit terms granted to each customer vary depending on the customers' relationship with the Group, its creditworthiness and settlement record.

10. Trade and other payables

		30 June 2008 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	31 December 2007 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Trade creditors	<i>(i)</i>	1,123,935	1,068,409
Bills payable	<i>(ii)</i>	378,703	310,966
		<hr/> 1,502,638	<hr/> 1,379,375
Non-trade payables and accrued expenses		69,922	73,521
Other taxes payable		8,905	5,101
		<hr/> 1,581,465 <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> 1,457,997 <hr/> <hr/>

All of the trade and other payables are expected to be settled within one year.

Included in trade and other payables are trade creditors and bills payables with the following ageing analysis as of the balance sheet date:

	30 June 2008	31 December 2007
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Due within 3 months or on demand	1,197,916	1,220,886
Due after 3 months but within 6 months	304,015	158,139
Due after 6 months but within 1 year	59	184
Due after 1 year but within 2 years	648	166
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	1,502,638	1,379,375
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- (i) Certain letters of credit issued for the settlement of trade creditors were secured by pledge deposits.
- (ii) As at 30 June 2008, certain bills payable outstanding were secured by the Group's machinery, equipment and tools with carrying amounts of RMB177,046,000 (31 December 2007: RMB183,978,000).

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

BUSINESS REVIEW

Sales of bare copper wire and magnet wire both recorded growth

During the first half of this year, the Group's sales revenue grew 16.97% as compared to the first half of 2007. The sales volume of bare copper wire in the first half of 2008 were 42,610 tonnes (first half of 2007: 36,517 tonnes), an increase of 16.69% as compared to the corresponding period last year. The sales volume of magnet wire in the first half of 2008 were 19,193 tonnes (first half of 2007: 18,848 tonnes), an increase of 1.83% as compared to the corresponding period last year.

However, as the Group was affected by global inflation and the continuous appreciation of Renminbi during the period, these influences were directly reflected in profitability. Gross profit margin demonstrated downward trend as compared to last period. The Group wishes that the exchange rate of Renminbi will remain steady in the second half of the year. In this stance, together with the efficiencies to be derived from adjustment in customer pricing, may recover gross profit margin to the original level.

Obtained certification on ISO/TS16949 Quality Control System for Automobile Series

Tai-I Copper, a subsidiary of the Company, obtained certification on ISO/TS16949 Quality Control System for Automobile Series during the period. As such, the Group's magnet wire products are eligible to tap into international automobile motor magnet wire market. The Group will actively seek representative customers of quality in that industry, so as to increase the sale volume to a significant extent.

Ongoing efforts devoted to R&D for innovation and cost reduction

The Group continuously developed high added value products as scheduled. Tai-I Copper obtained substantial progresses in the research and development of high frequency resistant coated magnet wire that has high added value. This product is mainly used in frequency changing motors and frequency changing compressors, which has an extensive prospects in the market.

Following the energy saving and consumption reduction upgrade implemented by Tai-I Copper and Tai-I Jiang Corp in 2007, which saved approximately thirteen million units of electricity for the year, both companies continued to implement further measures in energy saving and consumption reduction during the first half of 2008. Average electricity consumption in units per month in the first half of 2008 fell by 11.90% as compared with the annual average electricity consumption in units in 2007. Electricity consumption costs were effectively saved.

Passed assessment by PRC government and enhanced reputation in the society

Quality supervisory authorities assessed products as branded products that are free from inspection.

The Group's magnet wire products were assessed by quality supervisory authorities as branded products that are free from inspection. The reputation in the quality of the products was enhanced, as the products are free from quality inspection by quality supervisory authorities in the market.

Grade A Enterprise in Tax Paying Creditworthiness

Tai-I Jiang Corp, a subsidiary of the Company, was accredited by Guangzhou as a Grade A Enterprise in Tax Paying Creditworthiness for the year 2006-2007 in 2008. According to the related administrative measures in the assessment of tax paying creditworthiness, it is entitled to relevant preferential treatment granted by competent taxation authorities in 2008 and 2009. The creditworthiness of Tai-I Jiang Corp among government authorities was further enhanced.

PROSPECTS

In order to maintain the sustainable development in the Group, the following future plans will continue to be implemented:

Continue to implement plans for the development of environmental friendly products and high added value products

The Group will continue to implement plans for the development of environmental friendly products and high added value products, so as to increase sales of products and enhance profitability. The high frequency resistant coated magnet wire as researched and developed by the Group enjoys better competitiveness in the market. Faced with the advocacy by the PRC government on the policies regarding energy saving and emission reduction in the society as large, improvement in efficiency and effectiveness, and environmental friendly production, the Group will continue to research and develop new products that will adapt to the requirements of the society. In the meantime, more efforts will be devoted to improve quality in production so as to enhance the Group's competitiveness.

Capabilities Expansion Plans

Tai-I Jiang Corp will complete its production capabilities expansion and technology upgrade by the end of the year. It is expected that the production capabilities of bare copper wire will increase approximately 33.00% after completion of the upgrade whilst the annual output will increase approximately 50,000 tonnes to achieve 200,000 tonnes.

Energy Saving and Cost Reduction Plans

Tai-I Copper and Tai-I Jiang Corp, subsidiaries of the Company, have formulated a series of plans in structures and targets for energy saving and consumption reduction within both companies. In order to implement energy saving and consumption reduction to further extent, it is planned to enter into cooperation for a number of projects with professional energy institutes in the PRC. It is expected that Tai-I Copper will accomplish the target on saving approximately two million units of electricity during 2008 through upgrade of relevant production processes and techniques. In the meantime, Tai-I Jiang Corp will pursue to achieve energy saving and cost reduction through SCR-related system and Drawing System.

Customer cooperation plans

Following the certification on ISO/TS16949 Quality Control System for Automobile Series, and the substantial progresses in the research and development of high frequency resistant coated magnet wire received, the Group will actively seek representative customers from the international market for the two products above. Customer loyalty will be enhanced through means of close cooperation. This will lay a good foundation for the production to enter the international market.

Enhance efficiency and effectiveness in internal management

Faced with the current stringent external business environment, the directors plan to enhance efficiency and effectiveness in internal management as a response. On the one hand, upgrade in the production process flow technique will be conducted so as to reduce cost and energy consumption. On the other hand, human resources enhancement scheme, such as training and education will be implemented at the same time. By leveraging on sophisticated technologies and management skills, the Group's competitiveness as a whole will be enhanced.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Turnover

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, the turnover of the Group amounted to RMB3,636,970,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB3,109,313,000), an increase of 16.97% as compared with the last corresponding period. The revenue from magnet wires increased by RMB65,863,000, the revenue from bare copper wires increased by RMB460,488,000, and the revenue from processing services increased by RMB1,306,000. Approximately 66.81% and 32.94% of the Group's turnover were attributable to bare copper wires and magnet wires respectively.

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, the increase in the Group's revenue was due to the increase in both the price and sales volume of copper. For the sales volume, the sales volume of magnet wires for the six months ended 30 June 2008 rose by 345 tonnes to 19,193 tonnes (six months ended 30 June 2007: 18,848 tonnes), the sales volume of bare copper wires for the six months ended 30 June 2008 rose by 6,093 tonnes to 42,610 tonnes (six months ended 30 June 2007: 36,517 tonnes), and the processing services volume of bare copper wire slightly increased from 13,726 tonnes for the six months ended 30 June 2007 to 13,822 tonnes for the six months ended 30 June 2008.

Gross Profit

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, gross profit decreased by approximately 46.53% to RMB64,816,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB121,237,000). The decrease in gross profit amounted to RMB56,421,000.

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, the substantial decrease in the Group's gross profit, apart from a small part due to increase in the cost of labor in China, it was mainly caused by the appreciation of Renminbi which affected the gross profit on indirect and direct export sales. The Group used foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge against the foreign exchange exposures arising from the appreciation of Renminbi, and recorded an other net income.

Other Net Income

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Group recorded other net income of RMB41,128,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB20,487,000). The other net income mainly arising from the foreign exchange gain of RMB40,599,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB17,084,000). The Group used foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge against the foreign exchange exposures arising from the appreciation of Renminbi.

Finance Costs

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, finance cost decreased by RMB1,493,000 to RMB49,116,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB50,609,000), which is primarily due to the decrease in interest expenses for discounting bills receivable.

Profit for the Period

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, net profit amounted to RMB32,746,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB67,028,000), a decrease of approximately 51.15% to RMB34,282,000.

Liquidity and Financial Resources

The Group's working capital is funded by the cash generated by internal operating activities or short term bank borrowings. As at 30 June 2008, the Group maintained cash and cash equivalent amounted to RMB169,161,000 (31 December 2007: RMB340,295,000). The short term bank borrowing as at 30 June 2008 amounted to RMB1,352,198,000 (31 December 2007: RMB1,395,899,000) was payable at fixed rates ranged from 4.2% to 8.96% per annum (31 December 2007: 5.47% to 10.13%) and were repayable within 1 year. As at 30 June 2008, the Group current ratio was 110.67% (31 December 2007: 110.48%), and the Group's net gearing ratio (balance of total borrowings less cash and cash equivalent, time deposits and pledged deposits divided by total assets and multiplied by 100%) was -4.06% (31 December 2007: -0.8%).

Pledged deposits placed for the issuance of letters of credit and commercial bills in relation to the purchases of copper cathodes amounted to RMB1,259,406,000 as at 30 June 2008 (31 December 2007: RMB875,178,000), increased by 43.90%. During the period, pledged deposits were required by the banks for the issuance of letters of credit and commercial bills.

Foreign Exchange

The Group receives US dollar, Hong Kong dollar and Renminbi for the goods sold and pays, US dollar and Renminbi for raw materials purchase. For the six months ended 30 June 2008, approximately 66.29%, 4.27% and 29.44% of the Group's turnover were denominated in US dollar, Hong Kong dollar and Renminbi, while approximately 66.41% and 33.59% of the Group's purchases were denominated in US dollar and Renminbi. In view of the appreciation of Renminbi, for the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Group has a net foreign exchange gain of RMB40,599,000 (30 June 2007: RMB17,084,000).

The Group uses foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge its exposure against foreign exchange fluctuations.

Charges on Assets

In order to obtain bank loans for working capital, letters of credit and commercial bills to transform into short-term credit loan, the carrying amount of the Group's assets pledged are as follows:

Assets	30 June 2008 RMB'000	31 December 2007 RMB'000	Purpose
Buildings	95,596	91,621	Bank loans and banking facilities
Land use rights	32,602	33,020	Bank loans and banking facilities
Inventories	159,505	–	Bank loans and banking facilities
Pledged deposits	1,259,406	875,178	Letters of credits, commercial bills and bank loans
Machinery, equipment and tools	177,046	183,978	Letters of credits and commercial bills
Total	<u>1,724,155</u>	<u>1,183,797</u>	

Use of Proceeds

The proceeds from the issuance of new shares by the Company in January 2007, net of listing expenses, were approximately HK\$220,762,000. As at 30 June 2008, the net proceeds were utilised in the following manner:

	Per prospectus HK\$'000	Amount Utilised HK\$'000	Balance HK\$'000
Expansion of production capacity			
– Upgrading of existing production facilities	18,544	18,544	–
– Acquisition of new production facilities or related businesses	136,142	46,808	89,334
Repayment of short-term borrowings	44,000	44,000	–
General working capital	22,076	22,076	–
Total	<u>220,762</u>	<u>131,428</u>	<u>89,334</u>

The unutilised balance was placed in short-term deposits with banks.

Capital Structure

The Group adopts a prudent treasury policy, and its net debt-to-adjusted capital ratio (calculated as bank loans less pledged deposits and cash and cash equivalent plus unaccrued proposed dividend then divided by total equity less declared dividend) as at 30 June 2008 was 9.15% (31 December 2007: 26.57%). The current ratio (calculated as current assets divided by current liabilities) as at 30 June 2008 was 110.67 % (31 December 2007: 110.48%). The Group continued to monitor stringent debt collection policy so as to minimise the risks of sales on credit to ensure that funds are timely collected.

Capital Expenditure

The Group's capital expenditures were mainly for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment. The following table shows the Group's capital expenditures for the six months ended 30 June 2008 and the year of 2007:

	Six months ended 30 June 2008 <i>RMB '000</i>	Year ended 31 December 2007 <i>RMB '000</i>
Buildings	13	446
Machinery, equipment and tools	325	10,145
Dies and moulds	1,041	3,307
Motor vehicles and other fixed assets	204	2,161
Construction in progress	—	67
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	1,583	16,126
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Material acquisition and disposal of subsidiaries or associated companies

The Group has not made any material acquisition or disposal of subsidiaries or associated companies during the period under review.

Significant investments

The Group has no significant investments held as at 30 June 2008.

Employees and Remuneration Policies

As at 30 June 2008, the Group employed 1,219 full-time employees in the PRC (31 December 2007: 1,393). There is no significant change in the Group's salaries and remuneration policies during the period. The remuneration package of employees is determined by reference to their performance, experience and prevailing market conditions, and their positions, duties and responsibilities in the Group. The Group continued to provide retirement, medical, employment injury, unemployment and maternity benefits which are governed by the state-managed social welfare scheme operated by the local government of the PRC.

The executive Directors' remuneration package is determined by the Board by reference to their duties and responsibilities and market rate. The proposals made by the Remuneration Committee will be examined by the Board to ensure it conformed to the remuneration package of the executive Directors.

Commitments

As at 30 June 2008, the total minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of property are payable as follows:

	The Group	
	30 June 2008	31 December 2007
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Less than one year	1,205	1,490
Between one and two years	15	47
Between two and three years	9	23
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	1,229	1,560
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Contingent Liabilities

As at 30 June 2008, there was no significant contingent liabilities (31 December 2007: Nil).

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Directors resolved not to declare an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2008 (six months ended 30 June 2007: Nil).

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 June 2008.

COMPLIANCE WITH MODEL CODE SET OUT IN APPENDIX 10 TO THE LISTING RULES

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers set out in Appendix 10 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“Listing Rules”) (the “Model Code”) as the code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors.

Having made specific enquiry of all Directors, all Directors have confirmed that they have complied with the required standards as set out in the Model Code during the six months ended 30 June 2008.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company has adopted the code provisions set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (“CG Code”) as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules. In the opinion of the Directors, the Company has met the code provisions set out in the CG Code during the six months ended 30 June 2008.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee of the Company comprises five independent non-executive Directors of the Company, namely Mr. Tsay Yang-Tzong (as chairman), Mr. Cheng Yang-Yi, Mr. Kang Jung-Pao, Mr. Atsushi Kanayama and Mr. Yan Minghe. The unaudited interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2008 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

By Order of the Board
Tai-I International Holdings Limited
Huang Cheng-Roang
Chairman

Hong Kong, 28 August 2008

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises four executive Directors, namely Mr. Huang Cheng-Roang (Chairman), Mr. Lin Chi-Ta (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Huang Kuo-Feng and Mr. Du Chi-Ting, and five independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Tsay Yang-Tzong, Mr. Cheng Yang-Yi, Mr. Kang Jung-Pao, Mr. Atsushi Kanayama and Mr. Yan Minghe.