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# CHAOYUE GROUP LIMITED 超越集團有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 00147)

# PROPOSED GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES, RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS, ADOPTION OF NEW BYE-LAWS AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening the annual general meeting ("AGM") of Chaoyue Group Limited (the "Company") to be held at Unit 2302, 23rd Floor, China Insurance Group Building, 141 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong on Friday, 21 September 2012 at 10:00 a.m. is set out on pages 29 to 32 in this circular. A form of proxy for use at the AGM is enclosed. If you are unable to attend the AGM in person, you are requested to complete and return the accompanying form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon to the Company's principal place of business in Hong Kong at Unit 2302, 23rd Floor, China Insurance Group Building, 141 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong as soon as possible but in any event not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the AGM. Completion and delivery of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the AGM should you so wish and in such event, the instrument appointing the proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

In this circular, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"2012 Annual Report" the audited consolidated financial statements and the

reports of the Directors and of the auditor of the

Company for the year ended 31 March 2012

"AGM" the annual general meeting of the Company to be

> convened and held at Unit 2302, 23rd Floor, China Insurance Group Building, 141 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong on Friday, 21 September 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

"Board" the Company's board of Directors

"Business Day" a day on which banks in Hong Kong are open for general

> business other than a Saturday or Sunday or a day on which a black rainstorm warning or tropical cyclone warning signal number 8 or above is hoisted in Hong Kong at any time between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and

is not lowered at or before 12:00 noon

"Bye-law(s)" the bye-law(s) of the Company in force from time to time

"Companies Act" the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda

"Companies Ordinance" the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of

Hong Kong)

"Company" Chaoyue Group Limited, a company incorporated in

Bermuda with limited liability, with its Shares listed on

the main board of the Stock Exchange

"Director(s)" the director(s) of the Company

"General Issue Mandate" the proposed general mandate granted to the Directors to

> exercise all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and otherwise deal with new Shares not exceeding 20% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing the resolution approving the said mandate

#### **DEFINITIONS**

"General Repurchase Mandate" the proposed general and unconditional mandate granted to the Directors to repurchase shares in the capital of the Company up to 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued and fully paid share capital of the Company as at the date of passing of the resolution granting such mandate "Group" the Company and its subsidiaries "HK\$" Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the "Hong Kong" People's Republic of China "Independent Non-Executive in relation to any company, a person who from time to Director" time is an independent non-executive director of that company within the meaning of Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules "Latest Practicable Date" 9 August 2012, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular for ascertaining certain information contained herein "Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange "New Bye-laws" the new bye-laws to be adopted by the Company subject to the approval of the Shareholders by way of passing the requisite special resolution at the AGM "SFO" the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) "Share(s)" ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.001 each in the share capital of the Company "Shareholder(s)" registered holder(s) of Share(s) "Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited "Substantial Shareholder" has the meaning as defined in the Listing Rules

The Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers

"Takeovers Code"

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Hong Kong

13 August 2012

To the Shareholders and, for information only, holders of the non-voting convertible preference shares of the Company

Dear Sir or Madam,

# PROPOSED GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES, RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS, ADOPTION OF NEW BYE-LAWS AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with the information in relation to the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM, among the other things, (i) the grant of the General Issue Mandate, the General Repurchase Mandate and the extension of the General Issue Mandate to include Shares repurchased pursuant to the General Repurchase Mandate, (ii) the re-election of Directors and (iii) the adoption of the New Bye-laws. These resolutions will be proposed at the AGM and are set out in the notice of AGM as contained in this circular. Your approval of the resolutions relating thereto is therefore sought.

#### GENERAL ISSUE MANDATE

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 18 August 2011, a general mandate was given to the Directors to issue new Shares and such mandate will lapse at the conclusion

of the forthcoming AGM. An ordinary resolution will be proposed at the AGM for the purpose of renewing the existing share issue mandate granted to Directors to allot, issue and otherwise deal with the Shares. The share issue mandate is subject to a limit equal to 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued Shares of the Company at the date of passing such resolution. On the basis that no Shares are issued or repurchased prior to the AGM, the Company would be allowed to allot, issue and deal with a maximum of 3,764,887,032 further new Shares. The Directors have no present intention to issue new Shares pursuant to the General Issue Mandate.

#### GENERAL REPURCHASE MANDATE

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 18 August 2011, a general mandate was given to the Directors to exercise all the powers of the Company to repurchase its own Shares and such mandate will lapse at the conclusion of the forthcoming AGM. An ordinary resolution will be proposed at the AGM for the purpose of renewing the existing share repurchase mandate granted to the Directors to repurchase Shares up to a maximum of 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued and fully paid up share capital of the Company as at the date of passing such resolution. An explanatory statement containing all relevant information relating to the proposed General Repurchase Mandate is set out in Appendix I to this circular.

### EXTENSION OF GENERAL ISSUE MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES REPURCHASED UNDER THE GENERAL REPURCHASE MANDATE

Subject to the passing at the AGM of the proposed resolutions regarding the General Issue Mandate and the General Repurchase Mandate, an ordinary resolution will be proposed at the AGM to approve the extension of the 20% share issue mandate by adding to the General Issue Mandate the number of shares that may be repurchased under the General Repurchase Mandate.

For details of the proposed resolutions, Shareholders are referred to the notice of the AGM which is set out on pages 29 to 32 in this circular. With reference to these resolutions, the Board wishes to state that it has no immediate plan to repurchase any Shares or to issue any new Shares pursuant to the relevant mandates.

#### RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Pursuant to the Bye-law 87, Ms. Luan Li and Mr. Zhang Guang Sheng, shall retire and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. The biographical details and interests in the Shares of the retiring Directors are provided in Appendix II to this circular.

#### AMENDMENTS TO THE BYE-LAWS AND ADOPTION OF NEW BYE-LAWS

The Bye-laws of the Company have not been amended since 2004. The Board proposed to adopt a new set of Bye-laws to conform with the latest amendments to the Listing Rules which became effective on 1 January 2012 and 1 April 2012 and the Companies Act which came into effect on 18 December 2011.

Set out below is a summary of the major changes brought about by the New Bye-laws:

- (i) to specify that (a) an annual general meeting shall be called by written notice of not less than 21 clear days and not less than 20 clear business days, (b) a general meeting called for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by written notice of not less than 21 clear days and not less than 10 clear business days and (c) any other general meeting shall be called by written notice of not less than 14 clear days and not less than 10 clear business days;
- (ii) to specify that all resolutions at general meetings of the Company shall be decided by poll except where the chairman in good faith, decides to allow a resolution which relates purely to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted on by a show of hands:
- (iii) to provide that subject to certain exceptions under the Listing Rules, a director of the Company shall not vote on any board resolution approving any contract or arrangement or any other proposal in which he or any of his associates has a material interest nor shall he be counted in the quorum present at the meeting;
- (iv) to remove the exception for a director to vote on resolutions regarding any contract or arrangement relating to any other company in which such director or his associate is beneficially interested in 5% or more of the issued shares or the voting rights of any class of shares of such company;
- (v) to provide that if a substantial shareholder or a director has a conflict of interest in a matter to be considered by the board which the board has determined to be material, the matter should be dealt with by a physical board meeting rather than a written resolution:
- (vi) to remove the prohibition on the Company for providing financial assistance to any person to purchase shares of the Company;
- (vii) to allow for paperless transfer of shares in the Company to the extent the same is permissible under the Listing Rules;
- (viii) to amend the solvency test in the Bye-laws relating to declaration of dividend by the Company to allow the Company to declare dividends or distributions when recording a profit, notwithstanding that the company may carry a negative retained earnings balance;
- (ix) to provide that the Company may send summary financial statements to its shareholders:
- (x) to allow the Company to serve notice to its shareholders by electronic means and to deem consent on the part of a shareholder to a corporate communication being made available to him solely on the listed issuer's website upon compliance with the requisite procedure;

- (xi) to provide that special resolution would not be required for use of share premium as expressly permitted by the Companies Act;
- (xii) to provide that the register of members and the branch register of members of the Company shall be open to inspection by members of the public without charge at the registered office of the Company or such other place at which the register is kept in accordance with the Companies Act;
- (xiii) to dispense with the requirements of the Company to have a president and vice-president or a chairman or deputy chairman;
- (xiv) to provide that any director may at any time by notice delivered to the Company or at a meeting of the Directors appoint any person to be his alternate Director; and
- (xv) to remove the provisions under the heading "Changes in Applicable Law" which are no longer applicable.

A summary of the principal provisions of the New Bye-laws is set out in Appendix III to this circular.

The proposed adoption of the New Bye-laws are subject to the approval of the Shareholders by way of passing the requisite special resolution at the AGM and shall come into effect upon the passing of such special resolution at the AGM.

Shareholders are advised that the Bye-laws are available only in English and the Chinese translation is for reference only. In case of any inconsistency, the English version shall prevail.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening the AGM is set out on pages 29 to 32 of this circular. Pursuant to the Listing Rules, the vote of Shareholders at the AGM will be taken by poll and the results of the poll will be published on the websites of the Company and the Stock Exchange after the AGM. A form of proxy for use at the AGM is enclosed. If you are unable to attend the AGM in person, you are requested to complete and return the accompanying form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon to the Company's principal place of business in Hong Kong located at Unit 2302, 23rd Floor, China Insurance Group Building, 141 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the AGM or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the said meeting or any adjourned meeting thereof should you so wish and in such event, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.

#### RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

This circular includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this circular and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge and belief, there are no other facts the omission of which would make any statement in this circular misleading.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Directors consider that the proposals for the General Issue Mandate, the General Repurchase Mandate and the extension of the General Issue Mandate to include Shares repurchased pursuant to the General Repurchase Mandate, the re-election of Directors and the adoption of the New Bye-laws are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders. Accordingly, the Directors recommend that all the Shareholders should vote in favour of all the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM.

Yours faithfully

For and on behalf of the Board

Chaoyue Group Limited

Yuen Leong

Executive Director

### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR THE GENERAL REPURCHASE MANDATE

This is an explanatory statement given to all Shareholders relating to ordinary resolution to be proposed at the AGM authorising the General Repurchase Mandate.

This explanatory statement contains all the information required pursuant to Rule 10.06(1)(b) of the Listing Rules which is set out as follows:

#### 1. SHARE CAPITAL

As at the Latest Practicable Date the issued and fully paid up share capital of the Company comprised 18,824,435,160 Shares.

Exercised in full of the General Repurchase Mandate, if so approved, on the basis that no further Shares are issued or repurchased between the Latest Practicable Date and the date of the approval of the General Repurchase Mandate, the Company would be allowed under the repurchase resolution to repurchase a maximum of 1,882,443,516 Shares during the period from the date on which such resolution is passed until the date of (i) conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Bye-laws or any application laws of Bermuda to be held; or (iii) the revocation, variation or removal of the General Repurchase Mandate by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders in general meeting, whichever occurs first, representing not more than 10% of the issued Shares of the Company as at the Latest Practicable Date.

#### 2. REASONS FOR THE REPURCHASE

Although the Directors have no present intention of repurchasing any Shares, they believe that the flexibility afforded by the repurchase proposal would be beneficial to the Company and Shareholders. Such repurchase may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net asset value and/or earnings per Share of the Company and will only be made when the Directors believe that such a purchase will benefit the Company and its Shareholders.

#### 3. FUNDING OF REPURCHASES

Repurchases must be funded out of funds which are legally available for the purpose in accordance with the Company's constitutional documents and the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Company is incorporated.

Repurchase of Shares will be funded from the Company's available cash flow or working capital facilities, and will, in any event, be made out of funds legally available for such purposes in accordance with the Bye-laws, the Listing Rules and the laws of Bermuda. The Company is empowered by its Bye-laws to purchase its Shares. The laws of Bermuda provide that the amount of capital repaid in connection with a share repurchase may only be paid out of the capital paid up on the relevant Shares, or from the profits that would otherwise be

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR THE GENERAL REPURCHASE MANDATE

available for distribution by way of dividend, or from the proceeds of a new issue of shares made for the purpose. The amount of premium payable on redemption may only be paid out of either the profits that would otherwise be available for distribution by way of dividend or out of the Company's share premium account or contributed surplus account.

On the basis of the current financial position of the Group as disclosed in the 2012 Annual Report and taking into account the current working capital position of the Group, the Directors consider that, if the General Repurchase Mandate were to be exercised in full, it might have a material adverse effect on the working capital and/or the gearing position of the Group as compared with the position disclosed in the 2012 Annual Report. However, the Directors do not propose to exercise the General Repurchase Mandate to such an extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Group or the gearing level which in the opinion of the Directors are from time to time appropriate for the Group.

#### 4. SHARE PRICES

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares had been traded on the Stock Exchange during each of the previous twelve months prior to the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

	Price per Share	
	Highest	Lowest
	HK\$	HK\$
2011		
August	0.36	0.30
September	0.30	0.22
October	0.25	0.16
November	0.18	0.16
December	0.16	0.15
2012		
January	0.16	0.10
February	0.95	0.12
March	0.39	0.18
April	0.27	0.17
May	0.21	0.14
June	0.21	0.16
July	0.25	0.18
August (up to the Latest Practicable Date)	0.36	0.16

#### 5. DIRECTORS' UNDERTAKING

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange that they will exercise the power of the Company to make purchases of the Shares pursuant to the General Repurchase Mandate only in accordance with the Listing Rules, the Bye-laws of the Company and the applicable laws of Bermuda.

#### 6. DIRECTORS' DEALINGS

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge having made all reasonable enquiries, any of their associates (as defined in the Listing Rules) have any present intention, in the event that the General Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders, to sell any securities to the Company or its subsidiaries.

#### 7. CONNECTED PERSONS

No connected person (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company has notified the Company that he has a present intention to sell securities to the Company nor has undertaken not to do so, in the event that the Company is authorised to make purchases of Shares upon General Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

#### 8. TAKEOVERS CODE

If, on the exercise of the power to repurchase Shares pursuant to the General Repurchase Mandate, a shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purposes of the Takeovers Code. As a result, a Shareholder or group of Shareholders acting in concert could obtain of consolidate control of the Company and, depending on the level of increase of the Shareholder's interest, may become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR THE GENERAL REPURCHASE MANDATE

Immediately after

The shareholding structure of the Company as at the Latest Practicable Date and the shareholding structure of the Company upon full exercise of the General Repurchase Mandate are set out below:

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			full exe	rcise of
	As at the Latest Practicable Date		the General Repurchase Mandate	
		Percentage of		Percentage of
	Number of	issued share	Number of	issued share
	issued Shares held	issued Shares capital of the	issued Shares	capital of the
		Company	held	Company
			(Note(2))	(Note(2))
Controlling Shareholder				
Long Grand Limited (Note(1))	12,887,473,880	68.46%	12,887,473,880	76.07%
Public Shareholder	5,936,961,280	31.54%	4,054,517,764	23.93%
	18,824,435,160	100.00%	16,941,991,644	100.00%

#### Notes:

- Long Grand Limited is legally and beneficially owned as to 70% by Mr. Yam Yu and as to 30% by Mr. Yuen Leong.
- (2) Presuming that (i) the issued share capital of the Company remained at 18,824,435,160 Shares immediately before the full exercise of the General Repurchase Mandate; and (ii) the shareholdings of the controlling shareholder as set out in the above table remained unchanged immediately before the full exercise of the General Repurchase Mandate. On this basis, the total issued share capital of the Company immediately after the full exercise of the General Repurchase Mandate would be 16,941,991,644 Shares.

If the General Repurchase Mandate is exercise in full, the shareholding of Long Grand Limited will increase to approximately 76.07%. Such increase in shareholding will not give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer under the Takeovers Code. The Directors have no present intention to exercise the General Repurchase Mandate to such extent as would result in the number of shares in the hands of public falling below the prescribed minimum percentage of 25%.

The Directors will exercise the powers conferred by the General Repurchase Mandate to repurchase Shares in circumstances, which they deem appropriate for the benefits of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

#### 9. SHARE PURCHASE MADE BY THE COMPANY

No purchase has been made by the Company of its Shares (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise) in the six months prior to the Latest Practicable Date.

## BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED FOR RE-ELECTION

The particulars of the retiring Directors proposed to be re-elected at the AGM are set out below:

#### Ms. Luan Li ("Ms. Luan")

Ms. Luan Li, aged 43, was appointed as an Executive Director of the Company on 20 August 2009. Ms. Luan graduated from the former 北京實驗大學 (Beijing Experimental University\*) in 1990 majored in English for Foreign Enterprises. She has also obtained an Executive Master of Business Administration from the Queen's University of Brighton in 2003. Ms. Luan has over 20 years of experience in mineral resources trading, real estate development and investment in the agricultural industry. From 1991 to 1992, Ms. Luan was the manager of Guangzhou Branch of Leunson Trans Tech Corp. (USA) which was principally engaged in the business of mineral resources and equipment export trading. From 1992 onwards, Ms. Luan was appointed as a member of senior management team of several multinational companies in Hong Kong and Mainland China which were principally engaged in real estate investment and development business and investment in the agricultural industry.

Save as disclosed in this circular, Ms. Luan did not have any directorship in any other listed public companies in the last three years.

Ms. Luan does not have any relationship with any Director, senior management or substantial or controlling Shareholders of the Company and does not have any interest in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Ms. Luan entered into a service agreement with the Company on 20 August 2009 with a term of three years. In accordance with the Bye-laws, she will hold office until the next annual general meeting and will then be eligible for re-election; thereafter she will retire by rotation and will be eligible for re-election provided that she shall be subject to retirement at least once every three years. Ms. Luan receives a director's fee of HK\$600,000 per annum which is determined by the Board with reference to her experience, duties and responsibilities, and to prevailing market conditions. Ms. Luan shall also be entitled to discretionary bonus, share options under the share option scheme of the Company and other incentives as determined by the remuneration committee of the Company from time to time with reference to the remuneration policy of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, Ms. Luan has confirmed that there is no other matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders in connection with her re-election and there is no other information that should be disclosed pursuant to paragraphs (h) to (v) of Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

#### Mr. Zhang Guang Sheng ("Mr. Zhang")

Mr. Zhang Guang Sheng, aged 62, was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 20 August 2009. Mr. Zhang graduated from 山東礦業學院 (Shandong Mining Institute\*) in 1975 majored in coal mining. Since graduation, he taught in 福建省煤炭工業學校 (Fujian Provincial Institute of Coal and Charcoal Industry) till 1980. Since 1980, Mr. Zhang has served various posts with the PRC government. From 1985 to 1998, Mr. Zhang worked in 福建省人民政府辦公廳 (Fujian Provincial Government). During 1998 to 2000, Mr. Zhang was the managing director and vice general manager of 福建中族集團 (Fujian CTS Group). Since 2000, Mr. Zhang is the assistant managing officer of 福建省口岸海防辦 (the Office of the Port Opening and Coastal Defense of Fujian Province).

Save as disclosed in this circular, Mr. Zhang did not have any directorship in any other listed public companies in the last three years.

Mr. Zhang does not have any relationship with any Director, senior management or substantial or controlling Shareholders of the Company and does not have any interest in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Mr. Zhang entered into a letter of appointment with the Company on 20 August 2009 with a term of three years. In accordance with the Bye-laws, he will hold office until the next annual general meeting and will then be eligible for re-election; thereafter he will retire by rotation and will be eligible for re-election provided that he shall be subject to retirement at least once every three years. Mr. Zhang receives a director's fee of HK\$200,000 per annum which is determined by the Board with reference to his experience, duties and responsibilities, and to prevailing market conditions. Mr. Zhang shall also be entitled to discretionary bonus, share options under the share option scheme of the Company and other incentives as determined by the remuneration committee of the Company from time to time with reference to the remuneration policy of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Zhang has confirmed that there is no other matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders in connection with his re-election and there is no other information that should be disclosed pursuant to paragraphs (h) to (v) of Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules.

The following is a summary of certain provisions of the New Bye-laws:

#### (a) Directors

#### (i) Power to allot and issue shares and warrants

Subject to any special rights conferred on the holders of any shares or class of shares, any share may be issued with or have attached thereto such rights, or such restrictions, whether with regard to dividend, voting, return of capital, or otherwise, as the Company may by ordinary resolution determine (or, in the absence of any such determination or so far as the same may not make specific provision, as the board may determine). Subject to the Companies Act, any preference shares may be issued or converted into shares that are liable to be redeemed, at a determinable date or at the option of the Company or, if so authorised by the Memorandum of Association of the Company, at the option of the holder, on such terms and in such manner as the Company before the issue or conversion may by ordinary resolution determine. The board may issue warrants conferring the right upon the holders thereof to subscribe for any class of shares or securities in the capital of the Company on such terms as it may from time to time determine.

Subject to the provisions of the Companies Act, the New Bye-laws, any direction that may be given by the Company in general meeting and, where applicable, the rules of any Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws) and without prejudice to any special rights or restrictions for the time being attached to any shares or any class of shares, all unissued shares in the Company shall be at the disposal of the board, which may offer, allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons, at such times, for such consideration and on such terms and conditions as it in its absolute discretion thinks fit, but so that no shares shall be issued at a discount.

Neither the Company nor the board shall be obliged, when making or granting any allotment of, offer of, option over or disposal of shares, to make, or make available, any such allotment, offer, option or shares to members or others with registered addresses in any particular territory or territories being a territory or territories where, in the absence of a registration statement or other special formalities, this would or might, in the opinion of the board, be unlawful or impracticable. Members affected as a result of the foregoing sentence shall not be, or be deemed to be, a separate class of members for any purpose whatsoever.

#### (ii) Power to dispose of the assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries

There are no specific provisions in the New Bye-laws relating to the disposal of the assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

Note: The Directors may, however, exercise all powers and do all acts and things which may be exercised or done or approved by the Company and which are not required by the New Bye-laws or the Companies Act to be exercised or done by the Company in general meeting.

#### (iii) Compensation or payments for loss of office

Payments to any Director or past Director of any sum by way of compensation for loss of office or as consideration for or in connection with his retirement from office (not being a payment to which the Director is contractually entitled) must be approved by the Company in general meeting.

#### (iv) Loans and provision of security for loans to Directors

There are no provisions in the New Bye-laws relating to the making of loans to Directors. However, the Companies Act contains restrictions on companies making loans or providing security for loans to their directors.

#### (v) Financial assistance to purchase shares of the Company

Subject to compliance with the rules and regulations of the Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws) and any other relevant regulatory authority, the Company may give financial assistance for the purpose of or in connection with a purchase made or to be made by any person of any shares in the Company.

## (vi) Disclosure of interests in contracts with the Company or any of its subsidiaries

A Director may hold any other office or place of profit with the Company (except that of auditor of the Company) in conjunction with his office of Director for such period and, subject to the Companies Act, upon such terms as the board may determine, and may be paid such extra remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise) in addition to any remuneration provided for by or pursuant to any other New Bye-laws. A Director may be or become a director or other officer of, or a member of, any company promoted by the Company or any other company in which the Company may be interested, and shall not be liable to account to the Company or the members for any remuneration, profits or other benefits received by him as a director, officer or member of, or from his interest in, such other company. Subject as otherwise provided by the New Bye-laws, the board may also cause the voting power conferred by the shares in any other company held or owned by the Company to be exercised in such manner in all respects as it thinks fit, including the exercise thereof in favour of any resolution appointing the Directors or any of them to be directors or officers of such other company, or voting or providing for the payment of remuneration to the directors or officers of such other company.

Subject to the Companies Act and to the New Bye-laws, no Director or proposed or intending Director shall be disqualified by his office from contracting with the Company, either with regard to his tenure of any office or place of profit or as vendor, purchaser or in any other manner whatsoever, nor shall any such contract or any other contract or arrangement in which any Director is in any way interested be liable to be avoided, nor shall any Director so contracting or being so interested be liable to account to the Company or the members for any remuneration, profit or other benefits realised by any such contract or arrangement by reason of such Director holding that office or the fiduciary relationship thereby established. A Director who to his knowledge is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in a contract or arrangement or proposed contract or arrangement with the Company shall declare the nature of his interest at the meeting of the board at which the question of entering into the contract or arrangement is first taken into consideration, if he knows his interest then exists, or in any other case, at the first meeting of the board after he knows that he is or has become so interested.

A Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the board approving any contract or arrangement or other proposal in which he or any of his associates is materially interested but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters, namely:

- (aa) any contract or arrangement for giving to such Director or his associate(s) any security or indemnity in respect of money lent by him or any of his associates or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of his associates at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
- (bb) any contract or arrangement for the giving of any security or indemnity to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his associate(s) has himself/themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
- (cc) any contract or arrangement concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in for subscription or purchase, where the Director or his associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
- (dd) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company; or

- (ee) any proposal or arrangement concerning the benefit of employees of the Company or its subsidiaries including:
  - the adoption, modification or operation of any employees' share scheme or any share incentive or share option scheme under which the Director or his associate(s) may benefit; or
  - (ii) the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme which relates both to Directors, his associates and employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director or his associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates.

#### (vii) Remuneration

The ordinary remuneration of the Directors shall from time to time be determined by the Company in general meeting, such remuneration (unless otherwise directed by the resolution by which it is voted) to be divided amongst the Directors in such proportions and in such manner as the board may agree or, failing agreement, equally, except that any Director holding office for part only of the period in respect of which the remuneration is payable shall only rank in such division in proportion to the time during such period for which he held office. The Directors shall also be entitled to be prepaid or repaid all travelling, hotel and incidental expenses reasonably incurred or expected to be incurred by them in attending any board meetings, committee meetings or general meetings or separate meetings of any class of shares or of debentures of the Company or otherwise in connection with the discharge of their duties as Directors.

Any Director who, by request, goes or resides abroad for any purpose of the Company or who performs services which in the opinion of the board go beyond the ordinary duties of a Director may be paid such extra remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise) as the board may determine and such extra remuneration shall be in addition to or in substitution for any ordinary remuneration provided for by or pursuant to any other New Bye-laws. A Director appointed to be a managing director, joint managing director, deputy managing director or other executive officer shall receive such remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission or participation in profits or otherwise or by all or any of those modes) and such other benefits (including pension and/or gratuity and/or other benefits on retirement) and allowances as the board may from time to time decide. Such remuneration may be either in addition to or in lieu of his remuneration as a Director.

The board may establish or concur or join with other companies (being subsidiary companies of the Company or companies with which it is associated in business) in establishing and making contributions out of the Company's monies to any schemes or

funds for providing pensions, sickness or compassionate allowances, life assurance or other benefits for employees (which expression as used in this and the following paragraph shall include any Director or ex-Director who may hold or have held any executive office or any office of profit with the Company or any of its subsidiaries) and ex-employees of the Company and their dependants or any class or classes of such persons.

The board may pay, enter into agreements to pay or make grants of revocable or irrevocable, and either subject or not subject to any terms or conditions, pensions or other benefits to employees and ex-employees and their dependants, or to any of such persons, including pensions or benefits additional to those, if any, to which such employees or ex-employees or their dependants are or may become entitled under any such scheme or fund as is mentioned in the previous paragraph. Any such pension or benefit may, as the board considers desirable, be granted to an employee either before and in anticipation of, or upon or at any time after, his actual retirement.

#### (viii) Retirement, appointment and removal

At each annual general meeting, one-third of the Directors for the time being (or if their number is not a multiple of three, then the number nearest to but not less than one third) will retire from office by rotation provided that every Director shall be subject to retirement at least once every three years. The Directors to retire in every year will be those who have been longest in office since their last re-election or appointment but as between persons who became or were last re-elected Directors on the same day those to retire will (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot.

Note: There are no provisions relating to retirement of Directors upon reaching any age limit.

The Directors shall have the power from time to time and at any time to appoint any person as a Director either to fill a casual vacancy on the board or, subject to authorisation by the members in general meeting, as an addition to the existing board but so that the number of Directors so appointed shall not exceed any maximum number determined from time to time by the members in general meeting. Any Director appointed by the board to fill a casual vacancy shall hold office until the first general meeting of members after his appointment and be subject to re-election at such meeting and any Director appointed by the board as an addition to the existing board shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting of the Company and shall then be eligible for re-election. Neither a Director nor an alternate Director is required to hold any shares in the Company by way of qualification.

A Director may be removed by an ordinary resolution of the Company before the expiration of his period of office (but without prejudice to any claim which such Director may have for damages for any breach of any contract between him and the Company) provided that the notice of any such meeting convened for the purpose of removing a Director shall contain a statement of the intention to do so and be served on such Director

fourteen (14) days before the meeting and, at such meeting, such Director shall be entitled to be heard on the motion for his removal. Unless otherwise determined by the Company in general meeting, the number of Directors shall not be less than two. There is no maximum number of Directors unless otherwise determined from time to time by members of the Company.

The board may from time to time appoint one or more of its body to be managing director, joint managing director, or deputy managing director or to hold any other employment or executive office with the Company for such period (subject to their continuance as Directors) and upon such terms as the board may determine and the board may revoke or terminate any of such appointments (but without prejudice to any claim for damages that such Director may have against the Company or vice versa). The board may delegate any of its powers, authorities and discretions to committees consisting of such Director or Directors and other persons as the board thinks fit, and it may from time to time revoke such delegation or revoke the appointment of and discharge any such committees either wholly or in part, and either as to persons or purposes, but every committee so formed shall, in the exercise of the powers, authorities and discretions so delegated, conform to any regulations that may from time to time be imposed upon it by the board.

#### (ix) Borrowing powers

The board may from time to time at its discretion exercise all the powers of the Company to raise or borrow money, to mortgage or charge all or any part of the undertaking, property and assets (present and future) and uncalled capital of the Company and, subject to the Companies Act, to issue debentures, bonds and other securities of the Company, whether outright or as collateral security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party.

Note: These provisions, in common with the New Bye-laws in general, can be varied with the sanction of a special resolution of the Company.

#### (b) Alterations to constitutional documents

The New Bye-laws may be rescinded, altered or amended by the Directors subject to the confirmation of the Company in general meeting. The New Bye-laws state that a special resolution shall be required to alter the provisions of the Memorandum of Association of the Company, to confirm any such rescission, alteration or amendment to the New Bye-laws or to change the name of the Company.

#### (c) Alteration of capital

The Company may from time to time by ordinary resolution in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Companies Act:

(i) increase its capital by such sum, to be divided into shares of such amounts as the resolution shall prescribe;

- (ii) consolidate and divide all or any of its capital into shares of larger amount than its existing shares;
- (iii) divide its shares into several classes and without prejudice to any special rights previously conferred on the holders of existing shares as the directors may determine:
- (iv) sub-divide its shares or any of them into shares of smaller amount than is fixed by the Memorandum of Association of the Company;
- (v) change the currency denomination of its share capital;
- (vi) make provision for the issue and allotment of shares which do not carry any voting rights; and
- (vii) cancel any shares which, at the date of passing of the resolution, have not been taken, or agreed to be taken, by any person, and diminish the amount of its capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

The Company may, by special resolution, subject to any confirmation or consent required by law, reduce its authorised or issued share capital or, save for the use of share premium as expressly permitted by the Companies Act, any share premium account or other undistributable reserve.

#### (d) Variation of rights of existing shares or classes of shares

Subject to the Companies Act, all or any of the special rights attached to the shares or any class of shares may (unless otherwise provided for by the terms of issue of that class) be varied, modified or abrogated either with the consent in writing of the holders of not less than three-fourths of the issued shares of that class or with the sanction of a special resolution passed at a separate general meeting of the holders of the shares of that class. To every such separate general meeting the provisions of the New Bye-laws relating to general meetings will mutatis mutandis apply, but so that the necessary quorum (other than at an adjourned meeting) shall be two persons or (in the case of a member being a corporation) its duly authorised representative holding or representing by proxy not less than one-third in nominal value of the issued shares of that class and at any adjourned meeting two holders present in person or (in the case of a member being a corporation) its duly authorised representative or by proxy whatever the number of shares held by them shall be a quorum. Every holder of shares of the class shall be entitled to one vote for every such share held by him.

#### (e) Special resolution - majority required

A special resolution of the Company must be passed by a majority of not less than three-fourths of the votes cast by such members as, being entitled so to do, vote in person or, in the case of such members as are corporations, by their duly authorised representatives or,

where proxies are allowed, by proxy at a general meeting of which notice of not less than twenty-one (21) clear days and not less than ten (10) clear business days specifying the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution, has been duly given. Provided that if permitted by the Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws), except in the case of an annual general meeting, if it is so agreed by a majority in number of the members having a right to attend and vote at such meeting, being a majority together holding not less than ninety-five per cent. (95%) in nominal value of the shares giving that right and, in the case of an annual general meeting, if so agreed by all members entitled to attend and vote thereat, a resolution may be proposed and passed as a special resolution at a meeting of which notice of less than twenty-one (21) clear days and not less than ten (10) clear business days has been given.

#### (f) Voting rights

Subject to any special rights or restrictions as to voting for the time being attached to any shares by or in accordance with the New Bye-laws, at any general meeting on a poll every member present in person or by proxy or (being a corporation) by its duly authorised representative shall have one vote for every fully paid share of which he is the holder but so that no amount paid up or credited as paid up on a share in advance of calls or installments is treated for the foregoing purposes as paid up on the share.

A member entitled to more than one vote need not use all his votes or cast all the votes he uses in the same way.

At any general meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting is to be decided by way of a poll save that the chairman of the meeting may in good faith, allow a resolution which relates purely to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted on by a show of hands in which case every member present in person (or being a corporation, is present by a duly authorized representative), or by proxy(ies) shall have one vote provided that where more than one proxy is appointed by a member which is a clearing house (or its nominee(s)), each such proxy shall have one vote on a show of hands.

If a recognised clearing house (or its nominee(s)) is a member of the Company it may authorise such persons as it thinks fit to act as its representative(s) at any meeting of the Company or at any meeting of any class of members of the Company provided that, if more than one person is so authorised, the authorisation shall specify the number and class of shares in respect of which each such person is so authorised. A person authorised pursuant to this provision shall be deemed to have been duly authorised without further evidence of the facts and be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the recognised clearing house (or its nominee(s)) as if such person was the registered holder of the shares held by that clearing house (or its nominee(s)) in respect of the number and class of shares specified in the relevant authorisation including, where a show of hands is allowed, the right to vote individually on a show of hands.

Where the Company has any knowledge that any member is, under the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws), required to abstain from voting on any particular resolution of the Company or restricted to voting only for or only against any particular resolution of the Company, any votes cast by or on behalf of such member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted.

#### (g) Requirements for annual general meetings

An annual general meeting of the Company must be held in each year other than the year in which its statutory meeting is convened at such time (within a period of not more than 15 months after the holding of the last preceding annual general meeting unless a longer period would not infringe the rules of any Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws)) and place as may be determined by the board.

#### (h) Accounts and audit

The board shall cause true accounts to be kept of the sums of money received and expended by the Company, and the matters in respect of which such receipt and expenditure take place, and of the property, assets, credits and liabilities of the Company and of all other matters required by the provisions of the Companies Act or necessary to give a true and fair view of the Company's affairs and to explain its transactions.

The accounting records shall be kept at the registered office or, subject to the Companies Act, at such other place or places as the board decides and shall always be open to inspection by any Director. No member (other than a Director) shall have any right of inspecting any accounting record or book or document of the Company except as conferred by law or authorised by the board or the Company in general meeting.

Subject to the Companies Act, a printed copy of the Directors' report, accompanied by the balance sheet and profit and loss account, including every document required by law to be annexed thereto, made up to the end of the applicable financial year and containing a summary of the assets and liabilities of the Company under convenient heads and a statement of income and expenditure, together with a copy of the auditors' report, shall be sent to each person entitled thereto at least twenty-one (21) days before the date of the general meeting and laid before the Company at the annual general meeting in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act provided that this provision shall not require a copy of those documents to be sent to any person whose address the Company is not aware or to more than one of the joint holders of any shares or debentures; however, to the extent permitted by and subject to compliance with all applicable laws, including the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws), the Company may send to such persons summarised financial statements derived from the Company's annual accounts and the directors' report instead provided that any such person may by notice in writing served on the Company, demand that the Company sends to him, in addition to summarised financial statements, a complete printed copy of the Company's annual financial statement and the directors' report thereon.

Subject to the Companies Act, at the annual general meeting or at a subsequent special general meeting in each year, the members shall appoint an auditor to audit the accounts of the Company and such auditor shall hold office until the members appoint another auditor. Such auditor may be a member but no Director or officer or employee of the Company shall, during his continuance in office, be eligible to act as an auditor of the Company. The remuneration of the auditor shall be fixed by the Company in general meeting or in such manner as the members may determine.

The financial statements of the Company shall be audited by the auditor in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. The auditor shall make a written report thereon in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the report of the auditor shall be submitted to the members in general meeting. The generally accepted auditing standards referred to herein may be those of a country or jurisdiction other than Bermuda. If the auditing standards of a country or jurisdiction other than Bermuda are used, the financial statements and the report of the auditor should disclose this fact and name such country and jurisdiction.

#### (i) Notices of meetings and business to be conducted thereat

An annual general meeting shall be called by notice of not less than twenty-one (21) clear days and not less than twenty (20) clear business days and any special general meeting at which it is proposed to pass a special resolution shall (save as set out in sub-paragraph (e) above) be called by notice of at least twenty-one (21) clear days and not less than ten (10) clear business days. All other special general meetings shall be called by notice of at least fourteen (14) clear days and not less than ten (10) clear business days. The notice must specify the time and place of the meeting and, in the case of special business, the general nature of that business. The notice convening an annual general meeting shall specify the meeting as such.

#### (i) Transfer of shares

All transfers of shares may be effected in any manner permitted by and in accordance with the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange by an instrument of transfer in the usual or common form or in a form prescribed by the Designated Stock Exchange or in such other form as the board may approve and which may be under hand or, if the transferor or transferee is a clearing house or its nominee(s), by hand or by machine imprinted signature or by such other manner of execution as the board may approve from time to time. The instrument of transfer shall be executed by or on behalf of the transferor and the transferee provided that the board may dispense with the execution of the instrument of transfer by the transferee in any case in which it thinks fit, in its discretion, to do so and the transferor shall be deemed to remain the holder of the share until the name of the transferee is entered in the register of members in respect thereof. The board may also resolve either generally or in any particular case, upon request by either the transferor or the transferee, to accept mechanically executed transfers.

The board in so far as permitted by any applicable law may, in its absolute discretion, at any time and from time to time transfer any share upon the principal register to any branch register or any share on any branch register to the principal register or any other branch register.

Unless the board otherwise agrees, no shares on the principal register shall be transferred to any branch register nor may shares on any branch register be transferred to the principal register or any other branch register. All transfers and other documents of title shall be lodged for registration and registered, in the case of shares on a branch register, at the relevant registration office and, in the case of shares on the principal register, at the registered office in Bermuda or such other place in Bermuda at which the principal register is kept in accordance with the Companies Act.

The board may, in its absolute discretion, and without assigning any reason, refuse to register a transfer of any share (not being a fully paid up share) to a person of whom it does not approve or any share issued under any share incentive scheme for employees upon which a restriction on transfer imposed thereby still subsists, and it may also refuse to register any transfer of any share to more than four joint holders or any transfer of any share (not being a fully paid up share) on which the Company has a lien.

The board may decline to recognise any instrument of transfer unless a fee of such maximum sum as any Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws) may determine to be payable or such lesser sum as the Directors may from time to time require is paid to the Company in respect thereof, the instrument of transfer, if applicable, is properly stamped, is in respect of only one class of share and is lodged at the relevant registration office or registered office or such other place at which the principal register is kept accompanied by the relevant share certificate(s) and such other evidence as the board may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer (and if the instrument of transfer is executed by some other person on his behalf, the authority of that person so to do).

The registration of transfers may be suspended and the register closed on giving notice by advertisement in an appointed newspaper and, where applicable, any other newspapers in accordance with the requirements of any Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws), at such times and for such periods as the board may determine and either generally or in respect of any class of shares. The register of members shall not be closed for periods exceeding in the whole thirty (30) days in any year.

#### (k) Power for the Company to purchase its own shares

The New Bye-laws supplement the Company's Memorandum of Association (which gives the Company the power to purchase its own shares) by providing that the power is exercisable by the board upon such terms and conditions as it thinks fit.

#### (1) Power for any subsidiary of the Company to own shares in the Company

There are no provisions in the New Bye-laws relating to ownership of shares in the Company by a subsidiary.

#### (m) Dividends and other methods of distribution

Subject to the Companies Act, the Company in general meeting may declare dividends in any currency to be paid to the members but no dividend shall be declared in excess of the amount recommended by the board. The Company in general meeting may also make a distribution to its members out of contributed surplus (as ascertained in accordance with the Companies Act). No dividend shall be paid or distribution made out of contributed surplus if to do so would render the Company unable to pay its liabilities as they become due or the realisable value of its assets would thereby become less than its liabilities.

Except in so far as the rights attaching to, or the terms of issue of, any share may otherwise provide, (i) all dividends shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid up on the shares in respect whereof the dividend is paid but no amount paid up on a share in advance of calls shall for this purpose be treated as paid up on the share and (ii) all dividends shall be apportioned and paid pro rata according to the amount paid up on the shares during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which the dividend is paid. The Directors may deduct from any dividend or other monies payable to a member by the Company on or in respect of any shares all sums of money (if any) presently payable by him to the Company on account of calls or otherwise.

Whenever the board or the Company in general meeting has resolved that a dividend be paid or declared on the share capital of the Company, the board may further resolve either (a) that such dividend be satisfied wholly or in part in the form of an allotment of shares credited as fully paid up, provided that the shareholders entitled thereto will be entitled to elect to receive such dividend (or part thereof) in cash in lieu of such allotment, or (b) that shareholders entitled to such dividend will be entitled to elect to receive an allotment of shares credited as fully paid up in lieu of the whole or such part of the dividend as the board may think fit. The Company may also upon the recommendation of the board by an ordinary resolution resolve in respect of any one particular dividend of the Company that it may be satisfied wholly in the form of an allotment of shares credited as fully paid up without offering any right to shareholders to elect to receive such dividend in cash in lieu of such allotment.

Whenever the board or the Company in general meeting has resolved that a dividend be paid or declared the board may further resolve that such dividend be satisfied wholly or in part by the distribution of specific assets of any kind.

All dividends or bonuses unclaimed for one year after having been declared may be invested or otherwise made use of by the board for the benefit of the Company until claimed and the Company shall not be constituted a trustee in respect thereof. All dividends or bonuses unclaimed for six years after having been declared may be forfeited by the board and shall revert to the Company.

#### (n) Proxies

Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the Company is entitled to appoint another person as his proxy to attend and vote instead of him. A member who is the holder of two or more shares may appoint more than one proxy to represent him and vote on his behalf at a general meeting of the Company or at a class meeting. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. In addition, a proxy or proxies representing either a member who is an individual or a member which is a corporation shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the member which he or they represent as such member could exercise.

#### (o) Call on shares and forfeiture of shares

Subject to the New Bye-laws and to the terms of allotment, the board may from time to time make such calls upon the members in respect of any monies unpaid on the shares held by them respectively (whether on account of the nominal value of the shares or by way of premium). A call may be made payable either in one lump sum or by instalments. If the sum payable in respect of any call or instalment is not paid on or before the day appointed for payment thereof, the person or persons from whom the sum is due shall pay interest on the same at such rate not exceeding twenty per cent. (20%) per annum as the board may agree to accept from the day appointed for the payment thereof to the time of actual payment, but the board may waive payment of such interest wholly or in part. The board may, if it thinks fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same, either in money or money's worth, all or any part of the monies uncalled and unpaid or installments payable upon any shares held by him, and upon all or any of the monies so advanced the Company may pay interest at such rate (if any) as the board may decide.

If a member fails to pay any call on the day appointed for payment thereof, the board may serve not less than fourteen (14) clear days' notice on him requiring payment of so much of the call as is unpaid, together with any interest which may have accrued and which may still accrue up to the date of actual payment and stating that, in the event of non-payment at or before the time appointed, the shares in respect of which the call was made will be liable to be forfeited.

If the requirements of any such notice are not complied with, any share in respect of which the notice has been given may at any time thereafter, before the payment required by the notice has been made, be forfeited by a resolution of the board to that effect.

Such forfeiture will include all dividends and bonuses declared in respect of the forfeited share and not actually paid before the forfeiture.

A person whose shares have been forfeited shall cease to be a member of the Company in respect of the forfeited shares but shall, notwithstanding, remain liable to pay to the Company all monies which, at the date of forfeiture, were payable by him to the Company in respect of the shares, together with (if the board shall in its discretion so require) interest thereon from the date of forfeiture until the date of actual payment at such rate not exceeding twenty per cent. (20%) per annum as the board determines.

#### (p) Inspection of register of members

The register and branch register of members of the Company shall be open to inspection between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon during business hours by members of the public without charge at the registered office or such other place in Bermuda at which the register is kept in accordance with the Companies Act, unless the register is closed in accordance with the Companies Act.

#### (q) Quorum for meetings and separate class meetings

For all purposes the quorum for a general meeting shall be two members present in person or (in the case of a member being a corporation) by its duly authorised representative or by proxy and entitled to vote. In respect of a separate class meeting (other than an adjourned meeting) convened to sanction the modification of class rights the necessary quorum shall be two persons holding or representing by proxy not less than one-third in nominal value of the issued shares of that class.

#### (r) Rights of the minorities in relation to fraud or oppression

There are no provisions in the New Bye-laws relating to rights of minority shareholders in relation to fraud or oppression. However, certain remedies are available to shareholders of the Company under Bermuda law.

#### (s) Procedures on liquidation

A resolution that the Company be wound up by the court or be wound up voluntarily shall be a special resolution.

If the Company shall be wound up (whether the liquidation is voluntary or by the court) the liquidator may, with the authority of a special resolution and any other sanction required by the Companies Act, divide among the members of the Company in specie or kind the whole or any part of the assets of the Company whether the assets shall consist of property of one kind or shall consist of properties of different kinds and the liquidator may, for such purpose, set such value as he deems fair upon any one or more class or classes of property to be divided as aforesaid and may determine how such division shall be carried out as between the members or different classes of members. The liquidator may, with the like authority, vest any part of the assets in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of members as the liquidator, with the like authority, shall think fit, but so that no contributory shall be compelled to accept any shares or other property in respect of which there is a liability.

#### (t) Untraceable members

The Company may sell any of the shares of a member who is untraceable if (i) all cheques or warrants (being not less than three in total number) for any sum payable in cash to the holder of such shares have remained uncashed for a period of 12 years; (ii) upon the expiry of the 12

year period, the Company has not during that time received any indication of the existence of the member; and (iii) the Company has caused an advertisement to be published in accordance with the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws) giving notice of its intention to sell such shares and a period of three months, or such shorter period as may be permitted by the Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws), has elapsed since such advertisement and the Designated Stock Exchange (as defined in the New Bye-laws) has been notified of such intention. The net proceeds of any such sale shall belong to the Company and upon receipt by the Company of such net proceeds, it shall become indebted to the former member of the Company for an amount equal to such net proceeds.

#### (u) Other provisions

The New Bye-laws provide that to the extent that it is not prohibited by and is in compliance with the Companies Act, if warrants to subscribe for shares have been issued by the Company and the Company does any act or engages in any transaction which would result in the subscription price of such warrants being reduced below the par value of a share, a subscription rights reserve shall be established and applied in paying up the difference between the subscription price and the par value of a share on any exercise of the warrants.

The New Bye-laws also provide that the Company is required to maintain at its registered office a register of directors and officers in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act and such register is open to inspection by members of the public without charge between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon during business hours.

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(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 00147)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of Chaoyue Group Limited (the "Company") will be held at Unit 2302, 23rd Floor, China Insurance Group Building, 141 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong on Friday, 21 September 2012 at 10:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the audited consolidated financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended 31 March 2012;
- 2. (a) To re-elect Ms. Luan Li as an executive director of the Company;
  - (b) To re-elect Mr. Zhang Guang Sheng as an independent non-executive director of the Company;
  - (c) To authorize the board of directors of the Company to fix their remuneration;
- 3. To re-appoint Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as the auditors of the Company and to authorize the board of directors of the Company to fix their remuneration; and

by way of special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolutions:

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

#### 4. "THAT

- (i) subject to sub-paragraph (iii) of this resolution, the exercise by the directors of the Company (the "Directors") during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to issue, allot and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which would or might require the exercise of such powers be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (ii) the approval in (i) above shall authorize the Directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which would or might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (iii) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the approval contained in sub-paragraph (i) of this Resolution, otherwise than pursuant to (a) a Rights Issue (as defined below); (b) an issue of shares as scrip dividends pursuant to the bye-laws of the Company from time to time; or (c) an issue of shares under any share option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries, shall not exceed 20 per cent. of the nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company on the date of this Resolution and this approval shall be limited accordingly; and

(iv) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the date of the passing of this resolution until the earliest of:

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (b) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required, by the bye-laws of the Company or any applicable laws, to be held; and
- (c) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of share open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of shares on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, any recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange in any territory outside Hong Kong)."

#### 5. "THAT

- (i) subject to paragraph (ii) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to repurchase issued shares in the capital of the Company subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the Bye-laws of the Company, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (ii) the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital which the Company is authorized to repurchase pursuant to the approval in paragraph (i) above shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue on the date of this resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (iii) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the date of the passing of this resolution until the earliest of:

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (b) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required, by the Bye-laws of the Company or any applicable laws, to be held; and
- (c) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

6. "THAT conditional upon the passing of the Resolutions numbered 4 and 5 as set out in this notice being passed, the general mandate granted to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue or otherwise deal with the Shares pursuant to Resolution 4 above be and is hereby extended by the addition to the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company which may be allotted by the Directors pursuant to such general mandate, of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company which are repurchased by the Company under the authority granted to the Directors pursuant to Resolution numbered 5 above, provided that such amount shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing of this Resolution."

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

7. "THAT the bye-laws of the Company in the form of the document marked "A" and produced to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification signed by the chairman of the Meeting be approved and adopted as the new bye-laws of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of the existing bye-laws of the Company with immediate effect, and any Director or the company secretary of the Company be and is hereby authorised to do all things necessary to implement the adoption of the new bye-laws of the Company."

By Order of the Board
Chaoyue Group Limited
Yuen Leong
Executive Director

Hong Kong, 13 August 2012

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#### Notes:

- (i) A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint a proxy or, if he is a holder of more than one share, more than one proxy in respect of the whole or any part of his holding of shares to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- (ii) In order to be valid, the form of proxy, together with any power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a certified copy of that power of attorney or other authority, must be deposited at the principal place of business of the Company located at Unit 2302, 23rd Floor, China Insurance Group Building, 141 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, not less than 48 hours before the time for holding of the meeting or adjourned meeting thereof.
- (iii) Where there are joint registered holders of any ordinary share of the Company, any one of such holders may vote at the meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he was solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such holders be present at the meeting personally or by proxy, that one of such holders so present whose name stands first on the register of members of the Company in respect of such share shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.
- (iv) The register of members of the Company will be closed from 19 September 2012 to 21 September 2012, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to ascertain the right to attend the meeting, all share transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch registrars, Tricor Secretaries Limited, at 26/F Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 18 September 2012.

As at the date of this notice, the Board comprises Mr. Yuen Leong and Ms. Luan Li as Executive Directors; and Dr. Lam Man Kit, Dominic, Mr. Yap Yung and Mr. Zhang Guang Sheng as Independent Non-Executive Directors.