## NATIONAL ELECTRONICS HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 213)

## Interim Results for the six months ended 30th September, 2006

#### **UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS**

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of National Electronics Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30th September, 2006 together with comparative figures for corresponding period of last year as follows:

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

		Six mo		
	Notes	2006 (unaudited) HK\$'000	2005 (unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000	
Revenue Cost of sales	3	565,002 (501,375)	544,028 (486,946)	
Gross profit		63,627	57,082	
Other income Distribution costs Administrative expenses Finance costs Share of results of associates Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	4	10,200 (5,535) (39,807) (9,572) (37) 64,595	5,603 (3,257) (28,207) (5,219)	
Profit before taxation Income tax expenses	5 6	83,471 (2,541)	26,002 (1,765)	
Profit for the period		80,930	24,237	
Earnings per share – Basic	7	7.59 cents	2.23 cents	

# **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET** *At 30th September 2006*

	Notes	30th September, 2006 (unaudited) HK\$'000	31st March, 2006 (audited) <i>HK</i> \$'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Investment properties Property, plant and equipment Prepaid lease payments Deposits held in trust for sale of		306,616 63,828 42,099	166,000 68,951 42,412
property under development Interests in associates Available-for-sale investments		32,645 32 15,620	69,659 32 13,615
		460,840	360,669
Inventories Prepaid lease payments Investments held for trading Inventory of unsold properties Properties under development Bills receivable Trade receivables, deposits and prepayments Amount due from an associate Tax recoverable Bank balances and cash	8 8	158,026 625 3,929 100,966 677,132 12,000 111,364 1,818 1,069 195,105	185,317 625 3,828 126,282 635,084 10,423 123,365 1,144 767 119,157
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade payables and accrued expenses Bills payables Amount due to associates Amount due to a related party Taxation payable Derivative financial instruments Obligations under finance leases Bank overdrafts Bank borrowings	9 9	101,062 77,053 4,848 5,033 2,121 1,735 2,779 265 583,400	147,901 75,905 17 7,556 1 1,320 2,883 263 217,020
		778,296	452,866
NET CURRENT ASSETS		483,738	753,126
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		944,578	1,113,795
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Share capital Reserves		105,282 375,718	107,590 318,148
		481,000	425,738
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Provision for long service payment Obligations under finance leases Bank borrowings Deposits received from sale of properties under development Deferred taxation		4,362 3,499 298,725 155,689 1,303	4,362 4,790 546,381 131,131 1,393
		463,578	688,057
		944,578	1,113,795

#### NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2006

#### (1) BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and with the Hong Kong Accounting Standard (HKAS) 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA").

#### (2) PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair values.

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of this condensed consolidated interim financial information are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2006, except that the Group adopted all the new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations (new/revised HKFRSs) which are effective for accounting periods commencing on 1st April 2006. The adoption of these new/revised HKFRSs did not have material financial impact to the result of the Group.

#### (3) **SEGMENT INFORMATION**

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and operating profit by principal activity and geographical market for the six months ended 30th September, 2006 and 2005:

#### **Business Segments**

#### 2006

	Manufacture, assembly and sale of electronic watches HK\$'000	Trading of watch movements and watch parts HK\$'000	Property development and investment HK\$'000	Eliminations HK\$'000	Consolidated HK\$'000
REVENUE					
External sales	188,595	332,828	43,579	_	565,002
Inter-segment sales		2,070		(2,070)	
Total revenue	188,595	334,898	43,579	(2,070)	565,002
SEGMENT RESULT	790	10,064	74,906		85,760
Interest income					2,771
Unallocated other income (corporate expenses)					4,549
Finance costs					(9,572)
Share of results of associates	S		(37)		(37)
Profit before taxation					83,471
Income tax expenses					(2,541)
Profit for the period					80,930

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REVENUE External sales	236,931	304,034	3,063		544,028
Inter-segment sales		7,740		(7,740)	344,028 
Total revenue	236,931	311,774	3,063	(7,740)	544,028
SEGMENT RESULT	26,685	2,912	1,870		31,467
Interest income Unallocated other income					241
(corporate expenses)					(487)
Finance costs Share of results of associates					(5,219)
Profit before taxation					26,002
Income tax expenses					(1,765)
Profit for the period					24,237

## **Geographical Segments**

	Sales revenue by geographical market	
	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Hong Kong and other regions in		
the People's Republic of China	380,953	308,110
North America	112,290	126,120
Europe	70,845	107,684
Others	914	2,114
	565,002	544,028

## (4) FINANCE COSTS

	Six months ended 30th September		
	2006		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Interest on borrowings:			
Bank borrowings	21,135	11,680	
Obligations under finance leases	218	191	
Total borrowing costs	21,353	11,871	
Less: Amount capitalized to			
property development projects	(11,781)	(6,652)	
	9,572	5,219	
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#### (5) PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

	Six months ended 30th September		
	2006		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Profit from operations has been arrived at after charging:			
Amortization of land lease payments	313	_	
Depreciation: Owned fixed assets	6,869	5,403	
Assets held under finance leases	1,377	926	

#### (6) TAXATION

Six months ended 30th September		
2006		
HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
1,901	1,762	
	3	
1,901	1,765	
640	_	
2,541	1,765	
	2006 HK\$'000 1,901 - 1,901 640	

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided for at 17.5% (2005 - 17.5%) on the estimated assessable profit for the six months ended 30th September, 2006 for each of the companies comprising the Group in Hong Kong. Profits tax for the profits of foreign subsidiaries of the Group has been provided for in accordance with the relevant local laws.

#### (7) EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings per share for the six months ended 30th September, 2006 is based on the profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$80,930,000 (2005 – HK\$24,237,000) and on the weighted average number of 1,066,604,748 shares (2005 – 1,088,958,256 shares) in issue during the six months ended 30th September, 2006.

#### (8) BILLS RECEIVALBES, TRADE RECEIVABLES, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

An aged analysis of trade receivables at the balance sheet date is as follows:

	At 30th September, 2006 HK\$'000	At 31st March, 2006 HK\$'000
Within 30 days	50,838	44,844
31 to 90 days	27,805	34,365
91 to 180 days	648	7,109
Over 180 days	8,496	12,834
	87,787	99,152

The Group has a policy of allowing an average a credit period ranging from 30 to 60 days to its trade customers.

#### (9) BILLS PAYABLES, TRADE PAYABLES AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

At the balance sheet date, the balance included bills and trade payables of HK\$120,065,000 (31st March, 2006: HK\$138,180,000) with aged analysis as follows:

	At 30th September, 2006 HK\$`000	At 31st March, 2006 HK\$'000
Within 30 days 31 to 90 days 91 to 180 days Over 180 days	81,855 30,632 7,569 9	77,013 27,460 33,562 145
	120,065	138,180

#### INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Directors resolved to declare an interim dividend of 0.5 HK cent (2005 – Nil).

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The Group's turnover for the six months ended 30th September 2006 was HK\$565,002,000 which was increased by 3.8% over the same period last year.

Net profit for the six months ended 30th September 2006 was HK\$80,930,000 which was increased by 334% over the same period last year.

During the period under review, the high oil prices has adversely affected the USA and European demand for the Group's multi-function LCD sport watches. The profit margin of such products also declined due to the rise of raw material cost.

However, the analogue watch component business sustained increased growth as the main markets for such products such as China and India are still booming.

During the period under review, the Group had successfully disposed 80% of the interest in its subsidiary, which held the site at 202-206 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong with satisfactory profit. The Group also disposed two commercial units in Lippo Centre, Queensway, Hong Kong with satisfactory capital gain.

#### **PROSPECTS**

To reduce direct labor cost, the Group plans to relocate part of its manufacturing plant away from Shenzhen, and it is considering the city of Nanning in Guangxi Province.

The Group's "One St. Thomas" residential project in Toronto, Canada is expected to have its first occupancy of the sold units in Spring 2007.

The Group has obtained the occupation permit in September 2006 for the luxury boutique hotel at 202-206 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong which will commence operation in early 2007.

The foundation work of the Group's hotel project at 137 - 138 Connaught Road West, Hong Kong is well underway and we expect the superstructure work to commence in the summer of 2007.

The Group has made a planning application for change of use – from the existing residential use to hotel – for its investment property "Elegant Court" at 21 Whitfield Road, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong and the reply from the relevant authority is positive. The Group intends to demolish the existing building and redevelop the subject property into a new boutique hotel.

The Group intends to continue its strategy of expanding its land bank for development as well as investment properties at desirable location in Hong Kong and possibly in China.

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### Capital structure

As at 30th September, 2006, the shareholder's funds of the Group totalled HK\$481 million and total bank borrowings was HK\$882 million and the maturity profile of the Group's bank borrowings falling due within one year was 66% and more than one year was 34%.

#### Liquidity and financial resources

Total bank balance was HK\$195 million.

The Group maintains a reasonable level of cash resources and stand-by credit facilities to provide adequate liquid funds to finance its business activities.

#### **Gearing Ratio**

The Group's gearing ratio at 30th September, 2006 was 0.62 which is calculated based on the Group's long-term bank borrowings of HK\$298 million and shareholders' funds of HK\$481 million.

As at 31st March, 2006, the Group's gearing ratio was 1.28 which is calculated based on the Group's long-term bank borrowings of HK\$546 million and shareholders' funds of HK\$426 million.

#### **Cashflow from Operating/Investing Activities**

During the financial period under review, the Group's net cash inflow generated from operating activities of HK\$143 million (2005: HK\$19 million) and increased the net cash used in investing activities to HK\$157 million (2005: HK\$123 million).

#### **Treasury policy**

The Group adopts a prudent treasury policy. The acquisition of properties for development are financed partly by internal resources and partly by secured bank loans. Repayments of bank loans are scheduled to match asset lives and development project completion dates.

All borrowings are denominated in Hong Kong dollars, Japanese Yen, United States dollars or Canadian dollars and bear interest at floating rates. Foreign currency exposure is monitored closely by the management and hedged by forward foreign currency contracts and foreign currency borrowings to the extent desirable.

#### Pledge of assets

Certain properties of the Group having a carrying value of HK\$1,128 million as at 30th September, 2006 were pledged to secure banking facilities of the Group.

#### **Employees and remuneration policies**

The Group employs approximately 4,219 employees in Hong Kong, in other parts of the People's Republic of China ("PRC") and overseas. Remuneration is determined by reference to market terms and the qualifications and experience of the staff concerned. Salaries are reviewed annually with discretionary bonuses being paid depending on individual performance.

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

During the six months ended 30th September, 2006 the Company purchased a total of 23,088,000 shares of HK\$0.10 each of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, all of which shares were cancelled. Particulars of the shares repurchased are as follows:

	Number	Price p	Price per share	
Trading Month/Year	of shares repurchased	Highest price paid <i>HK</i> \$	Lowest price paid <i>HK</i> \$	(Including expenses)  HK\$
April 2006	2,474,000	0.285	0.245	655,058
May 2006	2,284,000	0.320	0.280	681,933
June 2006	2,410,000	0.340	0.330	808,098
July 2006	4,240,000	0.335	0.330	1,423,705
August 2006	7,630,000	0.325	0.310	2,426,621
September 2006	4,050,000	0.325	0.315	1,290,824
	23,088,000			7,286,239

The Directors considered that the aforesaid shares were trading at a discount to the net asset value per share and the repurchase would result in an increase of the net asset value per share then in issue.

Save as disclosed herein, neither the Company nor its subsidiaries have purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares during the period.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company is committed to the establishment of good corporate governance practices and procedures. The corporate governance principles of the Company emphasize a quality board, sound internal control, and transparency and accountability to all shareholders. The Company has applied the principles and complied with all code provisions and, where applicable, the recommended best practices of the Code on CG Practices as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited throughout the six months ended 30th September, 2006.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Company established an audit committee and formulated its written terms of reference in accordance with the provisions set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices ("Code on CG Practices"). The Committee members comprise Dr. Samson Sun, M.B.E., J.P., Mr. Chan Chak Cheung, William and Mr. Chan Kwok Wai as Independent Non-Executive Directors. The Audit Committee has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed auditing, internal control and financial reporting matters. The interim results for the six months ended 30th September, 2006, which have not been audited, have been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

#### REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The Board has established a remuneration committee with specific written terms of reference and its responsibility is for making recommendations to the Board on the Company's policy and structure of remuneration of the Directors and senior management and to review and approve performance based remuneration by reference to corporate goals and objectives resolved by the Board from time to time.

The Remuneration Committee consists of 5 members of three Independent Non-Executive Directors and two Executive Directors of the Board.

#### **MODEL CODE**

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. The Company has made specific enquiries to all Directors who have confirmed that, during the period under review, they have compiled with the required standard set out in the Model Code.

#### **CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

The Register of Members will be closed from 2nd January, 2007 to 4th January, 2007 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, should be lodged with the Company's Share Registrars in Hong Kong, Standard Registrars Limited, Level 25, Three Pacific Place, 1 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on 29th December, 2006.

## PUBLICATION OF RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE COMPANY'S WEBSITE AND THE STOCK EXCHANGE'S WEBSITE

All the information required by paragraph 46 of Appendix 16 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange will be published on the HKEx website (http://www.hkex.com.hk) and on the Company's website (http://www.irasia.com/listco/hk/national/index.htm) in due course.

On behalf of the Board Lee Yuen Ching, Jimmy Chairman

Hong Kong, 14th December, 2006

As at the date of this report, the Board of the Company comprises Mr. Lee Yuen Ching, Jimmy, Mr. Lee Yuen Kui, James, Mr. Lee Yuen Wong, Peter, Mr. Lee Yuen Cheor, Edward and Mr. Wai Kwong Yuen, Ricky as Executive Directors and Dr. Samson Sun, M.B.E., J.P., Mr. Chan Chak Cheung, William and Mr. Chan Kwok Wai as Independent Non-executive Directors and Ms. Lee Yuen Yu, Dorathy as Non-executive Director.