# **Interim Report 2006**



## **CORPORATE INFORMATION**

## **DIRECTORS**

## **Executive Directors**

Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia (Chairperson) Lam Yu Ho, Daniel (Managing Director) Cheng Lok Hing Cheng Chun Kit Ji Hong

## Independent Non-Executive Directors

Wong Yui Leung, Larry Lui Wan Shan, Wilson Cheung Ngai Lam

## **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Chiu Wing Keung, Frank

## **QUALIFIED ACCOUNTANT**

Chiu Wing Keung, Frank

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## PRINCIPAL BANKERS

Standard Chartered Bank
Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited
The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation Limited
The Bank of East Asia Limited, Guang Zhou Branch
DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited

## **AUDITORS**

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

## SHARE REGISTRARS

## Bermuda

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## **INTERIM RESULTS**

The Board of Directors (the "Directors") of Mascotte Holdings Limited (the "Company") is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30 September 2006 together with comparative figures as follows:

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30 September 2006 – unaudited

Six months ended
30 September

		2006	2005
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
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	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover	3	111,538	101,337
Cost of sales	<u> </u>	(76,536)	(71,574)
COSt Of Sales		(70,330)	(11,514)
Gross profit		35,002	29,763
Grood prone		33,332	20,100
Other income		921	152
Selling and distribution costs		(5,029)	(5,400)
Administrative expenses		(18,231)	(13,591)
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Finance costs		(981)	(889)
Profit before taxation	3&4	11,682	10,035
Income tax expenses	5	(2,082)	(1,755)
Profit for the period		9,600	8,280
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Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		9,894	8,218
			62
Minority interests		(294)	02
		9,600	8,280
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Interim dividend	6	-	_
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Earnings per share	_		
Basic	7	2.3 cents	1.9 cents

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 September 2006 – unaudited

	Notes	As at 30 September 2006 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	As at 31 March 2006 (Audited) HK\$'000
Non-current assets Investment properties Property, plant and equipment Prepaid lease payments Goodwill Deposits paid	8	159,947 51,412 4,810 4,243 18,000	34,650 47,439 4,694 4,243 18,000
		238,412	109,026
Current assets Inventories Prepaid lease payment Trade and bills receivables Loans receivable Other receivables and prepayments Bank balances and cash	9 10	7,496 445 37,934 - 5,984 18,165	8,667 435 27,098 46,710 12,050 44,736
		70,024	139,696
Current liabilities Trade payables Other payables and accrued charges Dividend payable Income tax payable Bank borrowings	11	21,695 12,867 614 8,495 29,990	13,677 9,795 408 6,539 16,415
		73,661	46,834
Net current assets/(liabilities)		(3,637)	92,862
		234,775	201,888
Capital and reserves Share capital Reserves	12	42,400 172,529	42,400 148,174
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company Minority interests		214,929 2,908	190,574 3,205
Total equity		217,837	193,779
Non-current liability Bank borrowings Deferred taxation		7,849 9,089	8,109 _
		234,775	201,888

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 September 2006 – unaudited

Attributable to	Shareholders of the (	Company
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				Negative			Enterprise				
Share	Share	Special	Goodwill	goodwill	Translation	Reserve	expansion	Retained		Minority	
capital	premium	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	fund	reserve	profits	Total	interests	Total
HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
42,400	66,672	14,901	-	-	(23)	1,083	1,083	64,458	190,574	3,205	193,779
					0.070				0.070	(0)	0.007
-	-	-	-	-	2,070	-	-	-		(3)	2,067
-	-	16,631	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	16,631
	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	9,894	9,894	(294)	9,600
-	-	16,631	-	-	2,070	-	-	9,894	28,595	(297)	28,298
								(4,240)	(4,240)		(4,240)
42,400	66,672	31,532	-	-	2,047	1,083	1,083	70,112	214,929	2,908	217,837
42,400	66,672	14,901	(10,638)	2,080	(1,119)	1,083	1,083	64,784	181,246	2,853	184,099
	-	-	_	(2,080)	-	-	-	2,080	-	-	
42,400	66,672	14,901	(10,638)	_	(1,119)	1,083	1,083	66,864	181,246	2,853	184,099
_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	8,218	8,218	62	8,280
	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	(4,240)	(4,240)	-	(4,240)
42,400	66,672	14,901	(10,638)	_	(1,119)	1,083	1,083	70,842	185,224	2,915	188,139
	capital HK\$'000 42,400 42,400 42,400 42,400	capital         premium           HK\$'000         HK\$'000           42,400         66,672           -         -           -         -           -         -           -         -           42,400         66,672           -         -           42,400         66,672           -         -           42,400         66,672           -         -           -         -           -         -           -         -           -         -           -         -	capital HK\$'000         premium HK\$'000         reserve HK\$'000           42,400         66,672         14,901           -         -         -           -         -         16,631           -         -         -           42,400         66,672         31,532           42,400         66,672         14,901           -         -         -           42,400         66,672         14,901           -         -         -           -         -         -           -         -         -           -         -         -           -         -         -	Share capital capital premium         Special reserve reserve reserve reserve           HK\$'000         - <td< td=""><td>Share capital premium capital Premium Preserve HK\$000         Special Premium Preserve Preserve PK\$000         HK\$000         <t< td=""><td>Share capital region         Share premium reserve res</td><td>Share capital premium         Special reserve reserve</td><td>Share capital premium         Special reserve         Goodwill reserve reserve reserve         reserve reserve reserve reserve         reserve reserve reserve reserve         reserve reserve reserve reserve         fund reserve reserve reserve         htk\$'000         htk\$'000</td><td>Share capital 24,400         Share 66,672         Special 14,901         Goodwill 7 (10,638)         Negative goodwill 7 (2,080)         Translation Reserve rese</td><td>  Share   Share   Share   Capital   Premium   Premium  </td><td>  Share   Share   Special   Goodwill   Translation   Reserve   expansion   Retained   Fresional   Translation   Reserve   Expansion   Retained   Fresional   Translation   Reserve   Expansion   Retained   Fresional   Total   Interests   Fresional   Hrk\$'000   Hrk\$'</td></t<></td></td<>	Share capital premium capital Premium Preserve HK\$000         Special Premium Preserve Preserve PK\$000         HK\$000         HK\$000 <t< td=""><td>Share capital region         Share premium reserve res</td><td>Share capital premium         Special reserve reserve</td><td>Share capital premium         Special reserve         Goodwill reserve reserve reserve         reserve reserve reserve reserve         reserve reserve reserve reserve         reserve reserve reserve reserve         fund reserve reserve reserve         htk\$'000         htk\$'000</td><td>Share capital 24,400         Share 66,672         Special 14,901         Goodwill 7 (10,638)         Negative goodwill 7 (2,080)         Translation Reserve rese</td><td>  Share   Share   Share   Capital   Premium   Premium  </td><td>  Share   Share   Special   Goodwill   Translation   Reserve   expansion   Retained   Fresional   Translation   Reserve   Expansion   Retained   Fresional   Translation   Reserve   Expansion   Retained   Fresional   Total   Interests   Fresional   Hrk\$'000   Hrk\$'</td></t<>	Share capital region         Share premium reserve res	Share capital premium         Special reserve	Share capital premium         Special reserve         Goodwill reserve reserve reserve         reserve reserve reserve reserve         reserve reserve reserve reserve         reserve reserve reserve reserve         fund reserve reserve reserve         htk\$'000         htk\$'000	Share capital 24,400         Share 66,672         Special 14,901         Goodwill 7 (10,638)         Negative goodwill 7 (2,080)         Translation Reserve rese	Share   Share   Share   Capital   Premium   Premium	Share   Share   Special   Goodwill   Translation   Reserve   expansion   Retained   Fresional   Translation   Reserve   Expansion   Retained   Fresional   Translation   Reserve   Expansion   Retained   Fresional   Total   Interests   Fresional   Hrk\$'000   Hrk\$'

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30 September 2006 – unaudited

## Six months ended 30 September

	2006 (Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000	2005 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000
Net cash (used in) from operating activities	(12,909)	12,249
Net cash used in investing activities	(21,639)	(4,600)
Net cash from (used in) financing activities	7,166	(168)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(27,382)	7,481
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	44,619	33,605
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	17,237	41,086
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents		
Bank balances and cash Bank overdraft	18,165 (928)	41,127 (41)
	17,237	41,086

## NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 September 2006

#### 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The unaudited interim 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 (the "Listing Rules") and with 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 unaudited interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for certain financial instruments, leasehold land and buildings and the investments properties, which are measured at fair values.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those adopted by the Group in its annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2006, except the Group adopted all the new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs"), HKASs and Interpretations (hereinafter collectively referred to as "New HKFRS") issued by the HKICPA that are either effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 April 2006. The adoption of these new HKFRSs has no material financial impact on the accounting policies of the Group and the methods of computation in the Group's interim financial statements.

## 3. SEGMENTS INFORMATION

Analysis of the Group's turnover and contribution to operating profit by business segments and geographical segments is as follows:

## **Business segments**

TURNOVER To external customers
RESULT Segment results
Unallocated other income Unallocated corporate expenses Finance costs
Profit before taxation Income tax expenses
Profit for the period

	Six months en ufacture and	ded 30 Septer Property	mber 2006
sa	les of goods	investment	Consolidated
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	,
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	109,283	2,255	111,538
	11,525	1,567	13,092
			150
			(579)
			(981)
		_	
			11,682
		_	(2,082)
			9,600

# 3. SEGMENTS INFORMATION (Continued)

Business segments (Continued)

	Six months en Manufacture and	ber 2005	
	sales of goods (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Property investment (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Consolidated (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
TURNOVER To external customers	99,842	1,495	101,337
RESULT Segment results	11,034	603	11,637
Unallocated other income Unallocated corporate expenses Finance costs			32 (745) (889)
Profit before taxation Income tax expenses		_	10,035 (1,755)
Profit for the period		_	8,280
Geographical segments		_	

	Six months end Revenue by geographical market		ed 30 Septem Contribution from ope	on to profit
	2006 (Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000	2005 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000	2006 (Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000	2005 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000
Europe United States of America Hong Kong Other regions in the PRC Others	65,735 15,796 6,140 7,147 16,720	64,498 13,062 11,631 2,705 9,441	6,933 1,666 1,020 1,710 1,763	7,128 1,443 966 1,057 1,043
Unallocated other income Unallocated corporate expenses Finance costs  Profit before taxation Income tax expenses			150 (579) (981) 11,682 (2,082)	32 (745) (889) 10,035 (1,755)
Profit for the period			9,600	8,280

#### 4. PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

Profit before taxation has been arrived at after charging:

# Six months ended 30 September

2006	2005
(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
-	433
1,673	1,671
980	889

Allowance for doubtful debts Depreciation and amortization Interests on bank borrowings

#### 5. INCOME TAXES

# Six months ended 30 September

2006	2005
(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$</i> '000
1,800	1,519
282	236
2,082	1,755

Hong Kong Profits Tax Other jurisdictions

Hong Kong Profits Tax has been calculated at the rate of 17.5% (2005: 17.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the period. Taxation arising in other jurisdictions is calculated at the rates prevailing in the relevant jurisdictions.

There was no material unprovided deferred tax for the interim period (2005: Nil).

## 6. INTERIM DIVIDEND

At a meeting held on 26 July 2006, the Directors proposed a final dividend of HK1 cent per ordinary share totaling HK\$4,240,001 for the year ended 31 March 2006, which was paid on 12 September 2006 and has been reflected as an appropriation of retained earnings for the six months period ended 30 September 2006.

The Directors do not recommended the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2006 (2005: Nil).

#### 7. EARNINGS PER SHARE - BASIC

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the Group's profit attributable to shareholders for the six months ended 30 September 2006 of HK\$9,894,000 (2005: HK\$8,218,000) and on 424,000,100 shares (2005: 424,000,100 shares) of the Company in issue during the period.

No diluted earning per share has been presented as there were no potential dilution ordinary shares in issue during the six months ended 30 September 2006 and 2005.

## 8. **DEPOSITS PAID**

As at 30 September 2006 (Unaudited) HK\$'000 HK\$000 18,000

Deposits for acquisition of a property in the PRC

#### 9. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES

As at As at 30 September 31 March 2006 2006 (Unaudited) (Audited) HK\$'000 HK\$'000 36,327 25,938 1,607 1,160 37,934 27,098

Trade receivables Bills receivables

The following is an aged analysis:

As at As at 30 September 31 March 2006 2006 (Unaudited) (Audited) HK\$'000 HK\$'000 29,175 24,665 7,288 2,389 1,471 44 27,098 37,934

Within 60 days 61-180 days More than 180 days

Trading terms with customers are largely on credit, except for new customers where payment in advance is normally required. Invoices are normally payable within 30 days of issuance, except for certain well-established customers, where the terms are extended to 60-150 days.

## 10. LOANS RECEIVABLE

As at 30 September 2006 (Unaudited) HK\$'000 HK\$'000

Loans advanced for property development project

## 11. TRADE PAYABLES

The following is an aged analysis:

Within 60 days 61-180 days More than 180 days

As at
31 March
2006
(Audited)
HK\$'000
13,645
31
1
13,677

## 12. SHARE CAPITAL

	As at	As at
30 Sep	tember	31 March
	2006	2006
(Una	audited)	(Audited)
ŀ	1K\$'000	HK\$'000
1.	000,000	1.000.000
		,
	42,400	42,400

Authorised: 1,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each Issued and fully paid: 424,000,100 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each

## 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the period, the following related party transactions took place:

(i) Transaction with directors' related companies:

			Six months ended 30 September	
Name of party	Directors' interest	Nature of transactions	<b>2006</b> (Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000	2005 (Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000
Dawnvast Ltd	Mr. Cheng Lok Hing Mr. Cheng Chun Kit	Rental expense	185	185
Techford Development Ltd	Ms. Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia	Rental expense	78	78
Wing Nin Trading Co., Ltd	Family member of Ms. Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia	Rental expense	96	96

## (ii) Transaction with a minority shareholder:

		Six montl 30 Sept	
Name of party	Nature of	2006	
Name of party	transactions	HK\$'000	(Unaudited) HK\$'000
東莞市橋光實業集團公司 Dongguan City Qiao Guang Industrial Group Company	Rental expense	450	446

Rental expenses represent amounts agreed with reference to the market rate between the respective management of the companies concerned.

## **FINANCIAL RESULTS**

For the six months period ended 30 September 2006, the Group achieved a turnover of approximately HK\$111.5 million, representing an increase of 10% when compared with previous corresponding period.

Profit before taxation and profit attributable to equity holders of the Company for the six months period ended 30 September 2006 amounted to approximately HK\$11.6 million and HK\$9.9 million respectively (2005: HK\$10.0 million and HK\$8.2 million respectively). Such increases in profit were mainly attributable to an increase in turnover of the Group's manufacture and sale activity. Earnings per share for the six months period end 30 September 2006 was HK2.3 cents (2005: HK1.9 cents).

## **BUSINESS REVIEW AND PROSPECTS**

## Manufacture and Sale of Photographic, Electrical and Multimedia Accessories

During the period under review, the demand of the Group's products remained strong and healthy and the Group achieved growth in both turnover and profit approximately of HK\$109.2 million and HK\$11.5 million, representing an increase of 9.5% and 4.4% over the last corresponding period.

Europe continued to be the Group's largest market, accounting for approximately 60% of the turnover of the period (2005: 64%). Total export sales to Europe rose to approximately HK\$65.7 million (2005: HK\$64.5 million). The management has good knowledge and confidence in this market and will adhere to its established strategy to further penetrate into this huge market.

In term of product category of photographic, electric and multimedia accessories, the sales of multimedia accessories recorded encouraging growth this period. The Group's sales of multimedia accessories amounted to approximately 43% of the total turnover of this period (2005: 41%). The growth was mainly attributable to the Group's strategy to extend relationships with major multimedia brand manufactures and the positive market response of the Group's manufactured convergence products (textile and electronic combinations).

## Property Portfolio Refinement

During this period under review, the Group's property letting income was approximately HK\$2.2 million (2005: HK\$1.5 million), an increased by 50% when compared with the last corresponding period. The growth was mainly attributable to the inclusion of property letting income of a PRC property located in Guangzhou, PRC since the end of July 2006.

## **Prospects**

The management continues to take a down-to-earth approach with a continued focus on new revenue channels in the Group's core business of accessories for photographic, multimedia and electrical products. The increased demand for digital SLR camera bags is helping to maintain a sustainable turnover in the photographic area albeit in a declining market. This is reflected in the turnover for photographic products, which presently makes up 39% of the Group's turnover of the period versus 45% over the last corresponding period. Notably the number one trade show for photographic accessories held every 2 years in Cologne, Germany, was held in September 2006, which led to many customers in the photographic field to hold off their buying decisions until the latter half of 2006 and early 2007. Developments of the other core areas of business are looking well, spawned by increased demand in the wearable electronics field, where the relationships with key players in the market such as Eleksen Ltd (www.eleksen.com) and NXT PLC (www.nxtplc.com) are having an increased impact.

The Group has continued to increase its market share in the United States of America with a positive outlook for all the core business areas for the coming year, in particular with the continued strong demand for iPod® accessories. Having attained an iPod® connector license for its licensed Tonino Lamborghini (www.tlmm.com) brand, the Group will invest conservatively in innovative R&D for wearable electronics. This will allow the Group to offer a wider variety of products and skill sets in wearable electronics field. The Group has seen an expansion in PRC business with more direct deliveries to customers PRC based manufacturing facilities. The Group is actively seeking more business with this supply concept in its home market. Finally, a strong interest in products developed via strategic partnerships for customized photo applications introduced at Photokina in Germany in September 2006 will allow the Group to use its marketing and sales networks to launch new products for the photo industry by Q2 2007. Keeping costs tightly in line with projected turnover, the Group hopes to see a return on its new developments and partnerships by within the coming year.

Following the acquisition completion of a PRC property located in Guangzhou, PRC on 24 July 2006, the property portfolio of the Group in the PRC is expected to accelerate the future growth in line with the promising economic growth of the PRC. The Directors consider that the acquisition will contribute positively to the operating results of the Group in future years. Details of the acquisition are noted in the circular dated 30 June 2006 to the shareholders of the Company.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

## Liquidity and Gearing Ratio

As at 30 September 2006, the Group recorded a total bank balances and cash of HK\$18.2 million (as at 31 March 2006 of HK\$44.7 million). Moreover, the Group had current assets of HK\$70.0 million (as at 31 March 2006 of HK\$139.7 million). The Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company was of HK\$214.9 million (as at 31 March 2006 of HK\$190.6 million) and the total bank borrowings was of HK\$37.8 million (as at 31 March 2006 of HK\$24.5 million); and accordingly, the gearing ratio was of 17.5% (as at 31 March 2006 of 12.9%).

## Pledge of Assets

As at 30 September 2006, certain of the Group's investment properties, prepaid lease payments, and leasehold land and buildings with carrying value of HK\$61.8 million (as at 31 March 2006 of HK\$56.3 million), were pledged to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group.

## Contingent Liabilities

As at 30 September 2006, the Company provided corporate guarantees of HK\$91.3 million (as at 31 March 2006 of HK\$83.3 million) to banks to secure general banking facilities granted to subsidiaries. The total amount of facilities utilized by the subsidiaries as at 30 September 2006 amounted to HK\$38.5 million (as at 31 March 2006 of HK\$24.5 million).

## **Currency Risk Management**

The Group's largest sale market is Europe, which alone accounts for around 60% of the Group's sale turnover. In safeguarding the volatile Euro Dollars currency risk, the management has chosen to adopt a more prudent sales policy by mainly accepting US Dollar quoted sale orders, which in turn the management can maintain a stable currency exchange condition for normal trading business development.

Certain bank loans of the Group are denominated in foreign currencies. The Group currently does not have a foreign currency hedging policy in respect of foreign currency debt. However, management monitors the related foreign currency exposure closely and will consider hedging significant foreign currency exposure should the need arise.

## NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICY

As at 30 September 2006, the Group had more than 1,000 employees and with around 95% of them were employed in the PRC for the manufacturing business. The Group remunerates its employee based on their work performance and with reference to prevailing condition of labor markets.

## **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SECURITIES**

As at 30 September 2006, the interests or short positions of the directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Future Ordinance ("SFO")), as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("SEHK") pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies, were as follows:

## Long position in issued shares and underlying shares

		of issued hares held	
Name of director	Personal interest	Held by controlled corporation (Note)	Percentage of issued share capital of the Company
Ms. Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia	_	193,340,000	45.6%
Mr. Lam Yu Ho, Daniel	24,376,000	_	5.75%
Mr. Cheng Lok Hing	5,974,000	_	1.41%
Mr. Cheng Chun Kit	6,422,000	_	1.51%

Note: These shares are held by Honeyard Corporation, the entire issued share capital of which is held by The Honeyard Trust, a discretionary trust of which the family members of Ms. Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia are discretionary beneficiaries.

In addition to the above, each of Ms. Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia and Mr. Lam Yu Ho, Daniel holds 500,000 non-voting deferred shares in Mascotte Investments Limited, a subsidiary of the Company. Honeyard Corporation holds one non-voting deferred share in Newland Kingdom Limited, a subsidiary of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2006, other than certain nominee shares in subsidiaries held by Ms. Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia, none of the directors nor their associates had any interests or short position in any shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO), as recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or otherwise notified to the Company and the SEHK pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of listed companies.

Furthermore, no share options were granted under the Company's share option scheme since its adoption on 21 August 2003. Other than that, at no time during the period was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

As at 30 September 2006, the following persons (other than directors or chief executive of the Company) had an interest or short position in the shares and underlying shares which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or, who was, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any other member of the Group or held any options in respect of such capital:

## Long position in issued shares and underlying shares

Name	Nature of interests	Number of shares	Percentage of shareholding (approximate)
Honeyard Corporation (Note 1)	Beneficial interests	193,340,000	45.60%
Golden Mount Limited (Note 2)	Beneficial interests	106,366,000	25.09%

#### Note:

- (1) These Shares are held by Honeyard Corporation, the entire issued share capital of which is held by The Honeyard Trust, a discretionary trust of which the family members of Ms. Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia, Chairperson of the Company and an executive Director, are discretionary beneficiaries
- (2) Golden Mount Limited is a corporation controlled by Mr. Chim Pui Chun.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2006, no persons (other than directors or chief executive of the Company) had an interest or short position in the shares and underlying shares which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or, who was, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any other member of the Group or held any options in respect of such capital.

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

There was no purchase, sale or redemption by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of the Company's listed securities during the six months period ended 30 September 2006.

## **CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Company has complied with the code provisions which set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (the "Code") contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules during the six months period end 30 September 2006 except for the following deviations:

- 1. Code Provision A.2.1 provides that the roles of chairman and chief executive officer ("CEO") should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. The Company does not at present any officer with the title of CEO, and it deviates from the Code. Ms. Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia is the chairperson and has also carried out the responsibilities of CEO. Ms. Chan possesses essential leadership skills and has extensive knowledge in the business of the Group. The Board considers the present structure is more suitable to the Company because it can promote the efficient formulation and implementation of the Company's strategies.
- 2. Code Provision A.4.1 provides that non-executive directors should be appointed for specific terms, subject to re-election. The independent non-executive directors ("INEDs") of the Company are not appointed for specific terms but they are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company. Pursuant to Bye-law 87(1) of the current Bye-laws of the Company, each director shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years at the annual general meeting. This means that the terms of appointment of the directors, including INEDs, cannot exceed three years.

## MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTION BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by directors on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules (the "Model Code"). Having made specific enquiry of all directors, all directors confirmed that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code and the Code of conduct regarding securities transactions by directors adopted by the Company.

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee currently comprises three independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Wong Yui Leung, Larry (chairman of audit committee), Mr. Lui Wai Shan, Wilson and Mr. Cheung Ngai Lam. The audit committee is principally responsible for reviewing and supervising the Group's financial reporting process and internal control system and providing advice and recommendations to the Board of the Company.

The unaudited interim financial statements for the six months period ended 30 September 2006 of the Group have been reviewed by the audit committee.

## **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

The remuneration committee of the Company comprises three independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Wong Yui Leung, Larry (Chairman of remuneration committee), Mr. Lui Wai Shan, Wilson and Mr. Cheung Ngai Lam. The remuneration committee is principally responsible for formulating the Group's policy and structure for all remunerations of the directors and senior management and providing advice and recommendations to the Directors of the Company.

## **POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT**

On 2 November 2006, the Group entered into an agreement with an independent third party to acquire 100% of the issued share capital of Hop Shing Trading Limited ("Hop Shing"), a private limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the British Virgin Islands, for a total consideration of HK\$20,000,000. Hop Shing is principally engaged in holding of investment property and the principal asset of Hop Shing comprises the property situated at No. 4 Hau Wo Street, Kennedy Town, Hong Kong. The acquisition of Hop Shing has been completed on 23 November 2006. Details of the acquisition are noted in the circular dated 27 November 2006 to the shareholders of the Company.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

As the date of this report, the executive directors of the Company are Ms. Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia, Mr. Lam Yu Ho, Daniel, Mr. Cheng Lok Hing, Mr. Cheng Chun Kit and Ms. Ji Hong and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. Wong Yui Leung, Larry, Mr. Lui Wai Shan, Wilson and Mr. Cheung Ngai Lam.

> By order of the Board Chan Oi Ling, Maria Olimpia Chairperson

Hong Kong, 20 December 2006