



# Global Flex Holdings Limited 佳邦環球控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 471)

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

The board of directors (the “Board”) of Global Flex Holdings Limited (the “Company”) is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Group”) for the six months ended 30 June 2006 (the “Period”) together with the comparative figures of 2005 as follows:-

### Condensed Consolidated Income Statement

For the six months ended 30 June 2006

		Six months ended	
		30 June	
	NOTES	2006	2005
		US\$	US\$
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Revenue	3	111,559,071	79,511,172
Cost of sales		(96,334,899)	(65,922,355)
Gross profit		15,224,172	13,588,817
Other income		1,338,406	910,013
Distribution costs		(3,802,797)	(1,798,693)
Administrative expenses		(4,713,033)	(2,541,611)
Finance costs		(2,652,303)	(1,293,186)
Profit before taxation		5,394,445	8,865,340
Income tax expense	4	(770,598)	(1,054,273)
Profit for the period	5	4,623,847	7,811,067
Dividends	6	4,354,839	—
Earnings per share of HK\$0.10 each (each a “Share”)	7		
– Basic		0.37 US cents	0.62 US cents

## Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

As at 30 June 2006

	<i>NOTES</i>	<b>30 June 2006 US\$ (unaudited)</b>	31 December 2005 US\$ (audited)
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	<b>71,315,870</b>	65,967,552
Prepaid lease payments – non-current portion		<b>1,243,562</b>	1,233,441
Deposits paid for acquisition of property, plant and equipment		<b>839,827</b>	1,309,292
Available-for-sale investment		<b>22,008</b>	22,008
		<b>73,421,267</b>	68,532,293
Current assets			
Inventories		<b>34,945,896</b>	32,686,107
Trade and other receivables	9	<b>90,834,612</b>	72,728,968
Prepaid lease payments - current portion		<b>21,988</b>	21,678
Held for trading investment		<b>2,505,161</b>	—
Pledged bank deposits		<b>29,162,783</b>	28,645,619
Bank balances and cash		<b>35,038,806</b>	46,318,124
		<b>192,509,246</b>	180,400,496
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	10	<b>55,106,086</b>	54,910,302
Tax liabilities		<b>350,968</b>	774,937
Bank and other borrowings – due within one year		<b>99,160,392</b>	83,578,112
		<b>154,617,446</b>	139,263,351
Net current assets		<b>37,891,800</b>	41,137,145
Total assets less current liabilities		<b>111,313,067</b>	109,669,438
Non-current liability			
Bank and other borrowings – due after one year		<b>5,002,752</b>	4,932,182
		<b>106,310,315</b>	104,737,256
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	11	<b>16,129,032</b>	16,129,032
Reserves		<b>90,181,283</b>	88,608,224
		<b>106,310,315</b>	104,737,256

## **Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements**

*For the six months ended 30 June 2006*

### **1. GROUP REORGANISATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION**

Pursuant to a group reorganisation (the “Group Reorganisation”) to rationalise the structure of the Group in preparation for the listing of the Company's shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”), the Company became the holding company of the Group on 5 July 2005. The shares of the Company have been listed on the Stock Exchange since 10 October 2005. Details of the Group Reorganisation were set out in the prospectus issued by the Company dated 28 September 2005 (“Prospectus”).

The Group resulting from the Group Reorganisation is regarded as a continuing entity and is regarded as business under common control. Accordingly, the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared using the principles of merger accounting as if the current structure of the Group had been in existence for the six months ended 30 June 2005.

The unaudited 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 (the “Listing Rules”) and with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 “Interim Financial Reporting” issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the “HKICPA”).

### **2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

The accounting policies adopted in the unaudited condensed financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the annual financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2005.

In the current period, the Group has applied, for the first time, a number of new standards, amendments and interpretations issued by the HKICPA (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “new HKFRSs”) that are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 December 2005 or 1 January 2006. The adoption of the new HKFRSs has had no material effect on how the results for the current or prior accounting periods are prepared and presented. Accordingly, no prior period adjustment is required.

The Group has not early applied the following new HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective. The Directors of the Company anticipate that the application of these new standards, amendments and interpretations will have no material impact on the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group.

HKAS 1 (Amendment)	Capital disclosures <sup>1</sup>
HKFRS 7	Financial instruments: Disclosures <sup>1</sup>
HK(IFRIC) – INT 7	Applying the restatement approach under HKAS 29 Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies <sup>2</sup>
HK(IFRIC) – INT 8	Scope of HKFRS 2 <sup>3</sup>
HK(IFRIC) – INT 9	Reassessment of embedded derivatives <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007.

<sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 March 2006.

<sup>3</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 May 2006.

<sup>4</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 June 2006.

### 3. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

#### Business segments

For management purposes, the Group is currently organised into four operating divisions – flexible printed circuit boards (“FPC”), rigid printed circuit boards (“PCB”), flexible printed circuit boards assembly (“FPCA”) and rigid printed circuit boards assembly (“PCBA”). These divisions are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segmental information.

Principal activities of the Group are manufacturing and trading of:

- FPC
- PCB
- FPCA
- PCBA

	FPC		PCB		FPCA		PCBA		Consolidated	
	Six months		Six months		Six months		Six months		Six months	
	ended 30 June		ended 30 June		ended 30 June		ended 30 June		ended 30 June	
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005
	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
<b>REVENUE</b>										
External sales	<u>9,213,931</u>	<u>6,128,817</u>	<u>32,469,452</u>	<u>19,422,285</u>	<u>55,555,503</u>	<u>52,922,657</u>	<u>14,320,185</u>	<u>1,036,913</u>	<u>111,559,071</u>	<u>79,511,172</u>
<b>RESULTS</b>										
Segment results	<u>231,420</u>	<u>82,642</u>	<u>2,020,936</u>	<u>(2,011,924)</u>	<u>7,839,067</u>	<u>13,586,916</u>	<u>1,329,952</u>	<u>132,490</u>	<u>11,421,375</u>	<u>11,790,124</u>
Unallocated corporate income									<u>1,338,406</u>	<u>910,013</u>
Unallocated corporate expenses									<u>(4,713,033)</u>	<u>(2,541,611)</u>
Finance costs									<u>(2,652,303)</u>	<u>(1,293,186)</u>
Profit before taxation									<u>5,394,445</u>	<u>8,865,340</u>
Income tax expense									<u>(770,598)</u>	<u>(1,054,273)</u>
Profit for the period									<u>4,623,847</u>	<u>7,811,067</u>

#### 4. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made as the Group's profit neither arise in, nor is derived from, Hong Kong. The tax charge for the Period arose from the taxation on its subsidiaries located in the People's Republic of China ("PRC").

Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations in the PRC, 佳通科技(蘇州)有限公司 (Global Flex (Suzhou) Co. Ltd.) ("Global Flex (Suzhou)") and 佳永電子(蘇州)有限公司 (Forever Jade Electronics (Suzhou) Co., Ltd.) ("Forever Jade"), subsidiaries of the Company, are entitled to the exemptions from the PRC Foreign Enterprise Income tax ("FEIT") for two years starting from their first profit-making year and to a 50% relief from the FEIT for the following three years. Global Flex (Suzhou)'s first profit-making year is the year ended 31 December 2002. Global Flex (Suzhou) has its operations located in Suzhou, the PRC which is the coastal economic open zones and is subject to a preferential tax rate of 27%. Forever Jade has not yet entered into its first profit-making year in 2006. Accordingly, no provision for the PRC income tax has been made on Forever Jade.

No provision for deferred taxation has been recognised in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements as the amount involved is insignificant.

## 5. PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD

Profit for the Period has been arrived at after charging (crediting):

	Six months ended	
	30 June	
	2006	2005
	US\$	US\$
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Write down of inventories	1,241,279	—
Depreciation and amortisation of property, plant and equipment	4,161,892	2,998,648
Interest on bank and other borrowings wholly repayable within five years	2,652,303	1,293,186
Release of prepaid lease payments	7,529	7,384
Bank interest income	(528,495)	(29,152)
	<u>1,433,408</u>	<u>4,269,666</u>

## 6. DIVIDENDS

During the Period, dividends payable amounting to US\$4,354,839 as final dividends for the year ended 31 December 2005 was paid to the shareholders of the Company.

The directors do not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the Period (2005: nil).

## 7. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic earnings per Share for the Period is based on the profit for the Period of US\$4,623,847 (2005: US\$7,811,067) and on the 1,250,000,000 Shares in issue (2005: 1,000,000,000 Shares deemed to be issued throughout the six months ended 30 June 2005 assuming the Group Reorganisation and the subsequent capitalisation issue has been completed on 1 January 2005).

## 8. MOVEMENTS IN PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the Period, the Group spent US\$8,546,000 (1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005: US\$15,489,000) for expanding the Group's operations.

## 9. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

The Group generally allows an average credit period ranged from 30 days to 150 days to its trade customers.

The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables:

	<b>30 June</b>	31 December
	<b>2006</b>	2005
	<i>US\$</i>	<i>US\$</i>
	<i>(unaudited)</i>	<i>(audited)</i>
Trade receivables:		
0-30 days	<b>26,834,118</b>	23,166,763
31-60 days	<b>21,428,816</b>	19,932,283
61-90 days	<b>13,597,887</b>	12,206,124
91-120 days	<b>8,496,533</b>	7,795,895
121-150 days	<b>4,828,344</b>	2,856,401
Over 150 days	<b>7,068,619</b>	1,516,026
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	<b>82,254,317</b>	67,473,492
Other receivables	<b>8,580,295</b>	5,255,476
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	<b>90,834,612</b>	72,728,968
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#### 10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

The following is an aged analysis of trade payables:

	<b>30 June</b>	31 December
	<b>2006</b>	2005
	<i>US\$</i>	<i>US\$</i>
	<i>(unaudited)</i>	<i>(audited)</i>
Trade payables:		
0-90 days	<b>40,669,151</b>	34,793,841
91-120 days	<b>4,515,707</b>	4,146,871
121-180 days	<b>1,504,850</b>	1,880,511
181-365 days	<b>11,056</b>	729,910
Over 365 days	<b>—</b>	147,149
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	<b>46,700,764</b>	41,698,282
Other payables	<b>8,405,322</b>	13,212,020
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	<b>55,106,086</b>	54,910,302
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## 11. SHARE CAPITAL

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>Number of Shares</b>	<b>Nominal value HK\$</b>
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each			
<i>Authorised:</i>			
As at 1 January 2005 and 30 June 2005		1,000,000	100,000
Increase in authorised share capital	(i)	4,999,000,000	499,900,000
		<u>5,000,000,000</u>	<u>500,000,000</u>
As at 31 December 2005 and 30 June 2006		<u>5,000,000,000</u>	<u>500,000,000</u>
Shown in consolidated financial statements as			<u>US\$64,561,129</u>
<i>Issued and fully paid:</i>			
As at 1 January 2005 and 30 June 2005		1	—
issue of shares on the Group Reorganisation	(ii)	999,999	100,000
Issue of shares through initial public offer	(iii)	250,000,000	25,000,000
Capitalisation issue	(iv)	999,000,000	99,900,000
		<u>1,250,000,000</u>	<u>125,000,000</u>
As at 31 December 2005 and 30 June 2006		<u>1,250,000,000</u>	<u>125,000,000</u>
Shown in consolidated financial statements as			<u>US\$16,129,032</u>

- (i) Pursuant to the written resolutions of the then sole shareholder of the Company passed on 5 July 2005, the authorised share capital of the Company was increased from HK\$100,000 to HK\$500,000,000 by the creation of additional 4,999,000,000 Shares.
- (ii) On 5 July 2005, the Company allotted and issued, credited as fully paid, 999,999 Shares for the acquisition of Global Technology International Limited pursuant to the Group Reorganisation.
- (iii) On 7 October 2005, 250,000,000 Shares were issued at HK\$1.02 each for cash through an initial public offering by way of placement and public offer.
- (iv) Pursuant to a written resolution of the then sole shareholder of the Company passed on 5 July 2005 and conditional on the reserve account of the Company being credited as a result of the placing and public offer on 10 October 2005, an amount of HK\$99,900,000 was capitalised and applied to pay up in full at par 999,000,000 Shares on a pro-rata basis to the Company's shareholder(s) whose name(s) appeared in the register of members of the Company on 7 July 2005.



## 12. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	<b>30 June</b>	31 December
	<b>2006</b>	2005
	<i>US\$</i>	<i>US\$</i>
	<i>(unaudited)</i>	<i>(audited)</i>
Capital expenditure in respect of acquisition of property, plant and equipment contracted for but not provided in condensed consolidated financial statements	<u><b>1,881,143</b></u>	<u>771,952</u>

## 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

During the Period, the Group had the following significant transaction with related party:

Name of related party	Nature of transactions	<b>Six months ended</b>	
		<b>30 June</b>	
		<b>2006</b>	2005
		<i>US\$</i>	<i>US\$</i>
		<i>(unaudited)</i>	<i>(unaudited)</i>
Mr. Hsu Chung, a director	Rentals paid	<u><b>8,705</b></u>	<u>13,465</u>

### Compensation of key management personnel

The emoluments of directors and other members of key management of the Group during the Period was as follows:

	<b>Six months ended</b>	
	<b>30 June</b>	
	<b>2006</b>	2005
	<i>US\$</i>	<i>US\$</i>
	<i>(unaudited)</i>	<i>(unaudited)</i>
Short-term benefits	<u><b>282,080</b></u>	<u>172,052</u>

The emoluments of Directors and key management were recommended by the remuneration committee of the Company having regard to the performance of the individuals and also market trends.

## **MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

### **REVIEW OF OPERATIONS**

The Company's principal activity is investment holding whilst its subsidiaries are mainly engaged in manufacturing and trading of printed circuit boards.

During the Period, the Group recorded a total turnover of approximately US\$111.6 million, representing an increase of around US\$32.0 million (40.3%) as compared to the corresponding period of 2005. The increase was mainly attributable to a significant increase in the demand for PCB solution and a stable increase in demand for FPC solutions by existing customers. The increased demand for PCB solutions mainly represents the products used in computer peripherals, telecommunication equipments and motor vehicles. In addition, the average unit price of PCB and PCBA products experienced an increase during the Period which was mainly due to the increase in raw material cost of PCB (such as the cost of laminates and copper foils) and the change in product mix of the Group.

During the Period, the Group took steps to strengthen its production facilities and to provide more integrated and comprehensive solutions to its customers.

With the commencement of the operation of Forever Jade in June 2006, the Group has expanded its scope of operation to the assembly of electronic component modules and supporting finished products with an aim to expand the Group's one-stop services offered to its existing and new customers. The major products assembled by Forever Jade include mobile phones, digital cameras and switches.

A new plant of another wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, 蘇州佳茂科技有限公司 (Suzhou Intellicircuit Solution Technology Co., Ltd) ("Suzhou Intellicircuit"), is currently under development and construction. The construction of the new plant is expected to be completed in December 2006. Taking into account the acquisition of machinery and the installation, the operation of the new plant is expected to commence in the first quarter of 2007. Suzhou Intellicircuit will specialize in the production of high quality FPC, thin film transistor ("TFT") liquid crystal display ("LCD") PCB, high density interconnect ("HDI") PCB and rigid-flex which are expected to be in significant demand in the near future.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

For the Period, the Group recorded a turnover of approximately US\$111.6 million, gross profit of approximately US\$15.2 million and profit of approximately US\$4.6 million as compared to a turnover of approximately US\$79.5 million, gross profit of approximately US\$13.6 million and profit of approximately US\$7.8 million for the six months period ended 30 June 2005, representing an increase in turnover and gross profit of approximately 40.3% and 12.0% and a decrease in profit of approximately 40.8% respectively.

### Turnover

The turnover of the Group for the Period and the comparative figures of the same period of 2005 classified by categories of the major operations are set out below:

### Turnover by operations

	Period ended 30 June 2006		Period ended 30 June 2005		Change %
	US\$'000 ( <i>unaudited</i> )	%	US\$'000 ( <i>unaudited</i> )	%	
FPC solutions					
FPCA	<b>55,556</b>	<b>49.8</b>	52,922	66.6	5.0
FPC	<b>9,214</b>	<b>8.3</b>	6,129	7.7	50.3
Total FPC solutions	<b>64,770</b>	<b>58.1</b>	59,051	74.3	9.7
PCB solutions					
PCBA	<b>14,320</b>	<b>12.8</b>	1,037	1.3	1,280.9
PCB	<b>32,469</b>	<b>29.1</b>	19,423	24.4	67.2
Total PCB solutions	<b>46,809</b>	<b>41.9</b>	20,460	25.7	128.8
Total	<b>111,559</b>	<b>100.0</b>	79,511	100.0	40.3

The Group's turnover was mainly derived from the sales of FPCA and PCB. With reference to the above table, turnover from the sales of FPCA and the sales of PCB for the Period were approximately US\$55.6 million and US\$32.5 million (2005: US\$52.9 million and US\$19.4 million) respectively, representing approximately 49.8% and approximately 29.1% of the total sales of the Group (2005: 66.6% and 24.4%) respectively.

The slight increase in the sales of FPC solutions by approximately 9.7% during the Period was primarily attributable to the stable increase of demand from the Group's existing customers and new customers, but was partially offset by the decrease in demand from certain customers, the product cycle of whose products was completed at the beginning of the Period. During the Period, the Group has continued to explore new customers in order to achieve a more extensive customer base and to reduce reliance on any single customer. During the Period, despite an increase of the total sales amount to Motorola, sales contribution in terms of percentage to total sales was reduced. The Directors believe that the expansion and diversification of the customer base is beneficial and will mitigate the concentration risk of the Group.

The sales of PCB and PCBA has increased significantly by approximately 67.2% and 1,280.9% respectively during the Period. These increases were primarily due to the significant increase in demand from existing customers. Those increased demand for PCB solutions mainly represents the products used in computer peripherals, telecommunication equipments and motor vehicles. In addition, the average unit price of PCB and PCBA services products experienced an increase during the Period which was mainly due to the increase in raw material cost of PCB (such as the cost of laminates and copper foils) and the change in product mix.

#### **Gross profit margin by operations**

	<b>Period ended 30 June 2006 %</b> <b>(unaudited)</b>	Period ended 30 June 2005 %
		<b>(unaudited)</b>
FPC solutions		
FPCA	<b>17.5</b>	27.9
FPC	<b>11.1</b>	3.6
PCB solutions		
PCBA	<b>9.4</b>	15.0
PCB	<b>9.6</b>	(8.1)
Overall	<b>13.6</b>	17.1

The Group's total gross profit for all its operations increased from approximately US\$13.6 million for the six months ended 30 June 2005 to approximately US\$15.2 million for the Period. However, the overall gross profit margin decreased from approximately 17.1% for the six months ended 30 June 2005 to 13.6% during the Period. The decrease is primarily due to the fact that the gross profit margin of FPCA has decreased from approximately 27.9% for the six months ended 30 June 2005 to approximately 17.5% during the Period. The main reason for the decrease is that the raw material cost has increased and the relatively lower usage rate during the Period as compared to the same period in 2005 after the capacity increase during the second half of 2005.

On the other hand, the gross profit margin of FPC has increased due to the fact that technology and certain products of the Group's major customers became mature and the average price for those products rose due to increased demand. Therefore, the gross profit margin of FPC has increased from approximately 3.6% for the six months ended 30 June 2005 to 11.1% during the Period.

The gross profit ratio of PCB increased due to a rise in demand for higher margin products such as 4 layers and over 4 layers PCB and improved product mix of the Group, with new products of higher unit price and margin during the Period despite the significantly increased raw material cost of PCB during the Period.

#### **Profit attributable to shareholders and operating expenses**

During the Period, the Group recorded a profit of approximately US\$4.6 million, representing a decrease of approximately 40.8% as compared to approximately US\$7.8 million in the corresponding period in 2005. The decrease was mainly attributable to an increase in distribution, administrative and finance expenses.

During the Period, as oil prices continued to soar, coupled with the increase in the demand for the Group's products, transportation costs has increased significantly. This is one of the main reasons for the increase in distribution cost during the Period.

Moreover, administrative expenses have increased mainly due to the write down of inventories which aged over 12 months according to the Group's accounting policy and also the salary increase due to an increase in headcount from 5,000 to 5,700 for the Period.

The finance costs have increased mainly due to higher bank borrowings which is in line with the increased turnover of the Group during the Period.

## **Liquidity and financial resources**

As at 30 June 2006, the Group had shareholders' funds of approximately US\$106.3 million. Current assets amounted to approximately US\$192.5 million which mainly comprised of bank balances and cash of approximately US\$35.0 million, pledged bank deposits of approximately US\$29.2 million, inventories of approximately US\$34.9 million and trade receivables of approximately US\$82.3 million. Current liabilities amounted to approximately US\$154.6 million which mainly comprised of bank loans of approximately US\$99.2 million and trade payables of approximately US\$46.7 million. Non-current liability only includes long term bank loans which amounted to approximately US\$5.0 million. The Group increased total borrowings by US\$15.6 million during the Period mainly for business expansion and investment in the Group's production capacity.

As at 30 June 2006, the Group's current ratio was 1.25 (2005: 1.30) and the gearing ratio (a ratio of total loans to total assets) was 39.2% (2005: 35.6%).

## **Foreign exchange exposure**

For the Period, most assets, liabilities and transactions of the Group were denominated in Renminbi ("RMB"), Hong Kong Dollars ("HKD") and US Dollars ("USD"). The management expects that the change in value of RMB will not have any adverse effect to the Group since RMB has generally been perceived as having appreciation in value relative to HKD and USD. The sales and purchases in USD has substantially hedged the risks of the transactions in foreign currency and the Group did not make any other hedging arrangement during the Period.

## **SEGMENTAL INFORMATION**

As at 30 June 2006, detailed segmental information of the Group is set out in the above under note 3 to the unaudited condensed financial statements.

## **NUMBER AND REMUNERATION OF EMPLOYEES**

During the Period, the average number of employees of the Group was approximately 5,700 (2005: 5,000). As at 30 June 2006, the Group's staff costs amounted to approximately US\$6.3 million (2005: US\$5.3 million). The remuneration policy of the Company is reviewed annually and is in line with the prevailing market practice. During the Period, the Company has not granted any share options to its employees or Directors under the share option scheme of the Company adopted on 5 July 2005.

The employees of the Company's subsidiaries in the PRC are members of a state-managed social welfare scheme operated by the local government of the PRC. Under the scheme, the Group provides retirement, medical, employment injury, unemployment and maternity benefits to its employees in the PRC in accordance with the relevant PRC rules and regulations. The Group is required to contribute a specified percentage of their payroll costs to the social welfare scheme to fund those benefits. The only obligation of the Group with respect to the social welfare scheme is to make such specified contribution.

## **MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS OF SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATED COMPANIES**

During the Period, the Group did not have any material acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries or associated companies.

## **CHARGE ON ASSETS**

As at 30 June 2006, pledges of the Group's properties, trade receivable, bank deposits and prepaid lease payment amounted to approximately US\$35.5 million, US\$27.9 million, US\$29.2 million and US\$Nil million respectively (2005: US\$31.7 million, US\$7.2 million, US\$28.6 million and US\$0.3 million) have been created to secure bank borrowings.

## **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

As at 30 June 2006, the Group or the Company did not have any significant contingent liabilities (2005: Nil).

## **PROSPECTS AND FUTURE PLANS FOR MATERIAL INVESTMENTS OR CAPITAL ASSETS**

The new production plant of Suzhou Intellicircuit is expected to start production in the first quarter of 2007. It will increase the acquisition of the HDI, TFT LCD and rigid-flex production technology and equipment. It is expected that at the beginning, it will mainly produce TFT LCD, HDI and rigid-flex products. The planned production capacity of TFT LCD and HDI in the new plant of Suzhou Intellicircuit is about 350,000 square feet per month. The new plant can supplement or solve the problem of the lack of PCB, HDI PCB and rigid-flex production capacity of the Group in the past. It can solve the bottle neck problem for the production of HDI and rigid-flex products. In addition, it can achieve new production of TFT LCD.

On the other hand, after acquisition of Roll to Roll machinery equipment into the new plant, the Group can continuously develop and produce more thin and high density FPC and FPCA products. The planned production capacity of FPC and FPCA in the new plant of Suzhou Intellicircuit will be increased by about 100,000 square feet per month. It can fulfill the coming expected demand for mobile phones and can provide value added services to the Group's customers.

The Board considers that it is the Group's priority at this stage to expand and enhance the operations of its headquarter in Suzhou so as to strengthen the Group's competitiveness, to maintain and continue expanding its customer base. As such, the Board has decided to first apply the funds previously planned to be used for the Group's investment plan in the Northern China, which amounted to approximately US\$16.6 million, to invest in the development of the Suzhou plants. The details of the change of use of proceeds are set out in the section headed "USE OF PROCEEDS RAISED BY ISSUE OF SHARES" below.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS RAISED BY ISSUE OF SHARES**

The Company issued an aggregate of 250,000,000 new shares by way of placing and public offer for subscription at a price of HK\$1.02 per share in October 2005 in connection with its listing on the Stock Exchange on 10 October 2005. The net proceeds from such new issue ("Net Proceeds"), after deducting related expenses, amounted to approximately US\$30.6 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$236.8 million).

The Net Proceeds originally allocated for purchase of machinery and equipment for the Group's Suzhou plants have been used in accordance with the section headed "Future plans and prospects and use of proceeds" set out in the Prospectus. It was stated that about US\$10.0 million out of the Net Proceeds would be used for the purchase of machinery and equipment for the Group's Suzhou plant in expanding the Group's manufacturing facilities and about US\$20.2 million out of the Net Proceeds would be used for the construction of a new manufacturing plant for the production of FPC, FPCA, PCB and PCBA in Northern China. The Directors believe that the construction of a new manufacturing plant would increase the number of manufacturing facilities and capacity of the Group in order to meet the increase in its customers' demand and its plan to expand its customer base.



With a view to expand the Group's manufacturing facilities, the Company decided to increase the amount of Net Proceeds to be used for the purchase of machinery and equipment for the Group's Suzhou plants from US\$10 million to US\$13.6 million while the amount of Net Proceeds to be applied in the development of the Northern China plant was reduced to about US\$16.6 million. An announcement dated 23 December 2005 was made by the Company in this connection. Subsequently, as disclosed in an announcement dated 15 September 2006, the Company decided to use US\$14.6 million out of the said approximate sum of US\$16.6 million initially planned to be applied in the development of the Northern China plant for the purchase of machinery and equipment for increasing the production capacity of HDI PCB, TFT LCD PCB and rigid-flex in Suzhou plants. The remaining amount of approximately US\$2.0 million will be invested in the purchase of machinery and equipment for increasing the assembly capacities for the assembly of electronic component modules and supporting finished products of the Suzhou plants. The directors of the Company take the view that such revised use of the Net Proceeds is in the interest of the Company and its shareholders as a whole.

	<b>Use of proceeds (as set out in Prospectus)</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>Use of proceeds (revised)</b>	<b>Use of proceeds up to 30 June 2006 (actual)</b>	<b>Balance</b>
	<i>US\$ (million)</i>	<i>US\$ (million)</i>	<i>US\$ (million)</i>	<i>US\$ (million)</i>	<i>US\$ (million)</i>
Purchase of machinery and equipment for the Group's Suzhou plants	10.0	3.6	13.6	(10.8)	2.8
Construction of a manufacturing plant for the production of FPC, FPCA, PCB and PCBA in Northern China	20.2	(20.2)	—	—	—
Purchase of machinery and equipment for increasing the production capacity of HDI PCB, TFT LCD PCB and rigid-flex in Suzhou plants	—	14.6	14.6	—	14.6

	Use of proceeds (as set out in Prospectus)	Changes	Use of proceeds (revised)	Use of proceeds up to 30 June 2006 (actual)	Balance
	<i>US\$</i> <i>(million)</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>(million)</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>(million)</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>(million)</i>	<i>US\$</i> <i>(million)</i>
Purchase of machinery and equipment for increasing assembly capacities for the assembly of electronic component modules and supporting finished products in Suzhou plants	—	2.0	2.0	—	2.0
	<u>30.2</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>30.2</u>	<u>(10.8)</u>	<u>19.4</u>

Up to 30 June 2006, an amount of about US\$10.8 million has been used to pay for the acquisition of machinery and equipment for the Group's Suzhou plants. Given that the actual Net Proceeds amounted to US\$30.6 million, the remaining balance of the Net Proceeds of approximately US\$19.8 million has been placed as short term deposits with licensed bank in Hong Kong and the PRC and is expected to be applied as disclosed in the table above.

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

During the Period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries have purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

#### **MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS**

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding the Directors' securities transactions on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers ("Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules on 5 July 2005. The Company has made specific enquiry of all directors regarding any non-compliance with the Model Code throughout the Period and the Company is not aware of any non-compliance by any directors with the required standard set out in the Model Code.

## **CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

During the Period, the Company has fully complied with the Code Provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (“CG Code”) as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules. Code Provision A.4.2 provides that all directors appointed to fill a casual vacancy should be subject to re-election by shareholders at the first general meeting after their appointment while the articles of association of the Company provided that any directors so appointed shall hold office until the next annual general meeting of the Company. Amendments to the relevant provision of the articles of association of the Company were approved at the annual general meeting of the Company held on Tuesday, 23 May 2006 so that the provisions of the articles of association of the Company are consistent with Code Provision A.4.2.

## **REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS**

The audit committee has reviewed, with the management, the accounting principles and policies, and financial reporting adopted by the Group, and the unaudited interim financial statements of the Company for the Period and recommended its adoption by the Board. In addition, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu has reviewed the unaudited interim financial results of the Company for the Period in accordance with Statement of Auditing Standards 700 issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the Period was approved by the Board on 15 September 2006.

On behalf of the Board

**Lin Cheng Hung**

*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 15 September 2006

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises three executive directors, namely Mr. Lin Cheng Hung, Mr. Hsu Chung and Mr. Huang Lien Tsung, three non-executive directors, namely Mr. Lee Cheng Few, Mr. Chou Tsan Hsiung and Mr. Nguyen Duc Van, and three independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Wang Wei-Lin, Mr. Chow Chi Tong and Professor Liao Kuang Sheng.*