# **Report of the Directors**

The directors have pleasure in presenting their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2013.

#### **Principal Activities**

The Company acts as an investment holding company.

The principal activities of the principal subsidiaries and associates are set out in Notes 52 and 53 to the financial statements, respectively.

#### **Results and Appropriations**

The results of the Group for the year ended December 31, 2013 are set out in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income on page 64.

An interim dividend of HK10.00 cents (approximately US1.29 cents) per share amounting to approximately USD23,554,000 was paid to the shareholders during the year.

The directors now recommend the payment of a final dividend of HK13.75 cents (approximately US1.77 cents) per share to the shareholders on the register of members on May 30, 2014, amounting to approximately USD32,382,000.

#### Property, Plant and Equipment

The Group continued to expand its business and during the year spent approximately USD7,879,000 on moulds and tooling and acquired office equipment, furniture and fixtures for approximately USD7,635,000 and plant and machinery for approximately USD9,699,000. Details of these and other movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Group and the Company during the year are set out in Note 16 to the financial statements.

#### **Share Capital**

Details of movements during the year in the share capital of the Company are set out in Note 41 to the financial statements.

A total of 3,300,000 ordinary shares of the Company were cancelled by the Company during the year. Among these cancelled shares, 2,000,000 shares were bought back and settled during the year at prices ranging from HKD17.74 to HKD19.16 and 1,300,000 shares were bought back in December 2012 and cancelled in January 2013 at prices ranging from HKD14.34 to HKD14.68. The aggregate amount paid by the Company for such buy-backs cancelled during 2013 amounting to USD7,158,000 was charged to the retained earnings. The issued share capital and the capital redemption reserve of the Company was reduced and increased respectively.

The buy-back of the Company's shares during the year were effected by the Directors pursuant to the mandate received from shareholders at the previous annual general meeting, with a view to benefiting shareholders as a whole by enhancing the net asset value per share and earnings per share of the Company.

#### **Directors**

The directors of the Company during the year and up to the date of this report were:

#### **Group Executive Directors:**

Mr Horst Julius Pudwill, *Chairman*Mr Joseph Galli Jr, *Chief Executive Officer*Mr Kin Wah Chan
Mr Chi Chung Chan
Mr Stephan Horst Pudwill

#### Non-executive Director:

Prof Roy Chi Ping Chung BBS JP

#### **Independent Non-executive Directors:**

Mr Joel Arthur Schleicher Mr Christopher Patrick Langley OBE Mr Manfred Kuhlmann Mr Peter David Sullivan Mr Vincent Ting Kau Cheung

In accordance with Article 103 of the Company's Articles of Association, Messrs. Horst Julius Pudwill, Joseph Galli Jr, Manfred Kuhlmann and Peter David Sullivan will retire at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

No director proposed for re-election at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting has a service contract which is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

# Terms of Office of Non-executive Directors and Independent Non-executive Directors

The term of office for each of the Non-executive Directors and Independent Non-executive Directors is the period up to his retirement by rotation in accordance with Article 103 of the Company's Articles of Association.

## **Directors' and Chief Executive's Interests**

As at December 31, 2013, the interests and short positions of the directors and the 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 Futures Ordinance ("SFO")) which have been notified to the Company pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which any such director or chief executive was taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or as recorded in the register required to be kept under section 352 of the SFO or otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix 10 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and as adopted by the Company, were as follows:

Name of directors	Capacity/Nature of interests	Interests in shares (other than pursuant to equity derivatives) <sup>(1)</sup>	Interests in underlying shares pursuant to equity derivatives <sup>(1)</sup>	Total interests in shares/ underlying shares	Approximate aggregate percentage of interests
Mr Horst Julius Pudwill	Beneficial owner	145,361,000	1,770,000	364,050,794	19.89%
	Interests of spouse	760,000	_		
	Interests of controlled corporation	216,159,794(2)	_		
Mr Joseph Galli Jr	Beneficial owner	867,000	1,000,000	1,867,000	0.10%
Mr Kin Wah Chan	Beneficial owner	_	_	_	0.00%
Mr Chi Chung Chan	Beneficial owner	300,000	_	300,000	0.02%
Mr Stephan Horst Pudwill	Beneficial owner	4,859,500	1,000,000	42,859,500	2.34%
	Beneficiary of a trust	37,000,000(3)	_		
Prof Roy Chi Ping Chung BBS JP	Beneficial owner Interests of controlled corporation	50,005,948 37,075,030 <sup>(4)</sup>	_ _	87,080,978	4.76%
Mr Joel Arthur Schleicher	Beneficial owner	107,000	850,000	957,000	0.05%
Mr Christopher Patrick Langley OBE	Beneficial owner	1,000,000	250,000	1,250,000	0.07%
Mr Manfred Kuhlmann	Beneficial owner	_	350,000	350,000	0.02%
Mr Peter David Sullivan	Beneficial owner	_	650,000	650,000	0.04%
Mr Vincent Ting Kau Cheung	Beneficial owner	2,920,000	850,000	3,770,000	0.21%

#### Notes:

- Interests in shares and underlying shares stated above represent long positions of the Company.
  - The interests of the directors of the Company in the underlying shares pursuant to equity derivatives, which were held as beneficial owner, represent share options granted to them respectively pursuant to the share option schemes adopted by the Company, details of which are separately disclosed in the section headed "Share Options" below. These share options are physically settled and unlisted.
- (2) These shares were held by the following companies in which Mr Horst Julius Pudwill has a beneficial interest:

	No. of shares
Sunning Inc.	179,084,764
Cordless Industries Company Limited *	37,075,030
	216,159,794

- (3) These shares were held by a trust of which Mr Stephan Horst Pudwill is one of the beneficiaries.
- (4) These shares were held by Cordless Industries Company Limited\* in which Prof Roy Chi Ping Chung BBS JP has a beneficial interest.
  - Cordless Industries Company Limited is owned as to 70% by Mr Horst Julius Pudwill and as to 30% by Prof Roy Chi Ping Chung BBS JP.

Save as disclosed above, none of the directors and the chief executive of the Company was interested or had any short position in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as at December 31, 2013.

#### **Share Options**

#### Scheme adopted on May 29, 2007 ("Scheme D")

Following the termination of Scheme C, a new share option scheme was adopted pursuant to a resolution passed on May 29, 2007 for recognition of the contribution to the development and growth of the Group by the eligible persons. This scheme will expire on May 28, 2017. Under Scheme D, the Board of Directors of the Company may grant share options to the following eligible persons (and their wholly owned companies) of the Company, its subsidiaries and any companies in which the Group holds any equity interest, to subscribe for shares in the Company:

- (i) employees; or
- (ii) Non-executive Directors (including Independent Non-executive Directors or Officers); or
- (iii) secondees; or
- (iv) business partners, agents, consultants; or
- (v) suppliers or customers; or
- (vi) any person or entity that provides research, development or other technological support; or
- (vii) shareholders.

Share options granted must be taken up within 21 days of the date of grant, upon payment of HKD1.00 in cash by way of consideration for the grant thereof. Share options may be exercised at any time, subject to vesting conditions from the date of grant to the tenth anniversary thereof. The subscription price is set at the highest of: the closing price of the shares on the date of offer of the share option; or the average closing price of shares as stated in the daily quotation sheets issued by the Stock Exchange for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of offer; or the nominal value of shares on the date of offer.

The maximum number of shares in respect of which share options may be granted under Scheme D is not permitted to exceed 30.0% of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time or 10.0% of shares in issue as at the adoption date of Scheme D. No person shall be granted an option which exceeds 1.0% of the shares in issue as at the date of offer in any 12-month period up to the date thereof.

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# **Share Options** (continued)

The following table discloses movements in the Company's share options during the year:

Share option holders	Date of share options granted	Share option scheme category	Outstanding at beginning of the year	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Lapsed during the year	Outstanding at end of the year	Subscription price HKD	Exercise period
Directors									
Mr Horst Julius Pudwill	16.11.2009	D	600,000	_	_	_	600,000	6.770	16.11.2009 - 15.11.2019
	26.11.2010	D	600,000	_	_	_	600,000	8.310	26.11.2010 - 25.11.2020
	21.5.2012	D	570,000	_	_	_	570,000	8.742	21.5.2012 - 20.5.2022
Mr Joseph Galli Jr	16.11.2009	D	1,000,000	_	_	_	1,000,000	6.770	16.11.2009 - 15.11.2019
Mr Kin Wah Chan	16.11.2009	D	1,000,000	_	(1,000,000)	_	_	6.770	16.11.2009 - 15.11.2019
Mr Stephan Horst Pudwill	21.5.2012	D	1,000,000	_	_	_	1,000,000	8.742	21.5.2012 - 20.5.2022
Prof Roy Chi Ping Chung BBS JP	16.11.2009	D	600,000	_	(600,000)	_	_	6.770	16.11.2009 - 15.11.2019
Mr Joel Arthur Schleicher	16.11.2009	D	400,000	_	_	_	400,000	6.770	16.11.2009 - 15.11.2019
	23.5.2011	D	200,000	_	_	_	200,000	9.872	23.5.2011 - 22.5.2021
	21.5.2012	D	250,000	_	_	_	250,000	8.742	21.5.2012 - 20.5.2022
Mr Christopher Patrick Langley OBE	23.5.2011	D	200,000	_	(200,000)	_	_	9.872	23.5.2011 - 22.5.2021
	21.5.2012	D	250,000	_	_	_	250,000	8.742	21.5.2012 - 20.5.2022
Mr Manfred Kuhlmann	23.5.2011	D	100,000	_	_	_	100,000	9.872	23.5.2011 - 22.5.2021
	21.5.2012	D	250,000	_	_	_	250,000	8.742	21.5.2012 - 20.5.2022
Mr Peter David Sullivan	16.11.2009	D	400,000	_	(200,000)	_	200,000	6.770	16.11.2009 - 15.11.2019
	23.5.2011	D	200,000	_	_	_	200,000	9.872	23.5.2011 - 22.5.2021
	21.5.2012	D	250,000	_	_	_	250,000	8.742	21.5.2012 - 20.5.2022
Mr Vincent Ting Kau Cheung	16.11.2009	D	400,000	_	_	_	400,000	6.770	16.11.2009 - 15.11.2019
	23.5.2011	D	200,000	_	_	_	200,000	9.872	23.5.2011 - 22.5.2021
	21.5.2012	D	250,000	_	_	_	250,000	8.742	21.5.2012 - 20.5.2022
Total for directors			8,720,000	_	(2,000,000)	_	6,720,000		

Share option holders	Date of share options granted	Share option scheme category	Outstanding at beginning of the year	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Lapsed during the year	Outstanding at end of the year	Subscription price HKD	Exercise period
Employees	24.8.2007	D	1,180,000	_	(200,000)	_	980,000	8.390	24.8.2007 - 23.8.2017
	16.10.2007	D	75,000	_	(15,000)	_	60,000	8.810	16.10.2007 - 15.10.2017
	7.11.2007	D	40,000	_	_	_	40,000	8.088	7.11.2007 - 6.11.2017
	14.1.2008	D	605,000	_	(87,000)	_	518,000	7.566	14.1.2008 - 13.1.2018
	17.4.2008	D	775,000	_	(175,000)	(25,000)	575,000	7.780	17.4.2008 - 16.4.2018
	14.5.2008	D	40,000	_	_	_	40,000	7.500	14.5.2008 - 13.5.2018
	30.5.2008	D	426,000	_	(76,000)	_	350,000	7.546	30.5.2008 - 29.5.2018
	11.9.2008	D	50,000	_	(50,000)	_	_	7.430	11.9.2008 - 10.9.2018
	1.12.2008	D	100,000	_	(100,000)	_	_	2.340	1.12.2008 - 30.11.2018
	16.11.2009	D	3,570,000	_	(1,350,000)	_	2,220,000	6.770	16.11.2009 - 15.11.2019
	7.12.2009	D	100,000	_	_	_	100,000	6.790	7.12.2009 - 6.12.2019
	21.12.2009	D	50,000	_	(50,000)	_	_	6.350	21.12.2009 - 20.12.2019
	28.12.2009	D	30,000	_	_	_	30,000	6.390	28.12.2009 - 27.12.2019
	13.9.2010	D	500,000	_	_	_	500,000	7.390	13.9.2010 - 12.9.2020
	17.1.2011	D	20,000	_	_	_	20,000	10.436	17.1.2011 - 16.1.2021
Total for employees			7,561,000	_	(2,103,000)	(25,000)	5,433,000		
Total for all categories			16,281,000	_	(4,103,000)	(25,000)	12,153,000		

The weighted average closing prices of shares immediately before the options grant date during 2012 was HKD8.65.

The closing price of the Company's shares immediately before the date of grant was HKD8.65 in 2012.

The weighted average closing prices of the Company's shares immediately before various dates during 2013 and 2012 on which the share options were exercised were HKD18.22 and HKD14.12 respectively.

The fair values of the share options granted in 2012 measured at the date of grant was HKD2.11 per option.

#### **Arrangements to Purchase Shares or Debentures**

Other than as disclosed above, at no time during the year 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 and neither the directors or the chief executive, nor any of their spouses or children under the age of 18, had any right to subscribe for the securities of the Company, or had exercised any such right.

#### **Director's Interests in Contracts of Significance**

No contract of significance, to which the Company, or any of its subsidiaries, was a party and in which a director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

#### Substantial Shareholders' Interests

As at December 31, 2013, the interests and short positions of the following persons, other than directors and chief executive of the Company, in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company which have been disclosed to the Company pursuant to Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO have been recorded in the register kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO:

Name	Total interests in shares (L/S/LP)	Approximate aggregate percentage of interests
FIL Limited (1)	130,805,000 (L)	7.15%
JPMorgan Chase & Co. (2)	143,311,585 (L)	7.83%
	73,000 (S)	0.00%
	119,633,184 (LP)	6.54%
Schroders Plc (3)	110,739,500 (L)	6.05%
The Capital Group Companies, Inc. (4)	97,062,500 (L)	5.30%

<sup>\* (</sup>L/S/LP) represents (Long position/Short position/Lending Pool)

#### Notes:

- (1) The capacity of FIL Limited in holding the 130,805,000 shares was as investment manager.
- (2) The following is a breakdown of the interests in shares in the Company held by JPMorgan Chase & Co.:

#### Total interests in shares **Approximate** Direct Deemed percentage Name Remarks interests (L/S) interests (L/S/LP) of interests JPMorgan Chase & Co. 143,311,585 (2a) (L) 7.83% 73,000 (S) 0.00% 119,633,184 (LP) 6.54% JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (2b) 119,633,184 (L) 6.54% J.P. Morgan Whitefriars Inc. (2b) 44,401 (L) 0.00% J.P. Morgan Overseas Capital Corporation 44,401 (L) 0.00% (2b) J.P. Morgan International Finance Limited (2b) 44,401 (L) 0.00% Bank One International Holdings Corporation (2b) 44,401 (L) 0.00% J.P. Morgan International Inc. (2b) 44,401 (L) 0.00% 44,401 (L) 0.00% JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA (2b) (L) 551,500 JF International Management Inc. (2b) 0.03% (L) JPMorgan Asset Management (Asia) Inc. 23,561,000 1.29% (2b)JPMorgan Asset Management Holdings Inc. (2b) 23,561,000 (L) 1.29% (L) JPMorgan Asset Management (Taiwan) Limited (2b) 625,000 0.03% J.P. Morgan Clearing Corp (2b) 73,000 (L) 0.00% 73,000 (S) 0.00% J.P. Morgan Securities LLC (2b) 73,000 (L) 0.00% 73,000 (S) 0.00% J.P. Morgan Broker-Dealer Holdings Inc (2b) 73,000 (L) 0.00% 73,000 (S) 0.00% JF Asset Management Limited (2b) 22,384,500 (L) 1.22%

#### Notes: (continued)

#### Remarks:

- (2a) JPMorgan Chase & Co. is listed on New York Stock Exchange. The capacity of JPMorgan Chase & Co. in holding the 143,311,585 shares of long position, 73,000 shares of short position and 119,633,184 shares of lending pool respectively was as controlled corporation.
- (2b) JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., J.P. Morgan Whitefriars Inc., J.P. Morgan Overseas Capital Corporation, J.P. Morgan International Finance Limited, Bank One International Holdings Corporation, J.P. Morgan International Inc., JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA, JF International Management Inc., JPMorgan Asset Management (Asia) Inc., JPMorgan Asset Management Holdings Inc., JPMorgan Asset Management (Taiwan) Limited, J.P. Morgan Clearing Corp, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, J.P. Morgan Broker-Dealer Holdings Inc and JF Asset Management Limited were all direct or indirect owned by JPMorgan Chase & Co. and by virtue of the SFO, JPMorgan Chase & Co. was deemed to be interested in the shares held by these subsidiaries.
- (3) The following is a breakdown of the interests in shares in the Company held by Schroders Plc.:

		Total interests in shares						
Name	Remarks	Direct interests	(L/S)	Deemed interests	(L/S)	Approximate percentage of interests		
Schroders Plc	(3a)	_	_	110,739,500	(L)	6.05%		
Schroder Administration Limited	(3b)	_	_	110,739,500	(L)	6.05%		
Schroder International Holdings Limited	(3b)	_	_	82,683,500	(L)	4.52%		
Schroder Holdings (Bermuda) Limited	(3b)	_	_	82,683,500	(L)	4.52%		
Schroder International Holdings (Bermuda) Limited	(3b)	_	_	82,683,500	(L)	4.52%		
Schroder Investment Management Limited	(3b)	12,644,500	(L)	_	_	0.69%		
Schroder & Co Limited	(3b)	142,000	(L)	_	_	0.00%		
Schroder Investment Management Limited	(3b)	_	_	15,064,500	(L)	0.82%		
Schroder Investment Management North America Limited	(3b)	15,064,500	(L)	_	_	0.82%		
Schroder Investment Management (Guernsey) Limited	(3b)	205,000	(L)	_	_	0.01%		
Schroder Investment Management (Singapore) Limited	(3b)	42,307,000	(L)	_	_	2.31%		
Schroder Investment Management (Hong Kong) Limited	(3b)	40,376,500	(L)	_	_	2.21%		

#### Remarks:

- (3a) Schroders Plc is listed on London Stock Exchange. The capacity of Schroders Plc in holding the 110,739,500 shares of long position was as investment manager.
- (3b) Schroder Administration Limited, Schroder International Holdings Limited, Schroder Holdings (Bermuda) Limited, Schroder Investment Management Limited, Schroder Investment Management Limited, Schroder Investment Management Limited, Schroder Investment Management (Singapore) Limited and Schroder Investment Management (Hong Kong) Limited were all direct or indirect owned by Schroders Plc and by virtue of the SFO, Schroders Plc was deemed to be interested in the shares held by these subsidiaries.

## Substantial Shareholders' Interests (continued)

The following is a breakdown of the interest in the shares in the Company held by The Capital Group Companies, Inc.:

# Total interests in shares

Name	Remarks	Direct interests	(L/S)	Deemed interests	(L/S)	percentage of interests
The Capital Group Companies, Inc.	(4a)	_	_	97,062,500	(L)	5.30%
Capital Research and Management Company	(4b)	97,062,500	(L)	_	_	5.30%

Remarks:

- (4a) The capacity of The Capital Group Companies, Inc. in holding the 97,062,500 shares of long position was as controlled corporation.
- (4b) Capital Research and Management Company was direct owned by The Capital Group Companies, Inc. and by virtue of the SFO, The Capital Group Companies, Inc. was deemed to be interested in the shares held by the subsidiary.

Save as disclosed, no other person was interested in or had a short position in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under Divisions 2 and 3 of the Part XV of the SFO as at December 31, 2013.

#### **Sufficiency of Public Float**

The Company has maintained a sufficient public float throughout the year ended December 31, 2013.

#### **Donations**

During the year, the Group made charitable and other donations totalling USD566,000.

A resolution will be submitted to the Annual General Meeting to re-appoint Messrs Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as auditor of the Company.

On behalf of the Board

## Horst Julius Pudwill

Chairman Hong Kong

March 19, 2014