The Board holds the overall responsibility for the establishment and maintenance of a sound system of internal control and the review of its effectiveness in order to safeguard the shareholders' investment and the Group's assets. Particular emphasis is placed on professional ethics, personnel competence and management effectiveness.

The Risk Control Committee, consisting of the Deputy Chief Executive Officer as the chairman, Supervision Department, Group Management Department and Finance Department, is established to implement internal controls and risk management of the company. The Group has designed a system of internal control and risk management includes various policies, procedures and control activities to control business risk, financial risk, compliance risk and operational risk.

## **Business Risk**

According to the Group's policies, business risks including, in particular, slow response to customer's need, insufficient competitiveness of price, unreliable customer credit profile, possible business secret leaking and unstable product quality etc., are reviewed and analysed from time to time. Control activities are conducted to eliminate, transfer or alleviate business uncertainty.

## **Financial Risk**

The Group's financial risk management policies governs the Group's cost control, asset management, treasury management, logistics supervision, financial reporting promptness management, investment return assurance, interest risk management, currency risk management to credit risk management, and ensures overall financial risks are well under supervision and control.

The Executive Directors review monthly management reports on the financial results and key operating statistics of each business and hold regular meetings with the executive management team and senior management of business operations to review these reports, business performance against budgets, forecasts, significant business risk sensitivities and strategies.

## **Compliance Risk**

Clear systems and procedures are established to ensure compliance with the relevant legislation and regulations.

Besides, we engage the professional firms and consulting companies to keep us abreast of the latest developments in different fields including legal, financial, environment, operation and business.

Internal Control and Risk Management

With respect to procedures and internal controls for the handling and dissemination of price-sensitive information, the Company:

- 1. included in its Code of Conduct a strict prohibition on the unauthorized use of confidential or insider information; and
- 2. has established and implemented procedures for responding to external enquiries about the Group's affairs. Only the senior management of the Group are identified and authorized to act as the Company's spokespersons and respond to enquiries in allocated areas of issues.

## **Operational Risk**

A full set of procedures has been established to prevent operational problems. These operational problems can be insufficient management effectiveness and efficiency, inefficient procurement, operational accident, unusual damage to key equipment or its components, information system failure, inability to retain high caliber staff or inadequate equipment utilisation. Once deemed necessary, risk control activities would be carried out to address risks in order to achieve management target.

The Board, through the Audit Committee, has conducted a review of the effectiveness of the Group's internal control systems covering all material business, financial, compliance, operational, and is satisfied that such systems are effective and adequate.

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