



新世界發展有限公司

New World Development Company Limited

*(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)*

(Stock Code: 17)

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at Meeting Room 201B (New Wing), Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre, 1 Expo Drive, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Wednesday, 30 November 2005 at 3:30 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To consider and adopt the audited Statement of Accounts and the Report of Directors and Auditors for the year ended 30 June 2005.
2. To declare a final dividend.
3. To re-elect Directors and authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.
4. To re-appoint Joint Auditors and authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.
5. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

### ORDINARY RESOLUTION

**“THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase shares of HK\$1.00 each in the capital of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“Stock Exchange”) or any other stock exchange on which the securities of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in connection with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of shares of the Company which the Directors of the Company is authorised to repurchase pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this Resolution,

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

  - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; and
  - (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting.”

6. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION**

**“THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below and pursuant to Section 57B of the Companies Ordinance, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares of HK\$1.00 each in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) and issued by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue, (ii) an issue of shares as scrip dividends pursuant to the articles of association of the Company from time to time; (iii) an issue of shares under any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company; or (iv) an issue of shares upon conversion by the bondholders of their bonds into shares of the Company in accordance with the terms and conditions of an issue of convertible guaranteed bonds by a special purpose subsidiary wholly owned by the Company, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing this Resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

- (d) for the purpose of this Resolution,

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting; and

“Rights Issue” means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to the holders of shares of the Company on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares as at that date (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong applicable to the Company).”

7. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION**

“**THAT** subject to the passing of Resolution Nos. 5 and 6 set out in the notice convening this meeting, the general mandate granted to the Directors of the Company to allot and deal with additional shares pursuant to Resolution No. 6 set out in the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of shares in the capital of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to Resolution No. 5 set out in the notice convening this meeting, provided that such amount of shares so repurchased shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing the said Resolution.”

8. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

### **SPECIAL RESOLUTION**

“**THAT** the Articles of Association of the Company be and are hereby amended in the following manner:

(a) Article 94

by deleting the last sentence of the existing Article 94 and substituting therefor the following sentence:

“Any Director so appointed by the Board shall hold office only until the next following general meeting of the Company (in the case of filling a casual vacancy) or until the next following annual general meeting of the Company (in the case of an addition to the existing Board), and shall then be eligible for re-election.”

(b) Article 103(A)

by deleting the first sentence of Article 103(A) and substituting therefor the words “At each annual general meeting, one-third of the Directors for the time being (or if their number is not a multiple of three (3), the number nearest to but not less than one-third) shall retire from office by rotation, provided that every Director (including those appointed for a specific term) shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.”

(c) Article 106

by deleting the words “, but shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation at such meeting” at the end of Article 106.

(d) Article 109

by deleting the words “, but shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation at such meeting” at the end of Article 106.”

By Order of the Board  
**LEUNG Chi-Kin, Stewart**  
*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 31 October 2005

*Notes:*

1. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
2. To be valid, a proxy form, together with any power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must be lodged with the registered office of the Company at 30th Floor, New World Tower, 18 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or the adjourned meeting (as the case may be).
3. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 23 November 2005 to Wednesday, 30 November 2005, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to determine the entitlement to the proposed final dividend, all shares transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company's Share Registrars, Tengis Limited at Ground Floor, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 22 November 2005.

As at the date of this notice, the executive Directors of the Company are Dato' Dr. CHENG Yu-Tung, Dr. CHENG Kar-Shun, Henry, Dr. SIN Wai-Kin, David, Mr. LIANG Chong-Hou, David and Mr. LEUNG Chi-Kin, Stewart; the non-executive Directors of the Company are Mr. CHENG Yue-Pui, Mr. CHENG Kar-Shing, Peter, Mr. CHOW Kwai-Cheung, Mr. HO Hau-Hay, Hamilton and Mr. LIANG Cheung-Biu, Thomas and the independent non-executive Directors of the Company are Lord SANDBERG, Michael, Mr. YEUNG Ping-Leung, Howard, Dr. CHA Mou-Sing, Payson, JP, Mr. LEE Luen-Wai, John, JP and Mr. CHA Mou-Zing, Victor (as alternate director to Dr. CHA Mou-Sing, Payson).

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