# THE LISTING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2004

# INTRODUCTION

- 1. This is the Annual Report of the Main Board and GEM Listing Committees of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong for the period to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2004. Throughout this report the expressions Listing Committee and Committee refer to the combined Committees unless the context requires otherwise.
- 2. This is the first such report that has been prepared. It is an account of the work of the Listing Committee in contributing to the success of the Hong Kong listing regime. It has been prepared for the Board of The Stock Exchange of Kong Hong Limited ("SEHK" or the "Exchange") and the Board of its parent company Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ("HKEx"). The Listing Committee anticipates that this report will be forwarded to the SFC and that in order to provide some transparency it will be published.
- 3. The Listing Committee has no staff and has not requested a budget from the Exchange and accordingly its members provide their services for free. To do this requires the generous support of the Committee members and their employers. We should like to take this opportunity to acknowledge this significant contribution. In addition we should like to acknowledge the administrative assistance we have had throughout the period from the Committee Secretariat of the Listing Division.

### MEMBERSHIP

- 4. The membership of the Listing Committee is drawn from nominations made by the Listing Nominations Committee. The Nominating Committee consists of three representatives from each of HKEx and the SFC. Members are appointed to the Committee in an individual capacity by the Board of SEHK.
- 5. The composition of the Committee is prescribed by the relevant set of Listing Rules. The Main Board Listing Committee has 24 external members: six exchange participants; six listed company representatives; and 12 market practitioners. The GEM Listing Committee has 20 external members: four exchange participants; four listed companies; and 12 market practitioners and users.
- 6. For both the GEM and Main Board Committee market practitioners and users include lawyers, accountants, fund managers and others well versed in market practice and the Listing Rules.
- 7. The Chief Executive of HKEx is an ex officio member of both Listing Committees and provides a communication bridge between the Committees, the senior executive of HKEx and the Board of HKEx. The Chief Executive of the Exchange is his designated alternate.

- 8. To provide consistency and continuity across the two Committees most members appointed in May 2003 and again in April 2004 were appointed as members of both the Main Board and GEM Committee. Four individuals were appointed to the Main Board Committee only, reflecting that committee's larger size.
- 9. The overlap in membership enables the two Committees to be operated as one committee for most practical purposes and thus much of the routine business of the Committees is conducted at combined meetings. This approach is not adopted in the case of disciplinary meetings and meetings at which decisions of the Listing Division or the Listing Committee are reviewed.
- A list and brief biography of Committee members in post during the period to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2004 is attached as an Appendix together with details of their respective attendance records under each category of Committee meeting.
- 11. Two vacancies arose during the year: one for an exchange participant; one for a listed company representative. Neither vacancy was filled. All members except one (a market participant, who did not seek re-appointment) were re-appointed to the Committees on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2004. There are currently three vacancies on the Main Board Committee and one vacancy on the GEM Committee.
- 12. In response to the Government's Consultation on Proposals to Enhance the Regulation of Listing, the Exchange has indicated its intention to consult the market during 2004 on modifications to the composition and structure of the Listing Committee in its administrative decision making and advisory roles. The amendments to the Listing Rules from this exercise, which will require SFC approval, would provide for a broadening of the membership of the Committees and increased investor participation.

# ROLE OF THE LISTING COMMITTEE

- 13. The Listing Committee acts both as an independent administrative decision maker and an advisory body.
- 14. A Memorandum of Understanding was entered into between SEHK and the SFC on 6 March 2001 pursuant to which the SEHK continued to be responsible for the day-to-day administration of all listing-related matters. It also provided for decision-making power to be delegated by the Board of SEHK.
- 15. The Board of SEHK retains the power to make and amend its Listing Rules subject to the approval of the SFC. All of its other powers and functions in respect of all listing matters are discharged by those to whom the powers have been delegated including the Listing

Committee, the Listing Division and the Chief Executive of the Exchange. This arrangement is reflected in the Listing Rules (see Main Board Listing Rule 2A.01 and GEM Listing Rule 3.01).

- 16. The arrangements in place recognise as a practical matter it is not possible for formal decision making to be taken by the Listing Committee on the very substantial number of matters arising from the day-to-day administration of the Listing Rules.
- 17. Equally to avoid jeopardising the independence of the Listing Committee it is not desirable for the Committee to become involved in an executive role directing the day-to-day affairs of the Listing Division. Accordingly the Listing Committee has reserved the power to take those decisions that are of material significance for the listed companies, sponsor firms and individuals concerned.
- 18. The relevant decisions include: granting approval for listing of new equity applicants; approval of the cancellation of listing; approval of GEM Sponsor firms and their supervisory staff; the finding of a breach of the Listing Rules and the imposition of disciplinary sanctions or remedial conditions; the endorsement, variation or modification of decisions made by the Listing Division and in some circumstances the Listing Committee on application for a review; the approval of a specified category of waiver; approval of significant policies and Listing Rule amendments.
- 19. In all other areas the Listing Division interprets, administers and enforces the Listing Rules, subject to the review of the Listing Committee under procedures set out in the Listing Rules. For each decision to be made by the Listing Committee the Listing Division will make a recommendation and prepare report with suitable analysis to assist Committee members reaching an informed decision on the relevant matter.
- 20. The Secretary to the Committee, who is also Head of the Listing Division, sets the agenda of Listing Committee meetings and determines the priorities of Listing Division and the allocation of its resources. Decisions of the Listing Committee, particularly in a policy context often have an operational impact for the Listing Division and inform decisions made by the Head of Listing about the priorities of the Listing Division. However the Listing Committee does not determine the strategic objectives, or the annual operating plan and budget or the level of resources of the Listing Division. Similarly the Listing Committee is not involved in the appointment and terms and conditions of Listing Division staff. These operational matters are handled by the staff of HKEx. The Board of HKEx approves the Exchange's strategic plans and its annual operating plan and budget including that of the Listing Division.

#### MODE OF OPERATION

- 21. The principal mode of operation of the Committee is through meetings at which a quorum of members is present. Meetings held by the Committee fall into the following categories: regular meetings, generally held each week; review meetings, to review decisions made by either the Committee or Division; disciplinary hearings, to consider disciplinary action brought by the Division and also including disciplinary review meetings, where the Committee reviews decisions taken at disciplinary meetings of the Committee; and policy meetings, at which policy issues are discussed. The quorum for meetings of the Committee is five members present in person. Where a Committee meeting is convened to review a decision of its own or of the Division the Chief Executive may not count in that quorum.
- 22. A pooling arrangement is operated to help reduce the workload involved for individual members attending regular meetings, and also to provide a pool of members from which to draw if a decision made by the Committee is required to be reviewed at a subsequent meeting. Under the pooling arrangements all members, except the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and the ex officio member are "paired" with another member, generally from the same membership category. Under the pooling arrangement a member will be designated as the primary or secondary member for a particular week's regular meeting, and the member with whom he or she is paired will be designated as secondary or primary as appropriate. Members are designated as primary or secondary on a fifty-fifty basis. Thus, over the course of the year, a member would be on primary for approximately half of the Committee's regular meetings. The pooling arrangement does not apply to disciplinary, review and policy meetings.
- 23. Regular meetings of the Listing Committee are normally held each week with breaks at Lunar New Year, Easter, Christmas and New Year. If the volume of work so demands, additional regular meetings are scheduled. Disciplinary meetings and Review meetings, to consider reviews of decisions reached by the Committee or the Division are held as required. Policy meetings are normally held quarterly with supplementary meetings as necessary.

#### HANDLING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

24. The Rules governing the proceedings of the Listing Committee incorporate specific requirements relating to the handling of conflicts of interests. These provisions require that a member who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, materially interested in a matter to be discussed at a meeting must declare any such material interest to the Secretary prior to the meeting or to those present at the meeting and, whenever appropriate and practicable, return all relevant papers to the Secretary as soon as he becomes aware of the conflict. If the member attends the meeting at which the matter is to be considered he must leave the meeting immediately when such matter comes up for discussion and only return after it has

been dealt with. The arrangements preclude a member with a material conflict of interest from participating in the deliberation of the issue or counting as part of the quorum present at the meeting. The minutes of Listing Committee meetings record all declared conflicts of interest.

#### **MEETING STATISTICS**

25. In the course of the 49-week period covered by this report the following meetings were held:

	Number held in the	Average number of		
Nature of meeting	period	members in attendance		
Regular meeting	45	9.3		
Review meetings	13	5.5		
Disciplinary meetings	21	5.4		
Quarterly and ad hoc policy meetings	6	16.3		

### APPROVAL OF NEW EQUITY LISTING APPLICANTS

26. One of the principal items of the business at the Committee's regular meetings is considering whether or not to grant approval for new listing applications. The Committee considers these on the basis of reports prepared by the Division, which include a recommendation as to whether or not to approve a listing application. Listing applications were considered at 38 of the 45 regular meetings of the Committee during the period. The Committee considered 84 listing applications (50 for the Main Board and 34 for GEM). The Committee approved 76 of the applications (47 for Main Board and 29 for GEM). The Committee rejected one Main Board and one GEM listing application. Neither decision was subject to further review. A decision on six applications was deferred pending submission of additional information to address concerns raised during consideration of the applications. Of the listing applications which were approved 67 subsequently listed during the year, consisting of 43 on the Main Board and 24 on GEM.

### APPROVAL OF THE CANCELLATION OF A LISTED ISSUER

27. As noted earlier the Listing Committee has reserved for itself the power to approve the cancellation of securities ("delisting"). The procedure to delist long suspended companies from the Main Board is set out in Practice Note 17 to the Main Board Listing Rules. There is no corresponding Practice Note in relation to GEM issuers, although GEM Rules 9.14 to 9.18 deal with cancellation of listing. The delisting process for Main Board companies has three stages plus cancellation. Each stage lasts for six months. The Listing Committee becomes involved in the delisting process once the Listing Division proposes to move a company from the second stage to the third stage of delisting. Where the Exchange

determines to place a company in the third stage of the delisting procedures, it will publish an announcement naming the issuer, indicating that the issuer does not have sufficient assets or operations for listing and imposing a deadline (generally six months) for the submission of resumption proposals. If, at the end of the third stage, no valid resumption proposal has been received a company's listing will be cancelled. The decision to cancel the listing of an issuer, by the Listing Committee, is subject to review by the Listing Review Committee and, in turn, also the Listing Appeals Committee. The Listing Appeals Committee consists of three members of the HKEx Board: the Chairman of HKEx, who chairs the Committee; one member appointed by the Chairman as deputy chairman of the Committee for the term of his office as a director of HKEx; and one member appointed by the Chairman when the Committee is called upon to consider a case. Appropriate modifications to membership are made where conflicts of interest arise.

- 28. At its regular meetings, the Listing Committee approved placing four companies in to the third stage of the delisting procedures. In one further case the Committee exercised its discretion by extending the deadline for completing a resumption proposal following the emergence of additional material information in relation to the resumption proposal. The Committee also approved the delisting of four companies for which valid resumption proposals had not been submitted by the end of the third stage of the delisting procedures.
- 29. In the course of considering resumption proposals at its regular meetings the Committee noted with concern two trends. First that many resumption proposals were submitted so late in the prescribed timeframe that the Listing Division had little time to perform an evaluation of the substance of the proposal before the elapse of the prescribed period. Second that a number of resumption proposals were not always well prepared and some lacked sufficient detail to support the credibility of the proposals and compliance with the Listing Rules. In response the Listing Committee determined that resumption proposals must be clear, plausible and coherent. The proposals should be presented in sufficient detail, including forecasts, to enable them to be assessed by the Listing Division and the Committee. Clear and detailed plans for the future development of the business should be also presented. Resumption proposals should be submitted at least two weeks before the third stage of the delisting procedures set out in Practice Note 17 to the Listing Rules expires. A valid resumption proposal will need to demonstrate the listed issuer's compliance with the Listing Rules and all applicable laws and regulations in Hong Kong and the Company's place of incorporation. In addition, the proposal, if it were implemented, must be such as would enable the Company to demonstrate that it complies with Paragraph 38 of the Listing Agreement<sup>1</sup>. These requirements were disseminated by means of a Listing Decision.
- 30. A substantial proportion of the meetings of the Listing Review Committee related to requests for a review of decisions to approve the cancellation of listing. Six such meetings

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Now Rule 13.24

were held during the period. In four cases the earlier decisions were upheld. As noted earlier, decisions to delist companies are subject to a final review by the Listing Appeals Committee. In three meetings during the period, all of which related to delisting cases, the Listing Appeals Committee endorsed an earlier decision of the Listing Review Committee.

#### APPROVAL OF GEM SPONSOR FIRMS AND SUPERVISORY STAFF

- 31. Another area of decision making which forms part of the Committee's regular business is in relation to GEM sponsors. GEM Sponsor matters were considered at 33 of the Committee's regular meetings. During the period the Committee considered three applications from financial institutions to be admitted to the list of approved GEM sponsors. All of these were approved. Although in one case the firm involved was approved as a co-sponsor only.
- 32. The Committee also considered 50 annual reviews of companies' continuing eligibility as sponsors, all of which were approved. In one case the period of approval was modified to six months rather than one year as the firm had not been active. The Committee also considered and approved ten requests for an extension of the period in which the annual review should be conducted. Most requests were granted as they related to changes in senior staff at GEM sponsors and the reviews were deferred pending completion of certain employment and registration formalities.
- 33. There were four cases where the Committee approved the removal of a firm from the list of approved sponsors on an uncontested basis.

### **OTHER REGULAR BUSINESS**

- 34. At each regular meeting the Division provides the Committee with information on companies whose shares have been suspended from trading or have resumed trading since the date of the last regular meeting. In addition each month the Committee will receive an information paper on companies whose shares have been suspended from trading for a prolonged period. This paper forms the basis for a monthly update published on the HKEx website in respect of long suspended companies and companies delaying the release of results announcements.
- 35. The Division will normally seek the Committee's endorsement of resumption proposals in respect of long suspended companies. In one case, involving concerns about serious deficiencies in an issuer's financial reporting and compliance systems and also its corporate governance the Division sought guidance from the Committee on its handling of the resumption and their views on the conditions imposed for resumption. The advice given has informed the Division's general approach to handling the suspension of issuers. In

particular in circumstances where it may be necessary to suspend trading to protect the interests of potential investors.

36. Other matters considered at regular meetings during the year are set out in the table below.

Nature of decision/advice sought	
Applications for waivers from classification test requirements by issuers with negligible assets	2
Applications for exemption from disclosure of intra-bank transactions under Practice Note 19	1
Application for waiver in connection with a share option scheme	
Approval for a voluntary withdrawal of listing (including 4 cases involving a transfer from	
GEM to the Main Board)	11
Approval of spin-off applications	3
Approval of a proposal for a change in the domicile of the issuer	1
Approval of an issuer of structured products	3
Approval for listing of debt securities not delegated to the Head of Listing	2
Requests for pre-application guidance from potential IPO candidates	

#### **REVIEW MEETINGS**

37. Sixteen requests for a review of decisions by the Division or Committee were considered during the period. Details are set out in the table below.

Committee Decision made by		Nature of decisions	Number of cases	Outcome		
Listing Appeals Committee	Listing Review Committee	Approval of the cancellation of listing	3	Earlier decisions were endorsed in all 3 cases		
Listing Review Committee	Listing Committee	Approval of the cancellation of listing	6	Earlier decisions were endorsed in 4 cases and modified in 2 cases		
	Listing Committee	Rejection of a request to waive documentation timetable requirements	1	Earlier decision reversed		
	Listing Division	An adverse ruling on interpretation of the track conditions for listing	1	Earlier decision endorsed		
	Listing Division	Treatment of an injection of assets as a new listing application	1	Earlier decision reversed		
	Listing Division	Application of disclosure rules	1	Earlier decision modified		
GEM Listing Review Committee	GEM Listing Committee	Applicant's had not followed one focussed line of business	1	Earlier decision reversed		
	Listing Division	Rejection of an application for listing	1	Earlier decision endorsed		
	Listing Division	Treatment of an injection of assets as a new listing application	1	Earlier decision reversed		

#### **DISCIPLINARY MEETINGS**

- 38. Disciplinary matters are generally dealt with at specially convened meetings of the Committee at which only one case is considered. The process places heavy emphasis on written representations and a typical case presented to a disciplinary meeting of the Committee will include two rounds of submissions from the Division and two rounds of submissions from these alleged to have breached the Rules (normally a listed company and/or its directors). At the disciplinary meeting both the Division and those against whom the action is brought are permitted to make brief oral representations to supplement their written representations and Committee members may ask questions of any party at the meeting.
- 39. Disciplinary cases may require considerable time on the part of Committee members to consider the submissions made.
- 40. The Committee received and endorsed two reports submitted by the Division in August 2003 and April 2004 setting out proposals for the Exchange's enforcement strategy and objectives. The Committee noted the challenges faced by the Division in balancing its caseload, its resources and an investigation and disciplinary process which is very resource-intensive. This means that the Exchange's enforcement strategy needs to ensure resources and the Committee's time are utilised effectively.
- 41. To help utilise its resources to the best regulatory effect, the Exchange focuses its efforts on what are considered to be the most egregious breaches of the rules. These tend to be cases where the Division will seek some form of public sanction against the company and/or its directors. This approach increases the contentious nature of disciplinary proceedings and the Committee has noted over the period an increase in procedural challenges which often disrupt the disciplinary process.
- 42. To help utilise the Committee's time in an effective manner some cases are dealt with at regular meetings of the Committee. This is especially the case where a proposal to settle a disciplinary matter with an agreed sanction is presented to the Committee for endorsement. Disciplinary matters were dealt with at five regular meetings of the Committee.
- 43. During the period the Committee endorsed proposals from the Division to adopt a so-called 'fast-track' approach in relation to disciplinary matters arising from late publication of companies' accounts. Once a company is late in publishing its accounts it has breached the Listing Rules and therefore the main issue to consider is the sanction to be imposed on the company and directors having regard to any mitigating circumstances. Under the fast-track process, provided that certain conditions are met, public sanctions will be imposed against a company, and not its directors, for the late publication of accounts. Ten fast-track cases were considered in the period.

44. There were a further 11 disciplinary meetings in the course of the period, one of which was in relation to late publication of accounts before the fast-track process mentioned above was introduced. The nature of alleged breaches of the Listing Rules considered at the remaining meetings is set out in the table below.

Nature of alleged breach of Listing Rules	Number of meetings
Failure to disclose price sensitive or other relevant information	3
Failure to disclose and seek shareholder approval for connected party transactions	2
Failure to take reasonable care in the preparation of a statement in a listing document (note)	2
Failure to take action to maintain a sufficient number of shares in public hands (note)	2
Failure to observe the Model Code for directors dealing	1

Note: Cases considered once at a meeting in the first instance and once at a meeting on review.

#### POLICY DEVELOPMENT

- 45. The Committee aims to hold policy meetings on a quarterly basis. In the course of the period the Committee held regular policy meetings on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> August 2003, 27<sup>th</sup> October 2003, 15<sup>th</sup> December 2003 and 19<sup>th</sup> April 2004. Additional policy meetings to deal with specific issues in relation to the corporate governance rule changes were held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2003 and 8<sup>th</sup> October 2003.
- 46. Although policy matters are generally considered at policy meetings of the Committee to ensure broad participation from the Committee membership, it is sometimes necessary for issues to be considered at regular meetings of the Committee. In most cases this represents reporting back to the Committee on minor revisions to policy previously agreed at policy meetings or amendments to Listing Rules which had previously been approved at policy meetings which were minor in nature but which, nonetheless, required the Committee's approval. Eight such items of business were considered during the period, mainly in relation to Corporate Governance and the proposed revisions to the Sponsor regime.
- 47. A significant part of the Committee's and the Division's policy work flowed from the Corporate Governance Action Plan that was announced by the Financial Services and Treasury Bureau in January 2003. The Action Plan is a co-ordinated effort by the Administration, the SFC and HKEx to improve corporate governance among Hong Kong listed companies.
- 48. One of the priority areas identified in that plan was upgrading the Listing Rules and Listing functions. Much of the Committee's work in this area culminated in the publication in January 2004 of a draft Code on Corporate Governance for comment and amendments to the Main Board and GEM Listing Rules that came into effect on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2004.

- 49. The proposals and rule amendments address corporate governance issues as well as revised initial listing criteria and continuing obligations. These issues were extensively discussed at each of the Committee's quarterly policy meetings and were the sole items considered at the additional policy meetings in July, October and December.
- 50. A further aspect of upgrading the Listing Rules and Listing functions relates to delisting procedures and proposed continuing listing criteria. The Committee considered the responses to the Exchange's July and November 2002 consultation papers at its meeting in April 2004.
- 51. The Committee noted the market's general opposition to the introduction of new continuing listing standards and significant changes to the current delisting mechanism. The Committee also recognised that recent changes to the Listing Rules and developments in the Division's working practices should have a positive impact and begin to address some of the underlying problems identified in the consultation papers. A major overhaul did not appear necessary and the status quo should be maintained for the time being. The Committee directed the Division to target specific regulatory problems, such as deficiencies in financial reporting systems and controls, and in consultation with the SFC, identify and formulate proposals to improve compliance in these problem areas.
- 52. A second priority item identified in the Corporate Governance Action Plan is in relation to the tightening of the regulation of sponsors. In the course of the period the Committee considered and endorsed the May 2003 consultation paper, a draft conclusions report and proposed rule amendments.
- 53. As noted above, in the course of the year a fast-track approach was instituted for certain disciplinary matters. This approach was introduced after it had been considered at one of the Committee's quarterly policy meetings. Proposals to revise the form of publication of disciplinary sanctions, to extend the range of disciplinary matters subject to the fast-track approach and to help streamline the disciplinary process were also considered at policy meetings during the period.
- 54. The Committee also considered proposals to replace the current requirement for issuers to publish announcements in the newspapers with a requirement to publish notification announcements in the newspapers and full announcements on HKEx's website. Among the other issues considered at policy meetings were:
  - Entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Hong Kong Society of Accountants.
  - A review of the application of certain GEM Listing Rules and practices. This review arose from comments made by the Committee in considering applications for listing on GEM at its regular meetings.
  - Proposals to enhance the transparency in listing matters in response to the

Government's Consultation Conclusions on the Enhancement of the Regulation of Listing.

# CONCLUSION

- 55. It has been a busy year for the Listing Committee. We feel that we have made good progress in enhancing the regulation of listed companies and establishing a constructive and responsive working relationship with the Listing Division. Significant challenges remain to be addressed in enhancing listing regulation. Some of these will best be pursued through other channels but where significant matters are brought to the Committee we will look to address them in a manner which produces effective, consistent and proportionate regulation.
- 56. This report was approved for submission to the Boards of SEHK and HKEx on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2004.

Marvin Cheung Chairman Mr Marvin Cheung (Chairman) Former Senior Partner, KPMG Hong Kong Appointed: 1<sup>st</sup> January 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 32

Mr Moses Cheng (Deputy Chairman) Senior Partner, P.C. Woo & Co Appointed: 4<sup>th</sup> December 1996 Appointment Category: Listed Company Meeting attendance: 37

Mr V-Nee Yeh Chairman, Hsin Chong Construction Group Limited Appointed: 4<sup>th</sup> December 1996 Appointment Category: Listed Company Meeting attendance: 36

Mr Anthony Lo Managing Director, Advantage Group Limited Appointed: 4<sup>th</sup> November 1998 Appointment Category: Listed Company Meeting attendance: 21

Mr Peter Wong Managing Director, Tai Fook Securities Co Ltd Appointed: 4<sup>th</sup> November 1998 Appointment Category: Exchange Participant Meeting attendance: 27

Mrs Angelina Lee Partner, Woo, Kwan, Lee & Lo Appointed: 7<sup>th</sup> August 1999 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 26

Mr Carlson Tong Partner, KPMG Hong Kong Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> November 2001 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 28

Mr Henry Cheong Chairman & CEO, Worldsec Brokerage Limited Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2002 Appointment Category: Exchange Participant Meeting attendance: 34

#### **APPENDIX – LISTING COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Mr Roger Best Partner, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 21

Ms Shirley Fung (Main Board Only) Advisory Director, Goldman Sachs (Asia) LLC Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Exchange Participant Meeting attendance: 24

Mr Stephen Hui Managing Director, UOB Kay Hian (Asia) Ltd Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Exchange Participant Meeting attendance: 42

Mr Ernest Ip Partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 29

Mr Alex Ko Chairman & CEO, Goldbond Capital Holdings Limited Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 49

Mr Allan Lam Senior Executive Vice President, Templeton Asset Management Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 18

Mr Raymond Lee (Main Board Only) Deputy Chairman and Executive Director, Dickson Concepts (International) Limited Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Listed Company Meeting attendance: 27

Mr Gage McAfee Managing Director, GE Asia Pacific Capital Technology Fund Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 47 Mr Frank Slevin Managing Director, Head of Hong Kong Investment Banking, Citigroup Global Markets Asia Limited Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Exchange Participant Meeting attendance: 26

Mr David Stannard International Managing Partner, Asia, Norton Rose Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 27

Mr David Sun Chairman, Assurance Advisory Business Services, Ernst & Young Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 24

Mr Peter Tsang Chairman, Infa Telecom Asia Limited Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 13

Mr Peter Tse Executive Director & Chief Financial Officer, CLP Holdings Limited Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Listed Company Meeting attendance: 20

Mr Tony Tsoi Chief Operating Officer, Hong Kong Commercial Broadcasting Co. Ltd Appointed: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Appointment Category: Market Practitioner and User Meeting attendance: 38

Mr Paul Chow Chief Executive, Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited Ex Officio member Meeting attendance: 40

Mr Lawrence Fok Chief Executive, The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited Alternate to ex officio member Meeting attendance: 1

#### **RECORD OF MEETING ATTENDANCE**

	Regular		Policy		Disciplinary		Review	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Mr Marvin Cheung	18	40	5	83	7	47	2	22
Mr Moses Cheng	29	64	4	67	1	7	3	27
Mr V-Nee Yeh	28	121	3	50	5	31	0	0
Mr Anthony Lo	14	61	2	33	2	11	3	25
Mr Peter Wong	14	61	4	67	8	57	1	8
Mrs Angelina Lee	11	48	6	100	7	58	2	14
Mr Carlson Tong	19	83	4	67	2	15	3	38
Mr Henry Cheong	17	74	4	67	11	65	2	17
Mr Roger Best	17	74	4	67	0	0	0	0
Ms Shirley Fung	14	61	5	83	2	15	3	23
Mr Stephen Hui	20	87	5	83	6	33	11	79
Mr Ernest Ip	18	78	6	100	3	25	2	17
Mr Alex Ko	21	91	6	100	13	77	9	70
Mr Allan Lam	11	48	0	0	3	17	4	29
Mr Raymond Lee	11	48	2	33	8	67	6	55
Mr Gage McAfee	24	104	6	100	11	61	6	100
Mr Frank Slevin	10	44	4	67	8	47	4	36
Mr David Stannard	15	65	5	83	3	20	4	31
Mr David Sun	17	74	4	67	2	20	1	8
Mr Peter Tsang	7	30	3	50	1	6	2	20
Mr Peter Tse	15	65	5	83	0	0	0	0
Mr Tony Tsoi	26	113	3	50	7	39	2	14
Mr Paul Chow	34	75	6	100	0	note	0	note

Notes: For regular meetings percentage attendance is calculated based on a member attending half the meetings in the period in accordance with the pooling schedule. A percentage in excess of 100 indicates a member attending more meetings than allocated under the pooling schedule. For the chairman, deputy chairman and the Chief Executive the percentage is calculated based on total number of meetings in the period.

For review and disciplinary meetings percentage attendance is based on the number of meetings a member was eligible to attend having regard to potential conflicts of interest and whether the member had attended the meeting reaching the decision that was being reviewed. The members' unavailability due to other commitments on a scheduled date has not been taken into account in the table above. The Chief Executive does not participate in review and disciplinary meetings.