



大同機械企業有限公司  
COSMOS MACHINERY ENTERPRISES LIMITED

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)  
(Stock Code: 118)

INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT  
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2005

INTERIM RESULTS

The board of directors (the "Board") of Cosmos Machinery Enterprises Limited (the "Company") announces that the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30th June, 2005 with comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2004 are as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

	Notes	Six months ended 30th June,	
		2005 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	2004 (Unaudited and restated) HK\$'000
Turnover	3	778,744	796,029
Cost of sales		(616,174)	(626,921)
Gross profit		162,570	169,108
Other revenue		9,086	8,769
Distribution costs		(46,368)	(53,857)
Administrative expenses		(89,558)	(88,348)
Other operating expenses		-	(806)
Allowance for bad and doubtful debts		(280)	(3,000)
Profit from operations	4	35,450	31,866
Finance costs		(11,212)	(9,243)
Investment income		377	340
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries		-	3,303
Loss on disposal of an associate		(163)	-
Share of results of associates		10,960	11,248
Profit before taxation		35,412	37,514
Taxation	5	5,432	6,308
Profit for the period		29,980	31,206
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the parent		18,630	21,550
Minority interests		11,350	9,656
		29,980	31,206
Earnings per share – basic	6	2.64 cents	3.05 cents

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	30th June, 2005 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	31st December, 2004 (Audited and restated) HK\$'000
ASSETS		
Non-current Assets		
Investment properties	24,400	24,400
Property, plant and equipment	445,052	450,613
Goodwill	1,345	1,345
Interests in associates	167,474	164,785
Available-for-sale financial assets	7,590	7,590
Deferred tax assets	15,812	15,946
Total non-current assets	661,673	664,679
Current Assets		
Inventories	523,805	479,428
Trade and other receivables	609,423	571,590
Bills receivable	13,621	10,114
Tax recoverable	67	863
Pledged bank deposits	7,405	3,961
Bank balances and cash	98,268	107,536
Total current assets	1,252,589	1,173,492
Total assets	1,914,262	1,838,171
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent		
Share capital	282,491	282,491
Reserves	411,144	392,215
Proposed dividend	-	7,062
	693,635	681,768
Minority interests	173,664	162,221
Total equity	867,299	843,989
Non-current Liabilities		
Borrowings – due after one year	69,961	47,308
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts – due after one year	862	1,035
Deferred tax liabilities	11,661	11,796
Total non-current liabilities	82,484	60,139
Current Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	524,079	490,302
Bills payable	106,452	149,813
Amounts due to associates	21,605	13,577
Dividend payable	7,062	-
Tax payable	11,071	12,982
Borrowings – due within one year	257,514	243,463
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts – due within one year	3,447	5,374
Bank overdrafts	33,249	18,532
Total current liabilities	964,479	934,043
Total liabilities	1,046,963	994,182
Total equity and liabilities	1,914,262	1,838,171

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Significant accounting policies

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements of the Group 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 of Hong Kong Limited and Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") 34 "Interim financial reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The accounting policies and basis of preparation adopted are consistent with those used in the preparation of the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 2004 except that the Group has changed certain of its accounting policies following the adoption of new/revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, HKASs and Interpretations ("HKFRS") which are effective for accounting periods commencing on or after 1st January, 2005. The changes to the Group's accounting policies and the effect of adopting these new accounting policies are set out in note 2 below.

2. Changes in accounting policies

The HKFRSs which are relevant to these financial statements are set out below:

HKAS 1	"Presentation of financial statements"
HKAS 2	"Inventories"
HKAS 7	"Cash flow statements"
HKAS 8	"Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and error"
HKAS 10	"Events after the balance sheet date"
HKAS 12	"Incomes taxes"
HKAS 14	"Segment reporting"
HKAS 16	"Property, plant and equipment"
HKAS 17	"Leases"
HKAS 18	"Revenue"
HKAS 19	"Employee benefits"
HKAS 21	"The effects of changes in foreign exchange rates"
HKAS 23	"Borrowing costs"
HKAS 24	"Related party disclosures"
HKAS 27	"Consolidated and separate financial statements"
HKAS 28	"Investments in associates"
HKAS 32	"Financial instruments: disclosure and presentation"
HKAS 33	"Earnings per share"
HKAS 36	"Impairment of assets"
HKAS 37	"Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets"
HKAS 38	"Intangible assets"
HKAS 39	"Financial instruments: recognition and measurement"
HKAS 40	"Investment property"
HKFRS 3	"Business combinations"

a. The adoption of HKAS 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 27, 28, 33, 36 and 37 did not result in substantial changes to the Group's accounting policies. In summary:

- HKAS 1 has affected the presentation of minority interests, share of net after-tax results of associates and other disclosures.
- HKAS 2, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 27, 28, 33, 36 and 37 had no material effect on the Group's policies.
- HKAS 24 has affected the identification of related parties and some other related party disclosures.

b. The adoption of HKAS 17 has resulted in a change in accounting policy relating to leasehold land. Leasehold land and buildings held for own use were previously accounted for as finance leases and were stated at valuation less accumulated depreciation. In accordance with HKAS 17, a lease of land and building should be split into a lease of land and a lease of building according to their fair value at inception. A lease of land is an operating lease and a lease of building is a finance lease unless the two elements cannot be allocated reliably, in which case the entire lease is classified as a finance lease. Pursuant to these requirements, the land premium paid for distinguishable leasehold land is accounted for as an operating lease and amortised over its unexpired lease term, whereas undistinguishable leasehold land and building included in property, plant and equipment is stated collectively at valuation less accumulated depreciation.

This change in accounting policy has had no material effect on both the condensed consolidated income statement and retained profits, and condensed consolidated balance sheet.

c. The adoption of HKAS 40 has resulted in a change in the accounting policy for investment property. The Group has elected to use the fair value model to account for its investment properties which requires gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment properties to be recognised directly in the profit or loss for the period in which they arise. In previous periods, investment properties under the SSAP 13 were measured at open market values, with revaluation surplus or deficits credited or charged to investment property revaluation reserve unless the balance on this reserve was insufficient to cover a revaluation decrease, in which case the excess of the revaluation decrease over the balance on the investment property revaluation reserve was charged to the income statement. Where a decrease had previously been charged to the income statement and revaluation surplus subsequently arose, that increase was credited to the income statement to the extent of the decrease previously charged. The Group has applied the relevant transitional provisions in HKAS 40 and elected to apply HKAS 40 from 1st January 2005 onwards. The amount of HK\$8,607,000 held in investment property revaluation reserve at 1st January 2005 has been transferred to the opening balance of Group's retained profits.

In previous periods, deferred tax consequences in respect of revalued investment properties were assessed on the basis of the tax consequence that would follow from recovery of the carrying amount of the properties through sale in accordance with the predecessor interpretation (SSAP-Int 20). In the current period, the Group has applied HK(SIC)-Int 21 "Income Taxes – Recovery of Revalued Non-Depreciable Assets" which removes the presumption that the carrying amount of investment properties are to be recovered through sale. Therefore, the deferred tax consequences of the investment properties are now assessed on the basis that reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects to recover the property at each balance sheet date. The above change has had no material effect on the condensed consolidated financial statements.

d. In prior periods, goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries and associates was carried at cost and amortised over its estimated useful life. Following the adoption of HKAS 36, HKAS 38 and HKFRS 3, goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries and associates is carried at cost and reviewed for impairment annually. Impairment, if any, is charged to the income statement and is not reversed in a subsequent period. This change in accounting policy has been applied prospectively from 1st January, 2005 where the accumulated amortisation of goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries and associates as at 1st January, 2005 of approximately HK\$23,152,000 has been eliminated with a corresponding decrease in the respective cost of goodwill at that date.

e. In prior periods, to the extent that the negative goodwill was not attributable to losses or expenses anticipated at the date of acquisition, it was recognised as income on a straight line basis over the remaining average useful life of the identifiable acquired depreciable assets. Following the adoption of HKFRS 3, any excess of the Group's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired as at the date of acquisition over the cost of the business combination is recognised immediately in the income statement. Goodwill previously eliminated against consolidated capital reserve remains eliminated against consolidated capital reserve and is not recognized in the income statement when all or part of the business to which the goodwill relates is disposed of or when a cash-generating unit to which the goodwill relates becomes impaired. This change in accounting policy has been applied prospectively from 1st January, 2005, and following the transitional provisions of HKFRS 3, the carrying amounts of the negative goodwill recognised on the consolidated balance sheet as at 1st January 2005 of approximately HK\$1,175,000 were derecognised by way of a corresponding adjustment to the opening retained profits as at 1st January 2005.

f. In prior periods, investment securities held for an identified long-term strategic purpose which were held for non-trading were measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Following the adoption of HKAS 32 and HKAS 39, all investment securities of the Group as at 31st December 2004 were redesignated into available-for-sale financial assets on 1st January 2005 and are stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses as all the investments do not have a quoted market price in an active market and their fair value cannot be reliably measured. This change in accounting policy has had no material effect on the condensed consolidated financial statements.



## **DIRECTOR'S AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBT SECURITIES**

Other than as disclosed above, at no time during the period was the Company or any of its holding companies, subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors and Chief Executive to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares or any underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of SFO); and none of the Directors, their spouses or children under the age of 18, had any right to subscribe for the shares of the Company, or had exercised any such rights.

## **SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

In order to provide the Company with a flexible means of giving incentive to, rewarding, remunerating, compensating and/or providing benefits to the Participants for their contributions and/or potential contributions to the Group and for such other purposes as the Board may approve from time to time, the Company has adopted the share option scheme at the annual general meeting of the Company held on 30th May, 2005. No option were granted, exercised, cancelled or lapsed during the six months ended 30th June, 2005.

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee of the Company comprises the three independent non-executive directors. It has adopted terms of reference which are in line with the code provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance. The unaudited financial statements of the Company for the six months ended 30th June, 2005 have been reviewed by the audit committee who is of the opinion that such statements comply with the applicable accounting standards, legal requirements and the Listing Rules, and that adequate disclosures have been made.

## **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

The remuneration committee comprises three independent non-executive directors and the Chairman of the Board of the Company. It has adopted terms of reference which are in line with the code provision of the Code on Corporate Governance. The duties of the remuneration committee include reviewing and evaluating the remuneration packages of executive directors and senior management and making recommendations to the Board from time to time.

## **EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICY**

As at 30th June, 2005, the Group has approximately 6,000 employees (2004: approximately 6,000), remunerations were formulated in accordance with market trends and performance of employees. Benefits have included schemes of insurance, retirement, share option and so on.

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

During the six months ended 30th June, 2005, there has been no purchase, sale or redemption by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of the Company's listed shares.

## **COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE PROVISIONS SET OUT IN THE CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES**

The directors consider that the Company has complied with the Code on Corporate Governance Practice (the "Code") as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules throughout the six months ended 30th June, 2005 except for the following code provision A.2.1 and A.4.2:

Code Provision A.2.1 – Pursuant to code provision A.2.1, roles of the Chairman and chief executive officer should be separate. In order to comply with this code, Mr. Wong Yiu Ming ("Mr. Wong"), the existing Executive Director and General Manager, has been re-designated as Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Company with effect from 12th September, 2005. The date of appointment of Mr. Wong was slightly later than the six months ended 30th June, 2005.

Code Provision A.4.2 – Under the code provision A.4.2 of the Code, (a) All directors appointed to fill a casual vacancy should be subject to election by shareholders at the first general meeting after their appointment; and (b) Every director, including those appointed for a specific term, should be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. According to Article 94 of the Memorandum and New Articles of Association ("M&A") of the Company, "The Board shall have power from time to time and at any time to appoint any person as a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the Board. Any Directors so appointed shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting of the Company and shall then be eligible for re-election, but shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation at such meeting." Therefore, if there is an extraordinary general meeting held earlier than the first annual general meeting after the appointment, such election by shareholder should be arranged at that extraordinary general meeting, and not the next following annual general meeting. Accordingly, the existing Article 94 of the M&A of the Company constitutes a deviation from code provision A.4.2 of the Code and should be amended.

Besides, according to Article 103(A) of the M&A of the Company, "At each annual general meeting one-third of the Directors for the time being, or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest one-third, shall retire from office. The Directors to retire in every year shall be those who have been longest in office since their last election but as between persons who became Directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree between themselves) be determined by lot. The retiring Directors shall be eligible for re-election." Therefore the wordings "nearest one-third" in Article 103(A) do not satisfy the requirements of the aforesaid code provision and should be amended as appropriate. To comply with code provision A.4.2 of the Code, relevant amendments to Articles 94 and 103(A) of the M&A of the Company will be proposed for the shareholders' approval at the next earliest general meeting of the Company.

## **COMPLIANCE WITH MODEL CODE**

Throughout the six months ended 30th June 2005, the Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules and all Directors have confirmed that they fully complied with the required standard as set out in the Model Code based on the enquiry of all the directors of the Company.

## **PUBLICATION OF THE INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT AND INTERIM REPORT**

This interim results announcement is published on the Company's website at [www.cosmel.com](http://www.cosmel.com) and the website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited at [www.hkex.com.hk](http://www.hkex.com.hk). The interim report will be available at the Company's website and the website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and dispatched to shareholders of the Company in late September 2005.

On behalf of the Board

**TANG To**  
Chairman

Hong Kong, 26th September, 2005

*As at the date hereof, the Board comprises of eleven directors, of which five are executive directors, namely Mr. Tang To, Mr. Zhao Zhuoying, Mr. Wong Yiu Ming, Mr. Yan Wing Fai Richard and Mr. Li Tin Loi, and three are non-executive directors, namely Mr. Tang Kwan, Mr. He Zhiqi and Mr. Kan Wai Wah and three are independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Liang Shangli, Mr. Yip Jeffery and Miss Yeung Shuk Fan.*

