



**CORPORATE PRESENTATION**FIRST QUARTER 2011 RESULTS

Growing Intelligently
JUNE 14, 2011



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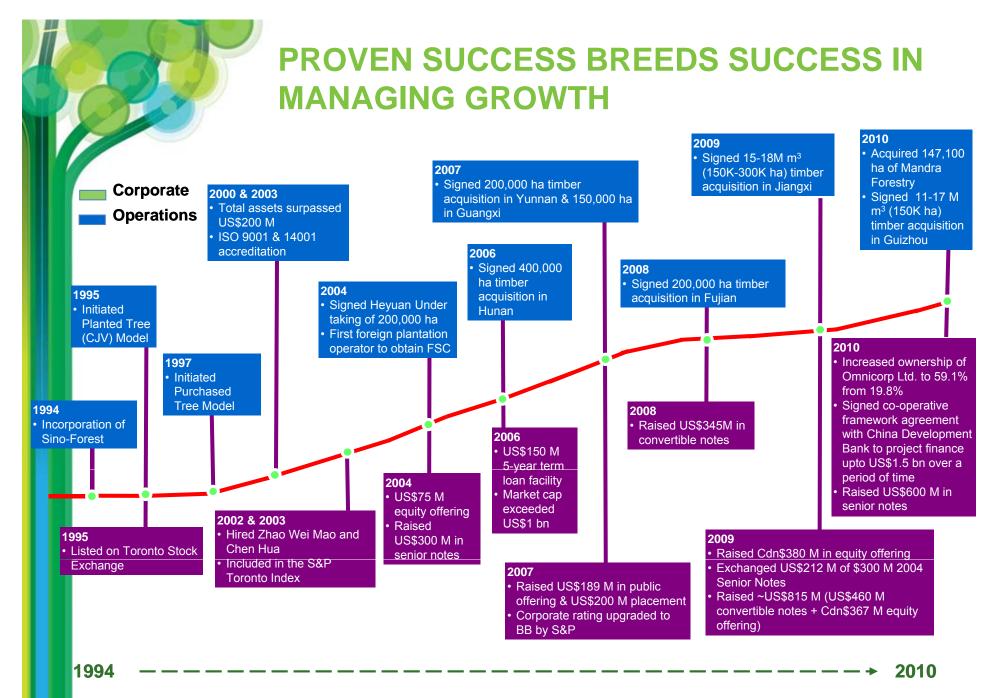
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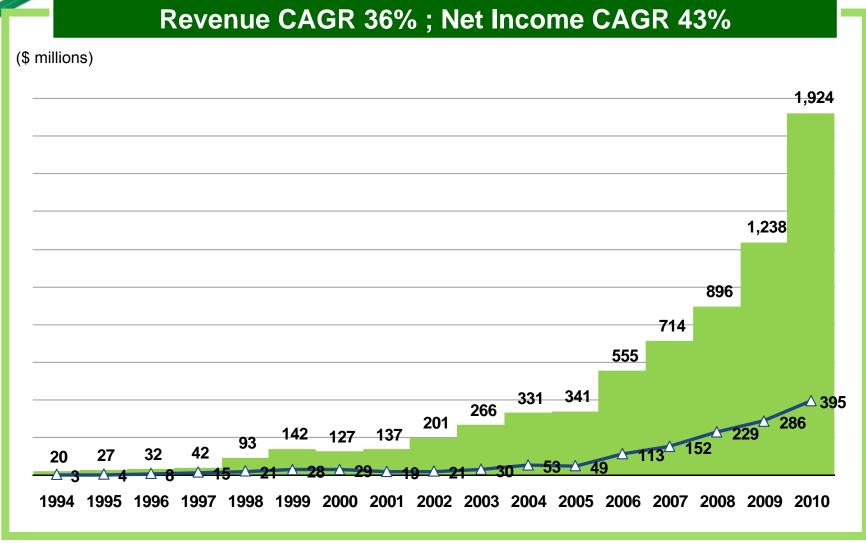
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# STRONG GROWTH RECORD





## **EXPERIENCED MANAGEMENT TEAM**

#### Allen Chan, Founder, Chairman & CEO



- Director since 1994; co-founded the Company in 1992
- With two decades of forestry management and industry experience
- Prior to founding Sino-Forest, Allen specialised in new town development, project management and consultancy of manufacturing & hospitality industry
- An academic and a columnist on management-related topics

#### K.K. Poon, President



- ▶ Director from1994 to 2009; co-founded the Company in
- Former engineer with the Guangdong Forestry Bureau for 15 years. Engaged in forestry trading and wood product manufacturing since 1979
- Graduated from Chungnam Forestry University, Guangdong, PRC

#### Chen Hua, SVP - Administration & Finance, China



- Joined the Company in 2002
- Previously board chair of Suzhou New District Economic Development Group, and worked in numerous large corporations
- Rich experience in accessing capital markets in China

## W. Judson Martin, Vice Chairman



- Vice Chairman since June 2010; Lead director from 2007 to 2010: director since 2006
- Previously Senior EVP & CFO of Alliance Atlantis Communications Inc., Senior EVP, CFO & Chief Operating Officer, MDC Communications Corporation, President & CEO, Trilon Securities Corporation, EVP & CFO, Brookfield Development Corporation, Vice President Finance and Treasurer, Trizec Corporation Ltd.

#### Dave Horsley, SVP & CFO, CA, CBV, CF, C. Dir



- Officially joined the Company in 2005; previously was board member of Sino-Forest's Audit, Compensation, and Corporate Governance Committees
- Former CFO of Cygnal Technologies Corp;
- Member of Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, and Institute of Chartered Business Valuators

#### Albert Ip, SVP -



#### South-west China

- Joined the Company in 1997
- Specialised in project establishment and production management;

**Development & Operations, North-east &** 

- Albert heads our Sino-Panel operations
- Graduated from the University of Ottawa, Canada in 1984 with a degree in mechanical engineering and project management

# Zhao Wei Mao (Albert), SVP – Development & Operations, South & East China



- Joined the Company in 2002
- Previously General Manager of wood manufacturing arm of China Everbright Group, worked in numerous countries, accumulated extensive knowledge and experience in domestic and foreign downstream wood manufacturing
- Prior to that was lecturer at Beijing Forestry University



## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS

Note:

- 1. Audit Committee
- 2. Corporate Governance Committee
- 3. Compensation and Nominating Committee

#### William (Bill) E. Ardell, Toronto 1, 2, 3 (chair)



- Lead Director since 2010; nominated as Director since 2010
- Previously President & CEO and a director of Southam Inc. Bill was director for a number of public and private sectors, including not-for-profit organizations, serving in varying capacities as Chairman, Director, or member of the board committees. He began his career with Touche Ross in Montreal

#### James (Jamie) M.E. Hyde CA, C.Dir, Toronto 1 (chair), 2 (chair), 3



- Director since 2004
- Previously VP, Finance and CFO, GSW Inc.; EVP & CFO, Resolve Business Outsourcing Income Fund
- Former Partner, Ernst & Young LLP, where he provided for 24 years a broad range of professional services to public and private companies

#### Simon Murray CBE, Hong Kong



- Director since 1999
- Chairman, GEMS (General Enterprise Management Services (Int'l) Limited)
- 35 years in Asia; previously Executive Chairman, Asia Pacific, Deutsche Bank Group
- Independent non-executive director of a number of listed companies in Hong Kong including Cheung Kong (Holdings) Ltd., Orient Overseas (International) Ltd., Wing Tai Properties Ltd., and non-executive director of Greenheart Group Ltd.

Garry J. West FCA, Toronto 1, 2



- Joined the Board in February 2011
- Former Partner at Ernst & Young
- With 35 years of extensive financial experience including, auditing, corporate restructuring, public financings and strategic planning initiatives for a number of major organizations
- Director and Chair of the Audit Committee for two other TSXlisted companies; Fellow of the Ontario Institute Chartered Accountants

#### James (Jamie) P. Bowland CA, Toronto 1, 3



- Joined the Board in February 2011
- Former Managing Director at BMO Capital Markets, Investment & Banking Group; extensive experience in mergers & acquisitions, capital markets and corporate banking
- ➤ Jamie is a Director of a number of TSX-listed companies and not-for-profit organizations. He is a Chartered Accountant and holds the Institute of Corporate Directors designation

#### Edmund Mak MBA, Vancouver 2



- Director since 1994
- Associate Broker, Royal Pacific Realty Corporation
- Over 30 years experience with public, multi-national and private corporations in North America and Hong Kong, in the real estate, computer and high technology equipment, transportation, construction, oil & gas, textile and China trade industries

#### Peter Wang, Hong Kong



- Director since 2007
- Senior Commercial Consultant of Zijin Copper of Zijin Mining Group, a HKG-listed company
- Has over 30 years experience in Sino-foreign business affairs, predominantly related to petrochemical and mining industries, as well as wood-based panel industries

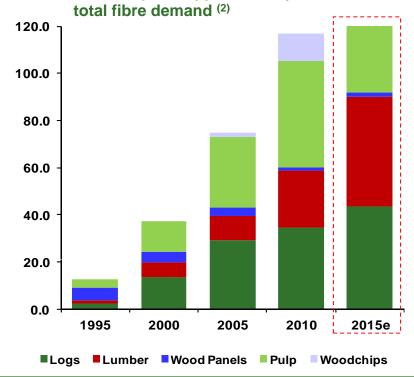
# **Industry Dynamics**

# **FAVORABLE MARKET DYNAMICS**

#### Domestic supply lags demand, creating structural fibre deficit (1)

- Total wood fibre consumption in China was roughly 420 million m³ for industrial, fuelwood and others (2)
- ▶ Industrial roundwood equivalent demand ~260 million m<sup>3 (2)</sup>
- ▶ China's wood fibre deficit was ~117 million m³ in 2010
  - Expected to increase by 36% to 182 million m<sup>3</sup> in 2015

# China imports approximately 48% of total fibre demand (2)



#### Sustainable growth and price drivers

#### Supply

- ➤ Tight supply due to ban on **logging of natural forests** in certain regions since 1998
- Low timber stocking volume for commercial demand; stateowned and co-op plantations have low productivity
- 24 million ha of plantation forest allocated for industrial use, out of which 7 million ha converted to fast-growing high yield plantations (FGHY)
- China aims to convert 13.3 million ha to FGHY<sup>(3)</sup> by 2015

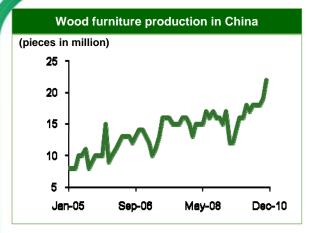
#### **Demand**

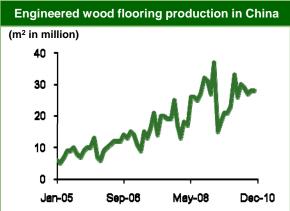
- China targets a 8% GDP growth for 2011
- Growth in domestic fibre demand implies positive long-term dynamics
  - Capacity expansions in manufacturing of wood fixtures, furniture, interior decoration, flooring products and paper
  - Increase in demand for housing and building materials fueled by growing middle class and rapid urbanization
  - Infrastructure development
  - Pulpwood demand is expected to increase in the next 3 years for new mills
  - Sichuan earthquake rebuild
  - Construction of pulp & paper mills

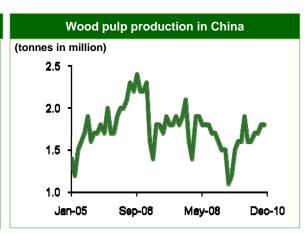
<sup>(1)</sup> RISI 2011 data

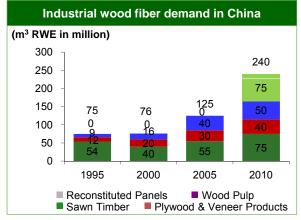
<sup>(2)</sup> SFA (removals), WTA (Imports), Kauri Capital Research Sino-Forest Corporation First Quarter 2011

# **FAVORABLE MARKET DYNAMICS**

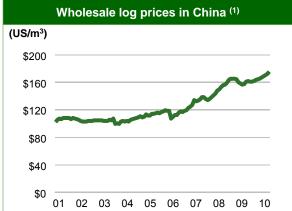












#### Demand for fibre in China has grown consistently

Source: CEIC, China Wood Monthly and Bloomberg

(1) Spot log prices, diameter 14 – 18 cm, converted from RMB to USD at the average monthly exchange rate for each period

## MACROECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

# Favourable economic factors will continue to drive demand for wood fibre

- Urbanization target to increase from 48% to 52% by 2015
  - 0.8% growth per annum will drive ~10 million rural dwellers moving to cities
  - Construction of infrastructure, public facilities and others to support urbanization
- Central Government's Plan to construct an additional 36 M units of affordable housing over the next five years
  - Commenced construction of 5.9 M units in 2010
- New building codes favour use of wood fibre, providing some earthquake resilience
- Mega pulp mills planned to be constructed in China

Demand for wood fibre will continue to grow, especially for wood panels, furniture and interior wood fixtures

## **REGULATORY & POLICIES**

- Supportive forestry policies jointly issued by seven government ministries in Aug 2007
  - Full or partial exemption of corporate income tax
  - Waive of forest/cultivation tax levy
- Revitalization Plan for Forestry Industry (2010–2012)
  - Preferential tax treatment for engaging in agri- and forestry projects
  - Bank loans with longer terms i.e. 1-5 years extended to 10-15 years
  - Encourage economies of scale, commercialize upstream operations, and identify industry-leading enterprises
  - Reform forest land use rights to expedite commercialization
- **▶** Natural Forest Protection Program (2011-2020)
  - Increase logging of plantation forest and reform state-owned plantations during 12<sup>th</sup> 5-year Plan
- ▶ 12th 5-year Plan (2011-2015) to further stimulate domestic spending
  - Accelerate development of inland and rural regions
  - Promote industrialization, urbanization and agricultural modernization

# Strategic Plan



## **OUR GOAL AND STRATEGY**

C /A	Fibre Output Goal	The same
Sell 30	million m <sup>3</sup> by end of 2013	Si Si

(million m³)	2013e	2010	2009	10 vs 09 chg %
Fibre output	30.0	17.6	14.2	24

# Plantation Goal Plant 200,000 ha by end of 2013

('000 ha)	2013e	2010	2009	10 vs 09 Chg %
Annual Planting	200	30	19	58

## **STRATEGY**

- Increase forest plantation coverage by signing more purchase agreement at attractive price capped
- Diversify plantation portfolio geographically
- Plant with scientifically advanced seedlings
- Improve trees yield and convert to shorter growing cycle or fastgrowing high yield plantations



# OPTIMIZED BUSINESS MODEL ALIGNED WITH PRC GOVERNMENT POLICIES

#### **Government Policies**

#### **Business Model**

PRC 5-Year Plan

Aims to double area of FGHY <sup>(1)</sup> plantations to 13.3 million hectares by 2015

- Accelerate planting program
- Replant harvested plantations
- Participate in state-owned tree farms commercialization

Mandate to enrich lives of rural communities

- Acquire plantations from private-owners and village-collectives
- Set up wood processing facilities; create employments in rural area
- Create regional markets by attracting downstream manufacturers to region to develop local economy

World-class Best Practices on Environmental Stewardships

Engage in sustainable forestry

- Sustainable forestry strategy developed in accordance with national and international standards
  - First commercial plantation operator in China to have obtained the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certification in 2004
- Maintains Environment Management System to ensure responsible management of all plantation, trading and manufacturing operations
- Invest in R&D to improve yield on plantation trees

<sup>(1)</sup> FGHY: fast-growing, high-yielding

# **Operations**

# **OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW**

Wood Fibre Operations (96% of revenues)

**Plantation Fibre** 



**Trading of Wood Logs** 



Manufacturing and Other (4% of revenues)







- Cultivates and sells standing timber or harvested logs in southern and eastern China
- Classification: Purchased and Planted Plantations
- Sell mode: Standing timber (buyer conduct logging) and Harvested Logs
- Owns 866,600 (1) hectares of trees under management in the PRC
- Long-term agreements to acquire an additional 700,000 hectares in six provinces (1)
- FY 2010 revenue was US\$1.4 billion (73% of revenues); Q1 2011 revenue was US\$218 million (64% of revenues)
- Trading of imported and domestic wood logs and products
- Imports large diameter logs, sawn timber, veneer and other wood-based products for sale primarily within the PRC
- Products sourced from Russia, Latin America, Papua New Guinea others
- Domestic Wood logs sources logs from PRC suppliers and sells to domestic market
- ► FY 2010 revenue was US\$454 million (23% of revenues); Q1 2011 revenue was US\$106 million (31% of revenues)
- Processes small diameter logs to produce value-add wood-based products
- Manufacturing plants complement upstream operations
- ► FY 2010 revenue was US\$69 million; Q1 2011 revenue was US\$13 million (4% of revenues)
- ▶ Majority interest in Greenheart Group Limited, approx 59%(HKSE: 00094)
- Owns certain rights and manages approximately 312,000 hectares of hardwood forest concessions in Suriname, South America (3)
- Owns 11,000 ha of radiata pine plantation on 13,000 ha of freehold land in New Zealand<sup>(3)</sup>
- ▶ Q1 2011 revenue was US\$2 million (1% of revenues)

#### **PLANTATION FIBRE KEY STRATEGIC LOCATIONS** Shaanxi (Q1 2011): Signed agreement to First mover advantage acquire 200,000 ha Hunan (Q4 2006): Over 15 years of experience · Signed agreements managing forestry plantations in to acquire 400,000 ha HEILONGJIANG China Recognized expertise in plantation JILIN INNER MONGOLIA trees cultivation XINJIANG Leading supplier of wood fibre in Anhui & Jangxi China BEIJING (Q1 2010): Guizhou Acquired Mandra's (Q1 2010): HEBEL 147,100 ha NINGXIA SHANXI SHANDON · Signed agreement to acquire QINGHAI 10.5-16.5M m3 of fibre **NSU** SHAANXI Jiangxi (Q2 2009): · Signed agreement SICHUAN HUBEI Yunnan to acquire between ZHEJIANG CHONGQING (Q1 2007 & Q1 2011): $15 - 18M \text{ m}^3 \text{ of}$ Signed agreement to HUNAN JIANGXI fibre (~150,000 acquire 200,000 ha GUIZHOU 180,000 hectares) TAIWAN Signed agreement to Legend GUANGXI GUANGDONG acquire 66,000 ha **Executive Office** HONG KONG China Office Manufacturing Operations Fujian (Q3 2008): Guangxi (Q4 2007): Long-term Wood Fibre and Signed agreement to · Signed agreement to Forestry Regeneration acquire 200,000 ha acquire 150,000 ha

Sino-Forest provides one of the best ways to gain exposure to the PRC economic growth

Plantations under management as of Mar 31, 2011 were approximately 866,600 hectares.



# **OUR VALUE PROPOSITION**

#### **Phase 1: EXPANSION STRATEGY**

#### Purchased Plantation (1)

- Plantations under mgmt in the PRC: 788.700 ha
- Master Agreements to acquire additional 846,000-996,000 ha
- Process: to acquire and replant

#### **Natural Growth**

- Chinese fir and pine 5-10% p.a. growth in fibre
- Eucalyptus 15-25% p.a. growth in fibre

#### **Phase 2: ENHANCEMENT STRATEGY**

#### **Planted Plantations**

- Convert low yielding plantations to FGHY species
- Yield enhancement (from 100 to 250 m<sup>3</sup> per ha <sup>(4)</sup>)

### **Standing Timber Inventory**

- Under mgmt:  $\sim$ 788,700 ha (1)  $\rightarrow$  approx. 98 million m<sup>3 (2)</sup>
- → approx 6 years of fibre to sell (sold 17.6 million m³ in 2010)

#### **Master Agreements**

846,000 - 996,000 ha (1) to acquire  $\rightarrow$  approx. 85 - 100 million m<sup>3</sup> (3) (approx 5 years of fibre to sell)

#### Replanting

- Assume conversion of 788,700 ha to FGHY plantations (except Yunnan natural forest (5))
- Lease land and replant ~100,000 ha per annum with average 6 years FGHY species
- Assume average yield of 200 m<sup>3</sup>  $\rightarrow$  20 million m<sup>3</sup> per annum

#### Sales

- Sell as standing timber or logs (buyer harvest or SFC harvest)
- Total cubic metre of fibre sold multiply by average selling price per m<sup>3 (6)</sup>
- Sell to wood dealers who sell to end-users (construction panels, container board, fittings, furniture, flooring, etc.)
- (1) As of Dec 31, 2010

on Pöyry's valuation

- (3) Assumes average yield of 100 m<sup>3</sup>/ha
- (2) Assumes yield of 124 m<sup>3</sup>/ha, based (4) Replanted eucalyptus in certain locations have already achieved 260m3/ha at age five
- (5) Excludes Yunnan 186,700 ha
- (6) Assumes US\$60/m<sup>3</sup>



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#### **PHASE TWO**

PURCHASED MODEL

PLANTED MODEL (PERPETUAL PHASE)

<b>Acquisition cost ca</b>	pped
assures minimum	profit

# Replanting expands our gross profit +91%

- Multiple rotations
- · More predictable and stable cash flows

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Gro	SS	Profit	
Per	$m^3$	+91%	,

Gross profit:	\$27.5 per m <sup>3</sup>	\$52.5 per m³
Cost:	\$37.5 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$12.5 <sup>(2)</sup>

Yield: 100 m<sup>3</sup>/ha 120 m<sup>3</sup>/ha 200 m<sup>3</sup>/ha

(Purchased) (After 3 yrs holding)

(Improved through R&D)

Gross Profit per ha +218%

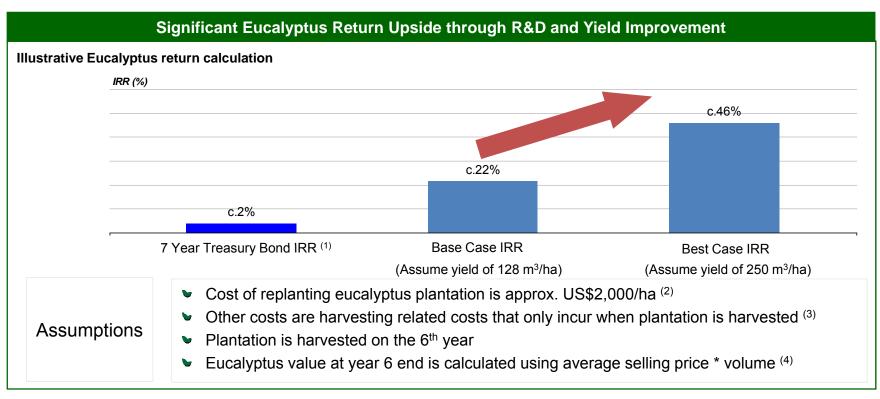
Gross profit: \$3,300 per hectare \$10,500 per hectare

#### Notes:

- (1) Acquisition cost approximately US\$45/m³ and assumed trees are held for 3 years
- (2) Assumes planting cost for 6-yr cycle eucalyptus: US\$2,500/ha and a yield of 200 m<sup>3</sup>/ha

# RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT CAPABILITIES

- Leverage advanced global planting and silviculture practices adapted for the Chinese environment
- Investment in R&D to enhance quality of fibre, increase harvest yield and reduce cultivation costs
  - Cooperates with academic and scientific institutions in the PRC
  - Certain plots of replanted eucalyptus have already achieved 260 m³/ha at age five

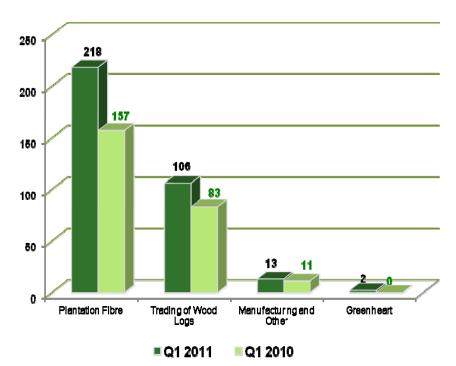


- (1) Assumes interest from the T-bond is re-invested receiving the same interest rate and a coupon rate of 1.875% as of Oct 8 2010
- 2) Management estimated replanting cost that includes land rental, crop maintenance and protection costs
- (3) Management estimated costs include harvesting and roading costs, cartage costs, management and admin. overhead, indirect costs, marketing overhead and inventory & survey fee of approximately US\$3,700/ha
- (4) Management estimated logs average selling price of approximately US\$70/m<sup>3</sup>

# Q1 2011 Financial Highlights



- Total revenue grew 35% to \$339 million in Q1 2011
- 34% increase in EBITDA to \$192 million
  - Increase of 39% in sales of plantation fibre and 28% in the trading of logs
  - Ongoing demand for wood fibre
  - Increases in log prices



# **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

	FIRST QUARTER		
(US\$ in M); except EPS	2011	2010	Chg%
Revenue	338.9	251.0	35
Gross Profit	125.8	98.2	28
Gross Profit Margin	37%	39%	(2 pt)
EBITDA	192.1	142.9	34
Net (Loss) / Income	(22.1)	15.9	n.a.
Diluted (Loss) / Earnings Per Share	(0.08)	0.07	n.a.
Cash Flow From Operating Activites	(121.5)	(122.0)	n.a.

# **SEGMENT: PLANTATION FIBRE**

		FIRST QUARTER			
	2011	2010	Chg%		
Revenue (US\$ in M)	218.2	156.8	39		
<ul> <li>Standing timber</li> </ul>	215.2	86.9	148		
– Logs	3.0	69.9	(96)		
ASP (US\$/hectare)	13,842	12,643	9		
<ul> <li>Standing timber</li> </ul>	14,341	16,125	(11)		
– Logs	3,955	9,965	(60)		
ASP $(US\$/m^3)$	89	84	6		
<ul> <li>Standing timber</li> </ul>	90	89	0		
– Logs	54	79	(31)		
Gross Profit (US\$/m³)					
<ul> <li>Standing timber</li> </ul>	44	49	(10)		
– Logs	43	38	15		

Plantation fibre sales comprised 64.4% of total revenue in Q1 2011



	FIRST QUARTER			
	2011	2010	Chg%	
Volume Sold ('000 m <sup>3</sup> )	2,455	1,861	32	
<ul> <li>Standing timber</li> </ul>	2,400	971	147	
– Logs	55	890	(94)	
Total Hectares Sold	15,767	12,401	27	
<ul> <li>Standing timber</li> </ul>	15,009	5,391	178	
– Logs	758	7,010	(89)	
Average Yield (m³)	156	150	4	
<ul> <li>Standing timber</li> </ul>	160	180	(11)	
– Logs	73	127	(43)	

 Sold approximately 9,868 hectares of plantations acquired under MAs in Q1 2011, mainly in Guangxi, Yunnan and Hunan



# SEGMENT: TRADING OF WOOD PRODUCTS AND LOGS

	FIRST QUARTER		
(US\$ in M)	2011	2010	Chg%
Revenue	106.2	82.9	28

- Revenue from trading of imported and domestic wood products increase primarily due to different mix of species of wood logs traded with relatively higher volume of logs of higher average price sold
- Trading of wood logs sales comprised 31.3% of total revenue in Q1 2011
- Gross profit margin decreased from 6.3% to 5.2% in Q1 2011



# SEGMENT: MANUFACTURING AND OTHER OPERATIONS

	FIRST QUARTER		
(US\$ in M)	2011	2010	Chg%
Revenue	12.9	11.3	14

 Gross profit margin decreased from 12.8% to 5.9% in Q1 2011, mainly due to a fall in ASP as a result of increased competition in the wood flooring business segment.





# **SEGMENT: GREENHEART GROUP**

	FIRST QUARTER			
(US\$ in M)	2011	2010	Chg%	
Revenue	1.7	-	-	

- Suriname: 312,000 ha of concession tropical forest; building two facilities
- New Zealand: 11,000 ha of softwood plantation
- Investigating opportunities in Brazil, Peru, Africa and Asia Pacific Region

# **CAPITAL EXPENDITURES**

	FIRST QUARTER		
(US\$ in M)	2011	2010	Chg%
Plantation acquisition	474.6	188.9	151
Hectares acquired	100,034	37,304	168
Re-planting of plantations & maintenance	3.8	7.2	(47)
Manufacturing and others	8.8	2.1	319
Business acquisition	-	17.9	-
Hectares acquired	-	86,786	-
Total:	487.2	216.1	125

- Acquired mostly in Yunnan, Guangxi and Jiangxi under MAs
- Capital expenditure for 2011 will be reviewed in coming months and be adjusted as necessary
- Replanting of 200,000 hectares in the next two to three years remain top priority

# **BALANCE SHEET HIGHLIGHTS**

(US\$ in M)	Mar 31, 2011	Dec 31, 2010	Chg%
Cash & short-term deposits	1,088.1	1,255.5	(13)
Long-term debt (inc. current portion of long-term debt)	1,641.4	1,628.8	1
Shareholders' equity	2,933.9	2,921.5	0
Current ratio	6.56	6.40	3
Long-term debt / equity ratio	0.56	0.56	0

- Strong balance sheet and cash on hand
- Long-term debt /equity ratio of 0.56 to 1 (post \$600 M financing in Oct 2010) still conservative

# Transition to IFRS

# **IMPACT OF IFRS**

# **Material Impact**

## i) Net Income

Accounting aspect of financing strategy, Convertible Senior Notes due 2013 and 2016,
 IFRS requires to fair value options as an embedded derivative liability

#### Stock price increases

- Equity convert option becomes more valuable or more costly to the company, charge to the income statement
- As at Mar 31, 2011, share price Cdn\$25.30 resulted in a charge to income statement of approx. \$53 million.

#### Stock price decreases

- Equity convert option becomes less valuable, gain recorded in the income statement
- As at Jun 10, 2011, share price Cdn\$4.47, record a gain from fair valuing the option of approx. \$450 million Q2 2011 income statement.

#### Remove stock price volatility

- Directors passed resolution to approve amendment of certain language in Convertible Notes
- Volatility of stock market price will no longer affect reported Net Income after Q2 2011



# **Routine Adjustments**

## ii) Income tax

- Actual provision not materially affected in Q1 2011
- Assesses income tax by applying the rate of 15% for operations in all provinces in the PRC
- Additional non-cash tax charge in Q1 2011 of approx. \$6.0 million

## iii) Selling & administrative expenses

- Q1 2011 includes consolidated results of Greenheart Group including S&A expenses approx. \$5.8 million
- Q1 2011 S&A expenses rose from \$23.0 million in Q1 2010 to \$30.3 million in Q1 2011

# Reconcile Q1 2011 VS Q1 2010

# Reconcile reported results for comparing Q1 2011 to Q1 2010

- Add charge for fair-valuing equity component of Convertible Notes
- Add one-time non-tax charge of approx. \$6 million
- Add Greenheart SG&A of approx. \$5.8 million
- Result in Net Income of approx. \$42 million & EPS of \$0.19 cents



#### **BUSINESS OUTLOOK**

- Delivered good operating and financial results in Q1 2011
- Solid foundation for building a larger and more productive portfolio of plantations across China
  - Outlook for Chinese forestry sector remains positive for 2011; benefiting from strong economic growth, driven by broad-based industrialization and massive urbanization
- Sino-Forest 16 years of solid track record:
  - \$1.1 billion in cash and \$3.6 billion of standing timber assets
  - Can continue to grow through acquisitions and sustainable long-term replanting without tapping into the capital markets

#### **EXPANDING GEOGRAPHICALLY**

### Signed New Master Agreements to Acquire 266,000 Hectares

- Further expand operations into highly populated inland provinces with high projected economic growth and substantial demand for wood products for construction and manufacturing
  - Shaanxi approximately 200,000 hectares
  - Yunnan approximately 66,000 hectare
- Trees diameter between 15 40cm and age range 25 50
- Tree species primarily pine, Chinese fir and broadleaf
- Average yield approximately 90 m³ per hectare
- Fibre acquisition will take place over a ten-year period, price capped at RMB320 (US\$49) per m<sup>3</sup>
- Rights to lease the underlying plantation land at a price not to exceed RMB525 (US\$80) per hectare per annum for 30 – 50 years



# TRANSITION TOWARD SUSTAINABLE PLANTATION OPERATIONS

#### "Planting Trees for China"

- Planting of 200,000 hectares by end of 2013 with scientifically advanced seedlings
- Progress
  - Identified and secured suitable lands
  - Preparation of sites in progress

### Discussion of Recent Allegations





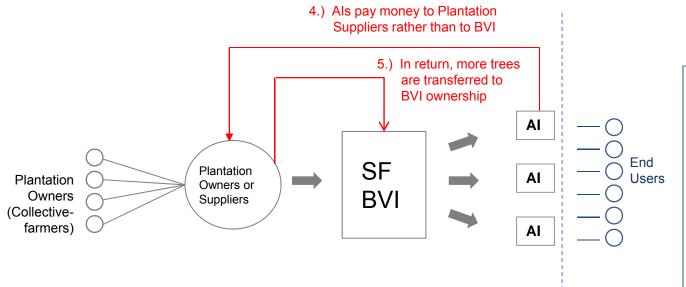
# CONFIDENT AMID RECENT NEGATIVE NEWS

#### Allegations affected price of our securities

- No inaccuracy in reports and filings
- Deeply disappointed for our shareholders
- Formed special committee of independent and financially qualified directors to examine the allegations
- Continue to focus on business strategy of expanding operations
- Strongly believe our reputation will be redeemed in due course

#### **ROLE OF AUTHORIZED INTERMEDIARIES**

#### **Purchased Plantation Model**



Money stays on-shore in the BVI model, as sales proceeds are used to purchase more trees for the BVI entity

1.)
Tree
plantations
are sold to
a SF
BVI
Company

2.)
BVI Company
hold
plantations for
approx. 3 years
to capture
growth of fibre,
which increase
in value.

3.)
Trees are matured then sold wholesale mostly as standing timber to Authorized Intermediaries (Al's) or "entrusted sales agents"

6.)
The Als
cut the
trees and
sell to end
users (often
many hundreds
of them)

#### **MUDDY WATERS' REPORT ERRORS**

- WRONG "Transporting the harvested logs would have required over 50,000 trucks driving on two lane roads winding through the mountains from this remote region, which is far beyond belief (and likely road capacity)."
- **WRONG** "The value of purchases made under Yunnan master agreement is overstated by approximately \$800 million."
- **WRONG** "For accounting purposes, TRE treats the AI as being both supplier and customer in transactions."
- WRONG "TRE's board appears to be the retirement plan for partners of its auditors, Ernst & Young. It currently has five directors on its board from F&Y."

### Bill Ardell

Lead Independent Director & Chairman of the Independent Committee



#### TIMELINE OF EVENTS

### Sino-Forest's Board of Directors has acted quickly and decisively since the release of the Muddy Water's report:

- 2 June Release of report
- 3 June Special Independent Committee was set up made up of independent directors with financial expertise and deep knowledge of the forestry sector [or provide language to describe of independent committee members]
- 3 June Independent Committee legal counsels
  - Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt, LLP a leading Canadian law firm
  - Mallesons Stephen Jacques a leading international law firm with offices in Beijing, Shanghai and Hong Kong
  - Jun He Law Offices a leading Chinese law firm
- 6 June Independent Committee appointed Pricewaterhouse Coopers (PwC) as the independent accounting firm to assist with the investigations
- 7 June TSX and IIROC asked to investigate trading of Company's shares by Muddy Waters and its associates
- 8 June Ontario Securities Commission opens investigation



- Mandate is a wide-ranging one—to assist the Independent Committee in its examination and review of the allegations put forth in the Muddy Waters Report.
- Expectations that PwC will initially focus their work on allegations relating to the last five years (commencing on January 1, 2006), but their mandate is not restricted in this regard.
  - Initial steps include securing data, confirming basic corporate data and, going forward, will involve a review of ownership and valuation of assets, revenue and other key items related to the allegations.
- The Independent Committee expects to report to the Board from time to time as material matters are reviewed.

### TRADING DYNAMICS (TSX:TRE)

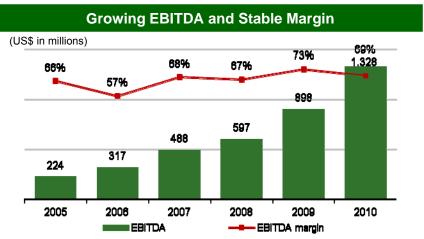
FIRST QUARTER 2011				
No. of shares outstanding as of Q1 2011		245,740,889		
Share price <sup>(1)</sup>	Cdn\$	2.30		
	US\$	2.35 <sup>(2)</sup>		
Market capitalization	Cdn\$	565 million		
	US\$	578 million		
52-week range	Cdn\$	1.29 – 25.85		
2011 Diluted EPS (trailing)	US\$	1.30		
All amounts based in US\$				
Cash and cash equivalents	US\$	1.1 billion		
Timber Holdings (Standing timber assets)	US\$	3.6 billion		
NAV per share		12.23		
Price to Earnings		1.81		
Price to Book		0.19		
Net Debt / Total Capital		30%		
Net Debt / Equity		59%		
Long-term Debt / Equity		33%		
Plantation under management in the PRC		866,600 hectares		

<sup>(1)</sup> Share price as at June 27, 2011

<sup>(2)</sup> Exchange rate USD:CDN 0.9867

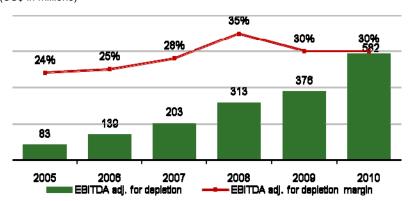
#### HISTORICAL FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

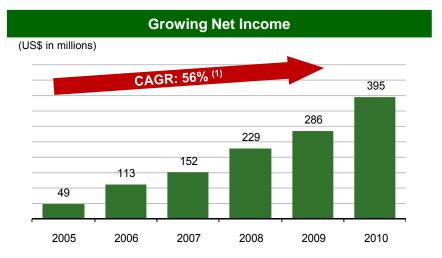




#### Growing EBITDA Adj. for Depletion and Stable Margin

(US\$ in millions)

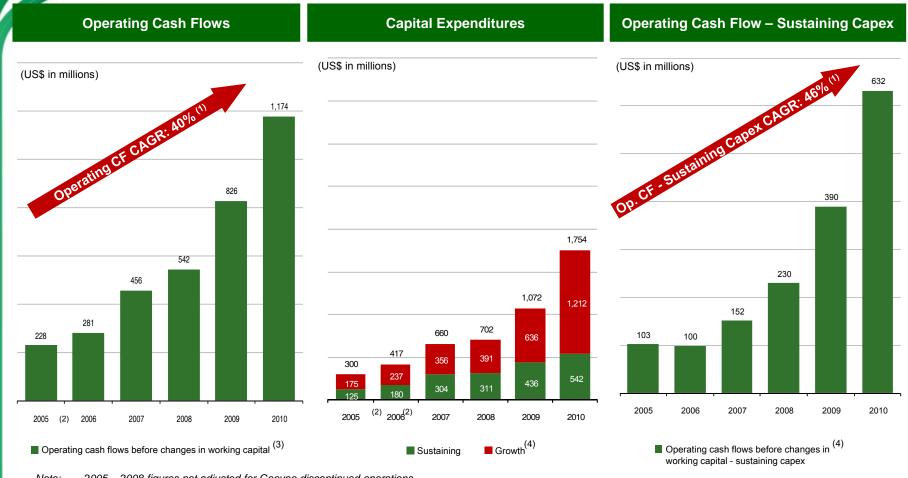




(1) CAGR for period from 2005 – 2010

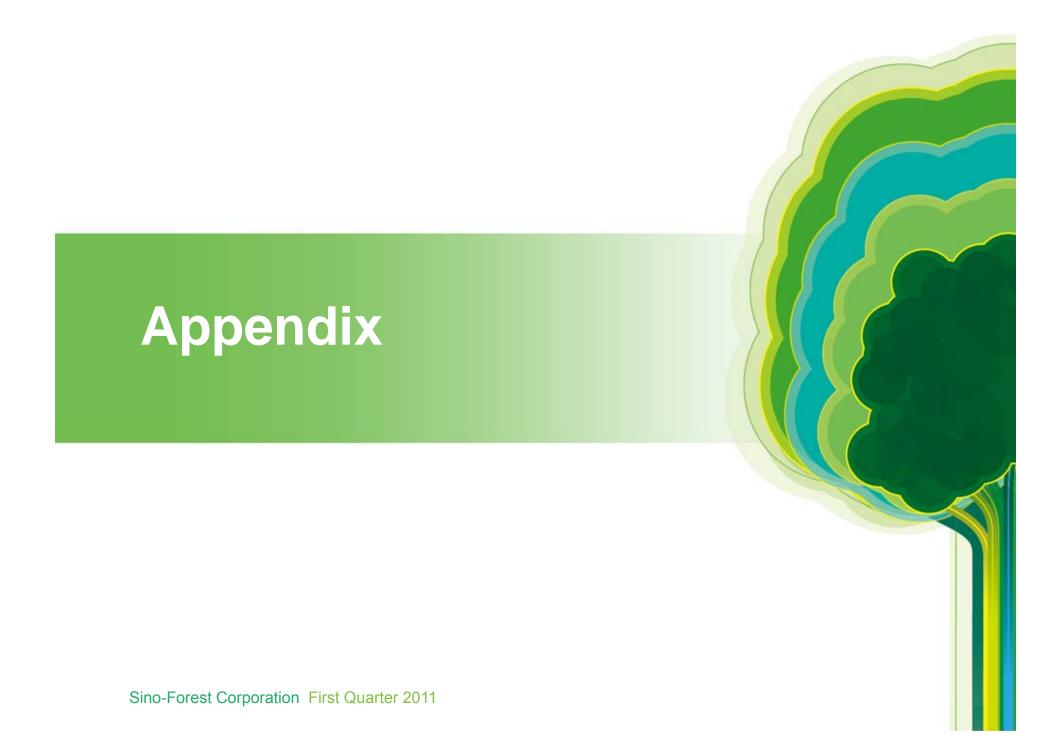


### HISTORICAL FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE (CONT'D)



Note: 2005 – 2008 figures not adjusted for Gaoyao discontinued operations

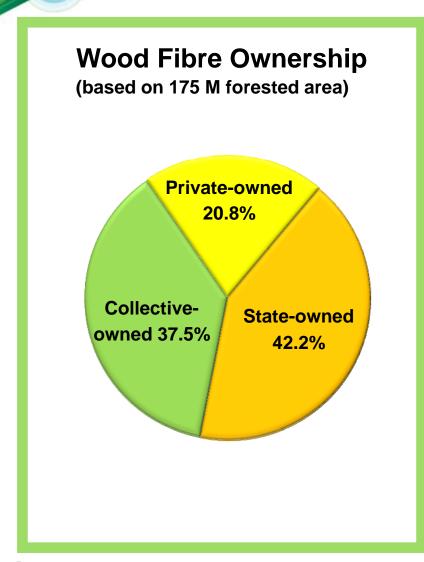
- CAGR for period from 2005 2010 (1)
- Figures are not restated to exclude discontinued operations and tax contingency (2)
- (3) Based on operating cash flow from continuing operations before changes in working capital reported in Company's financial statements
- Sustaining capital expenditures estimated as cost of replacing harvested fibre at RMB 140 (US\$16.97) /m<sup>3</sup>, RMB 162 (US\$19.99) /m<sup>3</sup> and RMB 183 (US\$23.36) /m<sup>3</sup> for 2004, 2005 and 2006, respectively and RMB 210/m3 (US\$30.75/m3) for 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010; cost assumes a 3 year holding period

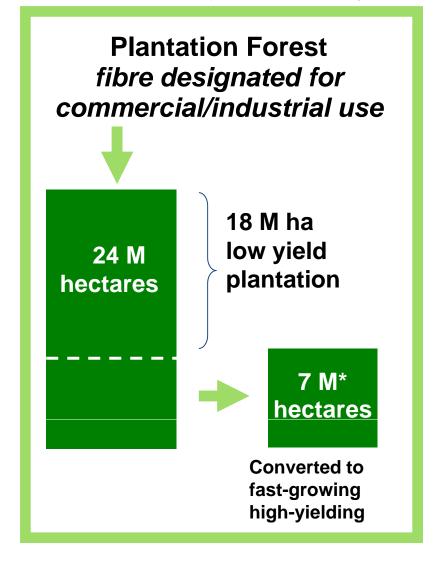




## CHINA'S LAND USE FOR PLANTATION FORESTS

\*China aims to double FGHY plantations to 13.3 M by 2015





# PLANTATIONS UNDER MANAGEMENT IN CHINA

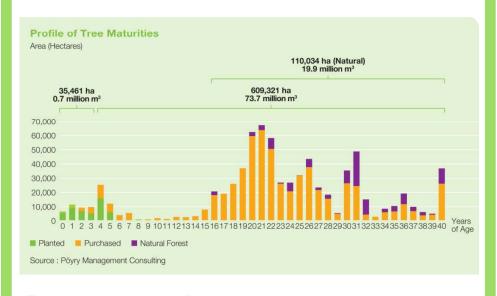
A total of 788,700 hectares in nine provinces under Purchased Plantations and Planted Plantations models:

As at December 31, 2010		Hectare managed	
Region in China	Provinces	Purchased Plantations	Planted Plantations
East	Anhui	104,000	-
	Yunnan	186,700	-
South West	Guizhou	42,800	-
	Sichuan	10,600	-
South Central	Hunan	148,700	18,800
South East	Jiangxi	108,700	6,600
	Fujian	9,600	400
South	Guangxi	90,700	13,000
	Guangdong	9,200	38,900
	Total	711,000	77,700

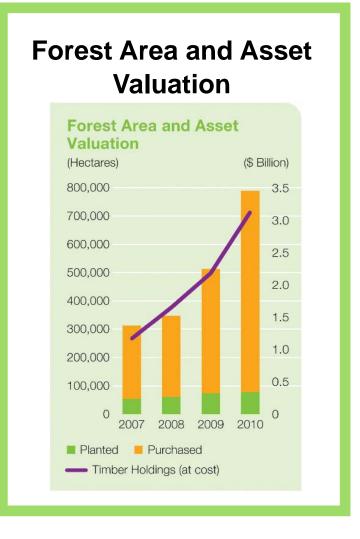


## SINO-FOREST FOREST PLANTATION ASSET

### Sino-Forest Tree Maturities\* as of December 31, 2010



\* Total area measured by Poyry was 753,000 ha. Approx. 35,700 ha was excluded because areas were recently harvested or allocated for bio-fuel and others purposes.



Source: Pöyry

