

## REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS

(All amounts are expressed in U.S. dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

During the second quarter of 2007, Sino-Forest completed two significant financings, which provided the Company with \$384.8 million for continued timber acquisition and expansion of business operation.

Despite normally slower operations in the first and second quarter of the year due to seasonal reasons, we are pleased with the strong financial performance achieved in the second quarter 2007 as it continued to reflect the successful implementation of our business strategy. Given the fact that the EPS was diluted because of recent financings but the cash raised has not been generating any significant earnings yet. Net income increased 74.1% to \$25.0 million in the three months ended June 30, 2007, and diluted earnings per share of \$0.15 rose 43.5% from last year. Revenue increased 20.0% to \$128.8 million in the second quarter of 2007. EBITDA rose to \$62.3 million – representing an increase of 31.1%. Our gross profit increased 48.2% to \$42.1 million, and gross profit margin increased to 32.7%, compared to 26.5% last year. Cash flows from operating activities decreased 37.2% to \$20.1 million in the second quarter of 2007 due to the increased investment in working capital.

**Wood Fibre Operations** include standing timber, imported wood products and wood chips and logs.

- Sales of standing timber increased 52.3% to \$70.5 million in the second quarter of 2007 as a result of an 86.4% increase in the average selling price per hectare.
- Sales of imported wood products rose 49.7% to \$48.0 million, sourced from South America and other countries.
- Sales of wood chips and logs dropped 95.0% to only \$1.2 million in the second quarter of 2007, compared to \$23.2 million last year as no wood chips were sold. This decline resulted from a lack of third-party wood chip processing capacity which had been anticipated and was previously reported over the past record. Revenue reported was generated from the sale of wood logs in Inner Mongolia and other regions.

**Manufacturing and Other Operations** include particleboard, flooring, oriented strand board, finger-joint board and nursery businesses. Revenue increased 59.1% in the second quarter of 2007 to \$9.1 million.

We remain focused on creating competitive advantages from our sustainable forestry practices. We are creating value on the input side of our upstream wood fibre operations by improving plantation yield and the quality of trees harvested, while minimising the environmental impacts. We are also creating value on the output side of our downstream manufacturing operations by investing in the research and development of new technologies enabling us to use small-diameter logs that largely reduce wastage of tree fibre, while improving usage and the monetary value of small logs.

We made concerted efforts in the last quarter to lay out our plan for ramping up operations in Hunan and Yunnan provinces. We are investing in infrastructure and employing the right people to ensure a successful execution model in these regions.

Allen T.Y. Chan  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

August 13, 2007

# **SECOND QUARTER 2007 MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS AND FINANCIAL RESULTS**

**August 13, 2007**

This Management Discussion and Analysis (“MD&A”) relates to the financial condition and results of Sino-Forest’s operations for the periods ended June 30, 2007. Throughout this MD&A, unless otherwise specified, “Sino-Forest”, “Company”, “we”, “us” and “our” refer to Sino-Forest Corporation and its subsidiaries. Except where otherwise indicated, all financial information reflected herein is determined on the basis of Canadian generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”). This MD&A should be read in conjunction with Sino-Forest’s unaudited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto. The United States dollar is our reporting currency and all figures contained herein are in United States dollars unless otherwise indicated.

Additional information relating to our company, including our 2006 Annual Report and Annual Information Form for the year ended December 31, 2006 and other statutory reports are available on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

## **FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This MD&A contains forward-looking statements which reflect management’s expectations regarding Sino-Forest’s future growth, results of operations, performance, business prospects and opportunities. Words such as “expects”, “anticipates”, “intends”, “plans”, “believes”, “estimates”, or similar expressions, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of securities laws. Forward-looking statements include without limitations, the information concerning possible or assumed future results of operations of Sino-Forest. These statements are not historical facts but instead represent only Sino-Forest’s expectations, estimates and projections regarding future events. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve assumptions and risks and uncertainties that are difficult to predict. Therefore, actual results may differ materially from what is expressed, implied or forecasted in such forward-looking statements. In addition to the factors Sino-Forest currently believes to be material such as, but not limited to, our ability to acquire rights to additional standing timber, our ability to meet our expected plantation yields, the cyclical nature of the forest products industry and price fluctuation in and the demand and supply of logs, our reliance on joint venture partners, authorized intermediaries, key customers, suppliers and third party service providers, our ability to operate our production facilities on a profitable basis, changes in currency exchange rates and interest rates, evaluation of our provision for income and related taxes and PRC economic, political and social conditions and government policy, other factors not currently viewed as material could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. Although Sino-Forest has attempted to identify important risks and factors that could cause actual actions, events or results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors and risks that cause actions, events or results not to be anticipated, estimated or intended. Accordingly, readers should not place any undue reliance on forward-looking statements. The Company does not undertake any obligation to update or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this report.

## **OVERVIEW OF BUSINESS**

### **About Sino-Forest**

We are a leading, foreign owned, commercial forestry plantation operator in the People’s Republic of China (“PRC”). As at June 30, 2007, we had approximately 356,000 hectares of forestry plantations located in PRC.

We began operations in 1994 as the first, foreign and privately managed company involved in forest products in China. Our principal businesses include the ownership and management of forestry plantation trees, sale of standing timber, wood chips and logs, and complementary manufacturing of downstream engineered wood products.

### **Strategic Business Units**

Sino-Forest's operations are comprised of two core business segments – **Wood Fibre Operations** is the major revenue contributor, while our **Manufacturing & Other Operations** enable us to realise added value from downstream operations.

Revenue from Wood Fibre Operations is derived from three main sources as follows:

- Standing timber – we acquire, cultivate and sell standing timber from our purchased and planted tree plantations;
- Imported wood-based products – we source logs, veneer, sawn timber and other wood-based products globally and sell them in the domestic PRC market;
- Wood chips and logs – in the past, we sourced logs from PRC suppliers and sold them in the domestic PRC market or processed and sold them as wood chips through an authorized intermediary and earned commission income from agency services in the sales of wood chips. During the second quarter of 2007, this revenue stream ceased. Wood chips and logs now primarily represent the sale of logs.

Our Manufacturing & Other Operations include:

- particleboard manufactured in Gaoyao, Guangdong Province;
- engineered wood flooring produced in Suzhou, Jiangsu Province, and sold through over 200 stores nationwide in the PRC;
- oriented strand board manufactured in Muling City, Heilongjiang Province;
- finger joint board produced in Hongjiang City, Hunan Province; and
- greenery & nurseries operation based in Suzhou, Jiangsu Province.

### **Our Vision and Strategy**

Our vision is to become the leading, commercial forestry plantation operator and preferred supplier of wood fibre to downstream consumers in the wood panel, furniture, construction, interior decoration and pulp and paper industries in the PRC.

To achieve our vision, we strive to be at the forefront of our industry by creating regional “wood baskets” that ensure a sustainable and quality supply of wood fibre to downstream manufacturing operations. We also plan to introduce new technologies to improve productivity, quality and economic viability of China's engineered wood products.

We are focusing on the following strategies that have made Sino-Forest successful:

- acquire additional forestry plantations and access to long-term supply of wood fibre in and near PRC's regional markets with growing demand;
- improve the yields of our forestry plantations by continued investment in research and development and application of advanced forestry management techniques;
- practice environmentally responsible forestry;
- strengthen our management processes and information systems to support the growth of our multi-faceted businesses;
- strengthen our engineered wood manufacturing business to complement our plantation operations aiming to increase value of our wood fibre; and
- widen and diversify our investor base, and enhance our corporate image and profile.

## Other Key Factors Affecting Our Business

Our results of operations are, and will continue to be, affected by the cyclical and seasonal nature of the forest products industry. Prices and demand for logs and wood chips have been, and in the future are expected to be, subject to cyclical fluctuations. The pricing in the forestry market is affected by the prices of the ultimate wood products produced from logs in the PRC, including furniture, construction materials, interior decoration materials and pulp and paper products. The prices of wood products are also affected by the availability of wood substitutes. The market for wood products are sensitive to changes in industry capacity and output levels, general timber industry conditions and cyclical changes in the world and PRC economies, any of which can have a significant impact on selling prices of wood products. The demand for wood products is also substantially affected by the level of new construction activity, which is subject to fluctuations that may or may not correspond to overall economic trends. Decreases in the level of construction activity generally reduce demand for wood products. The demand for wood products is also affected by the level of interior design activity and the demand for wood chips in the pulp and paper markets. These activities are, in turn, subject to fluctuations due to, among other factors:

- changes in domestic and international economic conditions;
- interest rates;
- government regulations and policies;
- population growth and changing urban dynamics; and
- seasonal weather cycles (e.g. dry summers, wet winters) and other factors.

Cyclical changes in the forest products industry, including changes in demand and pricing for our products and the other factors described above, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our decisions and abilities to develop and operate future forestry plantations are subject to various factors and uncertainties. Should we be unable to exercise our rights to obtain additional forestry plantations, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

The success of our business depends upon the productivity of our forestry plantations and our ability to realise our expected yields. Forestry plantation yields depend on a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control. These include damage by disease and pests and other natural disasters, and weather, climate and soil conditions. Our ability to maintain and improve our yields will depend on these factors and the results of our research and development efforts.

We rely on our relationships with joint venture partners, authorized intermediaries, key customers, suppliers and third party service providers for our forestry plantations and trading activities. We rely on our joint venture partners to, among other things, fulfill their obligations under the agreements. We rely on authorized intermediaries for our wood chips and trading activities. We rely on a few large customers for a significant percentage of our total revenue. We rely on a few large suppliers for a significant percentage of our timber supply. We rely to a significant extent on third party service providers for day-to-day operations of our plantations.

We are heavily dependent upon our senior management in relation to their expertise in the forest industry, research and development in forest plantation management practice, wood-based products manufacturing production processes and relationships cultivated by them with our PRC CJV partners, major customers and others.

We are subject to regulation under a variety of PRC national and local laws and regulations. Violations of a variety of PRC laws and regulations, including PRC environmental policies and programs that apply to our forestry plantations, could result in civil and criminal penalties, including the revocation of licenses required for our business.

The forestry industry is susceptible to weather conditions, timber growth cycles and natural disasters outside of our control. The occurrence of these or other natural disasters may disrupt or reduce the supply of trees available for harvesting in the areas of the PRC where our forestry plantations are located.

Our manufacturing plants are in an early stage of development and have a short operating history. Our manufacturing plants may not be profitable or successful and are subject to the risks inherent in establishing a new business, including competitive pressures, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We report our financial statements in United States dollars, while substantially all of our revenue is denominated in Renminbi. Any significant fluctuation in the exchange rates between the Renminbi and other currencies, such as the United States dollar, Canadian dollar, and Hong Kong dollar, or in the United States dollar against the Renminbi, the Canadian dollar or the Hong Kong dollar, may have an adverse impact on our results of operations and may adversely affect the value, translated or converted into United States dollar, Canadian dollar or otherwise, of our revenue and net income.

### **Significant Accounting Policies and Interpretation**

#### *Cost of Sales*

Our costs of sales consists of: (1) depletion of timber holdings as they are sold; (2) the costs of logs used as raw materials in our sales of wood chips; (3) processing fees and administrative charges associated with wood chip sales; (4) the costs of imported logs and wood-based products acquired in our sales and trading activities of these products; and (5) the costs incurred at our manufacturing plants.

#### *Depletion of Timber Holdings*

Timber holdings include acquisition costs for young trees and standing timber, planting and maintenance costs, which are capitalised at cost in our financial statements until the trees are sold. Planting and maintenance costs include the following: planning, operations design, site preparation, terracing, fertilization, planting, thinning, tending, protection, research and development, forestry bureau service charge, overhead and lease costs. Timber holdings from standing timber sales are depleted when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, which occurs when the contract for sale is entered into.

#### *EBITDA*

Defined as income from operations for the period after adding back depreciation and amortisation, as well as depletion of timber holdings from cost of sales, for the period. EBITDA is presented as additional information because we believe that it is a useful measure for certain investors to determine our operating cash flow and historical ability to meet debt service and capital expenditure requirements. EBITDA is not a measure of financial performance under Canadian GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities, a measure of liquidity or an alternative to net income as indicators of our operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with Canadian GAAP.

### **SIGNIFICANT BUSINESS ACTIVITIES**

Significant activities that have occurred during the three months ended June 30, 2007 and to the date of this report were as follows:

#### **\$189 million Public Offering**

In June 2007, the Company completed a public offering of 15,900,000 common shares at Cdn.\$12.65 per share for gross proceeds of Cdn.\$201,135,000 (equivalent to \$188,540,000).

## \$200 million Strategic Placement

In April 2007, the Company closed a private placement in which 25,355,191 common shares were issued at Cdn.\$9.15 per share for gross proceeds of \$200 million.

## Acquisition of 200,000 hectares of Standing Timber in Yunnan Province

In March 2007, the Company entered into a master agreement with Gengma Dai and Wa Tribes Autonomous Region Forestry Company Ltd to acquire approximately 200,000 hectares of standing timber in Yunnan Province for a total of approximately \$0.7 billion to \$1.4 billion over a ten-year period. The agreement also provides the Company with a first refusal to lease the land for 50 years after harvesting.

## SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following table sets forth selected unaudited financial information for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006 and our financial position as at June 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006.

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	June 30		June 30	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
<i>(in thousands, except earnings per share and common shares outstanding)</i>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>OPERATING RESULTS</b>				
Revenue	128,764	107,274	248,713	206,138
Cost of sales	86,636	78,838	173,171	155,296
Gross profit <sup>(1)</sup>	42,128	28,436	75,542	50,842
Net income from operations	31,842	21,825	57,034	37,638
Net income	24,994	14,360	37,852	23,824
EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	62,339	47,562	110,299	89,764
Basic earnings per share	0.15	0.10	0.25	0.17
Diluted earnings per share	0.15	0.10	0.24	0.17
	As at June 30		As at December 31	
	2007		2006	
	\$		\$	
<b>FINANCIAL POSITION</b>				
Current assets	655,669		333,609	
Non-current assets	993,972		873,646	
Total assets	1,649,641		1,207,255	
Current liabilities	155,045		151,596	
Long-term debts	441,073		450,000	
Total shareholders' equity (net assets)	1,044,401		605,659	
Cash dividends declared per share	nil		nil	
Common shares outstanding	180,604,739		137,999,548	

## QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Our business is seasonal. Generally, the third and fourth quarters together account for approximately 60% of annual revenue, while the first and second quarters together account for approximately 40% of annual revenue. This reflects the tendency of timber companies to take advantage of the peak growing seasons in the spring and summer before harvesting the trees, as well as the difficulty of the logging and hauling of timber during the rainy season in the first half of the year.

The following table is a summary of our selected quarterly financial information for each of the eight quarters ended June 30, 2007.

	Revenue \$'000	Net Income \$'000	Earnings Per Share <sup>(3)</sup>	
			Basic \$	Diluted \$
<b>2007</b>				
<b>June 30</b>	<b>128,764</b>	<b>24,994</b>	<b>0.15</b>	<b>0.15</b>
March 31	119,949	12,858	0.09	0.09
<b>2006</b>				
December 31	250,306	42,528	0.31	0.30
September 30	188,535	45,104	0.33	0.32
June 30	107,274	14,360	0.10	0.10
March 31	98,864	9,464	0.07	0.07
<b>2005</b>				
December 31	170,411	27,535	0.20	0.20
September 30	144,359	33,175	0.24	0.24

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS – YTD 2007 VS YTD 2006

Revenue increased 20.7% from \$206.1 million in the first half of 2006 to \$248.7 million in the first half of 2007. The increase was due primarily to higher revenue from standing timber, imported wood products and manufacturing operations partially offset by a decline in revenue from wood chips and logs.

For the six months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, standing timber sales were as follows:

	2007			2006		
	Hectares	Sales per hectare \$	Total revenue \$'000	Hectares	Sales per hectare \$	Total revenue \$'000
Purchased plantations	26,627	4,448	118,431	11,556	3,358	38,802
Heyuan Pine Undertaking	880	1,667	1,467	28,750	1,680	48,300
Planted plantations	987	1,951	1,926	2,141	1,260	2,697
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,494</b>	<b>4,275</b>	<b>121,824</b>	<b>42,447</b>	<b>2,116</b>	<b>89,799</b>

Gross profit increased 48.6% from \$50.8 million in the first half of 2006 to \$75.5 million in the first half of 2007. Gross profit margin, or gross profit percentage of total revenue, increased from 24.7% in the first half of 2006 to 30.4% in the first half of 2007. The increase was due primarily to higher revenue from standing timber which commanded higher margin.

Selling, general and administration expenses increased 42.3% from \$11.5 million in the first half of 2006 to \$16.3 million in the first half of 2007, primarily due to additional staff compliment and companies setup.

Net income increased 58.9% from \$23.8 million in the first half of 2006 to \$37.9 million in the first half of 2007. Diluted earnings per share increased 42.5% from \$0.17 to \$0.24.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS – Q2 2007 VS Q2 2006

### Revenue

The following table sets forth the breakdown of our total revenue for the second quarters ended June 30, 2007 and 2006:

	2007		2006	
	\$'000	%	\$'000	%
<b>Wood Fibre Operations</b>				
Standing timber	70,508	54.7	46,307	43.2
Imported wood products	47,997	37.3	32,064	29.9
Wood chips and logs	1,154	0.9	23,180	21.6
<b>Manufacturing and Other Operations</b>	<b>9,105</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>5,723</b>	<b>5.3</b>
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>128,764</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>107,274</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Revenue increased 20.0%, from \$107.3 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$128.8 million in the second quarter of 2007. The increase was due primarily to higher revenue from standing timber, imported wood products and manufacturing operations partially offset by a decline in revenue from wood chips and logs.

### Wood Fibre Operations Revenue

#### Standing Timber

For the second quarters ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, standing timber sales were as follows:

	2007			2006		
	Hectares	Sales per hectare	Total revenue	Hectares	Sales per hectare	Total revenue
		\$	\$'000		\$	\$'000
Purchased plantations	15,477	4,461	69,036	6,999	3,621	25,342
Heyuan Pine Undertaking	—	—	—	11,459	1,704	19,530
Planted plantations	726	2,028	1,472	1,372	1,046	1,435
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,203</b>	<b>4,352</b>	<b>70,508</b>	<b>19,830</b>	<b>2,335</b>	<b>46,307</b>

Revenue from sales of standing timber increased 52.3% in the second quarter of 2007 due primarily to higher average selling price per hectare of trees with higher yields.

The overall selling price increased 86.4% to \$4,352 per hectare as a result of higher proportion of sales from purchased plantations which has a higher yield in terms of cubic metre and therefore commanded higher selling price per hectare. Standing timber sales comprised 54.7% of total revenue in the second quarter of 2007, compared to 43.2% in the same period of 2006.

#### Imported Wood Products

Revenue from sales of imported wood products increased 49.7% in the second quarter of 2007, primarily due to the increase in sales of logs from South America and other countries. These sales comprised 37.3% of total revenue in the second quarter of 2007, compared to 29.9% in the second quarter of 2006.

#### Wood Chips and Logs

The following table sets forth revenue from wood chips and logs for the second quarters ended June 30, 2007 and 2006.

2007

2006

	<b>BDMT</b>	<b>Average selling price</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>BDMT</b>	<b>Average selling price</b>	<b>Revenue</b>
		<b>\$</b>	<b>\$'000</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
Wood logs	—	—	<b>1,154</b>	—	—	79
Wood chips	—	—	—	191,030	109	20,889
Commission	—	—	—	145,640	15	2,212
<b>Total</b>			<b>1,154</b>			<b>23,180</b>

Revenue from sales of wood chips and logs decreased 95.0% in the second quarter of 2007, due to zero volume of wood chips sold, which was partially offset by new revenue generated from wood logs. The decline was due to lack of wood chipping capacity available to us. Wood chips and logs sales comprised 0.9% of total revenue in the second quarter of 2007, compared to 21.6% in the second quarter of 2006.

#### *Manufacturing and Other Operations Revenue*

Revenue from our manufacturing and other operations increased 59.1% from \$5.7 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$9.1 million in the second quarter of 2007 mainly due to an increase in revenue from the flooring operation.

#### **Cost of Sales**

Cost of sales increased 9.9%, from \$78.8 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$86.6 million in the second quarter of 2007 due primarily to higher sales volumes of imported wood products and manufacturing and other operations offset by the decline in wood chips sales.

#### *Wood Fibre Operations Cost of Sales*

Standing timber cost of sales increased 18.7% from \$24.8 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$29.4 million in the second quarter of 2007. Cost of sales per hectare of standing timber increased 45.2% from \$1,251 per hectare in the second quarter of 2006 to \$1,817 per hectare in the second quarter of 2007, primarily reflecting the decrease in standing timber sales under Heyuan Pine Undertaking which commanded lower acquisition cost.

Imported wood product cost of sales increased 49.7%, from \$31.2 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$46.7 million in the second quarter of 2007, primarily reflecting an increase in the sales volumes of our imported logs trading business.

Wood chips and logs cost of sales decreased 93.8%, from \$17.4 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$1.1 million in the second quarter of 2007 because of the decrease in sales volume due to the reason mentioned above.

#### *Manufacturing and Other Operations Cost of Sales*

Manufacturing and other operations cost of sales increased 73.8% from \$5.4 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$9.4 million in the second quarter of 2007, mostly due to an increase in the sales of flooring products.

#### **Gross Profit**

Gross profit increased 48.2% from \$28.4 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$42.1 million in the second quarter of 2007. Gross profit margin, or gross profit as a percentage of total revenue, increased from 26.5% in the second quarter of 2006 to 32.7% in the second quarter of 2007 mainly due to higher gross margins on sales of standing timber.

### *Wood Fibre Operations Gross Profit*

Gross profit margin from sales of standing timber increased from 46.4% in the second quarter of 2006 to 58.2% in the second quarter of 2007 as the sales mix of standing timber changed. In 2006, we sold more hectares of trees from the Heyuan Undertaking at lower margin compared to the hectares of trees sold in 2007.

Gross profit margin from sales of imported wood products remained flat at 2.7% in both quarters.

Gross profit margin from sales of wood chips and logs (excluding commission) decreased from 17.0% in the second quarter of 2006 to 6.8% in the second quarter of 2007 as a result of zero wood chips sales during the quarter.

### *Manufacturing and Other Operations Gross Profit*

Gross margin from our manufacturing and other operations decreased from 5.3% in the second quarter of 2006 to (3.4)% in the second quarter of 2007 primarily due to high startup cost for manufacturing plants in Hunan.

### **Selling, General and Administration Expenses**

Selling, general and administration expenses increased 62.4%, from \$5.7 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$9.2 million in the second quarter of 2007, due primarily to additional staff compliment and companies setup.

### **Depreciation and Amortisation**

Depreciation and amortisation in the second quarter of 2007 increased 13.7% to \$1.1 million compared to \$0.9 million in the second quarter of 2006 reflecting primarily increased depreciation charges for our manufacturing plants.

### **Income from Operations**

Income from operations increased 45.9% from \$21.8 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$31.8 in the second quarter of 2007 due to the factors discussed above. Income from operations as a percentage of revenue increased from 20.3% in the second quarter of 2006 to 24.7% in the second quarter of 2007.

### **Interest Expense**

Interest expense increased 21.7%, from \$9.2 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$11.2 million in the second quarter of 2007, due primarily to higher bank indebtedness and the fact that there was only a partial drawn down of the syndicated loans in second quarter of 2006.

### **Interest Income**

Our interest income increased 148.1% from \$1.5 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$3.6 million in the second quarter of 2007, primarily due to higher cash and cash equivalents and short-term deposits from the financings completed during second quarter 2007.

### **Exchange Gains**

Exchange gains amounted to \$1.9 million in the second quarter of 2007 compared to \$1.7 million in the second quarter of 2006 due to appreciation of the Canadian dollar against the U.S. dollar during the quarter.

### **Net Income**

As a result of the foregoing, our net income for the second quarter of 2007 increased 74.1%, from \$14.4 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$25.0 million in the second quarter of 2007. Net income as a percentage of sales increased from 13.4% in the second quarter of 2006 to 19.4% in the second quarter of 2007.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our primary sources of funding have been short-term and long-term borrowings, equity offering and cash provided by operating activities. Our primary uses of funding have been to obtain new forestry plantations either in the form of standing timber or logs, to develop our existing forestry plantations, for imported logs trading, for working capital requirements, to service our short-term and long-term borrowings and to invest and develop our manufacturing facilities.

### Cash Flows

The following table is a condensed summary of our statement of cash flows.

Three months ended June 30, (in millions)	2007 \$	2006 \$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net cash provided by operations <sup>(4)</sup>	57.0	41.0
Net change in working capital <sup>(5)</sup>	(36.9)	(8.9)
<b>Total</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>32.1</b>
Cash flows used in investing activities	(78.8)	(47.6)
Cash flows from financing activities	382.5	99.2
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	1.1	0.6
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>324.9</b>	<b>84.3</b>

#### Cash Flows From Operating Activities

Cash flows from operating activities decreased 37.2%, from \$32.1 million in the second quarter of 2006 to \$20.1 million in the second quarter of 2007. The decrease was primarily due to decrease in cash provided by working capital mainly resulting from the increase in prepayments for purchase of plantations and logs and inventories.

#### Cash Flows Used In Investing Activities

In the second quarters of 2006 and 2007, cash flows used in investing activities were primarily for capital expenditures related to the acquisition of additional plantations trees and to investment in manufacturing plants. Cash outlays for our forest plantations amounted to \$45.6 million in the second quarter of 2006 and \$80.1 million in the second quarter of 2007. Cash outlays for our manufacturing plants and other capital assets amounted to \$1.6 million in the second quarter of 2006 and \$1.9 million in the second quarter of 2007. In the second quarter of 2007, non-pledged short-term deposits have decreased \$3.1 million compared to \$0.2 million in the second quarter of 2006. In addition, we paid a deposit of \$0.5 million for purchase of logs in Inner Mongolia in the second quarter of 2006.

#### Cash Flows From Financing Activities

In the second quarter of 2007, cash flows from financing activities was \$382.5 million reflecting primarily net proceeds from issuance of shares of \$384.8 million and a decrease in pledged short-term deposits of \$1.1 million offset by a decrease in bank indebtedness of \$3.3 million. In the second quarter of 2006, cash flows from financing activities were \$99.2 million, reflecting primarily an increase in long-term debt of \$100.0 million and issuance of shares of \$0.5 million which were offset by a decrease in bank indebtedness of \$1.0 million.

### Finance Arrangements and Contractual Obligations

As of June 30, 2007, we had secured and unsecured short-term liabilities of \$69.1 million, comprising \$23.1 million of short-term bank loans and \$46.0 million of trust receipt loans. We had long-term debts of \$441.1 million (after deduction of unamortised deferred financing costs). Our borrowings are denominated in U.S. dollars and Renminbi.

#### Short-Term Borrowings

As of June 30, 2007, we had \$107.2 million short-term credit facilities with banks in Hong Kong and the PRC to fund short-term working capital requirements of which \$69.1 million was being utilised. Interest is payable on those short-term borrowings at rates ranging from 3.2% to 12.3% per annum, and the borrowings are either repayable on demand or due within one year. As of June 30, 2007, the short-term credit facilities were secured by certain of our land-use rights, buildings and timber holdings having an aggregate net book value of approximately \$12.3 million and certain bank deposits of \$4.0 million.

#### Other Contractual Obligations

As of June 30, 2007, we had other contractual obligations relating to: (1) approximately \$12.7 million in respect of capital contributions to a PRC wholly foreign-owned enterprise; (2) \$42.1 million of capital commitments in respect of buildings, timber holdings, and plant and machinery; (3) \$29.1 million of purchase commitments mainly in respect of logs and wood-based products; and (4) commitments under operating leases of approximately \$42.0 million.

The following table presents the scheduled maturities of our contractual obligations as of June 30, 2007:

	Payment Due by Period				
	Total \$'000	Less than 1 year \$'000	2-3 years \$'000	4-5 years \$'000	After 5 years \$'000
Long-term debts <sup>(6)</sup>	441,073	—	37,500	403,573	—
Capital contributions	12,653	12,653	—	—	—
Capital commitments <sup>(7)</sup>	42,087	42,087	—	—	—
Purchase commitments	29,064	29,064	—	—	—
Operating leases <sup>(8)</sup>	41,994	1,679	2,695	2,481	35,139
<b>Total Contractual Cash Obligations</b>	<b>566,871</b>	<b>85,483</b>	<b>40,195</b>	<b>406,054</b>	<b>35,139</b>

#### Capital Expenditures

The following table sets forth the breakdown of our capital expenditures for the period ended June 30, 2007 and 2006.

<i>(in millions)</i>	Three months ended June 30				Six months ended June 30			
	2007		2006		2007		2006	
	Hectares	\$	Hectares	\$	Hectares	\$	Hectares	\$
Tree acquisition – Purchased plantations	15,928	76.4	16,903	41.5	30,344	150.0	43,840	96.5
Tree acquisition – Heyuan Pine Undertaking	—	—	—	—	—	—	15,865	17.7
Re-planting and maintenance of plantations		6.4		4.3		9.8		9.9
Panel manufacturing and others		1.9		1.6		2.9		6.9
<b>Total</b>		<b>84.7</b>		47.4		<b>162.7</b>		131.0

Total capital expenditures incurred for timber holdings for the three months period ended June 30, 2007 amounted to \$82.8 million of which \$80.1 million was paid.

#### Aging of Accounts Receivable

We recognise revenue from sales of standing timber when the buyer has signed a sales contract. The buyer is generally responsible for logging and hauling the timber from the plantations. After buyers of our standing timber have entered into a sales contract, we generally give them up to 18 months to log and haul the timber from the plantations, and generally grant them a credit period of up to nine months from the date of the sales contract.

We generally require a partial payment of approximately 20% of the purchase price within 60 days of the sales contract, payment of 40% of the purchase price within 150 days of the sales contract, and the remaining 40% within nine months of the sales contract. In addition, we obtain credit evaluation of customers as necessary and have monitoring processes intended to mitigate credit risk and maintain appropriate provisions for credit losses. We believe these measures mitigate our credit risks in our sales of standing timber. We generally grant our customers in our trading activities credit terms of 60 days for domestic sales of wood chips through authorized intermediaries, and 30 to 120 days with respect to domestic sales of imported logs and wood-based products. As a result, we may have large outstanding balances of accounts receivable with respect to sales of wood chips, wood-based products and standing timber. The following table sets forth an aging analysis of our accounts receivable for 2007 and 2006.

	<b>Aging Analysis</b>						
	Total Accounts	0-30	31-60	61-90	91-180	181-360	Over One
	Receivable	Days	Days	Days	Days	Days	Year
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>As at June 30, 2007</b>	<b>121,750</b>	<b>79,084</b>	<b>19,726</b>	<b>10,205</b>	<b>8,284</b>	<b>4,451</b>	—
As at December 31, 2006	125,307	84,739	33,651	5,118	1,610	189	—

## **OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements. In the ordinary course of business, we enter into operating lease commitments, capital commitments and other contractual obligations. These transactions are recognised in our financial statements in accordance with Canadian GAAP.

## **TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES**

Pursuant to management service agreements, we pay consultancy fees to companies controlled by certain directors who are also executive officers in lieu of direct compensation. The consultancy fees incurred for the most recent quarter amounted to approximately \$151,000 [June 30, 2006 – \$153,000].

In addition, as at June 30, 2007, we had an aggregate amount of \$nil [December 31, 2006 – \$3,150,000] owed to these related companies.

## **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Sino-Forest's significant accounting policies are described in the annual consolidated financial statements. Each policy involves a number of estimates and assumptions made by management. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable in the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying value of assets and liabilities. On an on-going basis, the Company evaluates its estimates. Different accounting policies, or changes in estimates or assumptions, could potentially have a material impact, positive or negative, on Sino-Forest's financial position and results of operations. It is reasonably possible that circumstances may arise which cause actual results to differ from management estimates. The Company believes its most critical policies and estimates are those related to revenue recognition of standing timber and wood chips, asset impairment of timber holdings, and capital assets and income tax provision.

## **CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

On January 1, 2007, the Company adopted the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants ("CICA") Handbook Sections, Section 3855 Financial Instruments – Recognition and Measurement, Section 3861 Financial Instruments – Disclosure and Presentation, Section 3865 Hedging, Section 1530 Comprehensive Income, and Section 3251 Equity. These accounting standards introduce new requirements for recognition and measurement of financial instruments, the application of hedge accounting, the reporting and display of comprehensive income as well as the recognition of certain transition adjustments. The adoption of these Sections is done retroactively

without restatement of the consolidated financial statements of the prior period except the presentation of consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

The adoption of these new standards is done retroactively without restatement of the consolidated financial statements of prior periods. As at January 1, 2007, the impact on the consolidated balance sheet of the accounting policies for deferred financing costs and measuring derivatives at fair value as at January 1, 2007 was a decrease in long-term debts of \$9,810,000 and other assets of \$8,713,000, an increase in derivatives financial instrument liabilities of \$9,786,000, a decrease in opening accumulated other comprehensive income of \$9,786,000 and an increase in opening retained earnings of \$1,097,000.

The effect of these changes in accounting policies on net income for the three month and six month periods ending June 30, 2007 is not significant.

Effective January 1, 2007, the Company adopted the revised Section 1506 Accounting Changes, relating to changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and errors. Adoption of these recommendations had no effect on the consolidated financial statements for the three month and six month periods ending June 30, 2007, except for the disclosure of accounting changes that have been issued by the CICA but have not yet been adopted by the Company because they are not effective until a future date (refer to Future Accounting Standards below).

The reader is referred to Note 2 in the accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2007 for further details regarding the adoption of these standards.

#### Future Accounting Standards

During the fourth quarter of 2006, the CICA issued three new accounting standards: CICA Handbook Section 1535 "Capital Disclosure", CICA Handbook Section 3863 "Financial Instruments – Presentation" and CICA Handbook Section 3862 "Financial Instruments – Disclosure". These standards are effective for interim and annual financial statements for the Company's reporting period beginning on January 1, 2008.

The Capital Disclosures section describes the standards for disclosing information about a company's objectives, policies and processes for managing capital, quantitative data about what a company regards as capital and whether a company has complied with any capital requirements and, if not, the consequences of such non-compliance. Financial Instruments – Presentation carries forward the guidance under Section 3861 with little change and Financial Instruments – Disclosures requires disclosure on the face of the balance sheet of each of the financial instrument categories as well as additional disclosure regarding credit, market and liquidity risk faced by the Company.

In March 2007, the CICA approved Handbook Section 3031 Inventories, which replaces the existing Section 3030 Inventories. This standard is effective for the Company's reporting period beginning on January 1, 2008, with earlier application encouraged. The standard provides more guidance on the measurement and disclosure requirements for inventories.

The Company is currently assessing the impact of these new accounting standards on its financial statements.

## **DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES AND INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING**

The Company's Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") are responsible for establishing and maintaining the Company's disclosure controls and procedures to provide reasonable assurance that all relevant information required to be disclosed is gathered and reported on a timely basis so that appropriate decisions can be made regarding public disclosure.

Internal controls over financial reporting are designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian GAAP focusing in particular on controls over information. Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal controls over financial reporting. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can

provide only reasonable, and not absolute assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Because of their inherent limitations, internal controls over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. These weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting result in a more than remote likelihood that a material misstatement would not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

The design of internal controls over financial reporting was assessed as of December 31, 2006. The Company identified certain material weaknesses and the need for improvement of controls and procedures in areas such as: segregation of duties, Company does not have the optimum complement of financial personnel with the technical accounting knowledge in the foreign subsidiaries to address all complex and non-routine transactions that may arise, completeness and accuracy and timeliness of the period close process including reviewing and monitoring recording of reoccurring and non-reoccurring of journal entries and translation of foreign currency transactions and subsidiary company results and information systems are subject to general control deficiencies including lack of effective controls over spreadsheets.

There has been no change in the design of the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended June 30, 2007 that would materially affect or are reasonably likely to materially affect Sino-Forest's internal control over financial reporting.

## **MARKET RISKS**

There are no significant changes to market risks in general as described in the 2006 Annual Information Form.

- (1) Gross profit for any period is defined as total revenue less cost of sales. Gross profit is presented as additional information because we believe that it is a useful measure for certain investors to determine our operating performance. Gross profit is not a recognised term under Canadian GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income as an indicator of our operating performance or any other measure of performance derived in accordance with Canadian GAAP. Because it is not a Canadian GAAP measure, gross profit may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies.
- (2) EBITDA for any period is defined as income from operations for the period after adding back depreciation and amortisation, as well as depletion of timber holdings from cost of sales, for the period. EBITDA is presented as additional information because we believe that it is a useful measure for certain investors to determine our operating cash flow and historical ability to meet debt service and capital expenditure requirements. EBITDA is not a measure of financial performance under Canadian GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities, a measure of liquidity or an alternative to net income as indicators of our operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with Canadian GAAP.

EBITDA is calculated as follows:

	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Six months ended</b>	
	<b>June 30</b>		<b>June 30</b>	
	<b>2007</b>	2006	<b>2007</b>	2006
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
Income from operations	<b>31,842</b>	21,825	<b>57,034</b>	37,638
Add: depreciation and amortisation	<b>1,056</b>	929	<b>2,199</b>	1,741
depletion of timber holdings	<b>29,441</b>	24,808	<b>51,066</b>	50,385
	<b>62,339</b>	47,562	<b>110,299</b>	89,764

- (3) Net Income per share is calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during each period.
- (4) Represents net income as adjusted for depletion of timber holdings, depreciation and amortisation, amortisation of deferred financing costs, interest earned from Mandra, stock-based compensation and other.
- (5) Represents decreases (increases) in accounts receivable, inventories, due from PRC CJV partners, prepaid deposits and other assets and increases (decreases) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities and income taxes payable.
- (6) Represents the U.S. dollar denominated debts (after deduction of unamortised deferred financing costs) due in 2010 and 2011.
- (7) Represents commitments to invest in buildings, plant and machinery for investments in the manufacturing plants and timber holdings.
- (8) These represent mainly leases of plantation land.

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### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS

[Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars, except for earnings per share amounts] [Unaudited]

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	2007	June 30 2006	2007	June 30 2006
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>128,764</b>	107,274	<b>248,713</b>	206,138
<b>Costs and expenses</b>				
Cost of sales	<b>86,636</b>	78,838	<b>173,171</b>	155,296
Selling, general and administration	<b>9,230</b>	5,682	<b>16,309</b>	11,463
Depreciation and amortisation	<b>1,056</b>	929	<b>2,199</b>	1,741
	<b>96,922</b>	85,449	<b>191,679</b>	168,500
Income from operations before the undernoted	<b>31,842</b>	21,825	<b>57,034</b>	37,638
Interest expense	<b>(11,171)</b>	(9,180)	<b>(22,285)</b>	(16,801)
Interest income	<b>3,618</b>	1,458	<b>5,085</b>	2,596
Exchange gains	<b>1,926</b>	1,744	<b>1,459</b>	3,260
Amortisation of deferred financing costs	—	(485)	—	(850)
Other income	<b>319</b>	342	<b>616</b>	674
Income before income taxes	<b>26,534</b>	15,704	<b>41,909</b>	26,517
Provision for income taxes	<b>(1,540)</b>	(1,344)	<b>(4,057)</b>	(2,693)
<b>Net income for the period</b>	<b>24,994</b>	14,360	<b>37,852</b>	23,824
<b>Earnings per share [note 11]</b>				
Basic	<b>0.15</b>	0.10	<b>0.25</b>	0.17
Diluted	<b>0.15</b>	0.10	<b>0.24</b>	0.17
<b>Retained earnings</b>				
Retained earnings, beginning of period	<b>437,405</b>	321,458	<b>423,450</b>	311,994
Cumulative impact of accounting changes relating to financial instruments [note 2]	—	—	<b>1,097</b>	—
Net income for the period	<b>24,994</b>	14,360	<b>37,852</b>	23,824
<b>Retained earnings, end of period</b>	<b>462,399</b>	335,818	<b>462,399</b>	335,818

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

[Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars] [Unaudited]

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	2007	June 30 2006	2007	June 30 2006
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Net income for the period</b>	<b>24,994</b>	14,360	<b>37,852</b>	23,824
<b>Other comprehensive income, net of tax:</b>				
Change in fair value of derivatives designated as cash flow hedges	<b>642</b>	—	<b>328</b>	—
Losses on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges transferred to net income in the current period	<b>640</b>	—	<b>1,212</b>	—
Changes in gains and losses on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges	<b>1,282</b>	—	<b>1,540</b>	—
Unrealised gains on foreign currency translation of self-sustaining operations	<b>12,855</b>	2,029	<b>22,331</b>	3,540
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>	<b>14,137</b>	2,029	<b>23,871</b>	3,540
<b>Comprehensive income</b>	<b>39,131</b>	16,389	<b>61,723</b>	27,364

See accompanying notes

## SINO-FOREST CORPORATION

### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

[Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars]

	Unaudited As at June 30 2007 \$	Audited As at December 31 2006 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	449,226	152,887
Short-term deposits <i>[note 3]</i>	15,455	18,550
Accounts receivable	121,750	125,307
Inventories	26,382	15,178
Prepaid deposits and other	42,856	21,687
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>655,669</b>	<b>333,609</b>
Timber holdings	879,530	752,783
Capital assets, net <i>[note 4]</i>	90,231	87,939
Other assets	24,211	32,924
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>993,972</b>	<b>873,646</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>1,649,641</b>	<b>1,207,255</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Bank indebtedness <i>[note 3]</i>	69,089	70,958
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities <i>[note 5]</i>	84,851	79,517
Income taxes payable	1,105	1,121
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>155,045</b>	<b>151,596</b>
Long-term debts <i>[note 6]</i>	441,073	450,000
Derivative financial instrument <i>[note 12]</i>	9,122	—
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>450,195</b>	<b>450,000</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>605,240</b>	<b>601,596</b>
Commitments and Contingencies <i>[notes 14 and 15]</i>		
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>		
Share capital <i>[note 7]</i>	530,191	143,511
Contributed surplus <i>[note 8]</i>	3,754	4,726
Retained earnings	462,399	423,450
Accumulated other comprehensive income <i>[note 9]</i>	48,057	33,972
<b>Total shareholders' equity</b>	<b>1,044,401</b>	<b>605,659</b>
	<b>1,649,641</b>	<b>1,207,255</b>

See accompanying notes

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

[Expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars] [Unaudited]

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Net income for the period	24,994	14,360	37,852	23,824
Add (deduct) items not affecting cash				
Depletion of timber holdings included in cost of sales	29,441	24,808	51,066	50,385
Depreciation and amortisation	1,056	929	2,199	1,741
Stock-based compensation	474	420	929	792
Amortisation of deferred financing costs	—	485	—	850
Interest income from Mandra	—	—	—	(300)
Other	1,001	(37)	1,684	(75)
	56,966	40,965	93,730	77,217
Net change in non-cash working capital balances <i>[note 10]</i>	(36,834)	(8,908)	(24,363)	20,115
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>	<b>20,132</b>	<b>32,057</b>	<b>69,367</b>	<b>97,332</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Additions to timber holdings	(80,103)	(45,635)	(157,376)	(138,395)
Additions to capital assets	(1,859)	(1,641)	(2,890)	(6,989)
Decrease in non-pledged short-term deposits	3,113	169	1,352	19,476
Increase in other assets	—	(500)	—	(10,000)
<b>Cash flows used in investing activities</b>	<b>(78,849)</b>	<b>(47,607)</b>	<b>(158,914)</b>	<b>(135,908)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Issuance of shares, net of issue expenses	384,779	513	384,779	513
Increase in long-term debts	—	100,000	—	150,000
(Decrease) increase in bank indebtedness	(3,325)	(1,026)	(2,409)	2,422
Decrease (increase) in pledged short-term deposits	1,057	(142)	2,111	(1,204)
Increase in deferred financing costs	—	(101)	—	(3,001)
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>	<b>382,511</b>	<b>99,244</b>	<b>384,481</b>	<b>148,730</b>
<b>Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>1,101</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>1,405</b>	<b>699</b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>324,895</b>	<b>84,305</b>	<b>296,339</b>	<b>110,853</b>
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	124,331	134,966	152,887	108,418
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of period</b>	<b>449,226</b>	<b>219,271</b>	<b>449,226</b>	<b>219,271</b>
<b>Supplemental cash flow information</b>				
Cash payment for interest charged to income	4,744	802	21,402	15,077
Interest received	3,406	1,356	4,981	2,194

See accompanying notes

## NOTES TO INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

[Tabular figures are expressed in thousands of U.S. dollars, unless otherwise indicated] [Unaudited]

### 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The interim consolidated financial statements are unaudited and follow the accounting policies as outlined in Note 1 of the Notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2006 with the exceptions of certain changes in accounting policies as mentioned in Note 2 below. These interim consolidated financial statements do not conform in all respects to the requirements of Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for annual financial statements and should therefore be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes for the year ended December 31, 2006.

The quarterly results are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for the entire year. Revenue for the second quarter of the year represents approximately 20% to 25% of the entire year.

### 2. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

On January 1, 2007, the Company adopted the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (“CICA”) Handbook Sections, Section 3855 Financial Instruments – Recognition and Measurement, Section 3861 Financial Instruments – Disclosure and Presentation, Section 3865 Hedging, Section 1530 Comprehensive Income, and Section 3251 Equity. These accounting standards introduce new requirements for recognition and measurement of financial instruments, the application of hedge accounting, the reporting and display of comprehensive income as well as the recognition of certain transition adjustments. The adoption of these Sections is done retroactively without restatement of the consolidated financial statements of the prior period except the presentation of consolidated statement of comprehensive income. The principal changes in the accounting for financial instruments and hedges due to the adoption of these accounting standards are described below.

#### Section 3855 Financial Instruments – Recognition and Measurement

This section establishes guidance for recognising and measuring financial assets, financial liabilities and non-financial derivatives. The standard requires that financial instruments within scope, including derivatives, be included on the Company’s balance sheet and measured, either at fair value or, in limited circumstances, at cost or amortised cost. All financial instruments must be classified into a defined category, namely, held-to-maturity investments, held-for-trading financial assets or financial liabilities, loans and receivables, available-for-sale financial assets, and other financial liabilities. This classification will determine how each instrument is measured and how gains and losses are recognised. Based on financial instrument classification, gains and losses on financial instruments are recognised in either net income or other comprehensive income.

The Company has made the following classifications:

- Cash and cash equivalents are classified as “assets held for trading” and are measured at fair value. Gains and losses resulting from the periodic revaluation are recorded in net income.
- Accounts receivable and subordinated loans are classified as “loans and receivables” and are recorded at amortised cost, which upon their initial measurement is equal to their fair value. Subsequent measurements are recorded at amortised cost using the effective interest method.
- Bank indebtedness, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and long-term debts are classified as “other financial liabilities” and are initially measured at their fair value. Subsequent measurements are recorded at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

In addition, unamortised deferred financing costs relating to the non-convertible senior notes and the syndicated loan facility amounting to \$8,713,000 as at January 1, 2007 that were previously reported in other assets, are now netted against the carrying value of the related debt and amortised into interest expense using the effective interest method. Prior to the adoption of the new standards, the amortisation of deferred financing costs was reported as a separate line in the consolidated statement of income. Deferred financing costs will no longer be amortised using the straight-line method, and will be taken into

## NOTES TO INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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income statement using the effective interest method over the term of the related debt. Effective January 1, 2007 a cumulative adjustment was made to account for the difference between the accumulated amortisation of deferred financing costs using the effective interest method and straight-line method. This resulted in a decrease in long-term debts and an increase in opening retained earnings of \$1,097,000 net of tax of nil.

### Sections 1530 Comprehensive Income

This section consists of net income and other comprehensive income (“OCI”). OCI includes unrealised gains and losses on financial assets classified as available-for-sale, unrealised foreign currency translation amounts net of hedging arising from self-sustaining foreign operations, and changes in the fair value of the effective portion of hedging instruments. The components of comprehensive income are disclosed in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

### Section 3865 Hedges

This section establishes guidance addressing the accounting treatment of qualifying hedging relationships and necessary disclosures. The standard defines three specific hedging relationships, namely, fair value hedges, cash flow hedges, and hedges of a net investment in self-sustaining foreign operations, and defines how the accounting should be performed.

The Company elected to apply hedge accounting for its foreign currency swap which is designated as a cash flow hedge. It is measured at fair value at the end of each period and the effective portion of the gain or loss resulting from re-measurement is recognised in other comprehensive income. The ineffective portion is recognised in net income in the period. This derivative is measured at fair value at the end of each period. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in other comprehensive income for cash flow hedge.

The adoption of these new standards is done retroactively without restatement of the consolidated financial statements of prior periods. As at January 1, 2007, the impact on the consolidated balance sheet of the accounting policies for deferred financing costs and measuring derivatives at fair value as at January 1, 2007 was a decrease in long-term debt of \$9,810,000 and other assets of \$8,713,000 and an increase in derivatives financial instrument liabilities of \$9,786,000; a decrease in opening accumulated other comprehensive income of \$9,786,000 and increase in opening retained earnings of \$1,097,000.

The effect of these changes in accounting policies on net income for the three month and six month periods ended June 30, 2007 is not significant.

### Accounting Changes

Effective January 1, 2007, the Company adopted the revised Section 1506 Accounting Changes, relating to changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and errors. Adoption of these recommendations had no effect on the consolidated financial statements for the three month and six month periods ended June 30, 2007, except for the disclosure of accounting changes that have been issued by the CICA but have not yet been adopted by the Company because they are not effective until a future date (refer to Future Accounting Standards below).

### Future Accounting Standards

During the fourth quarter of 2006, the CICA issued three new accounting standards: CICA Handbook Section 1535 “Capital Disclosures”, CICA Handbook Section 3863 “Financial Instruments – Presentation” and CICA Handbook Section 3862 “Financial Instruments – Disclosures”. These standards are effective for interim and annual financial statements for the Company’s reporting period beginning on January 1, 2008.

Capital Disclosures section describes the standards for disclosing information about a company’s objectives, policies and processes for managing capital, quantitative data about what a company regards as capital and whether a company has complied with any capital requirements and, if not, the consequences

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of such non-compliance. Financial Instruments – Presentation carries forward the guidance under Section 3861 with little change and Financial Instruments – Disclosures requires disclosure on the face of the balance sheet of each of the financial instrument categories as well as additional disclosure regarding credit, market and liquidity risk faced by the Company.

In March 2007, the CICA approved Handbook Section 3031 Inventories, which replaces the existing Section 3030 Inventories. This standard is effective for interim and annual financial statements for the Company's reporting period beginning on January 1, 2008, with earlier application encouraged. The standard provides more guidance on the measurement and disclosure requirements for inventories.

The Company is currently assessing the impact of these new accounting standards on its financial statements.

### 3. BANK INDEBTEDNESS

Certain of the Company's banking facilities are collateralized by:

- [a] charges over certain of the Company's land-use rights, buildings and timber holdings which have an aggregate net book value at the consolidated balance sheet date of \$12,293,000 [December 31, 2006 – \$6,940,000]; and
- [b] certain short-term deposits at the consolidated balance sheet date of \$4,022,000 [December 31, 2006 – \$6,071,000].

Total interest expense for the three months period ended June 30, 2007 amounted to \$1,371,000 [June 30, 2006 – \$804,000].

### 4. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets consist of the following:

	<b>Unaudited June 30, 2007 Accumulated depreciation and amor- tisation</b>		<b>Audited December 31, 2006 Accumulated depreciation and amor- tisation</b>	
	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Machinery and equipment	83,724	12,101	81,161	10,458
Buildings	11,939	1,840	11,235	1,574
Land-use rights	5,587	753	5,148	679
Office furniture and equipment	1,880	915	1,577	899
Vehicles	3,925	1,215	3,425	997
	<b>107,055</b>	<b>16,824</b>	102,546	14,607
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortisation	<b>(16,824)</b>		(14,607)	
<b>Net book value</b>	<b>90,231</b>		87,939	

As at June 30, 2007, buildings, machinery and equipment of \$33,656,000 [December 31, 2006 – \$31,427,000] are not being depreciated as the production facilities are under construction and have not yet been put into commercial operation.

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### 5. PROVISION FOR TAX RELATED LIABILITIES

Two of the Company's principal operating subsidiaries incorporated in the British Virgin Islands (the "BVI Subsidiaries") are engaged in the sale of wood chips and standing timber and earning commission income ("Authorized Sales Activities") in the PRC through authorized intermediaries ("AI") that are domestic enterprises. In accordance with Income Tax Laws, foreign companies deriving income from sources in the PRC are subject to foreign enterprise income tax. Under the terms of the master agreements, relevant sales and purchase contracts and commission agreements made with the AI, the AI are responsible for paying all PRC taxes on behalf of the BVI subsidiaries that arise from the Authorized Sales Activities, including but not limited to, income tax, value-added tax and business tax. Accordingly, the BVI Subsidiaries did not directly pay any PRC taxes with respect to the profits earned in the PRC. The relevant income remitted to the Company should have already been taxed and not subject to additional PRC taxes.

If PRC tax authorities were to determine that the AI did not pay applicable PRC taxes as required on the Authorized Sales Activities on behalf of the BVI Subsidiaries, they may attempt to recover the applicable PRC taxes or any shortfall from the BVI Subsidiaries. Since the BVI Subsidiaries are unable to ascertain whether the AI have properly handled such tax settlements and/or able to recover relevant PRC taxes required to be paid by the BVI Subsidiaries from the AI, a provision for income tax at an amount representing management's best estimate of the amount the PRC tax authorities might seek to recover, is recognised in the financial statements each year. The yearly provision is reversed to the income statement after a period of three years based on management's best estimate of the liability. This means that the Company always maintains a three-year provision for tax on the profits earned from the Authorized Sales Activities of the three most recent years.

Included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities as at June 30, 2007 is a balance of the provision for these tax related liabilities amounting to \$44,067,000 [December 31, 2006 – \$39,106,000] provided on the profits of the Authorized Sales Activities earned by the BVI Subsidiaries over the three previous years.

### 6. LONG-TERM DEBTS

Long-term debts consist of the following:

	<b>Unaudited</b> <b>June 30, 2007</b>	Audited December 31, 2006
	\$	\$
Senior Notes [a]	<b>300,000</b>	300,000
Syndicated Loans [b]	<b>150,000</b>	150,000
Unamortised deferred financing costs	<b>(8,927)</b>	—
	<b>441,073</b>	450,000

[a] On August 17, 2004, the Company issued \$300,000,000 non-convertible guaranteed senior notes. The notes bear interest at a rate of 9.125% per annum and payable semi-annually. The notes mature on August 17, 2011. The notes are:

- general obligations of the Company;
- guaranteed by the Subsidiary Guarantors (as defined in the indenture of the notes) on a senior basis subject to certain limitations;
- senior in right of payment to any existing and future obligations of the Company which are expressly subordinated in right of payment to the noteholders;
- at least pari passu in right of payment with all other unsecured, unsubordinated indebtedness of the Company subject to any priority rights of such unsubordinated indebtedness pursuant to applicable law; and
- pledge of the shares of the Subsidiary Guarantors.

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Total interest expense on the notes for the three months period ended June 30, 2007 amounted to \$7,139,000 [June 30, 2006 – \$6,841,000].

- [b] On February 24, 2006, the Company entered into a \$150 million five-year and one day syndicated term loan facility. The facility carries an interest margin of between 0.80% and 1.50% over LIBOR per annum, depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated total debts to consolidated EBITDA, with the current margin bearing 1.30% per annum. EBITDA is defined as consolidated net income plus consolidated interest expense, income taxes, depreciation expense, amortisation and all other non-cash items reducing consolidated net income (except depletion of timber holdings) less all non-cash items increasing consolidated net income. The facility is guaranteed by the Subsidiary Guarantors and ranks at least pari passu with the claims of all other unsecured, unsubordinated creditors of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors, except for obligations mandatory preferred by law applying to companies generally. The facility will be primarily used for the acquisition of additional standing timber and logs, and for general corporate purposes. The facility has been fully drawn down. Out of the \$150,000,000, \$37,500,000 will be repayable in 2010 and the remaining balance in 2011.

Total interest expense on the syndicated loans for the three months period ended June 30, 2007 amounted to \$2,661,000 [June 30, 2006 – \$1,535,000].

- [c] Under the terms of the above debt agreements, the Company must meet certain financial and non-financial covenants including limitation on dividend and other payment restrictions affecting the Company and the restricted subsidiaries (as defined in the debt agreements).

## 7. SHARE CAPITAL

	<b>Unaudited</b>		<b>Audited</b>	
	<b>Six months ended</b>		<b>Twelve months ended</b>	
	<b>June 30, 2007</b>		<b>December 31, 2006</b>	
	<b>Number of</b>	<b>Common</b>	<b>Number of</b>	<b>Common</b>
	<b>Common</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Common</b>	<b>Share</b>
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Capital</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Capital</b>
		<b>\$</b>		<b>\$</b>
Balance, beginning of period/year	137,999,548	143,511	137,789,548	142,815
Issue of shares	41,255,191	379,425	—	—
Exercise of options	1,350,000	5,354	210,000	513
Transfer from contributed surplus	—	1,901	—	183
<b>Balance, end of period/year</b>	<b>180,604,739</b>	<b>530,191</b>	<b>137,999,548</b>	<b>143,511</b>

In April 2007, the Company closed a private placement in which 25,355,191 common shares were issued at Cdn.\$9.15 per share for gross proceeds of \$200 million.

In June 2007, the Company completed a public offering of 15,900,000 common shares at Cdn.\$12.65 per share for gross proceeds of Cdn.\$201,135,000 (equivalent to \$188,540,000).

In June 2007, options to acquire 1,318,336 common shares were granted to directors and employees at exercise price of Cdn.\$13.15 in accordance with the Company's stock option plan. The options granted will vest over certain periods and expire in June, 2012. The fair value of the stock options granted was estimated to be \$8,620,000 on the date of grant using the Black Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions:

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Number of options	1,318,336
Exercise price (in Cdn.\$)	13.15
Date of expiry	June 4, 2012
Dividend yield	0.0%
Volatility	56.6%
Risk-free interest rate	4.11%
Expected option lives (in years)	5.0
Weighted average fair value of each option (in U.S. dollars)	6.54

### 8. CONTRIBUTED SURPLUS

The contributed surplus represents stock-based compensation and options granted over the vesting period which was charged to the income statement.

	Unaudited Six months ended June 30, 2007 \$	Audited Twelve months ended December 31, 2006 \$
Balance, beginning of period	4,726	1,804
Stock-based compensation	929	3,105
Transfer to share capital	(1,901)	(183)
<b>Balance, end of period</b>	<b>3,754</b>	<b>4,726</b>

### 9. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Cumulative translation adjustment \$	Hedging reserve \$	Total \$
Year ended December 31, 2006 (Audited)			
Balance at January 1, 2006	11,396	—	11,396
Unrealised gains on translation of financial statements of self-sustaining operations	22,576	—	22,576
Balance at December 31, 2006	33,972	—	33,972
Six months ended June 30, 2007 (Unaudited)			
Balance at January 1, 2007 as previously reported	33,972	—	33,972
Cumulative impact of accounting changes relating to financial instruments	—	(9,786)	(9,786)
Balance at January 1, 2007 as restated	33,972	(9,786)	24,186
Unrealised gains on translation of financial statements of self-sustaining operations	22,331	—	22,331
Changes in gains and losses on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges	—	1,540	1,540
<b>Balance at June 30, 2007</b>	<b>56,303</b>	<b>(8,246)</b>	<b>48,057</b>

As at June 30, 2007, losses on foreign currency derivatives designated as cash flow hedges of \$1,900,000 net of income taxes of nil, reported in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in the consolidated balance sheet are expected to be reclassified to net income within the next twelve months.

### 10. NET CHANGE IN NON-CASH WORKING CAPITAL BALANCES

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The net change in non-cash working capital balances comprises the following:

	Unaudited			
	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	June 30		June 30	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Accounts receivable	(20,709)	3,240	4,964	32,817
Prepaid deposits and other	(17,654)	(6,802)	(20,727)	(9,153)
Inventories	(3,939)	(3,113)	(9,513)	(6,331)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities [a]	5,461	(2,285)	924	2,647
Income taxes payable	7	52	(11)	135
	<b>(36,834)</b>	<b>(8,908)</b>	<b>(24,363)</b>	<b>20,115</b>

[a] As at June 30, 2007, the Company had an aggregate amount of \$7,936,000 [June 30, 2006 – \$10,868,000] payable in respect of timber holdings acquired during the period included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

### 11. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

	Unaudited			
	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	June 30		June 30	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
Weighted average shares for basic earnings per share	164,970,000	137,847,000	151,559,000	137,819,000
Stock options	4,151,000	1,545,000	3,869,000	1,580,000
Adjusted weighted average shares and assumed conversions for diluted earnings per share	<b>169,121,000</b>	<b>139,392,000</b>	<b>155,428,000</b>	<b>139,399,000</b>

### 12. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT

The Company uses derivative financial instruments to reduce its exposure to foreign currency risk associated with its long-term debts. The Company's policy is to use derivatives for managing existing financial exposures and not for trading or speculative purposes. The Company uses hedge accounting to account for a derivative financial instrument designated as a hedging instrument. In order for a derivative to qualify for hedge accounting, the Company designates the hedge relationship and formally documents at its inception, the particular risk management objective and strategy, the specific asset, liability or cash flow being hedged, as well as how effectiveness is assessed. On an ongoing basis, an assessment is made as to whether the designated derivative financial instrument continues to be effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of the hedged transaction both at inception and over the term of the hedging relationship.

On August 16, 2004, the Company entered into a five-year currency swap contract to minimise the impact of currency fluctuations. Under the terms of the contract, the Company hedged RMB113,290,070 on each of August 17 and February 17 in exchange for \$13,687,500. The contract is made with an international financial service company and matures on August 17, 2009. This contract is designated as a hedge, in accordance with the new accounting standards, and therefore this loss has been included in other comprehensive income. Management estimates that a loss of \$9,122,000, being fair value of the contract, would be realised if the contract was terminated on June 30, 2007.

### 13. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

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The Company's operating businesses are structured and managed separately, according to the nature of their operations and the products and services they provide. Each of the Company's industry segments represents a strategic business unit that offers products and services which are subject to risks and returns that are different from those of the other industry segment. The segments were organised to reflect the Company's role as a key wood fibre supplier and provider of value-added wood products through its manufacturing operations. Summary details of the industry segments are as follows:

- [a] the wood fibre segment engages in the sale of wood chips, logs, standing timber, imported wood products and the provision of agency services in the sale of wood chips; and
- [b] the manufacturing segment engages in the manufacturing of particleboard, melamine faced chipboard, sawn timber, flooring products and nursery products and services.

Corporate assets, corporate income and costs are included in the Company's corporate segment to differentiate its risks and returns from other business segments.

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**By Industry Segment**

	Unaudited Three months ended June 30, 2007				Three months ended June 30, 2006			
	Wood Fibre	Manu- facturing	Cor- porate	Total	Wood Fibre	Manu- facturing	Cor- porate	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Revenue from external customers</b>								
Sale of standing timber	70,508	—	—	70,508	46,307	—	—	46,307
Sale of imported wood products	47,997	—	—	47,997	32,064	—	—	32,064
Sale of wood chips and logs	1,154	—	—	1,154	23,180	—	—	23,180
Sale of manufacturing and other operations' products	—	9,105	—	9,105	—	5,723	—	5,723
	<b>119,659</b>	<b>9,105</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>128,764</b>	101,551	5,723	—	107,274
Income (loss) from operations before interest, other income, exchange gains and amortisation of deferred financing costs	40,623	(4,074)	(4,707)	31,842	27,247	(1,912)	(3,510)	21,825
Interest income	83	168	3,367	3,618	160	39	1,259	1,458
Interest expense	1,106	265	9,800	11,171	700	102	8,378	9,180
Depreciation and amortisation	61	961	34	1,056	56	844	29	929
Provision for income taxes	1,534	6	—	1,540	1,329	15	—	1,344
Identifiable assets	1,042,558	223,228	383,855	1,649,641	757,727	129,889	177,811	1,065,427
Depletion of timber holdings included in cost of sales	29,441	—	—	29,441	24,808	—	—	24,808
Additions to timber holdings and capital assets	83,185	1,481	7	84,673	45,750	1,644	9	47,403

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**By Industry Segment**

	Unaudited Six months ended June 30, 2007				Six months ended June 30, 2006			
	Wood Fibre	Manu- facturing	Cor- porate	Total	Wood Fibre	Manu- facturing	Cor- porate	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Revenue from external customers</b>								
Sale of standing timber	121,824	—	—	121,824	89,799	—	—	89,799
Sale of imported wood products	103,045	—	—	103,045	71,787	—	—	71,787
Sale of wood chips and logs	9,054	—	—	9,054	34,816	—	—	34,816
Sale of manufacturing and other operations' products	—	14,790	—	14,790	—	9,736	—	9,736
	<b>233,923</b>	<b>14,790</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>248,713</b>	196,402	9,736	—	206,138
Income (loss) from operations before interest, other income, exchange gains and amortisation of deferred financing costs	72,021	(6,319)	(8,668)	57,034	48,260	(3,525)	(7,097)	37,638
Interest income	175	271	4,639	5,085	593	78	1,925	2,596
Interest expense	2,116	528	19,641	22,285	1,188	201	15,412	16,801
Depreciation and amortisation	130	2,007	62	2,199	110	1,574	57	1,741
Provision for income taxes	4,046	11	—	4,057	2,668	25	—	2,693
Identifiable assets	1,042,558	223,228	383,855	1,649,641	757,727	129,889	177,811	1,065,427
Depletion of timber holdings included in cost of sales	51,066	—	—	51,066	50,385	—	—	50,385
Additions to timber holdings and capital assets	160,154	2,449	69	162,672	123,936	7,017	13	130,966

**By Geographic Segment**

The Company conducts substantially all of its operations in one geographic area, North Asia. During the quarter ended June 30, 2007, sales in the PRC and to other countries amounted to approximately \$128,159,000 [June 30, 2006 – \$107,027,000] and \$605,000 [June 30, 2006 – \$247,000], respectively.

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### 14. CONTINGENCIES FOR TAX RELATED LIABILITIES

The provision for income taxes and tax related liabilities is subject to a number of different estimates and judgment made by management. A change in these estimates and judgment could have a material effect on the Company's tax expense. The Company has operations in various countries (mainly in the PRC and Hong Kong) that have different tax laws and rates. Income tax and other taxes are subject to audit by both domestic and foreign tax authorities. The effective tax rate may change from year to year based on the mix of income among the different tax jurisdictions in which the Company operates, changes in tax laws in these jurisdictions, and changes in tax treaties between various tax jurisdictions in which the Company operates. It is probable that profits already taxed by one tax jurisdiction could be taxed by another tax jurisdiction. Should the PRC tax authorities recover income tax, business tax and value-added tax directly from the BVI Subsidiaries, they might do so together with related tax surcharges and tax penalties on applicable income or profits of the Authorized Sales Activities from the BVI Subsidiaries for up to three years in practice. Under prevailing PRC tax rules, the tax surcharge is calculated at 0.05% per day on the tax amount overdue while the tax penalties can range from 50% to 500% of taxes underpaid. Under the Hong Kong tax regulations, assessments are open for up to six years in practice and tax penalties can be up to treble amount of the tax underpaid.

Significant estimates and judgment are applied by management to determine the appropriate amount of tax related liabilities and contingencies for tax related liabilities to be recognised and disclosed in the financial statements respectively. Changes in the amount of the estimates could materially increase or decrease the provision for tax related liabilities and the extent of disclosures of contingencies for tax related liabilities in a period.

Management evaluate the provision for tax related liabilities on an annual basis or as necessary and believe adequate but not excessive provision for tax related liabilities has been recognised in the financial statements.

### 15. COMMITMENTS

As at June 30, 2007, the Company has a commitment to make capital contributions to a PRC wholly foreign-owned enterprise of \$12,653,000 [December 31, 2006 – \$25,000,000]. In addition, the Company has capital commitments in respect of buildings, timber holdings, plant and machinery of \$42,087,000 [December 31, 2006 – \$12,305,000] and purchase commitments mainly in respect of logs and wood-based products of \$29,064,000 [December 31, 2006 – \$17,538,000]. Commitments under operating leases for land and buildings are as follows:

	Unaudited \$
Within one year	1,679
In the second year	1,417
In the third year	1,278
In the fourth year	1,244
In the fifth year	1,237
Thereafter	35,139
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### **16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Pursuant to the respective service agreements, the Company pays consultancy fees to companies controlled by certain directors who are also executive officers in lieu of their compensation. The consultancy fees incurred for the period amounted to \$151,000 [June 30, 2006 – \$153,000].

In addition, as at June 30, 2007, the Company had an aggregate amount of \$nil [December 31, 2006 – \$3,150,000] owed to these related companies.

### **17. COMPARATIVE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The comparative consolidated financial statements have been reclassified from statements previously presented to conform to the presentation of the June 30, 2007, consolidated financial statements.

### **18. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

In July 2007, the Company signed a master sale and purchase agreement with Greenheart Resources Holdings Limited (“Greenheart”) a natural forest concession owner and operator in Suriname, South America to secure dependable access to quality logs from Suriname. In addition, the Company invested \$6.0 million to acquire approximately 13% of equity interests in Greenheart.