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# GOLDIGIT ATOM-TECH HOLDINGS LIMITED (金澤超分子科技控股有限公司)\*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

# HALF-YEARLY RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2002

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# HIGHLIGHTS

	Three months ended 30th June, 2002 2001		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
RESULTS Turnover	43,528	41,129	
Net profit attributable to shareholders	25,305	26,712	
Earnings per share (HK cents)	1.49 cents	1.96 cents	
		Six months led 30th June, 2001 <i>HK\$</i> `000	
Turnover	61,768	57,790	
Net profit attributable to shareholders	35,936	37,040	
Earnings per share (HK cents)	2.11 cents	2.72 cents	
	<b>30th June,</b> <b>2002</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>	<b>31st December,</b> <b>2001</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>	
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES Total assets	231,980	217,267	
Total liabilities	(3,887)	(4,712)	
Shareholders' funds	228,093	212,555	

- Achieved a moderate growth of 6.9% in turnover for the half year ended 30th June, 2002 as compared to the same period in 2001.
- Registered a slight decrease of 3% in profit attributable to shareholders for the half year ended 30th June, 2002 as compared to the same period in 2001.
- Strong cash position with approximately HK\$191,000,000 cash in bank and a zero gearing ratio as at 30th June, 2002.

# **HALF-YEARLY RESULTS**

The board of directors (the "Board") of Goldigit Atom-tech Holdings Limited (the "Company") presents the unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the three months and six months ended 30th June, 2002, together with the comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding periods in 2001, as follows:

# **CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT (UNAUDITED)**

		Three months ended 30th June,		Six months ended 30th June,		
	Notes	<b>2002</b> <i>HK\$`000</i>	<b>2001</b> HK\$'000	<b>2002</b> HK\$'000	<b>2001</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>	
Turnover Cost of sales	2	43,528 (13,927)	41,129 (13,276)	61,768 (19,824)	57,790 (18,856)	
Gross profit Other revenue Selling expenses General and administrative expenses Research and development costs		29,601 763 (1,713) (2,284) (1,062)	27,853 16 (113) (1,044) 	41,944 1,230 (1,816) (4,360) (1,062)	38,934 31 (145) (1,333) (447)	
Operating profit Income tax	3 4	25,305	26,712	35,936	37,040	
Net profit attributable to shareholders		25,305	26,712	35,936	37,040	
Dividends	5	20,398	10,000	20,398	10,000	
Earnings per share	6	1.49 cents	1.96 cents	2.11 cents	2.72 cents	

# **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

	Notes	(Unaudited) 30th June, 2002 HK\$'000	(Audited) 31st December, 2001 <i>HK</i> \$'000
	wores	ΠΚΦ 000	ΠΚΦ 000
Non-current assets			
Property, plant, and equipment		17,905	9,168
Intangible assets		8,448	8,930
Current assets			
Inventories		655	523
Trade and other receivables	7	1,492	1,468
Prepayments and deposits		12,442	10,595
Cash and bank balances		191,038	186,583
		205,627	199,169
		203,027	199,109
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	8	809	757
Accruals		89	1,077
Amounts due to directors		2,989	2,878
		2 997	4 710
		3,887	4,712
Net current assets		201,740	194,457
		201,710	
		228,093	212,555
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Capital and reserves			
Share capital		84,993	84,993
Reserves	9	143,100	127,562
		220 002	010 555
		228,093	212,555

# CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)

	Six months ended 30th June,		
	<b>2002</b> HK\$'000	<b>2001</b> HK\$'000	
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit before tax	35,936	37,040	
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation and amortization	728	628	
Operating profit before working capital changes	36,664	37,668	
(Increase) decrease in inventories	(132)	(600)	
(Increase) decrease in trade and other receivables	(24)	(1,346)	
(Increase) decrease in prepayment and deposits	(1,847)	547	
Increase in amount due to a shareholder	0	494	
Increase (decrease) in trade and other payables	52	(6,747)	
(Decrease) increase in accruals	(988)	62	
Increase in amount due to directors	111	0	
Net cash from operating activities	33,836	30,078	
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant, and equipment	(8,983)	(93)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,983)	(93)	
Cash flows from financing activities			
Dividends paid	(20,398)	(10,000)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(20,398)	(10,000)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	4,455	19,985	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of period	186,583	1,366	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period			
represented by cash and bank balances	191,038	21,351	

Notes:

#### 1. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in preparing the unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Group conform with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and accounting standards issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and GEM Listing Rules. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those adopted in the preparation of the Group's audited financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 2001.

The unaudited consolidated financial statements have not been audited by the Company's auditors, but have been reviewed by the Company's audit committee.

#### 2. Turnover

Turnover represents the net amounts received and receivable for goods sold to outside customers, less returns, allowance, value added tax and other sales tax during the periods. As all of the Group's turnover and contribution to operating profit are attributed to the sales of pesticides and are derived in the PRC, the analysis by business segment is not presented.

#### 3. Operating profit

Operating profit has been arrived at after charging the following:

	Three months ended 30th June,		Six months ended 30th June,		
	2002	2001	2002	2001	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Depreciation of plant and equipment	123	62	246	158	
Amortization of intangible assets	235	235	482	470	
Operating lease charges	108	111	216	142	
Staff costs:					
Directors' remuneration	426	19	702	42	
Other staff costs	523	153	1,067	310	
Retirement benefits costs	49	9	94	19	
	998	181	1,863	371	

#### 4. Income Tax

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made as the Group's income neither arises in, nor is derived from, Hong Kong.

The Group's PRC subsidiary, Fujian Goldigit Fine Chemical Industry Co., Ltd. ("Fujian Goldigit"), is entitled to an income tax holiday for two years from the first profit making year and a 50% reduction of income tax for the following three years. The first profit making year, for tax purposes, for Fujian Goldigit is the year ended 31st December, 2001.

There is no significant unprovided deferred taxation for the periods.

#### 5. Dividends

	Three months ended 30th June,		Six months ended 30th June,	
	2002 2001		2002	2001
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Final dividend of HK1.2 cents per share for the year ended 31st December, 2001 paid (2001: HK\$10,000,000 was paid on 31st May, 2001 by its subsidiary to its then shareholders in respect of the three months ended 31st March, 2001				
before the Group's reorganization.)	20,398	10,000	20,398	10,000

# 6. Earnings per share

The calculations of the earnings per share is based on the following data:

		Three months ended 30th June,		Six months ended 30th June,	
	2002	2001	2002	2001	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Earnings	25,305	26,712	35,936	37,040	
	'000	'000	'000	'000	
Weighted average number of shares	1,699,860	1,359,860	1,699,860	1,359,860	

Diluted earnings per share is not presented as there was no dilutive potential securities in existence during the periods.

#### 7. Trade and other receivables

Aged analysis of trade and other receivables are as follows:

	(Unaudited) 30th June, 2002 <i>HK\$</i> '000	(Audited) 31st December, 2001 <i>HK</i> \$'000
Current 30 – 60 days	1,446	1,468
	1,492	1,468

#### 8. Trade and other payables

Aged analysis of trade and other payables are as follows:

	(Unaudited) 30th June, 2002 <i>HK\$</i> '000	(Audited) 31st December, 2001 <i>HK</i> \$'000
0 – 180 days	57	5
181 – 365 days	0	0
Over 365 days	752	752
	809	757

#### 9. Reserves

Movement of reserves for the half year ended 30th June, 2002 are as follows:

					Statutory		
	Exchange reserve HK\$'000	Goodwill reserve HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Special reserve HK\$'000	reserve fund HK\$'000	Accumulated profits HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
At 1st January, 2002 Profit for the period	(36)	(193)	72,657	73	7,321	47,740 35,936	127,562 35,936
Dividends						(20,398)	(20,398)
At 30th June, 2002	(36)	(193)	72,657	73	7,321	63,278	143,100

#### 10. Capital commitments

Commitments contracted for but not provided in the financial statements are as follows:

	(Unaudited) 30th June, 2002 <i>HK</i> \$'000	(Audited) 31st December, 2001 <i>HK</i> \$'000
Investment in research and development centre Acquisition of equipment and facilities	7,755 12,709	2,121
	20,464	2,121

## **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the half year ended 30th June, 2002 (2001: Nil).

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

## **Business review**

The Group focuses on the sales and development of new pesticides applying Propulsive Agent Technology ("PAT"). During the periods under review, all the Group's sales and its contribution are derived from the PRC.

During the second quarter in 2002, the Group's sales were impacted by the unfavorable weather conditions in the PRC and affected by the prolongation in field trial of 2 years for its new product, 1.2% fipronil, thus dampened the Group's expectation to launch it commercially in this year. However, the sales performance of the Group was stable. The Group's turnover for the half year ended 30th June, 2002 was approximately HK\$61,768,000, an increase of 6.9% over the same period of the last year. The increase was attributed to the addition of the Group's second product, Dao Ying Wen Jing, which was well received by farmers.

In the second quarter in 2002, the Group set up 2 new sales offices and initiated training programs in 5 large agricultural provinces. With an aim to expand its sales coverage, the Group continued to apply more resources, to build its brand name and increase awareness of its products through advertising and marketing activities in various provinces, counties, towns and villages.

During the periods under review, gross profit margin maintained at 67-68% as the Company is the unique supplier of pesticides applying PAT. Net profit attributable to shareholders for the half year ended 30th June, 2002 decreased by 3% to approximately HK\$35,936,000 from HK\$37,040,000 in the same period of the last year. This decrease was attributed to the full half year of operating expenses from the Group and included the research and development costs of approximately HK\$1,062,000 captured for developing products.

# Turnover

The Group's turnover recorded an increase in the 1st half of 2002, despite the introduction of the PRC value-added tax on sales of Sha Shi Ba at a rate of 6% (2001: nil). For the half year ended 30th June, 2002, the Group's turnover was approximately HK\$61,768,000, representing an increase of approximately 6.9% from HK\$57,790,000 in the same period in 2001. This increase resulted from the increase in demand for the Group's new pesticide in the PRC.

# Other income

Interest income for the half year ended 30th June, 2002 was approximately HK\$1,230,000 compared to HK\$31,000 for the same period in 2001. The increase was mainly attributed to the bank interest income derived from the proceeds received from the placing of share of the Company in July, 2001.

# Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the half year ended 30th June, 2002 increased to approximately HK\$6,176,000 from HK\$1,478,000 for the same period in 2001. This increase represented a full half year of operating expenses from the Group. The higher operating expenses were primarily the

result of increased sales and marketing expenses, and staff expenses. For the half year ended 30th June, 2002, general and administrative expenses on a monthly basis did not have significant fluctuations.

#### **Research and development costs**

Research and development costs for the half year ended 30th June, 2002 increased to approximately HK\$1,062,000 from HK\$447,000 in the same period in 2001. This increases represented growth in new products development activities.

## Liquidity, financial resources and capital structure

As at 30th June, 2002, the Group's shareholders' funds amounted to approximately HK\$228,093,000. Cash and bank balances was approximately HK\$191,038,000, compared to HK\$21,351,000 in 30th June, 2001. Increases in cash stemmed primarily from HK\$157,000,000 received from the placing of share of the Company in July, 2001.

As at 30th June, 2002, the Group and the Company had no bank facilitates in place and no bank borrowings outstanding. The Group's gearing ratio, defined as the Group's total borrowings to the shareholders' funds, was zero.

The Board believes that the Group has adequate funds to support its operations and capital expenditures.

## Capital structure

There has been no change in the capital structure of the Company since the listing of share of the Company on the GEM of Stock Exchange on 9th July, 2001.

# Material acquisition and disposals

There were neither significant investment held by the Group nor material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries and affiliated companies for the periods ended 30th June, 2002 and 2001.

## **Charges on group assets**

The Group and the company had no charge on group assets as at both 30th June, 2002 and 2001.

#### Details of future plans for material investment or capital assets

The Group's future plans for material investments or capital assets shall be in line with the details set out in the section of "Statement of Business Objectives" in the Prospectus of the Company dated 29th June, 2001.

#### Foreign exchange exposure

The Board believes that the exchange rate risk of the Group is minimal because the Group conducts its business transactions principally in Renminbi in the PRC, which was relatively stable during the periods under review. However, devaluation of the Renminbi against the Hong Kong dollar would adversely affect the Group's performance when measured in Hong Kong dollar.

# **Contingent liabilities**

The Group and the company had no contingent liabilities as at both 30th June, 2002 and 2001.

#### **Employee information**

As at 30th June, 2002, the Group has 47 full time employees of which 5 were based in Hong Kong and the remaining in the PRC. The Group's employees were remunerated according to the nature of their duty and market trend, with discretionary bonus and benefit of retirement scheme, share options and necessary training.

#### Use of proceeds from the listing

The net proceeds raised from the listing of the Company on the GEM on 9th July, 2001 was approximately HK\$157 million.

During the period from 9th July, 2001 to 30th June, 2002, the Group had incurred the following amount to achieve the business objectives as set out in the Prospectus:

	Notes	Planned use of proceeds stated in the Prospectus to 30th June, 2002 <i>HK</i> \$ million	Actual amount used up to 30th June, 2002 HK\$ million
Development of new products	1	17	6
Investment in a research and development centre	2	11	17
Establishment of production base and the purchase			
of equipment and facilitates	3	25	7
Expansion of sales network		4	1
Enhancement of Group's website		3	1
Marketing and brand building		8	4
		68	36

The remaining balance of the proceeds have been deposited at banks to prepare for future use as set out in the business development plan in the prospectus. The Board does not envisage any circumstances which may lead to material alterations as to the proposed use of the net proceeds.

Notes:

- 1. The under utilization is attributed to the Group's decision to discontinue and delay the development on 3 new products.
- 2. The excess utilization is attributed to the additional cost for the acquisition of land use right for the research and development centre.
- 3. The under utilization is attributed to the behind scheduling with the construction plans for the production base.

# Prospect

The Board remains positive about its business outlook. Sales of the Group's pesticides applying PAT is expected to continue growing in the years ahead with the introduction of more new products.

Economy in the PRC is expected to continue grow, providing a foundation for increase of demands for agricultural products and pesticides consumptions. In particular, the Board is confident that its pesticides applying PAT are essential kind of replacement to the traditional pesticides due to its low toxicity, low residue and low dosage characteristics.

The Board expects the Group to continue achieve profitable results in the current year. The Group will continue focusing its effort to expand sales and increase research and development activities to enhance its overall business performance.

## **BUSINESS OBJECTIVES REVIEW**

An analysis comparing the business objectives as stated in the Prospectus dated 29th June, 2001 with the Group's actual business progress up to 30th June, 2002 is set out below.

Business objectives as stated in the Prospectus	Actual business progress up to 30th June, 2002
Development of new products	1.2% fipronil 1.2% 鋭勁特•展膜油劑(象甲淨): As a result of more stringent regulation for the product's raw materials imposed by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Group has modified its formulation and initiated a second field trial for 2 years. The longer field trial dampened the Group's expectation to launch this product commercially in 2002.
	<b>Target propellant new pesticide on Rice Borer:</b> (水 稻 螟 蟲): Feasibility study was completed with a satisfactory result. The Group will proceed to laboratory trial phase for formulation of chemical raw materials this year.
	<b>Target propellant new weedicide for paddy:</b> The product was discontinued as the testing results did not meet the Group's expected standard.
	<b>Target propellant new fertilizer for paddy:</b> The development of the product was suspended, as it is not consider commercially viable under the current state of the fertilizer market.
	<b>Mosquito terminator for urban drains:</b> Feasibility study was completed. Research and development works conducted by Harbin Institute of Technology is progressing.
	<b>Development of nanotechnology on chemical pesticides:</b> The program has been put on hold. The Group will not resume its development until there are signs for improvement in nanotechnology applications to chemical pesticides.

Business objectives as stated in the Prospectus	Actual business progress up to 30th June, 2002	
Investment in a research and development centre	The research and development centre will be located in Fuzhou district, Fujian Province. Construction works is contracted to finish by the end of 2002. The Group will proceed to acquire equipment and R&D personnel for the centre and commence its operation in 2003.	
Establishment of production bases and the purchase of equipment and facilities	The production factory will be located in Quanzhou, Fujian Province. Construction plans is currently being reviewed by the relevant authorities.	
Expansion of sales network	Sales offices were established in Anhui and Jiangsu Provinces. The Group will continue to expand its sales coverage in the other provinces.	
Enhancement of the Group's website	The Group has engaged professional IT provider to continuously review and improve its management information systems.	
Marketing and brand building	Since July 2001, the Group has increased uses of funds to advertise and promote its products. Sales of pesticides increased in 2002 as compared to 2001. The Group will continue advertising activities to increase awareness of its products, and participate in conferences, seminars to build up a good reputation for the Company's products.	
	During the second quarter this year, the Group and agricultural technological units co-operated and initiated training programs for farmers and sales agents in 5 provinces. The Group will continue to provide training programs.	

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS IN SECURITIES

As at 30th June, 2002, the interests of the directors and chief executives in the securities of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of the Securities (Disclosure of Interests) Ordinance ("SDI Ordinance")), as recorded in the register maintained by the Company under Section 29 of the SDI Ordinance or as notified to the Company were as follows:

Name of director	Number of shares in the Company	Nature of interest
Mr. Lao Seng Peng	1,169,479,600	Corporate interest

Note: These shares are held by Best Today Investments Limited which is wholly owned by Mr. Lao Seng Peng.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30th June, 2002, none of the directors, or chief executives, or their associates, had any personal, family, corporate or other interests in any securities of the Company or any of its associated corporations as defined in the SDI Ordinance.

At no time during the periods under review was the Company, its holding company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the directors and chief executives of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debt securities, including debentures, of the Company or any other body corporate, and none of the directors or chief executives, or their spouses or children under the age of 18, had any right to subscribe for the securities of the Company, or had exercised any such rights.

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

Other than as disclosed in the section headed "**DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS IN SECURITIES**", as at 30th June, 2002, the register of substantial shareholders maintained by the Company under Section 16(1) of the SDI Ordinance disclosed no person having an interest in shares representing 10% or more in the Company's issued share capital.

## PURCHASE, SALES OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

There were no purchases, sales or redemptions of the Company's listed securities by the Company or any of its subsidiaries during the period under review.

## SHARE OPTION SCHEME

There were no option granted by the Company under the Share Option Scheme during the periods under review or outstanding as at 30th June, 2002.

#### **COMPETING INTERESTS**

The Board is not aware of, as at 30th June, 2002, any business or interest of each director, management shareholder and the respective associates of each that competes or may compete with the business of the Group and any other conflicts of interest which any such person has or may have with the Group.

## **SPONSOR'S INTERESTS**

As notified by the Company's sponsor, Core Pacific-Yamaichi Capital Limited ("CPY Capital"), as at 30th June, 2002, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Core Pacific-Yamaichi International (H.K.) Limited, an associate (as referred to in Note 3 to Rule 6.35 of the GEM Listing Rules) of CPY Capital, held 512,000 shares in the Company. Save as disclosed herein, neither CPY Capital nor its directors, employees or associates (as referred to in Note 3 to Rule 6.35 of the GEM Listing Rules) had any interests in the share capital of the Company as at 30th June, 2002.

Pursuant to the agreement dated 9th July, 2001 entered into between the Company and CPY Capital, whereby, for a fee, CPY Capital will act as the Company's sponsor for the period from 9th July, 2001 to 31st December, 2003 or until the sponsor agreement is terminated upon the terms and conditions set out therein.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Company has complied throughout the period with the chapters 5.28 to 5.39 as set out in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the GEM of Stock Exchange.

# AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee meets regularly with the management to review the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discuss internal control and financial reporting matters including reviews of the unaudited consolidated financial statements for the half year ended 30th June, 2002. The members of the audit committee are Mr. Sun Juyi, Mr. Wong Stacey Martin and Mr. Lam Ming Yung.

By order of the Board Lao Seng Peng *Chairman* 

Hong Kong, 9th August, 2002

This announcement, for which the directors of the Company collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that, to the best of their knowledge and belief: (1) the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading; (2) there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading; and (3) all opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and are founded on bases and assumptions that are fair and reasonable.

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