



哈爾濱啤酒集團有限公司
HARBIN BREWERY GROUP LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 0249)

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE BOOK CLOSURE PERIOD
FOR THE REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

The register of members of Harbin Brewery Group Limited will be closed between Thursday, 14 October 2004 and Friday, 15 October 2004 (both dates inclusive).

INTRODUCTION

Reference is made to the announcements dated 1 June 2004, 18 June 2004, 9 July 2004, 4 August 2004 and 18 August 2004, made by Anheuser-Busch Hong Kong Investment Company, Limited (the *Offeror*) and to the Offer Document issued by the Offeror dated 17 June 2004. Terms defined in the Offer Document and the above announcements have the same meaning when used in this announcement.

BOOK CLOSURE PERIOD FOR THE REGISTER OF MEMBERS

In order to facilitate the Compulsory Acquisition of the Outstanding Shares in Harbin Brewery Group Limited (the *Company*), the register of members of the Company will be closed between Thursday, 14 October 2004 and Friday, 15 October 2004 (both dates inclusive). Any person wishing to present a share transfer or other document for entry into the register of members of the Company must present such transfer or other document to the Company's share registrar, Tengis Limited, at G/F, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, no later than 4.00 pm on Wednesday, 13 October 2004.

Owing to the Compulsory Acquisition of all the Outstanding Shares and the closure of the register of members of the Company, no further transfers or other documents submitted by the holders of Outstanding Shares or any other persons can be accepted or considered in any way to be effective after 4.00 pm on Wednesday, 13 October 2004 until the register of members is open again.

By order of the board
Harbin Brewery Group Limited
LAM Pong Sui
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 27 September 2004

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors are: Messrs. Li Wentao, Lo Peter, Fu Hui, Au Peter Jeva and Bao Liusuo; the non-executive directors are: Messrs. Larry D. Baumann, Stephen J. Burrows, YanJun Cheng, Cheng Yeh-Ran, Alex Ten Young Chiu, William J. Kimmins, Jr., John S. Koykka, Chester Lai and Samuel X. Zhang; the independent non-executive directors are: Dr Sit Fung Shuen Victor and Mr Sam Zuchowski.

The directors of the Company jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement and confirm having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading.

Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in The Standard.