



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

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(“HARBIN”)**

**(Stock Code: 0249)**

**COMPLETION OF THE COMPULSORY ACQUISITION**

**WITHDRAWAL OF LISTING OF THE HARBIN SHARES  
ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE**

**Compulsory Acquisition of the Harbin Shares not acquired under the Offer was completed on Thursday, 18 November 2004.**

**Application has been made to the Stock Exchange for withdrawal of listing of the Harbin Shares on the Stock Exchange with effect from Friday, 19 November 2004.**

**INTRODUCTION**

Reference is made to the announcements dated 1 June 2004, 18 June 2004, 9 July 2004, 4 August 2004, 18 August 2004 and 18 October 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.

**COMPULSORY ACQUISITION**

As stated in the announcement made by the Offeror dated Monday, 18 October 2004, Compulsory Acquisition notices were despatched to holders of Outstanding Shares on Monday, 18 October 2004. As no application had been made to the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands by any holder of Outstanding Shares in respect of the Compulsory Acquisition by Thursday, 18 November 2004 (being the period during which any holder of Outstanding Shares was entitled to do so under the provisions of the Companies Law (2003 Revision) of the Cayman Islands), the Offeror is now entitled and bound to acquire the Outstanding Shares.

Pursuant to the Compulsory Acquisition, all of the Outstanding Shares will be transferred to the Offeror on Friday, 19 November 2004.

Accordingly, as a result of the Offer and the Compulsory Acquisition and with effect from such transfer, the A-B Parties will become the ultimate beneficial owners of the entire issued share capital of Harbin.

## WITHDRAWAL OF LISTING

Trading of Harbin Shares on the Stock Exchange was suspended with effect from 9.30 am on Thursday, 19 August 2004 until the withdrawal of listing of the Harbin Shares on the Stock Exchange following completion of the Compulsory Acquisition. At the request of Harbin, the Harbin Shares were withdrawn from listing on the Stock Exchange with effect from Friday, 19 November 2004.

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

Hong Kong, Friday, 19 November 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.