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Main Board Listing - Research

Tiande Chemical Holdings Ltd. [Stock Code: 0609] 天德化工控股有限公司

| Sponsor | : First Shanghai Capital Limited |
|------------------------------|--|
| Bookrunner and Lead Managers | : First Shanghai Securities Limited |
| Co-lead Managers | : China Everbright Securities (HK) Limited |
| | Guotai Junan Securities (HK) Limited |

Sector : Chemicals

Business : Production, trading and sale of fine chemical products

| Total share offer: <u>100,000,000</u> shares | Business of Tiande Chemical | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| (25% of the enlarged share capital) | Tiande Chemical principally engages in the | | |
| Public Offer: 10,000,000 shares (10%) | production, trading and sale of fine chemical products, namely cyanoacetate products and | | |
| Placing: 90,000,000 shares (90%) | alcoholic products. These products are mainly | | |
| Greenshoe: Nil | used as functional ingredients or intermediates in the production of adhesive products, | | |
| Price: HK\$0.75 – HK\$1.05 per share | pharmaceutical products, dyes and other chemical products. The Group is one of the market leaders in producing ethyl | | |
| Market Cap: HK\$300 – HK\$420 million | | | |
| FY06E PER (Pro forma fully diluted): 5.8X – 8.1X | cyanoacetate (ECYA) in the world. ECYA is widely used as an ingredient of adhesives, | | |
| Adjusted NTA per share: HK\$0.58 – HK\$0.65 | dyes and medicines. | | |
| Staffing: 688 | The Group also manufactures dehydrated | | |
| HK Public Offer period: 17th October 06 – 20th October 06 noon Receiving bank: Standard Chartered Bank (HK) Share registrar: Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited. Listing date: 27th October 2006 | ethyl alcohol, which is widely used as fuel and additive of gasoline. The Group also trades t- butyl-alcohol, which is widely used in the manufacture of perfumes, medicines and paints. The Group has started producing methyl cyanoacetate (MCYA) in 2005; the production scale will be increased in 2006 after expansion. | | |

Major Shareholders after Listing

| Cheerhill Group Limited* | | 75.0% |
|--|----------------|-------|
| *Shareholdings of Cheerhill are as follows:- | | |
| Mr. Liu Hongliang (founder & Chairman) | 38.0% | |
| Mr. Wang Zijiang (founder & executive director) Mr. Guo Xitian (executive director) | 26.0% 11.5% | |
| Mr. Guo Yucheng (executive director) Ms. Zheng Hong (founder) | 6.5% 11.5% | |
| Mr. Fu Anxu (founder & Chief engineer) | <u>6.5%</u> | |
| | <u>100.0%</u> | |

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Use of Proceeds

Net proceeds from the offer are estimated to be HK\$76 million. (Being the mid-point of the offer price range HK\$0.90 per share)

| | HK\$ million |
|---|--------------|
| For the construction of new production facilities, including investments in new | 65.0 |
| plant and machinery for producing new products (high purity isobutylene and | |
| polyisobutylene) | |
| For enhancing the Group's R&D capability | 8.5 |
| For the advertising and marketing of the Group's fine chemical products | 1.5 |
| For general working capital | 1.0 |

Financial Highlights

| | Year e | nded 31 st Dec | Six months ended 30 th June | |
|------------------|---------|---------------------------|--|---------|
| | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| Turnover | 201,763 | 323,124 | 430,817 | 233,999 |
| Gross profit | 44,738 | 59,261 | 72,223 | 44,734 |
| Operating profit | 37,679 | 50,762 | 51,269 | 32,866 |
| Net profit | 31,964 | 42,453 | 41,711 | 27,064 |
| Gross margin | 22.2% | 18.3% | 16.8% | 19.1% |
| Operating margin | 18.7% | 15.7% | 11.9% | 14.0% |
| Net margin | 15.8% | 13.1% | 9.7% | 11.6% |

Strengths/Opportunities

- ✓ According to industry research, the Group was ranked 1st in the world in the production output of ECYA in 2005. For the three years ended 31st December 2005, the Group's output accounted for approximately 41.6%, 54.7% and 50.7% of the world's total production of ECYA. The Group possess the world's largest production capacity 22,000 tons of ECYA per year. The mass production allows the Group to enjoy economies of scale and hence cost competitiveness.
- ✓ The pro forma fully diluted FY06E PER range of 5.8X to 8.1X as indicated by the IPO price range is attractively valued compared to other Hong Kong-listed comparables, which are trading at an average prospective PER of about 12X.

Weaknesses/Threats

× For the three years ended 31st December 2005, the Group's overall gross profit margin has been declining. This is because the overall cost of major raw materials (sodium cyanide, mono chloroacetic acid, and alcohol) had increased considerably. Although the Group has started selfproducing some of the raw materials and hence expects to have better control over material costs, the advantages are yet to be translated into meaningful impact to its bottom-line.

Recommendation: Speculative Buy



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