Foreword by the Director-general

The year 2007 was an exciting one for the Southern Taiwan Science Park (STSP). Over the past year, infrastructure projects continued to improve the quality of production and to make life within STSP more convenient and enjoyable. The STSP Administration also worked closely with local government to import new industries for better distribution and strengthened clustering.

In the area of industry operations, the respective increase in turnover and workforce to US\$18.6 billion and 54,115 exceeded the Park's operational goal of US\$17.3 billion and 52,000 employees for the year. In addition, Park-wide optoelectronics industry integration is complete, the photovoltaic industry supply chain is forming, IC industry development is on-track, a medical devices industry hub is forming at the Kaohsiung Science Park (KSP), and the telecommunications industry is also gradually taking shape under the guidance of the Telecommunications Technology Center (TTC) and Tatung Co..

In the effort to create a quality living environment, life is becoming evermore convenient for STSP employee. The Life Hub opened in September, the Wellness Center will open in April 2008, and Phase-III dormitories are expected to open in the second quarter of 2008. The Premier restaurant, a dining and banquet facility at the Commercial and Industrial Services Center, will commence operation in the first quarter of 2008, providing more in-Park dining and conference venue choices. Converted from existing county facilities, the National Nanke International Experimental High School (NNKIEH) is in its second year of operation, and will enroll its first senior high department class in 2008.

Efforts to elevate service quality on the part of the STSP Administration in 2007 were widely acknowledged and commended. The STSP/National Highway No. 1 Connective Road Construction Project, expected to commence operation in 2008, received the 8th Annual Public Construction Golden Quality Award for excellence in quality civil engineering. The Tainan Science Park (TSP) Resource Recycling Center received the Award of Excellence in the 2007 Award of Excellence for Industrial Waste Materials Recycling, Reduction, and Re-use, and the Environmental Protection Center again received the Award of Excellence in the Environmental Protection Agency' s 2007 Industrial Zone Sewerage System Inspections.

After over a decade of development, the past five years under our direction, we the STSP Administration remain relentless in our pursuit of a superior environment for life, production, and ecological fitness. Only with such an environment can we hope to attract more companies for the creation of a southern Taiwan high-tech industry cluster that would support existing STSP enterprises and ensure development for neighboring communities. The STSP Administration has set forth the "Triple-six" goals for 2008 — 60,000 employees and a NT\$600 billion (US\$20 billion) turnover, in the sixth year of the Administration. These goals, in keeping with the STSP's future goal of a turnover exceeding US\$33 billion by 2011, is a demonstration of our commitment to accelerate high-tech industry development in southern Taiwan for a more geographically comprehensive contribution to our nation's international competitiveness.

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