

DRAGON PHARMACEUTICAL INC  
Form PREM14A  
April 01, 2010

---

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A  
(Rule 14a-101)

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT

SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Filed by the Registrant  Filed by a Party other than the Registrant

Check the appropriate box:

- Preliminary Proxy Statement
- Confidential, for Use of the Commission only (as permitted by Rule 14a-6(e)(2))
- Definitive Proxy Statement
- Definitive Additional Materials
- Soliciting Material Pursuant to § 240.14a-12

DRAGON PHARMACEUTICAL INC.  
(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

---

(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement if Other Than the Registrant)

Payment of Filing Fee (Check the appropriate box):

- No fee required
  - Fee computed on table below per Exchange Act Rules 14a-6(i)(1) and 0-11
- 1) Title of each class of securities to which transaction applies:

Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share

2) Aggregate number of securities to which transaction applies: 67,066,418 shares of common stock outstanding; in-the-money stock options with respect to 7,960,000 shares of common stock; and warrants with respect to 0 shares of common stock.

3) Per unit price or other underlying value of transaction computed pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 0-11 (set forth the amount on which the filing fee is calculated and state how it was determined):

The maximum aggregate value was determined based upon the sum of (i) 67,066,418 shares of common stock multiplied by \$0.82 per share; and (ii) in-the-money stock options with respect to 7,960,000 shares of common stock multiplied by \$0.22 per share (which is the difference between \$0.82 and the weighted average exercise price of

Edgar Filing: DRAGON PHARMACEUTICAL INC - Form PREM14A

\$0.60 per share). In accordance with Exchange Act Rule 0-11(c), the filing fee was determined by multiplying 0.0000713 by the sum of the preceding sentence.

4) Proposed maximum aggregate value of transaction: \$56,745,662

5) Total fee paid: \$4,046

Fee paid previously with preliminary materials.

Check box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Exchange Act Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing for which the offsetting fee was paid previously. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the Form or Schedule and the date of its filing.

- 1) Amount Previously Paid: \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2) Form, Schedule or Registration Statement No.: \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3) Filing Party: \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4) Date Filed: \_\_\_\_\_
- 
-

PRELIMINARY COPY

DRAGON PHARMACEUTICAL INC.  
Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
Canada V6B 4N9  
Telephone (604) 669-8817

[Date]

Dear Shareholder:

You are cordially invited to attend the special meeting of the shareholders of Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc. ("we", the "Company" or "Dragon") to be held at 10:30 a.m. local time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2010 at Dragon's corporate office located at Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6B 4N9.

At the special meeting, you will be asked to consider and vote upon the following proposals:

1. to adopt the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of March 26, 2010, which we refer to as the "Merger Agreement" in this proxy statement, by and among Dragon, Chief Respect Limited, a Hong Kong corporation, Datong Investment Inc., a Florida corporation and subsidiary of Chief Respect Limited, and Mr. Yanlin Han, pursuant to which Datong Investment Inc. will merge with and into Dragon and each holder of Dragon shares of common stock, excluding Mr. Han, will receive \$0.82 per share.
2. to adjourn or postpone the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, including to solicit additional proxies in the event there are not sufficient votes in favor of adoption of the Merger Agreement at the time of the special meeting; and
3. to conduct such other business as may properly come before the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the meeting.

Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Datong Investment Inc., a Florida corporation, which we refer to as "MergerSub" in this proxy statement, will merge with and into Dragon, with our Company continuing as the surviving corporation of the merger. The shares of common stock of the Company held by Mr. Han prior to the merger will remain issued and outstanding after the merger and will not be affected by the merger. Following the merger, Dragon will become a subsidiary of Chief Respect Limited, a Hong Kong corporation which we refer to as "Parent" in this proxy statement, and the Parent and Mr. Han will be the shareholders of the surviving corporation.

After careful consideration and upon the recommendation of the Special Committee comprised entirely of directors with no financial interest in Parent and no affiliation (other than being Board members of the Company) with Mr. Yanlin Han, our board of directors (other than Mr. Han who did not participate in the deliberations or discussions related to the merger or vote on any matters related thereto) (i) determined that the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, including the merger, are substantively and procedurally fair to and in the best interests of our Company and our unaffiliated shareholders (by which we mean, for purposes of this determination, our shareholders other than Mr. Han); (ii) approved and authorized the Merger Agreement and the merger and (iii) recommends that you vote "FOR" the adoption of the Merger Agreement at the special meeting.

This proxy statement provides detailed information about the Merger Agreement and the merger. The description of the Merger Agreement and all other agreements in this proxy statement are subject to the terms of the actual agreements. We encourage you to read this proxy statement carefully, including its Appendixes and the documents we refer to in this proxy statement.



Your vote is very important, regardless of the number of shares you own. The proposed merger cannot be completed unless it is approved by (1) the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Company's voting common stock entitled to vote on the merger which is required under Florida law (the "Florida law vote") and (2) a majority of the votes cast by holders of outstanding shares of the Company's voting common stock entitled to vote on the merger, excluding the votes cast by Mr. Han which is required under the rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX vote") as described in the accompanying proxy statement. Mr. Han owned as of the record date approximately 38.0% of the Company's shares, which shares would be counted for the purpose of determining the Florida law vote but would not be counted for purpose of determining the TSX vote. Accordingly, assuming that Mr. Han voted all of his share in favor of the merger, the affirmative vote of greater than approximately 21% of the remaining 62% of the shares (or 13% of the all outstanding shares) would be required to approve the merger for purpose of the Florida law vote, and, assuming all of the Company's stockholders voted all of their shares with respect to the Merger Agreement, the affirmative vote of the majority of the remaining 62% of the shares would be required to approve the merger agreement for purposes of the TSX vote.

Only shareholders who owned shares of our common stock at the close of business on \_\_\_\_\_, the record date for the special meeting, will be entitled to vote at the special meeting. To vote your shares, you may use the enclosed proxy card or attend the special meeting and vote in person. On behalf of our board of directors, I urge you to complete, sign, date and return the enclosed proxy card as soon as possible, even if you currently plan to attend the special meeting.

Thank you for your support of our Company. I look forward to seeing you at the special meeting.

Sincerely,

/s/ Maggie Deng

Maggie Deng,  
Secretary

The proxy statement is dated \_\_\_\_\_2010, and is first being mailed to shareholders on or about \_\_\_\_\_.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities regulatory agency has approved or disapproved the merger, passed upon the merits or fairness of the merger or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of the disclosure in this document. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

In addition to delivering the proxy materials for the special meeting to be held on \_\_\_\_\_ to shareholders by mail, the proxy statement for such meeting is also available on our website at [www.dragonpharma.com](http://www.dragonpharma.com).

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

|   |    |
|---|----|
| SUMMARY TERM SHEET  | 1  |
| The Parties to the Merger   | 1  |
| The Merger  | 1  |
| Merger Consideration  | 1  |
| Treatment of Outstanding Stock Options  | 2  |
| Market Prices and Dividend Data   | 2  |
| Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger  | 2  |
| Material Canadian Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger   | 2  |
| Opinion of the Special Committee's Financial Advisor  | 3  |
| The Special Meeting of Shareholders   | 3  |
| Interests of Our Executive Officers and Directors in the Merger   | 4  |
| Indemnification Agreements  | 5  |
| Intentions of our Directors and Executive Officers and Voting Commitment                                      | 5  |
| Parent's Financing for the Transaction-Good Faith Deposit   | 6  |
| Conditions to the Closing of the Merger   | 6  |
| Solicitation of Other Offers  | 7  |
| Termination of the Merger Agreement   | 7  |
| Termination Fees  | 8  |
| Regulatory Matters  | 8  |
| Appraisal Rights  | 8  |
| Legal Proceedings Regarding the Merger  | 9  |
| QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE SPECIAL MEETING AND THE MERGER  | 9  |
| Notice of Internet Availability   | 15 |
| SPECIAL FACTORS   | 16 |
| Background to the Merger  | 16 |
| Reasons for the Merger and Recommendation of the Special Committee and Our Board of Directors                 | 18 |
| Opinion of the Special Committee's Financial Advisor  | 22 |
| Additional Information  | 27 |
| Purpose and Reasons for the Merger for Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han  | 28 |
| Position of Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han as to the Fairness of the Merger                                    | 28 |
| Interests of Our Executive Officers and Directors in the Merger   | 31 |
| Interest of Mr. Han in Parent and MergerSub   | 31 |
| Change in Control Benefits for Our Executive Officers   | 32 |
| Indemnification of Directors and Officers   | 32 |
| The Special Committee   | 32 |
| Related Party Transactions  | 33 |
| Form of the Merger  | 33 |
| Merger Consideration  | 33 |
| Parent's Financing for the Transaction  | 33 |
| Effects of the Merger   | 33 |
| Plans for Our Company After the Merger  | 34 |
| Effects on the Market for the Shares; OTC Bulletin Board and TSX Listing; Registration Under the Exchange Act | 35 |
| Effects on Our Company if the Merger is Not Completed   | 35 |
| Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger  | 36 |



|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Holdings Resident in Canada  | 38        |
| Holdings Not Resident in Canada  | 38        |
| Regulatory Matters   | 39        |
| Accounting Treatment   | 40        |
| Legal Proceedings Regarding the Merger   | 40        |
| Appraisal Rights   | 40        |
| Exercising Dissent Rights  | 43        |
| Provisions for Unaffiliated Shareholders   | 44        |
| Voting Intentions of Our Directors and Executive Officers and Voting Commitment of Mr. Han, Parent and MergerSub | 44        |
| Estimated Fees and Expenses of the Merger  | 44        |
| <b>CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS</b>  | <b>45</b> |
| <b>RISK FACTORS</b>  | <b>45</b> |
| <b>THE SPECIAL MEETING</b>   | <b>46</b> |
| Date, Time and Place   | 46        |
| Purpose of the Special Meeting   | 46        |
| Record Date; Shares Entitled to Vote; Quorum   | 46        |
| Vote Required  | 47        |
| Voting of Proxies  | 47        |
| Revocability of Proxies  | 47        |
| Solicitation of Proxies  | 48        |
| <b>THE PARTIES TO THE MERGER</b>   | <b>48</b> |
| <b>THE MERGER AGREEMENT</b>  | <b>49</b> |
| The Merger   | 49        |
| Effective Time   | 50        |
| Merger Consideration   | 50        |
| Payment Procedures   | 50        |
| Treatment of Outstanding Stock Options   | 51        |
| Representations and Warranties   | 51        |
| Company Material Adverse Effect Definition   | 54        |
| Conduct of Business Pending the Merger   | 54        |
| Solicitation of Other Offers   | 56        |
| Termination in Connection with a Superior Proposal   | 58        |
| Merger Financing-Good Faith Deposit  | 59        |
| Indemnification  | 60        |
| Additional Covenants   | 60        |
| Conditions to the Closing of the Merger  | 61        |
| Termination of the Merger Agreement  | 62        |
| Termination Fees   | 64        |
| Limitation on Remedies   | 64        |
| Amendment; Extension of Time; Waiver   | 64        |
| <b>IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING DRAGON PHARMACEUTICAL INC.</b>  | <b>65</b> |
| Description of Business  | 65        |
| Description of Property  | 65        |





|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Directors and Executive Officers   | 65        |
| Ownership of Common Stock by Certain Beneficial Owners, Directors and Executive Officers | 67        |
| Market Price of Our Company Common Stock and Dividend Information                        | 69        |
| Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure     | 70        |
| Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk                               | 70        |
| Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations    | 70        |
| Financial Statements   | 70        |
| Selected Financial Data  | 70        |
| Consolidated Balance Sheet Data  | 70        |
| Consolidated Statements of Operation   | 71        |
| Book Value Per Share   | 71        |
| Prior Public Offerings   | 71        |
| Prior Stock Purchases  | 71        |
| Prior Stock Purchases by Mr. Han, Parent and MergerSub                                   | 71        |
| Transactions During the Past Sixty Days  | 71        |
| <b>IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING MR. HAN, PARENT AND MERGERSUB</b>                     | <b>71</b> |
| Mr. Han  | 71        |
| Parent   | 72        |
| MergerSub  | 72        |
| Criminal and Administrative Proceedings  | 72        |
| Interest in Securities of Our Company  | 72        |
| <b>AUTHORITY TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL MEETING</b>  | <b>72</b> |
| Generally  | 72        |
| Vote Required  | 73        |
| <b>OTHER MATTERS</b>   | <b>73</b> |
| <b>SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS</b>   | <b>73</b> |
| <b>INFORMATION INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE</b>   | <b>74</b> |
| <b>WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION</b>   | <b>74</b> |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>   | <b>76</b> |
| APPENDIX A: AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER DATED MARCH 26, 2010                            |           |
| APPENDIX B: OPINION OF CANACCORD FINANCIAL LTD.  |           |
| APPENDIX C-1: DISSENT & APPRAISAL RIGHTS OF THE FLORIDA BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT        |           |
| APPENDIX C-2: FORM OF DISSENTER'S APPRAISAL NOTICE                                       |           |
| APPENDIX D: FORM 10-K FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009                               |           |

This proxy statement incorporates important business and financial information about the Company from documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission that are not included in, or delivered with, this document. This information is available without charge at the Securities and Exchange Commission's website, <http://www.sec.gov>, as

well as from other sources. Refer to “WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION.”

- iii -

---

## SUMMARY TERM SHEET

This following summary term sheet highlights selected information from this proxy statement and may not contain all of the information that is important to you. To understand the merger fully and for a more complete description of the legal terms of the merger, we encourage you to read carefully this entire proxy statement, its Appendixes and the documents referred to or incorporated by reference in this proxy statement. Each item in this summary includes a page reference directing you to a more complete description of that topic. Refer to "Where You Can Find More Information."

### The Parties to the Merger

Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc. Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc. is a manufacturer and distributor of a broad line of high-quality antibiotic products including Clavulanic Acid, 7-ACA, downstream cephalosporin active pharmaceutical ingredient and formulated powder for injection in both Chinese and emerging markets. Our headquarters are located at Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6B 4N9. Our telephone number at our headquarters is (604) 669-8817. Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc. is referred to in this proxy statement as alternatively the "Company," "Dragon" and "we."

Chief Respect Limited, a Hong Kong corporation, is a new company which was formed in connection with the merger. Chief Respect Limited has not carried on any activities other than in connection with the merger. Mr. Han, our Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and owner of approximately 38.0% of the outstanding share of our common stock, is the sole shareholder of the Chief Respect Limited. Chief Respect Limited's principal offices are located at 11/F, AXA Centre, 151 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, and its telephone number is (852)-25823800. Chief Respect Limited is referred to in this proxy statement as "Parent."

Datong Investment Inc., a Florida corporation, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent and has not engaged in any business activity other than activities related to the purpose of merging with our Company. If the merger is completed, Datong Investment Inc. will cease to exist following its merger with and into our Company. The principal offices are located at c/o Corporation Service Company, 1201 Hays Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301. Datong Investment is referred to in this proxy statement as "MergerSub."

### The Merger

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, MergerSub, a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent, will merge with and into our Company. The shares of common stock of the Company held by Mr. Han prior to the merger will remain issued and outstanding after the merger and will not be affected by the merger. After the merger, Dragon will continue as the surviving corporation and as a subsidiary of Parent. The surviving corporation will be a privately held corporation with Mr. Han and the Parent as its shareholders. With the exception of Mr. Han, our current shareholders will cease to have any ownership interest in the surviving corporation or rights as shareholders of the surviving corporation.

### Merger Consideration

If the merger is completed, each share of our common stock, other than as provided below, will be converted into the right to receive \$0.82 in cash, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes. We refer to this consideration per share of common stock to be paid in the merger as the "merger consideration." The following shares of our common stock will not be converted into the right to receive the merger consideration in connection with the merger: (1) shares held by any of our shareholders who are entitled to and who properly exercise appraisal rights under Florida law; and (2) shares owned by Mr. Han. Mr. Han currently owns approximately 38.0% of our

outstanding shares and is our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

- 1 -

---

At the effective time of the merger, our shareholders, with the exception of Mr. Han, will no longer have any rights as a shareholder other than the right to receive the merger consideration, or for those who have properly exercised appraisal rights under Florida law, the right to receive fair value. In no event will our shareholders, with the exception of Mr. Han, have rights as a member or shareholder of Parent or MergerSub, respectively, as a result of the merger. Our shareholders entitled to the merger consideration will receive the merger consideration after exchanging their stock certificates in accordance with the instructions contained in the letter of transmittal to be sent to our shareholders shortly after the effective time of the merger.

#### Treatment of Outstanding Stock Options

Pursuant to the plans and stock option agreements under which they were issued, each outstanding stock option will, at the effective time of the merger, to the extent not previously exercised, be canceled and terminated and converted into the right to receive a cash payment for each vested share of our common stock subject to such option equal to the excess, if any, of (1) the merger consideration over (2) the option exercise price payable in respect of such share of our common stock issuable under such option, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes.

#### Market Prices and Dividend Data

Shares of our common stock are quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol "DRUG". On March 26, 2010, the last full trading day prior to the public announcement of the merger, the closing price for our common stock was \$0.69 per share. On \_\_\_\_\_, the latest practicable trading day before the printing of this proxy statement, the closing price for our common stock was \$\_\_\_\_\_ per share.

#### Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, your receipt of cash in exchange for your shares of our common stock in the merger generally will result in your recognizing gain or loss measured by the difference, if any, between the cash you receive in the merger and your tax basis in your shares of our common stock.

Tax matters can be complicated, and the tax consequences of the merger to you will depend on the facts of your own financial situation. Further, we have not addressed the tax effect of the merger to persons who are not citizens of or residents of the United States. In addition the tax effect on holders of stock options has not been address. We strongly recommend that you consult your own tax advisor to fully understand the tax consequences of the merger to you.

#### Material Canadian Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger

A shareholder who is resident in Canada and who holds common shares as capital property is generally expected to recognize a capital gain (or capital loss) for Canadian federal income tax purposes equal to the amount by which the amount of cash received for such common shares, net of any reasonable costs of disposition, exceeds (or is less than) the holder's adjusted cost base of the common shares. Any capital gain so realized on the merger by a shareholder who is a non-resident of Canada in general is not expected to be subject to Canadian federal income taxation.

This overview of Canadian federal income tax considerations is subject to the more detailed discussion under “Special Factors – Material Canadian Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger” and the assumptions noted therein. In addition, tax matters can be complicated, and the tax consequences of the merger to you will depend on the facts and your particular circumstances. We are not in a position to give tax advice to any particular holder, and we strongly recommend that you consult your own tax advisor to fully understand the tax consequences of the merger to you.

#### Reasons for the Merger and Recommendation of the Special Committee and Our Board of Directors

Our board of directors (other than Mr. Han who did not participate in the deliberations or discussions related to the merger or vote on any matters related thereto) recommends that you vote "FOR" adoption of the Merger Agreement and "FOR" the proposal to adjourn or postpone the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies. In reaching its determination that the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby, including the merger, are substantively and procedurally fair to our Company and our unaffiliated shareholders (by which we mean, for purposes of this determination, our shareholders other than Mr. Han) and its decision to approve the Merger Agreement and recommend its adoption to our shareholders, our board of directors considered the factors described herein. Our board of directors based its recommendation in part on the recommendation of the Special Committee, which Special Committee acted with the advice and assistance of our management and its independent legal and financial advisor and was comprised at all times of directors with no financial interest in Parent and no affiliation with Mr. Han.

#### Opinion of the Special Committee's Financial Advisor

On March 26, 2010, Canaccord Financial Ltd., which we refer to as "Canaccord" in this proxy statement, rendered its opinion to the Special Committee to the effect that, as of March 26, 2010, the consideration to be received by our unaffiliated shareholders in the proposed merger pursuant to the Merger Agreement was fair to such unaffiliated shareholders from a financial point of view. For purposes of its opinion, Canaccord defined our unaffiliated shareholders as the holders of our common stock, other than Mr. Han.

Canaccord's opinion speaks only as of the date of the opinion. The opinion was directed to the special committee and is directed only to the fairness of the merger consideration to Dragon's shareholders, other than holders of shares of Dragon who comply with the provisions of the FBCA regarding the right of the shareholders to dissent from the Merger and Mr. Han, from a financial point of view. It does not address the underlying business decision of Dragon to engage in the merger or any other aspect of the merger. The summary of Canaccord's opinion in this proxy statement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of its written opinion, which is included as Appendix B to this proxy statement and sets forth the procedures followed, assumptions made, qualifications and limitations on the review undertaken and other matters considered by Canaccord in preparing its opinion. However, neither Canaccord's written opinion nor the summary of its opinion and the related analyses set forth in this proxy statement are intended to be, and do not constitute advice or a recommendation to any shareholder as to how such shareholder should act or vote with respect to any matter relating to the merger. Refer to "Special Factors—Opinion of the Special Committee's Financial Advisor."

## The Special Meeting of Shareholders

Date, Time and Place. A special meeting of our shareholders will be held on \_\_\_\_\_, at our corporate office, Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6B 4N9, at 10:30 a.m., local time, to:

- consider and vote upon the adoption of the Merger Agreement;
- consider and vote on a proposal to adjourn or postpone the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in the event there are not sufficient votes in favor of adoption of the Merger Agreement at the time of the special meeting; and
- transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the meeting.

Record Date and Voting Power. You are entitled to vote at the special meeting if you owned shares of our common stock at the close of business on \_\_\_\_\_, the record date for the special meeting. You will have one vote at the special meeting for each share of our common stock you owned at the close of business on the record date. There are 67,066,418 shares of our common stock entitled to be voted at the special meeting.

Required Vote. Under Florida law, the adoption of the Merger Agreement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of our common stock outstanding at the close of business on the record date (the "Florida law vote"). In addition, under the rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange the Merger Agreement must be approved by holders of common stock representing a majority of the shares of outstanding common stock excluding shares of common stock owned by Mr. Han (the "TSX vote"). Approval of any proposal to adjourn or postpone the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast by holders of our common stock present, in person or represented by proxy, and entitled to vote at the special meeting.

## Interests of Our Executive Officers and Directors in the Merger

You should be aware that members of our board of directors and executive officers have interests in the merger that may be different from, or in addition to, yours. These interests are summarized below and more fully described in "Special Factors—Interests of Our Executive Officers and Directors in the Merger"

- Mr. Han, our Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and an owner of approximately 38.0 % of our outstanding shares, is the sole owner of the Parent. Mr. Han is also the sole director and officer of the Parent and the MergerSub. The shares of common stock of the Company held by Mr. Han prior to the merger will remain issued and outstanding after the merger and will not be affected by the merger. After the merger, Dragon will continue as the surviving corporation and as a subsidiary of Parent. The surviving corporation will be a privately held corporation with Mr. Han and the Parent as its shareholders.
- Similar to all other option holders under our stock option plan, stock options held by our executive officers and directors will be canceled and converted into the right to receive a cash payment, for each vested share of our common stock subject to each option, equal to the excess, if any, of (1) the merger consideration over (2) the option exercise price payable in respect of such share of our common stock issuable under such option, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes. Refer to the "—Treatment of Outstanding Stock Options," above.



## Indemnification

The Merger Agreement also provides that from and after the effective time of the merger, Parent and the surviving corporation shall:

- to the extent permitted under applicable law, indemnify and hold harmless each individual who is as of the date of the Merger Agreement or during the period from such date through the effective time of the merger serving as our director, officer, trustee or fiduciary or, in such capacity for any of our subsidiaries with respect to any judgments, fines, penalties and amounts paid in settlement in connection with any claim, suit, action, proceeding or investigation, based on or arising out of or relating to such individual's position as a director, officer, trustee, employee, agent or fiduciary of ours or any of our subsidiaries;
- assume all our and our subsidiaries' obligations to such individuals in respect of indemnification and exculpation from liabilities for acts or omissions occurring at or prior to the effective time of the merger, as provided in our and our subsidiaries' organizational documents; and
- provides for standard releases from liability for any act while such person was acting as a director or executive officer on behalf of the Company.

## Voting Intentions of Our Directors and Executive Officers and Voting Commitment

Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, Mr. Han, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, agreed to vote all shares of common stock held by him in favor of the adoption of the Merger Agreement. As of the date of this proxy statement, Mr. Han owns 25,453,741 shares of our common stock representing approximately 38.0% of our outstanding shares of common stock.

In addition, pursuant to a Support Agreement, Mr. Zhanguo Weng, Ms. Xuemei Liu, Dr. Alexander Wick and Dr. Yiu Kwong Sun, each a director of the Company (collectively "Supporting Shareholders") have agreed to vote all shares of common stock held by them in favor of the adoption of the Merger Agreement. Although the Special Committee, and in particular its Chairman Peter Mak, primarily negotiated with Mr. Han with respect to among other things merger consideration, the Special Committee kept informed and sought approval from the Mr. Weng and Ms. Liu.

As of the date of this proxy statement, Mr. Weng owns 8,986,783 shares, Ms. Liu owns 4,493,391 shares, Dr. Wick owns 500,000 shares and Dr. Sun owns 700,000 shares of our common stock, which collectively represents approximately 21.9% of our outstanding shares of common stock.

Consequently, assuming that the Supporting Shareholders vote their shares of common stock representing approximately 21.9% of the outstanding shares in favor of the Merger Agreement, along with Mr. Han's 38.0%, collectively representing 59.9% of the outstanding shares they will have a sufficient number of shares to approve the Merger Agreement under Florida law vote and but will need other shareholders to vote for the merger in order to meet the TSX vote.

#### Parent's Financing for the Transaction -Good Faith Deposit

Parent has represented to us that at the effective time of the merger, Parent will have sufficient cash to make all payments required under the Merger Agreement, including the merger consideration payable to our shareholders. Parent intends to finance the merger consideration through Mr. Han's personal funds and personal loans from private lenders.

The Parent has agreed to deposit \$3,000,000 into a segregate account to be jointly controlled by Mr. Han and either Ms. Maggie Deng, Chief Operating Officer or Mr. Garry Wong, Chief Financial Officer on behalf of the Company. \$1,000,000 was delivered upon the execution of the Merger Agreement, and \$2,000,000 was delivered upon the filing of the definitive proxy statement. The deposit may be used to pay for the merger consideration. If Parent is unable to obtain the merger consideration by the Closing, or if Mr. Han otherwise breaches the Merger Agreement, the Company will be entitled to a termination fee of \$400,000.

#### Conditions to the Closing of the Merger

The obligations of the parties to consummate the merger are subject to the satisfaction or, to the extent permissible under applicable law, waiver of certain conditions on or prior to the closing date of the merger. Those conditions include (1) approval of the merger by a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock; (2) approval of the merger by a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock excluding shares held by Mr. Han; and (3) no governmental authority preventing the merger by way of an injunction, order or other legal restraint.

The obligations of Parent and MergerSub to complete the merger are subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions including (1) a requirement that our representations and warranties be true and correct as of the date of the signing of the Merger Agreement and the closing of the merger, but only if a Company Material Adverse Effect (as defined in the Merger Agreement) would result if the representations and warranties are not so true and correct; (2) Company shall have performed or complied in all material respects with all agreements and covenants in the Merger Agreement required to be performed or complied with by it on or prior to the effective time of the merger and (3) our Chief Operating Officer shall have delivered a certificate that all of the conditions relating to our representations and obligations under the Merger Agreement have been satisfied.

Our obligations to complete the merger are subject to certain conditions including (1) a requirement that Parent and MergerSub's representations and warranties be true and correct as of the date of the signing of the Merger Agreement and the closing of the merger, but only if the failure to be so true and correct would prevent or materially hinder Parent or MergerSub from consummating the merger; (2) Mr. Han, Parent and MergerSub shall have performed or complied in all material respects with all agreements and covenants in the Merger Agreement required to be performed or complied with by them on or prior to the effective time of the merger; and (3) we shall have received a certificate signed by an authorized officer of Parent certifying that all of the conditions with respect to Parent's, MergerSub's and Mr. Han's representations and obligations under the Merger Agreement have been satisfied.

The conditions to the closing of the merger are more fully described below in "The Merger Agreement—Conditions to the Closing of the Merger."

### Solicitation of Other Offers

In general, we are required to terminate discussions with respect to, or that could be reasonably be expected to lead to, an acquisition proposal and are required not to authorize or permit any of our representatives to, directly or indirectly, initiate, solicit, encourage or knowingly take any other action to facilitate any inquiries or the making of any acquisition proposal.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if we receive a written acquisition proposal, we may contact the person making such proposal solely to clarify and understand the terms and conditions of such acquisition proposal so as to determine whether such acquisition proposal is reasonably likely to lead to a superior proposal.

Furthermore, if our board of directors determines in good faith that an acquisition proposal constitutes or is reasonably likely to lead to a superior proposal we may participate in negotiations regarding the acquisition proposal if our board of directors determines in good faith that not doing so would be inconsistent with its duties under applicable law.

### Termination of the Merger Agreement

The Merger Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the consummation of the merger, whether before or after shareholder approval has been obtained:

- by mutual written consent of the Parent and Company;
- by either us or Parent if the merger has not been consummated within 270 days of the effective date of the merger agreement or if there is a court order preventing the merger;
- by Parent if (1) we breach or fail to perform any of our representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained in the Merger Agreement, unless such breach or failure would not result in a Company Material Adverse Effect, or (2) our board of directors withdraws its recommendation for the merger or recommends an alternative acquisition proposal; or
- by us if (1) Parent or MergerSub breach or fail to perform any of their representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained in the Merger Agreement unless such breach or failure would not prevent or materially hinder Parent or MergerSub from consummating the merger; or (2) prior to obtaining the Company Shareholder Approval, (i) the Special Committee or the Company Board has concluded in good faith, after consultation with the Special Committee's or the Company's outside legal counsel and the Company Financial Advisor, that, in light of a Superior Proposal, failure to terminate this Agreement would be inconsistent with the directors' exercise of their fiduciary obligations to the Company's shareholders (other than Mr. Han) under applicable Law, (ii) the Company has complied in all material respects with its obligations relating to acquisition proposals under certain provision of the merger agreement, and (iii) concurrent with such termination, the Company enters into a definitive agreement with respect to such Superior Proposal ("Superior Proposal").

### Termination Fees

We agreed to pay Parent a \$1,000,000 termination fee (1) if our board of directors withdraws its recommendation for the merger or recommends an alternative acquisition proposal, and such alternative acquisition is consummated within 12 months; or (2) if we terminate the merger agreement as a result of a Superior Proposal.

In addition, we agreed to pay Parent a \$400,000 termination fee if Parent terminates the agreement due to a breach by the Company of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained in the Merger Agreement.

Parent agreed to pay us a \$400,000 termination fee if we terminate the agreement due to a breach by Parent or MergerSub of any of their representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained in the Merger Agreement, including breach resulting from Parent's failure to secure financing for payment of the merger consideration.

### Regulatory Matters

The merger is a "business combination" under Multilateral Instrument 61-101 – Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions ("MI 61-101") adopted by the Ontario Securities Commission. MI 61-101 provides that, unless exempted, a corporation proposing to carry out a business combination is required to obtain an independent valuation of the subject matter of the transaction and provide to the securityholders of the corporation a summary of such valuation. MI 61-101 also requires that, in addition to any other required securityholder approval, in order to complete the transaction, the approval of a majority of the votes cast by "minority" shareholders of the affected corporation be obtained. The Company will be obtaining minority shareholder approval for the merger.

In accordance with Section 2.4(1)(b) of MI 61-101, Parent is exempt from the valuation requirements of MI 61-101 on the basis that Parent and the Supporting Shareholders have, through arm's length negotiations, entered agreements to support and vote in favor of the merger.

### Appraisal Rights

Florida law provides our shareholders with appraisal rights in connection with the merger. If you object to the merger, the Florida Business Corporation Act, or FBCA, permits you to seek relief as a dissenting shareholder and have the "fair value" of your shares of common stock determined by a court and paid to you in cash. If you oppose the merger and did not vote "For" the merger, and wish to dissent to the merger, you must deliver to the Company a written demand for appraisal of your shares by \_\_\_\_\_2010.

As discussed under the section titled "Special Factors-Appraisal Rights" any shareholder who opposes the merger may exercise dissent and appraisal rights under the FBCA. If you wish to exercise your dissenter's and appraisal rights, then you must demand payment and submit your stock certificates to Maggie Deng, Secretary, Dragon Pharmaceutical, Inc, Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6B 4N9, prior to the merger and after the merger, Mr. Yanlin Han, Chief Respect Limited, Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6B 4N9. The procedure for dissent and appraisal is described in Sections 607.1301 to 607.1333 of the Florida Business Corporation Act, which are attached as Appendix C-1 to this proxy statement. We require strict adherence to the procedures set forth therein, and failure to do so may result in the loss of all dissenters' appraisal rights. Accordingly, each shareholder who might desire to exercise dissenter's appraisal rights should carefully consider and comply with the provisions of those sections and consult his or her legal advisor. A form of Dissenter's Appraisal Notice is attached as Appendix C-2 to this proxy statement.

## Legal Proceedings Regarding the Merger

There have been no lawsuits or legal proceedings regarding the merger.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE SPECIAL MEETING AND THE MERGER

The following questions and answers are intended to address commonly asked questions regarding the merger. These may not address all questions that may be important to you as a shareholder. We urge you to read carefully the more detailed information contained elsewhere in this proxy statement, the Appendixes to this proxy statement and the documents we refer to in this proxy statement.

Q: Why am I receiving this proxy statement?

A: Our board of directors is furnishing this proxy statement in connection with the solicitation of proxies to be voted at a special meeting of shareholders, or at any adjournments or postponements of the special meeting.

Q: What am I being asked to vote on?

A: You are being asked to vote to adopt a Merger Agreement that provides for the acquisition of our Company by Parent. The proposed acquisition would be accomplished through the merger of MergerSub, a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent, with and into our Company. Shares of common stock of our Company owned by Mr. Han will not be affected by the merger and will continue to remain issued and outstanding after the merger. As a result of the merger, our Company will become a subsidiary of Parent and will be owned by the Parent and Mr. Han as shareholders of the surviving corporation.

In addition, you are being asked to grant our management discretionary authority to adjourn or postpone the special meeting. If, for example, we do not receive proxies from shareholders holding a sufficient number of shares to adopt the Merger Agreement, we could use the additional time to solicit proxies in favor of adoption of the Merger Agreement.

Q: What effects will the merger have on our Company?

A: The merger is a "going private" transaction. Upon completion of the merger, we will cease to be a publicly traded company and will be owned by Parent and Mr. Han. As a result, you will no longer have any interest in our future earnings or growth, if any. Following completion of the merger, the registration of our common stock and our reporting obligations with respect to our common stock under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which we refer to as the "Exchange Act" in this proxy statement, are expected to be terminated. In addition, upon completion of the merger, shares of our common stock will no longer be quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board or listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange or quotation system.

Q: What happens if the merger is not completed?

A: If the Merger Agreement is not adopted by our shareholders, or if the merger is not completed for any other reason, our shareholders will not receive any payment for their shares pursuant to the Merger Agreement. Instead, our Company will remain as a public company and our common stock will continue to be registered under the Exchange Act and quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board and listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange. Under specified circumstances, we may be required to pay Parent a termination fee or Parent may be required to pay us a termination fee, in each case, as described in "The Merger Agreement—Termination Fees."



Q: What will I receive in the merger?

A: As a result of the merger, our shareholders (other than Mr. Han) will receive \$0.82 in cash, without interest and less any applicable withholding tax, if any, for each share of our common stock they own as of the date of the merger, unless they properly exercise appraisal rights. For example, if you own 100 shares of our common stock, you will receive \$82.00 in cash, less any applicable withholding tax, if any, in exchange for your 100 shares.

Q: What do I need to do now?

A: We urge you to read this proxy statement, the Appendixes to this proxy statement and the documents we refer to in this proxy statement carefully and consider how the merger affects you. Then mail your completed, dated and signed proxy card in the enclosed return envelope as soon as possible, so that your shares can be voted at the special meeting of our shareholders. Please do not send your stock certificates with your proxy card.

Q: How does our Company's board of directors recommend that I vote?

A: Our board of directors recommends that you vote "FOR" the adoption of the Merger Agreement and "FOR" the proposal to adjourn or postpone the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies in the event there are not sufficient votes in favor of the adoption of the Merger Agreement at the time of the special meeting. Refer to "Special Factors—Reasons for the Merger and Recommendation of the Special Committee and Our Board of Directors."

Q: Do any of our Company's directors or executive officers have interests in the merger that may differ from those of Company shareholders?

A: Yes. Mr. Han, our Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and an owner of approximately 38.0% of our outstanding shares common stock, is affiliated with Parent and MergerSub. Shares of common stock of the Company owned by Mr. Han will not be affected by the merger and will remain issued and outstanding. After the merger, he will directly and indirectly own all of the issued and outstanding shares of the surviving corporation. In addition, similar to all other option holders under our stock option plan, stock options held by our executive officers and directors will be canceled and converted into the right to receive a cash payment in an amount equal to the excess, if any, of (1) the merger consideration over (2) the option exercise price. Refer to "Special Factors—Interests of Company Executive Officers and Directors in the Merger.

Q: What is the Special Committee?

A: On December 20, 2009 our board of directors established a Special Committee of directors to investigate and evaluate strategic alternatives, including a possible merger, acquisition, sale of all or substantially all of our assets or similar transactions, whether solicited by or on our behalf, or unsolicited. Our board of directors did not place any limitations on the authority of the Special Committee regarding its investigation and evaluation of strategic alternatives. The Special Committee, however, did not have the power or authority to authorize or approve a transaction or agree on behalf of our board of directors to do so, which power and authority was expressly reserved to our board of directors.

The Special Committee is, and has been at all times, composed of directors who have no financial interest in Parent and no affiliation with Mr. Han. At the time the Special Committee recommended that our board of directors approve the Merger Agreement, the members of the Special Committee were Mr. Peter Mak, Chairman, Dr. Jin Li and Dr. Heinz Frey. In connection with their involvement in the Special Committee, the Board authorized compensation for Mr. Mak in the amount of \$40,000, as Chairman, and for Dr. Li and Dr. Frey, each in the amount of \$20,000 as members of the Special Committee..Refer to "Special Factors—The Special Committee"

Q: What vote is required to adopt the Merger Agreement?

A: Under Florida law, adoption of the Merger Agreement requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock. In addition, under the rules of the Toronto Stock exchange, the Merger Agreement must be approved by a majority of the votes cast by holders of outstanding shares of the Company's voting common stock entitled to vote on the merger, excluding the votes cast by Mr. Han. As of \_\_\_\_\_, the record date for determining who is entitled to vote at the special meeting, there were 67,066,418 shares of our common stock issued and outstanding.

Mr. Han, who is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, owns 38.0% of the outstanding shares of common stock; and Mr. Zhanguo Weng, Ms. Xuemei Liu, Dr. Alexander Wick and Dr. Yiu Kwong Sun, each a director and a Supporting Shareholder who collectively own 21.9% of the outstanding shares of common stock; intend to vote "FOR" the Merger Agreement and merger. Assuming that the Supporting Shareholders vote their shares of common stock representing approximately 21.9% of the outstanding shares in favor of the Merger Agreement, along with Mr. Han's 38.0%, collectively representing 59.9% of the outstanding shares they will have a sufficient number of shares to approve the Merger Agreement under Florida law vote and but will need other shareholders to vote for the merger in order to meet the TSX vote.

Q: Where and when is the special meeting of shareholders?

A: The special meeting will be held on \_\_\_\_\_ at Dragon' headquarter office, Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6B 4N9 at 10:30 a.m., local time.

Q: Who is entitled to vote at the special meeting?

A: Only shareholders of record as of the close of business on \_\_\_2010 are entitled to receive notice of the special meeting and to vote at the special meeting, or at any adjournments or postponements of the special meeting the shares of our common stock that they held at the record date.

Q: What is a "quorum"?

A: A "quorum" is a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote and attending the meeting. They may be present in person or represented by proxy. For the purposes of determining a quorum, shares held by brokers or nominees for which we receive a signed proxy will be treated as present even if the broker or nominee does not have discretionary power to vote on a particular matter or if instructions were never received from the beneficial owner. These shares are called "broker non-votes." Abstentions will be counted as present for quorum purposes.



Q: May I vote in person?

A: Yes. If your shares are registered in your name, you may attend the special meeting and vote your shares in person, rather than signing and returning your proxy card. If your shares are held in "street name" and you wish to attend and vote in person at the special meeting, then you must obtain a legal proxy issued in your name from the broker, bank or other nominee that holds your shares of record. Even if you plan to attend the special meeting in person, we urge you to complete, sign, date and return the enclosed proxy to ensure that your shares will be represented at the special meeting.

You cannot vote shares held in "street name" by returning a proxy card directly to our Company or by voting in person at the special meeting. If you hold your shares in "street name" and wish to vote in person at the special meeting, then you must obtain a legal proxy issued in your name from the broker, bank or other nominee that holds your shares of record.

Q: How do I vote by proxy?

A: To vote by proxy, you have to sign and date each proxy card you receive and return it in the postage-prepaid envelope enclosed with your proxy materials. If you are a registered shareholder and attend the meeting, you may deliver your completed proxy card in person.

If your shares are held by your broker or bank, in "street name," you will receive a form from your broker or bank seeking instructions as to how your shares should be voted.

Q: What shares are included on the proxy card(s)?

A: The shares on your proxy card(s) represent all of your shares. If you do not return your proxy card(s), your shares will not be voted.

Q: Who will count the votes?

A: Our Secretary will count the votes and act as the inspector of election. Our transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company of Canada, will count the proxies and provide this information at the time of the meeting.

Q: What happens if I do not return my proxy card or attend the special meeting and vote in person?

A: The adoption of the Merger Agreement requires the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock. In addition, under the rules of the Toronto Stock exchange, the Merger Agreement must be approved by a majority of the votes cast by holders of outstanding shares of the Company's voting common stock entitled to vote on the merger, excluding the votes cast by Mr. Han. Therefore, if you do not return your proxy card or attend the special meeting and vote in person, it will have the same effect as if you voted "AGAINST" adoption of the Merger Agreement. For the proposal to adjourn or postpone the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies, abstentions will have no effect on the outcome.

Q: May I change my vote after I have mailed my signed proxy card?

A: Yes. You may change your vote at any time before your proxy is voted at the special meeting. You can do this in one of three ways:



You can deliver to our corporate secretary a written notice bearing a date later than the proxy you delivered to us stating that you would like to revoke your proxy, provided the notice is received by \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_ time) on \_\_\_\_\_.

You can complete, execute and deliver to our corporate secretary a later-dated proxy for the same shares, provided the new proxy is received by \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_ time) on \_\_\_\_\_.

You can attend the meeting and vote in person. Your attendance at the special meeting alone will not revoke your proxy.

Any written notice of revocation or subsequent proxy should be delivered to us at Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia V6B 4N9, Attention: Corporate Secretary, or hand-delivered to our corporate secretary at or before the taking of the vote at the special meeting.

If you have instructed a broker to vote your shares, you must follow directions received from your broker to change those instructions.

Q: If my broker holds my shares in "street name," will my broker vote my shares for me?

A: Your broker will not be able to vote your shares without instructions from you. You should instruct your broker to vote your shares following the procedure provided by your broker. Without instructions, your shares will not be voted, which will have the same effect as if you voted "AGAINST" adoption of the Merger Agreement.

Q: What should I do if I receive more than one set of voting materials?

A: You may receive more than one set of voting materials, including multiple copies of this proxy statement and multiple proxy cards or voting instruction cards. For example, if you hold your shares in more than one brokerage account, you will receive a separate voting instruction card for each brokerage account in which you hold shares. If you are a shareholder of record and your shares are registered in more than one name, you will receive more than one proxy card. Please complete, sign, date and return each proxy card and voting instruction card that you receive.

Q: What happens if I sell my shares of common stock before the special meeting?

A: The record date for the special meeting is earlier than the date of the special meeting and the date the merger is expected to be completed. If you transfer your shares of our common stock after the record date but before the special meeting, you will retain your right to vote at the special meeting, but will have transferred the right to receive the merger consideration for the shares of our common stock you transferred. The right to receive the merger consideration will pass to the person who owns your shares when the merger is completed. You also will no longer be able to assert appraisal rights and if you vote in favor of adoption of the Merger Agreement, and the subsequent holder of your shares also will not be able to assert appraisal rights.

Q: Will the merger be taxable to me?

A: Yes. The receipt of cash pursuant to the merger will be a taxable transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and may also be a taxable transaction under applicable state, local, provincial or foreign income or other tax laws. Generally, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a shareholder will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount of cash received by the shareholder in the merger and the shareholder's adjusted tax basis in the shares of our common stock converted into cash in the merger. Because individual circumstances may differ and many of our shareholders reside outside the United States, we recommend that you consult your own tax advisor to determine the particular tax effects to you. Refer to "Special Factors—Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger"

In addition, a shareholder who is an individual resident in Canada and who holds common shares as capital property is generally expected to recognize a capital gain (or capital loss) for Canadian federal income tax purposes equal to the amount by which the amount of cash received for such common shares, net of any reasonable costs of disposition, exceeds (or is less than) the holder's adjusted cost base of the common shares. Any capital gain so realized on the merger by a shareholder who is a non-resident of Canada in general is not expected to be subject to Canadian federal income taxation. Refer to "Special Factors – Material Canadian Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger"

Q: What will the stock option holders receive in the merger?

A: Each outstanding stock option will, at the effective time of the merger, to the extent not previously exercised, be canceled and terminated and converted into the right to receive a cash payment for each share of our common stock subject to such option equal to the excess, if any, of (1) the merger consideration over (2) the option exercise price payable in respect of such share of our common stock issuable under such option, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes. Refer to "The Merger Agreement—Treatment of Outstanding Stock Options"

Q: What regulatory approvals and filings are needed to complete the merger?

A: No government regulatory approvals are necessary to complete the merger.

Q: When do you expect the merger to be completed?

A: We are working toward completing the merger as quickly as possible and currently expect to consummate the merger at the end of the second quarter of 2010. In addition to obtaining shareholder approval, we must satisfy all other closing conditions.

Q: What rights do I have if I oppose the merger?

A: Under Florida law, shareholders are entitled to appraisal rights in connection with the merger, subject to the conditions discussed more fully elsewhere in this proxy statement. If a shareholder properly exercises appraisal rights, then the shareholder has the right to litigate a proceeding in court, at the conclusion of which the shareholder will receive the judicially determined fair value of their shares of our common stock. The fair value of our common stock may be more than, equal to or less than the merger consideration to be paid to non-dissenting shareholders in the merger. To preserve your appraisal rights, if you wish to exercise them, you must not vote in favor of the adoption of the Merger Agreement and you must follow specific procedures. Failure to follow the steps required by law for perfecting appraisal rights may lead to the loss of those rights, in which case the dissenting shareholder will be treated in the same manner as a non-dissenting shareholder. For a more complete description of your appraisal rights and related procedures, refer to the section entitled "Special Factors—Appraisal Rights" and Appendix C-1 for a reproduction of Sections 607.1301-607.1333 of the FBCA, which relates to the appraisal rights of dissenting shareholders. Because of the complexity of the law relating to appraisal rights, shareholders who are considering

objecting to the merger are encouraged to read these provisions carefully and consult their own legal advisors.

- 14 -

---

Q: Should I send in my stock certificates now?

A: No. PLEASE DO NOT SEND IN YOUR STOCK CERTIFICATES WITH YOUR PROXY. If you hold your shares in your name as a shareholder of record, then shortly after the merger is completed you will receive a letter of transmittal with instructions informing you how to send in your stock certificates to the paying agent in order to receive the merger consideration in respect of your shares of our common stock. You should use the letter of transmittal from Computershare Trust Company of Canada who will serve as the paying agent to exchange your stock certificates for the merger consideration which you are entitled to receive as a result of the merger. If you hold your shares in "street name" through a broker, bank or other nominee, then you will receive instructions from your broker, bank or other nominee as to how to effect the surrender of your "street name" shares in exchange for the merger consideration.

Q: Who should I contact for questions or to obtain additional copies of the proxy statement?

A: If you have questions about the merger, including the procedures for voting your shares, you should contact:

Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc.  
Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
Canada V6B 4N9  
Attention: Maggie Deng, Corporate Secretary  
Telephone: 604-669-8817

#### Notice of Internet Availability

Pursuant to rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") in addition to providing you with this full set of proxy materials, including the Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders, proxy statement, Proxy Card and the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, these proxy materials are available on our website at: [www.dragonpharma.com](http://www.dragonpharma.com).

## SPECIAL FACTORS

Our board of directors believes that the proposed merger is in the best interest of the Company's shareholders. In coming to its decision, the board of directors considered a number of factors. Our board of directors, with the assistance of management, has periodically reviewed and assessed our Company's business strategy and the various trends and conditions affecting our Company and our industry in general. Our board of directors has explored a variety of strategic alternatives with the goal to increase revenue and profitability and maximize shareholder value. This review and assessment has included, among other things, consideration of whether it would be in the best interests of our shareholders for our Company to continue as an independent public company, our ability to raise additional capital to continue as an independent public company, or to combine with or be acquired by another company. In addition, our board of directors has considered the limited trading volume of our Company's common stock and the fact that a substantial number of our shares of common stock is held by one person, Mr. Han.

The following discussion contains a summary of the discussions and events relating to the contemplated merger.

### Background to the Merger

During the end of calendar year 2008 and the beginning of 2009, the Company and management held a series of meetings with various investment bankers and funds in the attempt to raise capital for payment of debt, further expansion and to address the possible issue of relocating the Company's production facilities. Although these meetings led to some generic discussion about the raising of capital and other transactions including taking the Company private, in each circumstance, the Company believed that proposed purchase price was too low and too dilutive to existing shareholders.

At a board of directors meeting held on November 12, 2009, management reported on various alternatives for the Company including the sale of the Company or its operating subsidiary. It was after the November 12, 2009 board meeting that Mr. Han considered possibly purchasing the remaining shares of the Company that he did not own and taking the Company private.

At the board of directors meeting held on December 20, 2009, Mr. Han indicated to the board that he was considering taking the Company private through the purchase of the remaining shares of common stock that he did not own. At the December 20, 2009, Mr. Han indicated the following reasons why he was considering taking the action:

- the Company has conducted extensive road shows and investor presentations during the past year and approached many potential investors with no investment offers close to market price;
- many alternatives have been explored by the board including issuing convertible bonds, listing on a senior stock exchange, migrating to the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, selling a majority interest in our subsidiaries, selling major assets, or merging with a Chinese public company. Each of these plans involve many legal issues or would largely dilute the current shareholders' interest which could move our stock price down;
- the city of Datong government has had discussions with the Company to relocate its production facilities. The Company's production facilities are reaching full capacity and now are surrounded by residential buildings. To meet future business opportunities and to expand capacity, a relocation of our production facilities has to be considered which will require a significant capital investment; and

- the purchase of all of the outstanding shares of common stock will provide an opportunity for shareholders to receive cash for their shares at a price that may not be otherwise available due to the limited market liquidity for the Company's shares.

Although at the December 20, 2009 board meeting Mr. Han indicated that he was considering taking the Company private through the purchase of all of the other shares of common stock not owned by him, he did not give a price for the shares or indicate how he would pay for such shares. As a result of this discussion, the board of directors formed the Special Committee of Independent Directors ("Special Committee") consisting of Mr. Peter Mak, who served as Chairman, and Drs. Li and Frey who served as the other Special Committee members. In connection with their involvement in the Special Committee, the board authorized compensation for Mr. Mak in the amount of \$40,000 and for Dr. Frey and Dr. Li each in the amount of \$20,000.

On January 7, 2010 Special Committee held a meeting via conference call to consider Mr. Han's proposal and alternatives, as well as the procedure and process of a going private transaction. The Special Committee formalized its duties including the following: (1) maximize the interests of the shareholders; (2) engage an investment banker to assist the Special Committee in making an evaluation of the Company and its alternatives; and (3) engage professionals to assist in the process and to advise the Special Committee. At the conclusion of the meeting, the Special Committee requested Mr. Mak to meet with potential investment bankers to assist the Special Committee through this process.

On January 14, 2010, Mr. Mak came to the Company's headquarter office located in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada to interview prospective investment bankers to assist the Company in this process. Mr. Mak also was introduced to the Company's counsel of Bullivant Houser Bailey, PC and Lang Michener, LLP. Mr. Mak was also introduced to Canaccord which made a presentation as to its qualifications. It was this at this meeting that Mr. Mak indicated that he would recommend the engagement of Canaccord to the other Special Committee members.

On January 15, 2010, the Board of Directors received a non-binding proposal from Mr. Han to acquire all of the outstanding shares of the Company at a price of \$0.80 per share.

On January 22, 2010, the members of the Special Committee convened a meeting. All members of the Special Committee were present in addition to Maggie Deng, Chief Operating Officer, Garry Wong, Chief Financial Officer and the Canadian and U.S. legal counsel for the Company. After discussion with both the Company's Canadian and US legal counsel, the Special Committee agreed to enter into negotiations with Mr. Han. In addition, the Special Committee approved the retention of Canaccord as its financial advisor to assist in the process. In coming to its decision to retain Canaccord, the Special Committee noted that Canaccord sponsored Dragon's application with the Toronto Stock Exchange in connection with its merger with Oriental Wave in 2005, Canaccord's senior investment banker and analysis had previously visited the Company's Datong operations in China, and Canaccord was locally based in Vancouver, British Columbia which would make the process more efficient.

On January 22, 2010, the Company issued a press release informing the public of Mr. Han's proposal. On January 25, 2010, the Company filed a Current Report on Form 8-K with the SEC disclosing the issuance of the press release.

On February 8, 2010, the Special Committee held a meeting to hear a presentation of Canaccord's preliminary range of values for the Company. At such meeting, the following topics, among others, were discussed: (1) the Company's corporate organization and business strategy; (2) relocation/expansion plans for the Company's production facilities; (3) the Company's current financial statements and financial projections relating to the Company's future operations; (4) share distribution and majority share ownership; (5) share price history; (6) the Company's management, (7) valuation methodologies; (8) information of comparable companies; (9) recent going private transactions for companies in the healthcare business; and (10) the implied value of Dragon's shares. After discussion among the Special Committee members, the Special Committee members appointed Mr. Mak to further negotiate with Mr. Han



in an attempt to obtain a higher price for the shares.

- 17 -

---

On February 10, 2010, Mr. Mak and Mr. Han held discussions regarding the proposed purchase price. Among other items discussed, Mr. Mak did point out that the proposed offering price of \$0.80 per share was below book value. In a letter dated February 11, 2010, Mr. Han responded that during the period that the Company was seeking capital from potential investors, the proposed offering price received was below Mr. Han's proposed price. However, Mr. Han did indicate that based on his financing capability, he would increase the purchase price to \$0.82 per share.

On March 3, 2010, the board of directors met to consider Mr. Han's new proposal and other terms of the proposed transaction. All board of directors attended this meeting except for Mr. Han and Ms. Liu. At the meeting, Canaccord made a presentation via telephone conference as to the purchase price of \$0.80 by Mr. Han, which was subsequently disclosed that Mr. Han increased to \$0.82 per share. Canaccord went through its analysis, and preliminarily indicated that the initial proposed offering price of \$0.80 fell within the range of fairness, but indicated that at that time, Canaccord was not in a position to issue its formal opinion since it had to be reviewed by Canaccord's opinion committee and that certain terms regarding the merger had yet to be finalized. Mr. Mak then reported the Special Committee's process, discussions with its financial advisor and attorneys, analysis, discussions with Mr. Han and its recommendation of the proposed transaction. Mr. Mak had indicated that after further discussions with Mr. Han, Mr. Han increased his offer from \$0.80 per share to \$0.82 per share. After discussion among the board members, the board of directors approved the merger at \$0.82 per share subject to the Special Committee receiving a fairness opinion from Canaccord.

On March 26, 2010, Canaccord submitted its written fairness opinion to the Special Committee which indicated that merger consideration was fair from a financial point of view to the shareholders of the Company and on that same day, the Merger Agreement was signed by all parties.

#### Reasons for the Merger and Recommendation of the Special Committee and Our Board of Directors

Our board of directors, acting upon the recommendation of the Special Committee, which Special Committee acted with the advice and assistance of our management (excluding Mr. Han) and its independent financial and legal advisors, evaluated the proposed merger, including the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement.

At the March 3, 2010, the Special Committee recommended that our board of directors adopt resolutions that:

- approve and declare advisable the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, including the merger,
- determine that the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, including the merger, are substantively and procedurally fair to and in the best interests of our Company and our unaffiliated shareholders (by which we mean, for purposes of this determination, our shareholders other than Parent, MergerSub, Mr. Han and their respective affiliates), and

- recommended that our shareholders adopt the Merger Agreement.

As a result, our board of directors (excluding the vote of Mr. Han who did not participate in the deliberations or discussions related to the merger or vote on any matters related thereto and Ms. Liu who did not attend such meeting) approved the resolutions recommended by the Special Committee subject to Canaccord providing the Special Committee a fairness opinion that the proposed merger consideration of \$0.82 per share was fair from a financial statement point to the shareholders. Canaccord delivered its opinion on March 26, 2010.

In the course of reaching their respective determinations, the Special Committee and our board of directors considered the following substantive factors and potential benefits of the merger, each of which the Special Committee and our board of directors believed supported their respective decisions, but which are not listed in any relative order of importance:

- our board of directors' knowledge of our business, financial condition, results of operations, prospects and competitive position and its belief that the cash to be received in the merger is more favorable to our shareholders than any other alternative reasonably available to our Company and our shareholders;
- the additional capital expenditure of \$100 million that will be required for two new facilities since our current 7-ACA and Clavulanic Acid product facilities are close to their maximum capacity;
- our board of directors' recognition of challenges to our efforts to increase shareholder value as an independent publicly-traded company, including competition from companies with substantially greater resources than we currently have;
- estimated forecasts of our future financial performance prepared by our management, together with our management's view of our financial condition, results of operations, business, prospects and competitive position;
- the limited trading volume of our common stock in the market;
- the consideration to be received by our unaffiliated shareholders in the merger and a comparison of similar merger transactions;
- our ability to raise capital to complete our business objectives without substantial dilution to our existing shareholders;
  - the input from our Supporting Shareholders with respect to proposed merger;
  - the \$3,000,000 good faith deposit to be used toward for the Merger Consideration;
- the negotiations on the terms of the Merger Agreement between the Special Committee and its advisors, on the one hand, and Mr. Han and his advisors, on the other hand,
- our board of directors' belief that the terms of the Merger Agreement, including the parties' representations, warranties and covenants, and the conditions to their respective obligations, are reasonable;

- the all cash merger consideration, which will allow our unaffiliated shareholders to immediately realize liquidity for their investment and provide our shareholders certainty of value for their shares;
- the current and historical market prices of our common stock, including the 36.67% premium to the closing price of our common stock on January 22, 2010 (the date on which Mr. Han's offer was first announced) represented initially by the \$0.80 per share price subsequently increased to \$0.82 per share price to be paid in the merger;
- our ability, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement, to terminate the Merger Agreement prior to the completion of the merger in order to accept an alternative transaction proposed by a third party that is a "superior proposal" (as defined in the Merger Agreement and further explained under "Merger Agreement—Solicitation of Other Offers" below), upon the payment to Mr. Han of \$1,000,000 termination fee; and
- the financial analysis reviewed and discussed with the Special Committee and, at the request of the Special Committee, with our board of directors, by representatives of Canaccord.

In addition, the Special Committee and our board of directors believed that sufficient procedural safeguards were and are present to ensure that the merger is procedurally fair to our unaffiliated shareholders and to permit the Special Committee and our board of directors to represent effectively the interests of our unaffiliated shareholders. These procedural safeguards, which are not listed in any relative order of importance, are discussed below:

- in considering the transaction with Parent, the Special Committee and our board of directors acted to represent solely the interests of the unaffiliated shareholders, and the Special Committee had independent control of the negotiations with Mr. Han's legal advisor on behalf of such unaffiliated shareholders;
- all of the directors serving on the Special Committee at the time of the recommendation to our board for approval, and all of the directors of the board who voted for approval, of the merger and related matters are independent directors and free from any affiliation with Parent, MergerSub or Mr. Han, none of such directors is or ever was an employee of our Company or any of its subsidiaries; and none has any financial interest in the merger that is different from that of the unaffiliated shareholders;
- none of our directors (other than Mr. Han) is affiliated with Parent, MergerSub or Mr. Han and none has any financial interest in the merger that is different from that of the unaffiliated shareholders;
- the Special Committee was assisted in negotiations with Parent and evaluation of the transaction by Canaccord, its independent financial advisor;
- the Special Committee had full control over the process of considering strategic alternatives for our Company the date it was established, and no transaction from that date forward was considered by our board for approval unless the Special Committee had recommended to our board the approval of such transaction;

- the financial and other terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement were the product of negotiations between the Special Committee and its advisors, on the one hand, and Mr. Han and Parent and their advisors, on the other hand;
- under the direction of the Special Committee, management (excluding Mr. Han) contacted investment firms and potential investors previously met before to see if they may be interested in entering into a transaction involving the Company. In this regard, subsequent to Mr. Han's public announcement of his proposal, management contacted two United States firms who previously were interested in investing in the Company to see if they were still interested in the Company. Those two firms indicated that they were not interested in the Company in light of Mr. Han's proposed price;
- the ability of our Company to terminate the Merger Agreement upon acceptance of a superior proposal without having to submit the Merger Agreement to the vote of our shareholders;
- Mr. Han's complete recusal from the deliberations and discussions of our board of directors related to the merger and the vote on the Merger Agreement; and
- the availability of appraisal rights to the unaffiliated shareholders who comply with all of the required procedures under Florida law for exercising appraisal rights, which allow such holders to seek appraisal of the fair value of their stock as determined by the court.

In addition to the above, the Special Committee also considered discussions with certain Supporting Shareholders for purposes of negotiating the terms of the Merger Agreement or preparing a report concerning the fairness of the Merger Agreement and the merger, or to require a separate affirmative vote of a majority of our unaffiliated shareholders.

The Special Committee and board of directors also considered a variety of potentially negative factors discussed below concerning the Merger Agreement and the merger, which are not listed in any relative order of importance:

- the possibility that the merger might not be consummated and the negative impact of a public announcement of the merger on our sales and operating results and our ability to attract and retain key management, marketing and technical personnel;
- the taxability of an all cash transaction to our unaffiliated shareholders for U.S. federal income tax purposes;
- the possibility that Parent may be unable or unwilling to complete the merger, including if it is unable to obtain sufficient financing to complete the merger despite its compliance with its obligations related to obtaining financing under the Merger Agreement;
- \$400,000 termination fee payable by Mr. Han, which is our Company's sole remedy if Parent does not consummate the merger for any reason including the unavailability of financing; and

- the restrictions in the Merger Agreement on the conduct of our business prior to the completion of the merger.

The foregoing discussion of information and factors considered by the Special Committee and our board of directors is not intended to be exhaustive, but includes a number of the factors considered by the Special Committee and our board of directors. In view of the wide variety of factors considered by the Special Committee and our board of directors, neither the Special Committee nor our board of directors found it practicable to, and neither did quantify or otherwise assign relative weights to the foregoing factors in reaching its conclusion. In addition, individual members of the Special Committee and our board of directors may have given different weights to different factors and may have viewed some factors more positively or negatively than others. The Special Committee recommended that our board of directors approve, and our board of directors approved, the Merger Agreement based upon the totality of the information presented to and considered by it.

In reaching its determination that the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby, including the merger, are substantively and procedurally fair to our Company and our unaffiliated shareholders and its decision to approve the Merger Agreement and recommend the adoption of the Merger Agreement by our shareholders, our board of directors considered the analysis and recommendation of the Special Committee and the factors examined by the Special Committee as described above.

#### Opinion of the Special Committee's Financial Advisor

By letter dated January 26, 2010, the special committee retained Canaccord to act as its financial advisor in connection with a proposed transaction with Mr. Han. Canaccord is a recognized investment banking firm who is experienced in mergers and acquisition in the biotechnology/pharmaceutical sector. In the ordinary course of its investment banking business, Canaccord is regularly engaged in the valuation of companies and their securities in connection with mergers and acquisitions and other corporate transactions including cross-border transactions.

Canaccord acted as financial advisor to the special committee in connection with the proposed merger with Parent. Canaccord did not participate in the negotiations leading to the Merger Agreement. At the February 8, 2010 special committee meeting and at the March 3, 2010 board meeting, at which the proposed merger was discussed, Canaccord gave its preliminary review of the proposed offering price. Canaccord subsequently delivered to the special committee its written opinion dated March 26, 2010 stating that, as of such date, the merger consideration was fair to Dragon's shareholders, other than holders of shares of Dragon who comply with the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act ("FBCA") regarding the right of the shareholders to dissent from the Merger and Mr. Han, from a financial point of view. Canaccord has confirmed its March 26, 2010 opinion by delivering to the board a written opinion dated the date of this proxy statement. In rendering its updated opinion, Canaccord confirmed the appropriateness of its reliance on the analyses used to render its earlier opinion by reviewing the assumptions upon which their analyses were based, performing procedures to update certain of their analyses and reviewing the other factors considered in rendering its opinion.

The full text of Canaccord's updated opinion is attached as Appendix B to this proxy statement and is incorporated herein by reference. The opinion outlines the procedures followed, assumptions made, matters considered and qualifications and limitations on the review undertaken by Canaccord in rendering its opinion. The description of the opinion set forth below is qualified in its entirety by reference to the opinion. We urge our shareholders to read the entire opinion carefully in connection with their consideration of the proposed merger.

Canaccord's opinion speaks only as of the date of the opinion. The opinion was directed to the special committee and is directed only to the fairness of the merger consideration to Dragon's shareholders, other than holders of shares of Dragon who comply with the provisions of the FBCA regarding the right of the shareholders to dissent from the Merger and Mr. Han, from a financial point of view. It does not address the underlying business decision of Dragon to engage in the merger or any other aspect of the merger and is not a recommendation to any Dragon shareholder as to how such shareholder should vote at the special meeting with respect to the merger, and the merger consideration to be received.

In arriving at its opinion, Canaccord reviewed:

- Proposals in letters dated January 15, 2010 and February 11, 2010 by Yanlin Han;
- Executed Agreement and Plan of Merger dated March 26, 2010;
- Corporate documents including all minutes and resolutions of the shareholders and board of directors of Dragon for the last five years;
- Internal financial models and operating information with respect to the business, operations and prospects prepared by management of Dragon;
- Discussions with management of Dragon of the past and current business, operations, financial condition and prospects;
  - Historical market price for the common shares of Dragon and comparisons of its performance;
  - Public information with respect to other companies and / or transactions of a comparable nature that Canaccord considered to be relevant for purposes of its analysis;
- A certificate of representation as to certain factual matters and the completeness and accuracy of the information upon which the Fairness Opinion is based, addressed to Canaccord and dated the date hereof, provided by senior officers of Dragon;
  - Certain other documents filed by Dragon on the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval (SEDAR) that Canaccord considered to be relevant for purposes of its analysis; and
- Such other financial and market information, investigations and analyses as Canaccord considered necessary or appropriate in the circumstances.

In connection with Canaccord's engagement, Canaccord did not solicit indications of interest in a potential transaction from other third parties.

In performing its reviews and analyses and in rendering its opinion, Canaccord assumed and relied upon the accuracy and completeness of all the financial information, analyses and other information that was publicly available or otherwise furnished to, reviewed by or discussed with Canaccord and further relied on the assurances of management of Dragon that they were not aware of any facts or circumstances that would make such information inaccurate or misleading. Canaccord was not asked to and did not independently verify the accuracy or completeness of any of such information and they did not assume any responsibility or liability for the accuracy or completeness of any of such information. Canaccord did not make an independent evaluation or appraisal of the assets, the collateral securing assets or the liabilities, contingent or otherwise, of Dragon or any of its respective subsidiaries, or the collectability of any such assets, nor was it furnished with any such evaluations or appraisals.

Canaccord's opinion was necessarily based upon market and other conditions as they existed on, and could be evaluated as of, the date of its opinion. Canaccord assumed, in all respects material to its analysis, that all of the representations and warranties contained in the Merger Agreement and all related agreements are true and correct, that each party to such agreements will perform all of the covenants required to be performed by such party under such agreements and that the conditions precedent in the Merger Agreement are not waived. Canaccord also assumed that there has been no material change in Dragon's assets, financial condition, results of operations, business or prospects since the date of the most recent financial statements made available to them, that Dragon will remain as going concerns for all periods relevant to its analyses.

In rendering its March 26, 2010 opinion, Canaccord performed a variety of financial analyses. The following is a summary of the material analyses performed by Canaccord, but is not a complete description of all the analyses underlying Canaccord's opinion. The summary includes information presented in tabular format. In order to fully understand the financial analyses, these tables must be read together with the accompanying text. The tables alone do not constitute a complete description of the financial analyses. The preparation of a fairness opinion is a complex process involving subjective judgments as to the most appropriate and relevant methods of financial analysis and the application of those methods to the particular circumstances. The process, therefore, is not necessarily susceptible to a partial analysis or summary description. Canaccord believes that its analyses must be considered as a whole and that selecting portions of the factors and analyses considered without considering all factors and analyses, or attempting to ascribe relative weights to some or all such factors and analyses, could create an incomplete view of the evaluation process underlying its opinion. Also, no company included in Canaccord's comparative analyses described below is identical to Dragon and no transaction is identical to the merger. Accordingly, an analysis of comparable companies or transactions involves complex considerations and judgments concerning differences in financial and operating characteristics of the companies and other factors that could affect the public trading values or merger transaction values, as the case may be, of Dragon and the companies to which it is being compared.

The earnings projections for Dragon used and relied upon by Canaccord in its analyses were based upon internal financial projections provided by Dragon. With respect to such financial projections, Dragon's management confirmed to Canaccord that they reflected the best currently available estimates and judgments of such managements of the future financial performance of Dragon, respectively, and Canaccord assumed for purposes of its analyses that such performances would be achieved. Canaccord expressed no opinion as to such financial projections or the assumptions on which they were based. The financial projections provided by management of Dragon were prepared for internal purposes only and not with a view towards public disclosure; nor were they provided to Mr. Han. These projections, as well as the other estimates used by Canaccord in its analyses, were based on numerous variables and assumptions that are inherently uncertain, and, accordingly, actual results could vary materially from those set forth in such projections.

In performing its analyses, Canaccord also made numerous assumptions with respect to industry performance, business and economic conditions and various other matters, many of which cannot be predicted and are beyond the control of Dragon and Canaccord. The analyses performed by Canaccord are not necessarily indicative of actual values or future results, which may be significantly more or less favorable than suggested by such analyses. Canaccord prepared its analyses solely for purposes of advising the special committee and board of directors in their consideration of the merger and in rendering its opinion and provided such analyses to the special committee on February 8, 2010 and board meeting on March 3, 2010. Estimates on the values of companies do not purport to be appraisals or necessarily reflect the prices at which companies or their securities may actually be sold. Such estimates are inherently subject to uncertainty and actual values may be materially different. Accordingly, Canaccord's analyses do not necessarily reflect the value of Dragon's common stock or the prices at which Dragon's common stock may be sold at any time.



Canaccord used three valuation methodologies to assess the value of the shares of common stock of Dragon consisting of Comparable Company Analysis, Discounted Cash Flow and Precedent Transaction Analysis.

### Comparable Company Analysis

Canaccord reviewed trading multiples Enterprise Value (“EV”) to Earnings Before Interest Taxes Depreciation and Amortization (“EBITDA”) and price to earnings or (“P/E”) for other comparable companies. In discussions with management, Canaccord considered the following companies listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange as the primary peer group:

- The United Laboratories
- China Pharmaceutical Group
- Dawnrays Pharmaceutical Holdings

Canaccord considered the following companies as the secondary peer group, and although they do not focus on the same business as Dragon, they are in the pharmaceutical sector with a presence in China and are publicly listed on North American stock exchanges:

- Simcere Pharmaceutical Group
- Tongjitang Chinese Medicines
- Tianyin Pharmaceutical

In addition, in its analysis, Canaccord believes that Dragon’s shares should trade at discount relative to its peers based on the following factors:

Canaccord discounted the implied valuation arrived from the peer group analysis by 30% - 35% ("Company Discount") to reflect to several factors including illiquidity of the shares, Dragon’s negative working capital position and financing risks with limited ability to access the capital markets and small company risk.

|  | EV/EBITDA | P/E   |
|--|-----------|-------|
|  | LTM       | LTM   |
| <b>Hong Kong Listed Chinese Pharma</b> |           |       |
| Average                                | 6.8x      | 12.0x |
| Median                                 | 7.0x      | 10.7x |
| <b>U.S. Listed Chinese Pharma</b>      |           |       |
| Average                                | 9.7x      | 17.0x |
| Median                                 | 10.1x     | 17.0x |

Based on its finding, Canaccord determined that (1) the average last twelve months earnings before interest taxes depreciation and amortization (“LTM EBITDA”) and earnings multiple for the primary peer group is 7x and 12x respectively; (2) the average LTM EBITDA and earnings multiple for the secondary peer group is 10x and 17x; and (3) the average LTM EBITDA and earnings multiple for the primary and secondary group is 8x and 15x respectively.

## EV/EBITDA

Applying a 6-7x multiple to Dragon's LTM EBITDA and Company Discount of 30-35%, Canaccord arrived at a valuation of \$0.75 to \$1.04 per share of Dragon.

## P/E

Applying an 11-12x multiple to Dragon's LTM earnings and Company Discount of 30-35%, Canaccord arrived at a valuation of \$0.68 to \$0.80 per share of Dragon.

Further analysis included applying peer group multiples to Dragon's projected EBITDA and earnings for the fiscal year ended 2009. Applying a 5-6x multiple to Dragon's projected 2009 EBITDA and Company Discount of 30-35%, Canaccord arrived at a valuation of \$0.60 to \$1.07 per share of Dragon. Applying a 9-10x multiple to Dragon's projected 2009 earnings and Company Discount of 30-35% Canaccord arrived at a valuation of \$0.71 to \$0.88 per share of Dragon.

## Discounted Cash Flow

Canaccord utilized the financial projections provided by Dragon's management. Projections were based on a capital expenditure assumption of \$100 million over 2 years of which a large proportion would be financed by debt (100%) and government incentives. Further assumptions utilized include a weighted average cost of capital in the range of 15% - 20% to discount the cash flows and terminal value to the present.

Based on the above assumptions, Canaccord arrived at a valuation of \$0.62 to \$1.13 per share.

## Precedent Transaction Analysis

Canaccord reviewed relevant transactions such as going private, leverage buy out, management buy-out and majority shareholder purchasing remaining shares, in the healthcare sector. Based on our review, premiums paid for the last 30 days prior to the announcement were median - 28% and average - 37%. Applying a 28% to 37% premium to the 30 day volume-weighted average price of Dragon's per share price of \$0.62, Canaccord arrives at a valuation of \$0.79 to \$0.85.

## Recent Precedent Transactions in the Healthcare Sector

| Buyer            | Target                       |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| Private Equity   | Goldshield Group plc         |
| Chairman and CEO | Life Sciences Research, Inc. |
| Novarits AG      | Speedel Holding AG           |
| Chairman and CEO | Tongitang Chinese Medicines  |
| General Atlantic | Emdeon Inc.                  |
| Private Equity   | Pronova BioPharma ASA        |
| Private Equity   | Warner Chilcott Holdings     |
| Private Equity   | Talecris Biotherapeutics     |

## Additional Information

As noted above, the discussion set forth above is a summary of the material financial analyses presented by Canaccord to the Special Committee in connection with its opinion. The preparation of such an opinion is a complex analytical process involving various determinations as to the most appropriate and relevant methods of financial analysis and the application of those methods to the particular circumstances and, therefore, such an opinion is not readily susceptible to partial analysis or summary description. Canaccord believes that its analyses summarized above must be considered as a whole. Canaccord did not form an opinion or recommendation as to whether any individual analysis or factor, considered in isolation, supported or failed to support its opinion. Canaccord further believes that selecting portions of its analyses and the factors considered or focusing on information presented in tabular format, without considering all analyses and factors or the narrative description of the analyses, could create a misleading or incomplete view of the processes underlying Canaccord' analyses and opinion. The fact that any specific analysis has been referred to in the summary above is not meant to indicate that such analysis was given greater weight than any other analysis referred to in the summary.

In performing its analyses, Canaccord considered industry performance, general business and economic conditions and other matters, many of which are beyond the control of the Company and Parent. The estimates of the future performance of the Company and Parent in or underlying Canaccord' analyses are not necessarily indicative of actual values or actual future results, which may be significantly more or less favorable than those estimates or those suggested by Canaccord' analyses. These analyses were prepared solely as part of Canaccord's analysis of the fairness, from a financial point of view, of the \$0.82 per share merger consideration and were provided to the Special Committee in connection with the delivery of Canaccord' opinion. The analyses do not purport to be appraisals or to reflect the prices at which a company might actually be sold or the prices at which any securities have traded or may trade at any time in the future. Accordingly, the estimates used in, and the ranges of valuations resulting from, any particular analysis described above are inherently subject to substantial uncertainty and should not be taken to be Canaccord' view of the actual values of the Company or Parent.

The type and amount of consideration payable in the Merger was determined through negotiations between representatives of the Special Committee and representatives of the Company, in each case acting at the direction of the Special Committee, on the one hand, and representatives of Parent, on the other hand, and was recommended for approval by the Special Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. The decisions to recommend the entry into and to enter into the Merger Agreement were solely those of the Special Committee and the Board of Directors, respectively. As described above, Canaccord' opinion and analyses were only one of many factors considered by the Special Committee in its evaluation of the proposed Merger and should not be viewed as determinative of the views of the Special Committee or the Board of Directors with respect to the Merger or the \$0.82 per share merger consideration.

Canaccord provided financial advisory services to the Special Committee in connection with the merger and Canaccord will receive a fee for such services of Cdn \$150,000. Under the terms of the engagement letter between the Company and Canaccord, Cdn \$75,000 was paid upon signing of the engagement letter and Cdn \$75,000 was paid upon delivery of the fairness opinion. In addition, the Company agreed to reimburse Canaccord for its reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with its engagement and to indemnify Canaccord against certain liabilities arising out of its engagement.

During the two years preceding the date of Canaccord' opinion, neither Canaccord nor its affiliates were engaged by, performed any services for or received any compensation from the Company, Parent, Merger Sub or any of their respective affiliates (other than from the Company in connection with the Merger).

The Special Committee retained Canaccord to act as the Special Committee's financial advisor in connection with the opinion. References to Canaccord in this proxy statement refer to Canaccord and employees or representatives of

Canaccord and/or its affiliates.

- 27 -

---

#### Purpose and Reasons for the Merger for Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han

Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han are making the statements included in this section solely for the purpose of complying with the requirements of Rule 13e-3 and related rules under the Exchange Act.

If the merger is completed, our Company will become a subsidiary of Parent, and Mr. Han and Parent will own the Company. For Parent and MergerSub, the purpose of the merger is to effectuate the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement.

For Mr. Han, the purpose of the merger is to allow Mr. Han to directly and indirectly own equity interests in our Company and to bear the rewards and risks of such ownership after shares of our Company's common stock cease to be publicly traded.

Mr. Han believes that it is best for our Company to operate as a privately held entity in order to allow our Company greater operational flexibility and to focus on its long-term growth and continuing improvements to its business without the constraints and distractions caused by the public equity market's valuation of its common stock. Moreover, Mr. Han believes that our Company's future business prospects can be improved through the active participation of Parent in the Company's strategic direction. Although Mr. Han believes that there will be significant opportunities associated with his investment in the Company, he realizes that there are also substantial risks (including the risks and uncertainties relating to the prospects of our Company) and that such opportunities may not ever be fully realized.

Mr. Han has believed for the past few months that it would be in the best interests of our Company, its shareholders and its employees for our Company to cease being a public company. Mr. Han further believes that now is the appropriate time for our Company to cease being a public company in light of changes in the economy and the stock market. As a small public company, our Company has lacked effective market making support, research coverage, and institutional investor interest which has affected the Company's ability to raise capital at a reasonable cost. Our common stock has been traded at low trading volumes. Mr. Han does not see improvement in these adverse factors, due to Mr. Han's view that investment banks are cutting back on equity research, particularly for small capitalization public companies like our Company, and investment guidelines for institutional investors that preclude the purchase of low price, thinly traded or low market capitalization stocks. Prior to our Company announcing that it had entered into the Merger Agreement, from January 1, 2010 until January 20, 2010, the Company's closing stock price had been ranging from \$0.75 to \$0.38.

Mr. Han believes that structuring the transaction as a merger transaction is preferable to other transaction structures because (1) it will enable Parent to acquire all of the outstanding shares of our Company, excluding Mr. Han's shares, at the same time, and (2) it represents an opportunity for our Company's unaffiliated shareholders to receive fair value for their shares of common stock.

#### Position of Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han as to the Fairness of the Merger

Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han are making the statements included in this section solely for the purpose of complying with the requirements of Rule 13e-3 and related rules under the Exchange Act. The views of Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han should not be construed as a recommendation to any shareholder as to how that shareholder should vote on the proposal to adopt the Merger Agreement.

Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han attempted to negotiate the terms of a transaction that would be most favorable to them, and not to the shareholders of our Company, and, accordingly, did not negotiate the Merger Agreement with a goal of obtaining terms that were fair to such shareholders. However, Mr. Han does believe that a sale of our Company is in the best interests of the shareholders and that the merger consideration exceeds the value that he believes our Company's common stock could obtain in the foreseeable future if we continued as an independent, public company.

None of Parent, MergerSub or Mr. Han participated in the deliberation process of our board of directors, or in the conclusions of our board of directors, as to the substantive and procedural fairness of the merger to the unaffiliated shareholders of our Company, nor did they undertake any independent, third party evaluation of the fairness of the merger to our Company's unaffiliated shareholders. Nevertheless, Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han believe that the proposed merger is substantively and procedurally fair to the unaffiliated shareholders on the basis of the factors discussed below.

Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han believe that the proposed merger is substantively fair to the unaffiliated shareholders based on the following factors:

- the current and historical market prices of the common stock, including the 33.33% premium to the closing price of our common stock on January 20, 2010, represented by the \$0.80 per share price to be paid in the merger. January 20, 2010, was the last trading day prior to Mr. Han's publicly announced non-binding offer to purchase the Company for \$0.80 per share. Mr. Han subsequently increased his offer to \$0.82 per share. The \$0.82 per share price also represents a 19% premium to the per share closing price of our common stock of \$0.69 on March 26, 2010, the last trading day immediately prior to the announcement of the merger, and a 19% premium to the average per share closing price of our common stock of \$0.70 for the month prior to the announcement of the merger. From February 26, 2010 to March 26, 2010, our common stock traded below \$0.82 per share and had not exceeded \$0.82 per share since October 1, 2008;
- the additional anticipated capital expenditure of \$100 million that will be required for two new facilities since our current 7-ACA and Clavulanic Acid product facilities are close to its maximum capacity and the city of Datong has initiated discussion about the relocation of our production facilities;
- none of Parent, MergerSub or Mr. Han purchased any shares of our common stock in the two years prior to execution of the Merger Agreement;
- no other party during the period the Special Committee conducted its process to consider strategic alternatives for our Company made a firm offer to acquire the Company at a price per share equal to or higher than the \$0.82 per share to be paid by Parent in the merger;
- the Company's ability, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement, to terminate the Merger Agreement prior to the completion of the merger in order to accept an alternative transaction proposed by a third party that is a "superior proposal" (as defined in the Merger Agreement and further explained under "Merger Agreement—Solicitation of Other Offers" below), upon the payment to Mr. Han of a \$1,000,000 termination fee,
- the fact that the merger consideration is all cash, allowing the unaffiliated shareholders to immediately realize a certain and fair value for all shares of their Company common stock;

- the Company's ability, under certain circumstances, to provide information to, or participate in discussions or negotiations with, third parties regarding other proposals; and
- the availability of appraisal rights to the unaffiliated shareholders who comply with all of the required procedures under Florida law for exercising appraisal rights, which allow such holders to seek appraisal of the fair value of their stock as determined by court.

Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han believe that the proposed merger is procedurally fair to the unaffiliated shareholders based on the following factors:

- the board of directors (excluding Mr. Han), including director serving on the Special Committee, are not employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, are not affiliated with Parent, MergerSub or Mr. Han, and have no financial interest in the merger that is different from that of the unaffiliated shareholders;
- none of the directors of the Company (other than Mr. Han) is affiliated with Parent, MergerSub or Mr. Han, and none has any financial interest in the merger that is different from that of the unaffiliated shareholders;
- the Special Committee engaged Canaccord, as its financial advisor, and Bullivant Houser Bailey PC and Lang Michener LLP as its legal advisors, each of which has experience in transactions similar to the proposed merger;
- neither Canaccord, Bullivant Houser Bailey nor Lang Michener have previously been engaged to provide advice to Mr. Han, Parent or MergerSub;
- the Special Committee made all material decisions relating to the Company's strategic alternatives since the date the Special Committee was established on December 20, 2010, including recommending to the Company's board of directors that the Company enter into the Merger Agreement;
- the financial and other terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement were the product of negotiations between the Special Committee and its advisors, on the one hand, and Mr. Han and Parent and their advisors, on the other hand;
- Mr. Han's recusal from all board discussions regarding a potential sale of the Company, whether to him or to a third party, and that he did not have any conversations about his offer with any member of the Special Committee or board member subsequent to making his initial offer to acquire the Company on January 15, 2010 other than during negotiations over the terms of the merger;
- the Company's ability, under certain circumstances, to provide information to, or participate in discussions or negotiations with, third parties regarding other proposals;
- the Company's ability, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement, to terminate the Merger Agreement prior to the completion of the merger in order to accept an alternative transaction proposed by a third party that is a "superior proposal" (as defined in the Merger Agreement and further explained under "Merger Agreement—Solicitation of Other Offers" below), upon the payment to Mr. Han of a \$1,000,000 termination fee, and

- the availability of appraisal rights to the unaffiliated shareholders who comply with all of the required procedures under Florida law for exercising appraisal rights, which allow such holders to seek appraisal of the fair value of their stock as determined by a court in the State of Florida.

The foregoing discussion of the information and factors considered and given weight by Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han in connection with the fairness of the merger is not intended to be exhaustive but is believed to include all material factors considered by Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han. Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han did not find it practicable to assign, and did not, assign or otherwise attach, relative weights to the individual factors in reaching their position as to the fairness of the merger. Rather, their fairness determinations were made after consideration of all of the foregoing factors as a whole. Parent, MergerSub and Mr. Han believe the foregoing factors provide a reasonable basis for their belief that the merger is substantively and procedurally fair to the unaffiliated shareholders.

#### Interests of Our Executive Officers and Directors in the Merger

In considering our recommendation in favor of the merger, you should be aware that members of our board of directors and our executive officers may have interests in the merger that are different from, or in addition to, yours. All such interests are described below, to the extent material. Except as described below under “Interest of Mr. Han in Parent and MergerSub” and hereunder, such persons have, to our knowledge, no material interest in the merger apart from those of shareholders generally.

Similar to all other option holders under our stock option plan, stock options held by our executive officers and directors will be canceled and converted into the right to receive a cash payment, for each vested share of our common stock subject to each option, equal to the excess, if any, of (1) the merger consideration over (2) the option exercise price payable in respect of such share of our common stock issuable under such option, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes. As of the date of this proxy statement, directors (excluding Mr. Han) and executive officers own stock options to purchase an aggregate of 7,960,000 shares of common stock of which 4,690,000 have an exercise price of \$0.51 per share, 3,100,000 shares of common stock have an exercise price of \$0.74 per share and 170,000 shares of common stock have an exercise price of \$0.71 per share.

#### Interest of Mr. Han in Parent and MergerSub

Mr. Han, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, is affiliated with Parent and MergerSub. Mr. Han owns approximately 38.0% of our outstanding shares. Mr. Han also holds stock options to acquire 1,300,000 shares of the Company's common stock, which options shall expire upon the closing of the merger and for which he will receive no consideration. Mr. Han's shares will not be affected by the merger and will remain issued and outstanding after the merger is completed. After the merger, Mr. Han will directly and indirectly own all of the outstanding shares of the surviving corporation. The action of our board of directors to approve the merger and recommend that you vote “FOR” the adoption of the Merger Agreement was recommended to the board by the Special Committee and was approved by the majority of the board of directors which is composed solely of directors unrelated to Mr. Han, Parent or MergerSub. Mr. Han did not participate in the deliberations or discussions related to the merger or vote on any matters related thereto.



### Change In Control Benefits for Our Executive Officers

None of our executive officers have employment agreements.

With respect to stock options, including stock options held by our executive officers, each outstanding stock option will: (A) vest at the effective time of merger; and (B) at the effective time of the merger, to the extent not previously exercised, be canceled and terminated and converted into the right to receive a cash payment, for each share of our common stock subject to such option, equal to the excess, if any, of (1) the merger consideration over (2) the option exercise price payable in respect of such share of our common stock issuable under such option, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes.

### Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Under Section 607.0850 of the FBCA, in general the Company may indemnify a current or former director or officer of the Company or another individual who acts or acted at the Company's request as a director or officer, or an individual acting in a similar capacity, of another entity, against all costs, charges and expenses, including an amount paid to settle an action or satisfy a judgment, reasonably incurred by the individual in respect of any civil, criminal, administrative, investigative or other proceeding in which the individual is involved because of that association with the Company or other entity, if such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in the best interest of the Company. Further, the Company's Bylaws require it to indemnify all directors or officers to the fullest extent permitted by the FBCA.

In addition, pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Parent and Surviving Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless each director, officer, trustee, or fiduciary of the Company or its subsidiaries to the fullest extent authorized or permitted by applicable law in connection with any claim and any judgments, fines, penalties and amounts paid in settlement (including all interest, assessments and other charges paid or payable in connection with or in respect of such judgments, fines, penalties or amounts paid in settlement) resulting therefrom. Finally, as part of the Merger Agreement, in connection with the resignation of the Company's directors and executive officers, the Company has agreed to release from liability such directors and executive officer.

### The Special Committee

On December 20, 2009, our board of directors established a Special Committee of directors to investigate and evaluate strategic alternatives, including a possible merger, tender offer, acquisition, sale of all or substantially all of our assets or similar transactions, whether solicited by or on our behalf, or unsolicited. The Special Committee is, and has been at all times, composed of directors who have no financial interest in Parent and no affiliation with Mr. Han. Our board of directors did not place any limitations on the authority of the Special Committee regarding its investigation and evaluation of strategic alternatives. The Special Committee, however, did not have the power or authority to authorize or approve a transaction or agree on behalf of our board of directors to do so, which power and authority was expressly reserved to our board of directors.

Upon formation, the Special Committee was composed of Peter Mak, Chairman, and Drs. Jin Li and Heinz Frey. For their services, Mr. Mak was paid \$40,000 as Chairman and Drs. Li and Frey each received \$20,000 as members.

### Related Party Transactions

We are not aware of any related party transactions during the past two years between the Company and Parent, Mr. Han, MergerSub or their respective affiliates in which: (a) the aggregate value of the transaction with such related entity or person was 1% of Company's revenue in the fiscal year such transaction occurred; or (b) such transaction exceeded \$60,000. In addition, during the past two years there has been no significant negotiations, transactions or

material contracts relating to a merger, consolidation, acquisition, tender offer, election of Company's directors or sale/transfer of significant amount of assets between the Company and Mr. Han, Parent, MergerSub or their respective affiliates.

- 32 -

---

### Form of the Merger

Subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement and in accordance with Florida law, at the effective time of the merger, MergerSub, a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent, will merge with and into us. The Company will survive the merger as a subsidiary of Parent, with the Parent and Mr. Han as the shareholders of the surviving corporation.

### Merger Consideration

At the effective time of the merger, each outstanding share of our common stock (other than , shares held by Mr. Han or any shares held by shareholders who perfect their appraisal rights) will be converted into the right to receive \$0.82 in cash, without interest and less any applicable withholding tax, if any. Shares own by Mr. Han will remain issued and outstanding and unaffected by the merger.

As of the effective time of the merger, with the exception of Mr. Han's shares, all other shares of our common stock will no longer be outstanding and will automatically be canceled and will cease to exist, and each holder of a certificate representing any shares of our common stock will cease to have any rights as a shareholder, except the right to receive \$0.82 per share in cash, without interest and less applicable withholding tax (other than shareholders who have perfected their appraisal rights and Mr. Han). The per share merger consideration of \$0.82 was determined through negotiations between Parent, Mr. Han and us.

### Parent's Financing for the Transaction-Good Faith Deposit

Parent has represented to us that at the effective time of the merger, Parent will have sufficient cash to make all payments required to be made by Parent under the Merger Agreement, including the merger consideration payable to our shareholders. Parent intends to finance the merger consideration through Mr. Han's personal funds and personal loans from private lenders.

The Parent has agreed to deposit \$3,000,000 into an account directed by Mr. Han and either Maggie Deng or Garry Wong which may be used to pay the merger consideration, of which \$1,000,000 was delivered upon the execution of the Merger Agreement, and \$2,000,000 was delivered upon the filing of the definitive proxy statement. If Parent is unable to obtain the financing contemplated by the Closing, this will result in the Parent's breach of its covenant in the Merger Agreement. In the event this breach is not cured within the prescribed time in the Merger Agreement, the Parent will have to pay us a \$400,000 termination fee.

### Effects of the Merger

Subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement and in accordance with Florida law, at the effective time of the merger, MergerSub, a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent will merge with and into our Company. The shares of common stock of the Company held by Mr. Han prior to the merger will remain issued and outstanding after the merger and will not be affected by the merger. We will survive the merger as a subsidiary of Parent, and the surviving corporation will be privately owned by Mr. Han and the Parent as its only shareholders.

At the effective time of the merger, the directors of MergerSub will become the directors of the surviving corporation and the current officers of MergerSub will become the officers of the surviving corporation.

Upon the consummation of the merger, each share of our common stock, other than as provided below, will be converted into the right to receive \$0.82 in cash, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes. The following shares of our common stock will not be converted into the right to receive the merger consideration in connection with the merger: (1) shares held by any of our shareholders who are entitled to and who properly exercise appraisal rights under Florida law; (2) shares our Company or our subsidiaries own; and (3) shares owned by Mr. Han (which will remain issued and outstanding and unaffected by the merger).

In connection with the consummation of the merger, pursuant to the plans and stock option agreements under which they were issued, each outstanding stock option will, at the effective time of the merger, to the extent not previously exercised, be canceled and terminated and converted into the right to receive a cash payment for each vested share of our common stock subject to such option equal to the excess, if any, of (1) the merger consideration over (2) the option exercise price payable in respect of such share of our common stock issuable under such option, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes, if any.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the receipt of cash in exchange for shares of our common stock in the merger generally will result in the recognition of gain or loss measured by the difference, if any, between the cash you receive in the merger and your tax basis in your shares of our common stock. Tax matters can be complicated, and the tax consequences of the merger to you will depend on the facts of your own financial situation. We strongly recommend that you consult your own tax advisor to fully understand the tax consequences of the merger to you. More information regarding the federal income tax consequences is discussed in "—Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger."

Following the merger, the entire equity in the surviving company will be owned by Mr. Han and Parent, and Parent will be wholly owned by Mr. Han. If the merger is completed, Mr. Han will be the sole beneficiary of our future earnings and growth, if any, and will be entitled to vote on corporate matters affecting our Company following the merger, unless Parent or Mr. Han sell equity in Parent. Similarly, Mr. Han will also bear the risks of ongoing operations, including the risks of any decrease in our value after the merger and the operational and other risks related to the surviving company.

If the merger is completed, the unaffiliated shareholders of our Company will have no ownership interest in the Company. After the merger, the entire interest of the Company will be held by Mr. Han and Parent, and Parent will be wholly owned by Mr. Han.

#### Plans for Our Company After the Merger

It is expected that, upon consummation of the merger, the operations of our Company will be conducted substantially as they currently are being conducted, except that we will cease to have publicly traded equity securities and will instead be a subsidiary of Parent with Mr. Han and Parent as shareholders of the surviving corporation. Parent has advised us that it does not have any current intentions, plans or proposals to cause us to engage in any of the following:

- an extraordinary corporate transaction following consummation of the merger involving the Company's corporate structure, business or management, such as a merger, reorganization or liquidation;

- the relocation of any material operations or sale or transfer of a material amount of assets except as previously disclosed; or
- any other material changes in its business.

We expect, however, that Mr. Han will continue to assess the Company's assets, corporate and capital structure, capitalization, operations, business, properties and personnel to determine what changes, if any, would be desirable following the merger to enhance the business and operations of the surviving corporation and may cause the surviving corporation to engage in the types of transactions set forth above if Mr. Han decides that such transactions are in the best interest of the surviving corporation upon such review. The surviving corporation expressly reserves the right to make any changes it deems appropriate in light of such evaluation and review or in light of future developments.

Effects on the Market for the Shares; OTC Bulletin Board and TSX Listing; Registration under the Exchange Act.

As a result of the consummation of the merger, the Company will become eligible for termination of registration under applicable U.S. securities laws. To the extent permitted by applicable law, following the merger, the Surviving Company intends to terminate quotation or otherwise delist the shares of common stock from the OTC Bulletin Board and the TSX and to cause the Company to cease to be a public company. Consequently, the Company would no longer legally be required to disclose publicly the information which it now must provide under the Exchange Act and applicable Canadian securities laws or to make public disclosure of financial and other information in annual, quarterly and other reports required to be filed with the SEC under the Exchange Act and applicable Canadian securities laws.

Effects on Our Company if the Merger is Not Completed

If the Merger Agreement is not adopted by our shareholders or if the merger is not completed for any other reason, our shareholders will not receive any payment for their shares of our common stock pursuant to the Merger Agreement. Instead, we will remain a public company and our common stock will continue to be registered under the Exchange Act and quoted and listed on the OTC Bulletin Board and Toronto Stock Exchange, respectively. In addition, if the merger is not completed, we expect that our management will operate our business in a manner similar to that in which it is being operated today and that our shareholders will continue to be subject to the same risks and opportunities to which they currently are subject, including, among other things, the nature of the industry on which our business largely depends, and general industry, economic, regulatory and market conditions.

If the merger is not consummated, there can be no assurance as to the effect of these risks and opportunities on the future value of your shares of our common stock. In the event the merger is not completed, our board of directors will continue to evaluate and review our business operations, prospects and capitalization, make such changes as are deemed appropriate and seek to identify acquisitions, joint ventures or strategic alternatives to enhance shareholder value. If the Merger Agreement is not adopted by our shareholders, or if the merger is not consummated for any other reason, there can be no assurance that any other transaction acceptable to us will be offered or that our business, prospects or results of operations will not be adversely impacted.

If the Merger Agreement is terminated under certain circumstances, we will be obligated to pay Parent a termination fee of \$400,000 or \$1,000,000 as a condition to, upon or following such termination. For a description of the circumstances triggering payment of the termination fee, refer to "The Merger Agreement—Termination Fee" below.

## Material United States Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger

The following is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the merger to our shareholders whose shares of our common stock are converted into the right to receive cash in the merger.

The following summary is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which we refer to as the "Code" in this proxy statement, Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, judicial decisions and administrative rulings, all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. The summary does not address all of the U.S. federal income tax consequences that may be relevant to particular shareholders in light of their individual circumstances or to shareholders who are subject to special rules, including: non-U.S. Holders (as defined below), U.S. expatriates, insurance companies, dealers or brokers in securities or currencies, tax-exempt organizations, financial institutions, mutual funds, insurance companies, cooperatives, pass-through entities and investors in such entities, shareholders who have a functional currency other than the U.S. dollar, shareholders who hold their shares of our common stock as a hedge or as part of a hedging, straddle, conversion, synthetic security, integrated investment or other risk-reduction transaction or who are subject to alternative minimum tax or shareholders who acquired their shares of our common stock upon the exercise of employee stock options or otherwise as compensation. This discussion does not address the receipt of cash in connection with the cancellation of options to purchase our Company's common stock, or any other matters relating to equity compensation or benefit plans. In addition, this discussion does not address the tax effect of the merger to persons who are not citizens of or residents of the United States. Further, this discussion does not address any U.S. federal estate and gift or alternative minimum tax consequences or any state, local or foreign tax consequences relating to the merger.

For purposes of this discussion, we use the term "non-U.S. Holder" to mean a beneficial owner of our Company's common stock that is not, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, either a citizen or resident of the United States, a corporation (or other entity taxable as a corporation) created or organized under the laws of the United States or any of its political subdivisions, or an estate or trust that is subject to U.S. federal income tax on its income regardless of its source. Holders of our Company's common stock who are non-U.S. Holders may be subject to different tax consequences than those described below and are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding their tax treatment under U.S. and non-U.S. tax laws. If a partnership (including an entity taxable as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) holds our Company's common stock, the tax treatment of a partner generally will depend on the status of the partners and the activities of the partnership. Partnerships holding our Company's common stock and their partners should consult their own tax advisors.

### The Merger

The receipt of cash pursuant to the merger will be a taxable transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and may also be a taxable transaction under applicable state, local or foreign income or other tax laws. Generally, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a shareholder will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount of cash received by the shareholder in the merger and the shareholder's adjusted tax basis in the shares of our common stock converted into cash in the merger. If shares of our common stock are held by a shareholder as capital assets, gain or loss recognized by such shareholder will be capital gain or loss, which will be long-term capital gain or loss if the shareholder's holding period for the shares of our common stock exceeds one year at the time of the merger. Capital gains recognized by an individual upon a disposition of a share of our common stock that has been held for more than one year generally will be subject to a maximum U.S. federal income tax rate of 15% or, in the case of a share that has been held for one year or less, will be subject to tax at ordinary income tax rates. In addition, there are limits on the deductibility of capital losses. The amount and character of gain or loss must be determined separately for each block of our common stock (i.e., shares acquired at the same cost in a single transaction) converted into cash in the merger.



## Backup Withholding

A shareholder (other than certain exempt shareholders, including, among others, all corporations and certain foreign individuals) whose shares of our common stock are converted into the merger consideration may be subject to backup withholding at the then applicable rate (under current law, the backup withholding rate is 28%) unless the shareholder provides the shareholder's taxpayer identification number, or TIN, and certifies under penalties of perjury that such TIN is correct (or properly certifies that it is awaiting a TIN) and certifies as to no loss of exemption from backup withholding and otherwise complies with the applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. A shareholder that does not furnish a required TIN or that does not otherwise establish a basis for an exemption from backup withholding may be subject to a penalty imposed by the Internal Revenue Service, or the IRS. Each shareholder that is an individual should complete and sign the Substitute Form W-9 included as part of the letter of transmittal that will be sent to shareholders promptly following closing of the merger so as to provide the information and certification necessary to avoid backup withholding. Each foreign individual shareholder must submit a signed statement (such as a Certificate of Foreign Status on Form W-8BEN) attesting to his or her exempt status. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Rather, the amount of the backup withholding can be credited against the U.S. federal income tax liability of the person subject to the backup withholding, provided that the required information is given to the IRS. If backup withholding results in an overpayment of tax, a refund can be obtained by the shareholder by filing a U.S. federal income tax return.

THE SUMMARY OF U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES SET FORTH ABOVE IS FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY AND IS BASED ON THE LAW IN EFFECT ON THE DATE HEREOF. SHAREHOLDERS ARE STRONGLY URGED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS TO DETERMINE THE PARTICULAR TAX CONSEQUENCES TO THEM (INCLUDING THE APPLICATION AND EFFECT OF ANY STATE, LOCAL OR FOREIGN INCOME AND OTHER TAX LAWS) OF THE MERGER.

## Material Canadian Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger

The following summary describes the material Canadian federal income tax considerations in respect of the arrangement generally applicable to a holder of common stock who, for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada) (the "Tax Act"), and at all relevant times, is an individual who holds such common stock as capital property, deals at arm's length and is not affiliated with the Company, Mr. Han, Parent and MergerSub, and disposes of such common stock to Parent under the merger. Holders who meet all of these requirements are referred to as "Holder" or "Holders" in this summary, and the summary only addresses such Holders. This summary is not applicable to a holder who acquired common stock upon the exercise of employment stock options. In addition, the summary does not address the treatment of stock options under the merger (or the exercise or cancellation of stock options), does not address the treatment of dissenters, and does not address holders who are otherwise subject to special circumstances. All affected Holders, and other holders not addressed by this summary, should consult with their own tax advisors.



This summary is based on the current provisions of the Tax Act and the regulations thereunder in force as of the date hereof, and our understanding, based on publicly available materials published in writing before the date hereof, of the current administrative practices of the Canada Revenue Agency. This summary also takes into account any specific proposals to amend the Tax Act and the regulations publicly announced by or on behalf of the Minister of Finance (Canada) before the date of this Circular (which we refer to in this Circular as the “Tax Proposals”) and assumes that all Tax Proposals will be enacted in the form proposed. However, there can be no assurance that the Tax Proposals will be enacted in their current form, or at all. This summary is not exhaustive of all possible Canadian federal income tax considerations and, except for the Tax Proposals, does not take into account or anticipate any changes in law or administrative practice, whether by legislative, regulatory, administrative or judicial decision or action, nor does it take into account or consider other federal or any provincial, territorial or foreign tax considerations, which may differ significantly from the Canadian federal income tax considerations described therein. In addition, while the form of merger under the applicable law of Florida and under the Merger Agreement has no direct counterpart under Canadian law, this summary assumes that the legal effect of the merger will include a disposition of the common stock by Holders to Parent in exchange for the merger consideration.

All amounts relating to the disposition of common stock under the arrangement must be computed in Canadian dollars for the purposes of the Tax Act.

This summary is of a general nature only and is not exhaustive of all Canadian federal income tax considerations. Consequently, Holders are urged to consult their own tax advisors for advice regarding the specific income tax consequences to them of disposing of their common stock pursuant to the arrangement, having regard to their own particular circumstances, and any other consequences to them of such transactions under Canadian federal, provincial, local and foreign tax laws. We are not in a position to give tax advice to any particular Holder, and this summary shall not be construed as such advice. The discussion below is qualified accordingly.

#### Holders Resident in Canada

The following portion of the summary is generally applicable to a Holder (as defined above) who, for purposes of the Tax Act and any applicable income tax treaty, and at all relevant times, is resident or deemed to be resident in Canada (we refer to a Holder who meets these requirements as a “Resident Holder” in this summary).

A Resident Holder who disposes of common stock to Parent under the merger will realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that the cash paid to the Resident Holder for such common stock under the merger, net of any reasonable costs of disposition, exceeds (or is less than) the adjusted cost base to the Resident Holder of such common stock immediately before the disposition. Any capital gain or capital loss so realized will be subject to the normal rules under the Tax Act.

#### Holders Not Resident in Canada

The following portion of the summary is generally applicable to a Holder (as defined above) who, for the purposes of the Tax Act and any applicable income tax treaty, and at all relevant times, is not and has not been a resident or deemed to be a resident of Canada and does not use or hold, and is not deemed to use or hold, the common stock in connection with carrying on a business in Canada (we refer to a Holder who meets these requirements as a “Non-Resident Holder” in this summary).

A Non-Resident Holder will not be subject to tax under the Tax Act on any capital gain realized on the disposition of common stock to Parent under the merger unless such common stock constitutes “taxable Canadian property” to the Non-Resident Holder and the tax is not otherwise relieved under any applicable income tax treaty.



In general, and taking into account the Proposed Amendments, a common share is not expected to be “taxable Canadian property” to a Non-Resident Holder at the time of disposition where such common share is then listed on a designated stock exchange (which currently includes the TSX), provided that (i) the Non-Resident Holder (and/or persons with whom the Non-Resident Holder does not deal at arm’s length for purposes of the Tax Act) did not own 25% or more of the issued stock of any class or series of our capital stock at any time during the 60-month period immediately preceding that time, or (ii) where such ownership threshold was exceeded at any time during the period, not more than 50% of the fair market value of the share was derived directly or indirectly from any combination of real or immovable property situated in Canada, Canadian resource properties, timber resource properties, or options or interests therein, at any time during the 60-month period.

#### Regulatory Matters

The merger is a “business combination” under Multilateral Instrument 61-101 – Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions (“MI 61-101”) adopted by the Ontario Securities Commission. MI 61-101 provides that, unless exempted, a corporation proposing to carry out a business combination is required to obtain an independent valuation of the subject matter of the transaction and provide to the securityholders of the corporation a summary of such valuation. MI 61-101 also requires that, in addition to any other required securityholder approval, in order to complete the transaction, the approval of a majority of the votes cast by “minority” shareholders of the affected corporation be obtained. The Company will be obtaining minority shareholder approval of the merger.

In accordance with Section 2.4(1)(b) of MI 61-101, Parent is exempt from the valuation requirements of MI 61-101 on the basis that Parent and the Supporting Shareholders have, through arm’s length negotiations, entered agreements to support and vote in favor of the merger. As a group, the Supporting Shareholders, which are not joint actors with Parent, represent over 20% of the outstanding common shares of the Company beneficially owned, or over which control or direction was exercised, by persons other than Parent and joint actors of the Parent, and (ii) Mr. Z. Weng, one of the Supporting Shareholders, beneficially owns or exercises control or direction over, more than 10% of the outstanding common shares of the Company. In addition, in accordance with Section 2.4(1)(b) of MI 61-101, the consideration per common share offered under the Merger is at least equal in value to and in the same form as the consideration agreed to with the Supporting Shareholders and included in this proxy statement is the disclosure regarding the valuation exemption upon which Parent is relying and the facts supporting that reliance.

In addition, Parent reasonably believes, after reasonable inquiry, that at the time the agreements supporting the merger were entered into with the Supporting Shareholders:

- (a) the consideration was determined as a result of arm’s length negotiations;
- (b) each of the Supporting Shareholders had full knowledge and access to information concerning the Company and its securities;
- (c) any factors peculiar to the Supporting Shareholders, including non-financial factors, that were considered relevant by the Supporting Shareholders in assessing the consideration did not have the effect of reducing the price that would otherwise have been considered acceptable by the Supporting Shareholders; and
- (d) Parent and Mr. Han did not know of any material information in respect of the Company or its securities that had not been generally disclosed or if generally disclosed, could have reasonably been expected to increase the agreed consideration.

Since the time the agreements supporting the merger were entered into with the Supporting Shareholders, Parent and Mr. Han did not become aware of, after reasonable inquiry, any material information in respect of the Company or its securities that has not been generally disclosed and if generally disclosed, could reasonably be expected to increase the

consideration. To the knowledge of Mr. Han and Parent (and its directors and senior officers), after reasonable inquiry, no prior valuation (as such term is defined in MI 61-101) has been made in respect of the Company in the 24 months preceding the date of this proxy statement.

- 39 -

---

MI 61-101 also requires that the Company include, if appropriate, disclosure in this proxy statement of recent judicial developments relating to going private transactions of a nature similar to the Merger. Before the establishment of the current Canadian securities law regimes governing "related party transactions" involving corporations, a number of court cases had considered questions of procedural and substantive fairness with respect to proposed corporate transactions which would have resulted in the compulsory acquisition of shares held by public shareholders. The effect of these cases has generally now been superseded by the specific requirements and procedures of MI 61-101.

#### Accounting Treatment

The merger will be accounted for as a "purchase transaction" for financial accounting purposes.

#### Legal Proceedings Regarding the Merger

There have been no lawsuits or legal proceedings regarding the Merger.

#### Appraisal Rights

Under the Florida Business Corporation Act, or FBCA, you have the right to dissent from the merger and to receive payment in cash for the fair value of your shares of common stock as determined by a court, in lieu of the consideration you would otherwise be entitled to receive pursuant to the Merger Agreement. These rights are known as appraisal rights. A shareholder electing to exercise appraisal rights must strictly comply with the provisions of the applicable sections of the FBCA in order to perfect their rights. The following is intended as a brief summary of the material provisions of the Florida statutory procedures required to be followed by a shareholder in order to dissent from the merger and perfect appraisal rights.

This summary, however, is not a complete statement of all applicable requirements and is qualified in its entirety by reference to Sections 607.1301 to 607.1333 of the FBCA, the full text of which appears in Appendix C-1 to this proxy statement. Failure to precisely follow any of the statutory procedures set forth in such sections of the FBCA may result in a loss of your appraisal rights.

Under Section 607.1302, our shareholders are entitled to dissent from, seek appraisal for, and obtain payment of the fair value of his or her shares of our common stock if the Merger is consummated. For this purpose, the "fair value" of a dissenter's shares will be the value of the shares immediately before the effectuation of the Merger, excluding any appreciation or depreciation in anticipation of the Merger unless exclusion would be inequitable. A shareholder who is entitled to so dissent and obtain such payment may not challenge the Merger, unless the action is unlawful or fraudulent with respect to him or the Company.

A shareholder of record may assert dissenter's appraisal rights as to fewer than all of our shares registered in his or her name only if he or she dissents with respect to all shares beneficially owned by any one person and notifies us in writing of the name and address of each person on whose behalf he or she asserts dissenter's appraisal rights. The rights of a partial dissenter will be determined as if the shares as to which he or she dissents, and his or her other shares were registered in the names of different shareholders.

A beneficial shareholder may assert dissenter's appraisal rights as to our shares held on his or her behalf only if:

- the beneficial shareholder submits to the Company the written consent of the shareholder of record to the dissent and appraisal not later than the time the beneficial shareholder asserts dissenter's appraisal rights; and
- the beneficial shareholder does so with respect to all shares of which he or she is the beneficial shareholder or over which he or she has power to direct the vote.

If a shareholder of record of our Company wishes to exercise his, her or its dissent and appraisal rights, we are to provide to such dissenting shareholder a dissenter's appraisal notice of advising them of their appraisal rights as contemplated by Section 607.1320. Section 607.1322 provides, among other things, that the dissenter's appraisal notice must be sent no later than 10 days after the effectuation of the corporate action. The form of dissenter's appraisal notice is attached as Appendix C-2 this proxy statement. The merger will not be effected for a minimum of 20 days following mailing of this proxy statement to shareholders of Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc. The dissenter's appraisal notice must:

- state where the demand for payment must be sent and where and when certificates, if any, for shares must be deposited;
- include our Company's balance sheet as of the end of a fiscal year ending not more than 15 months before the date of the dissenter's appraisal notice, a statement of income for that year, a statement of changes in the shareholders' equity for that year and the latest available interim financial statements, if any;
- contain a statement of our Company's estimate of the fair value of the shares and our offer to pay such estimated fair value;
- set a date by which we must receive the demand for payment, which may not be less than 40 nor more than 60 days after the date the notice is delivered;
- set a date by which a notice to withdraw the demand for payment must be received, which date must be within 20 days after the date the demand for payment must be received;
- if requested in writing by the shareholder, provide to the shareholder so requesting within 10 days after the demand for payment must be received, the number of shareholders and the total number of shares held by them who have returned a demand for payment by the date specified; and

- be accompanied by a copy of Sections 607.1301 to 607.1333, inclusive.

The dissenter's appraisal notice must provide for the shareholder to state:

- their name and address;
- the number, class and series of shares to which they assert appraisal rights;
- that the shareholder did not vote for the Merger;
- whether the shareholder accepts our offer as set forth in the notice; and
- if our offer is not accepted, the shareholder's estimated fair value of the shares and a demand for payment of this estimated value plus interest.

Section 607.1321 and Section 607.1323 provide that a shareholder to whom a dissenter's appraisal notice is sent must:

- demand payment within 20 days after receiving the dissenter's appraisal notice;
- not vote, or cause or permit to be voted, any of their shares in favor of the Merger; and
- deposit his certificates, if any, in accordance with the terms of the notice.

Any shareholder who demands payment and deposits his or her certificates, if any, before the proposed corporate action is taken loses all rights as a shareholder, unless the shareholder withdraws their demand by the date specified in the dissenter's appraisal notice.

Any shareholder who does not demand payment or deposit his, her or its certificates where required, each by the date set forth in the dissenter's appraisal notice, will not be entitled to payment for his, her or its shares under the Florida Business Corporation Act.

Subject to certain exceptions, within 90 days after receipt of a demand for payment from a dissenting shareholder, we will be required by Section 607.1324 to pay to the dissenter the amount that we estimated to be the fair value of his shares and accrued interest. The obligation that we have in this regard may be enforced by the appropriate court.

If a dissenter believes that the amount offered by the Company pursuant to Section 607.1322 is less than the fair value of the dissenter's shares, the dissenter may under Section 607.1326 notify the Company in writing of his or her own estimate of the fair value of the shares and the amount of interest due; and demand payment of such estimate and interest.

A dissenter will be deemed to have waived his or her right to demand payment pursuant to Section 607.1326 unless the dissenter notifies the Company of his or her demand in writing within the time set forth on the dissenter's appraisal notice after the Company has made or offered payment for the shares.

Under Section 607.1330, if a dissenter's demand for payment remains unsettled, we will be required to commence a proceeding in the appropriate court of the county where our registered office is located within 60 days after receiving the demand, and to petition the court to determine the fair value of the shares and accrued interest. If we do not commence the proceeding within the 60 day period, any dissenter may commence the proceeding in the name of the Company.

All dissenters, whether or not residents of Florida, whose demands remain unsettled, will be named as parties to the proceeding as in an action against their shares. All parties must be served with a copy of the petition. Non-residents may be served by registered or certified mail or by publication as provided by Florida law.

The court may appoint one or more persons as appraisers to receive evidence and recommend a decision on the question of fair value. The dissenting appraisers will be entitled to the same discovery rights as parties in other civil proceedings.

Each dissenter who is made a party to the proceeding is entitled to a judgment for the amount, if any, by which the court finds is the fair value of his or her shares, plus interest.

The court in a proceeding to determine fair value is required by Florida law to determine all of the costs of the proceeding, including the reasonable compensation and expenses of any appraisers appointed by the court. The court will assess the costs against the Company, but retains discretion to assess costs against all or some of the dissenters, in amounts the court finds equitable, to the extent the court finds the dissenters acted arbitrarily or not in good faith in demanding payment.

#### Exercising Dissent Rights

If a shareholder wishes to exercise his, her or its dissent and appraisal rights, the shareholder must send to the Company (at the address set out below) a written notice (a form of which is attached as Appendix C-2 demanding payment).

The shareholder must also send any certificates representing our shares to the address set forth as follows: Computershare Trust Company of Canada (Vancouver), 3rd Floor, 510 Burrard, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6C 3B9.

All written notices should be addressed to: Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc., Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6B 4N9; Attention: Corporate Secretary  
Telephone: 604-669-8817.





If you hold your shares of common stock in a brokerage account or in other nominee form and you wish to exercise appraisal rights, you should consult with your broker or the other nominee to determine the appropriate procedures for the making of a demand for appraisal by the broker or other nominee.

In view of the complexity in asserting a dissenters' right, a shareholder who may wish to dissent from the merger and pursue appraisal rights should consult their legal advisors.

Any shareholder who does not demand payment or deposit his, her or its certificates by the date set forth in the dissenter's appraisal notice will not be entitled to payment for his, her or its shares under the Florida Business Corporation Act.

#### Provisions for Unaffiliated Shareholders

No provision has been made to grant unaffiliated shareholders access to our files or those of Parent, MergerSub or Mr. Han or to obtain counsel or appraisal services at the expense of any of the foregoing.

#### Voting Intentions of Our Directors and Executive Officers and Voting Commitment of Mr. Han, Parent and MergerSub

Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, Mr. Han, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, agreed to vote all shares of common stock held by him in favor of the adoption of the Merger Agreement. As of the date of this proxy statement, Mr. Han owns 25,453,741 shares of our common stock representing approximately 38.0% of our outstanding shares of common stock. Neither Parent or MergerSub own any other shares of our common stock.

In addition, pursuant to a Support Agreement, Mr. Zhanguo Weng, Ms. Xuemei Liu, Dr. Alexander Wick and Dr. Yiu Kwong Sun, each a director of the Company, have agreed to vote all shares of common stock held by them in favor of the adoption of the Merger Agreement. Although the Special Committee, and in particular its Chairman Peter Mak, primarily negotiated with Mr. Han with respect to among other things merger consideration, the Special Committee kept informed and sought approval from the Mr. Weng and Ms. Liu.

As of the date of this proxy statement, Mr. Weng owns 8,986,783 shares, Ms. X Liu owns 4,493,391 shares, Dr. Wick owns 500,000 shares and Dr. Sun owns 700,000 shares of our common stock, which collectively represents approximately 21.9% of our outstanding shares of common stock.

Consequently, assuming that the Supporting Shareholders vote their shares of common stock representing approximately 21.9% of the outstanding shares in favor of the Merger Agreement, along with Mr. Han's 38.0%, collectively representing 59.9% of the outstanding shares they will have a sufficient number of shares to approve the Merger Agreement under Florida law vote and but will need other shareholders to vote for the merger in order to meet the TSX vote.

## Estimated Fees and Expenses of the Merger

We estimate that we will incur, and will be responsible for paying, transaction-related fees and expenses, consisting primarily of financial, legal, accounting and tax advisory fees, SEC filing fees and other related charges, totaling approximately \$320,000. This amount includes the following estimated fees and expenses:

| Description  | Estimated Amount to be Paid |
|--|-----------------------------|
| SEC filing fee                                     | \$ 5,000                    |
| Printing, proxy solicitation and mailing expenses  | \$ 10,000                   |
| Financial, legal, accounting and tax advisory fees | \$ 300,000                  |
| Miscellaneous expenses                             | \$ 5,000                    |
| Total  | \$ 320,000                  |

In addition, if the Merger Agreement is terminated under certain circumstances described under "The Merger Agreement—Termination Fee," we have agreed to pay to Parent a termination fee of \$400,000 or \$1,000,000.

## CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This proxy statement, and certain of the documents to which we refer you in this proxy statement, contain not only historical information, but also forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are based on expectations, assumptions, estimates, projections or beliefs concerning future events, and deal with potential future circumstances and developments, in particular, whether and when the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement will be consummated. The discussion of such matters is qualified by the inherent risks and uncertainties surrounding future expectations generally and also may materially differ from actual future experience involving any one or more of such matters. You should read all forward-looking statements carefully. We believe that the assumptions on which our forward-looking statements are based are reasonable. However, we cannot assure you that the actual results, developments or outcome of future events we anticipate will be realized or, if realized, that they will not have negative effects on our business or operations or the timing or completion of the merger, if approved. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements concerning the merger or other matters addressed in this proxy statement and attributable to us or any person acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to in this section. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this proxy statement. Except as required by applicable law or regulation, we do not undertake any obligation to update or supplement these forward-looking statements to reflect future events or circumstances.

## RISK FACTORS

The risks and uncertainties regarding the merger and entry into the Merger Agreement include the following:

- we may not be able to satisfy all of the conditions to consummation of the merger, including the adoption of the Merger Agreement by our shareholders, and obtaining the approval of the merger by a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock excluding shares held by Mr. Han;
- one or more events, changes or other circumstances may occur that could give rise to a termination of the Merger Agreement under circumstances that could require us to pay up to a \$1,000,000 or \$400,000 as a termination fee;



- the occurrence of any material adverse change in our financial condition or results of operation;
- the effect of the announcement of the merger on our business relationships, operating results and business generally, including our ability to retain key employees and the unwillingness of third parties to enter into or continue business relationships with us;
- the risk that the merger may not be completed in a timely manner or at all, which may adversely affect our business and the price of our common stock;
- the potential adverse effect on our business, properties and operations because of certain interim operational covenants we agreed to in the Merger Agreement;
  - risks related to diverting management's attention from our ongoing business operations;
- the decision of our board of directors as to whether or not to approve any acquisition proposal that may be submitted by a third party;
  - actions by Parent or MergerSub, or any other potential acquirer of our Company;
- changes in general economic business conditions, such as interest rate fluctuations, unemployment, pricing pressures, and insolvency of suppliers, and access to credit;
  - changes in the competitive environment in which we operate;
  - changes in customer needs and expectations; and
- risks detailed in our filings with the SEC, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2009. Refer to also "Where You Can Find More Information."

## THE SPECIAL MEETING

We are furnishing this proxy statement to our shareholders, as of the record date, as part of the solicitation of proxies by our board of directors for use at the special meeting.

### Date, Time and Place

The special meeting of our shareholders will be held at Dragon's corporate offices located at Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia Canada V6B 4N9, at 10:30 a.m., local time, on \_\_\_\_\_2010.

### Purpose of the Special Meeting

At the special meeting, we will ask our shareholders to adopt the Merger Agreement. Our board of directors has determined that the merger and other transactions described in the Merger Agreement are advisable to, and in the best interests of, our shareholders and has approved the Merger Agreement and recommends (other than Mr. Han who did not participate in the deliberations or discussions related to the merger or vote on any matters related thereto) that our shareholders vote "FOR" the adoption of the Merger Agreement.

We are also asking that you grant us the authority to vote your shares to adjourn or postpone the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, including to solicit additional proxies in the event there are not sufficient votes in favor of adoption of the Merger Agreement at the time of the special meeting.

#### Record Date; Shares Entitled to Vote; Quorum

Only shareholders of record at the close of business on \_\_\_\_\_2010, which we refer to as the record date in this proxy statement, are entitled to the notice of and to vote at the special meeting. On the record date, there were 67,066,418 shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to vote, and each such share is entitled to one vote on each matter to be considered at the special meeting. A quorum is present at the meeting if a majority of all of the shares of our common stock issued and outstanding on the record date and entitled to vote at the special meeting are represented at the special meeting in person or by a properly executed proxy. In the event that a quorum is not present at the special meeting, we expect that the meeting will be adjourned or postponed to solicit additional proxies.

#### Vote Required

Under Florida law, the adoption of the Merger Agreement requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of our common stock outstanding at the close of business on the record date. In addition, under the rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange, the Merger Agreement must be approved by holders of common stock representing a majority of the shares of outstanding common stock, excluding shares of common stock owned by Mr. Han.

Approval of the proposal to adjourn the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, for the purpose of soliciting additional proxies requires, assuming a quorum is present with respect to the proposal, the affirmative vote of the holders of stock casting a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by all of the holders of the stock constituting such quorum. If a quorum is not present at the special meeting, the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of stock present and entitled to vote at the meeting may adjourn the meeting until a quorum shall be present.

#### Voting of Proxies

All shares represented by properly executed proxies we receive at or prior to the meeting will be voted according to the instructions indicated on such proxies. Properly executed proxy cards that do not contain instructions will be voted "FOR" the adoption of the Merger Agreement and "FOR" authority to adjourn or postpone the special meeting, if necessary or appropriate.

Only shares affirmatively voted for the adoption of the Merger Agreement, including properly executed proxies that do not contain voting instructions, will be counted as favorable votes for that proposal. If a shareholder abstains from voting or does not execute a proxy, it will effectively count as a vote against the adoption of the Merger Agreement. Brokers who hold shares of our common stock in "street name" for customers who are the beneficial owners of the shares may not give a proxy to vote those shares in the absence of specific instruction from those customers. These non-voted shares are referred to as broker non-votes. Broker non-votes will be counted as present for purposes of determining whether a quorum exists and will be counted as votes against the adoption of the Merger Agreement.

The persons named as proxies by a shareholder who votes for the proposal to adopt the Merger Agreement may propose and vote for one or more adjournments of the special meeting, including adjournments to permit further solicitations of proxies. No proxy voted against the proposal to adopt the Merger Agreement will be voted in favor of any adjournment or postponement.

Our board of directors knows of no other matters that may be brought before the meeting. However, if any other business is properly presented for action at the meeting, the persons named on the proxy card will vote in accordance with their judgment.

#### Revocability of Proxies

A proxy card may be revoked or changed at any time before it is voted at the meeting. You can do this in one of three ways:

- You can deliver to our corporate secretary a written notice bearing a date later than the proxy you delivered to us stating that you would like to revoke your proxy, provided the notice is received by \_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_ time) on \_\_\_\_.
- You can complete, execute and deliver to our corporate secretary a later-dated proxy for the same shares, provided the new proxy is received by \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) on \_\_\_\_\_.
- You can attend the meeting and vote in person. Your attendance at the special meeting alone will not revoke your proxy.

Any written notice of revocation or subsequent proxy should be delivered to us at Suite 310, 650 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia V6B 4N9, Attention: Corporate Secretary, or hand-delivered to our corporate secretary at or before the taking of the vote at the special meeting.

Please note that if you hold your shares in "street name" through a bank, broker or other nominee holder, and you have instructed your nominee to vote your shares, the options for revoking your proxy described in the paragraph above do not apply and instead you must follow the directions provided by your broker to change your vote. If that is your situation, please contact your nominee for instructions as to how to revoke or change your vote.

**SHAREHOLDERS SHOULD NOT SEND STOCK CERTIFICATES WITH THEIR PROXIES.** A transmittal form with instructions for the surrender of certificates representing shares of our common stock will be mailed to shareholders shortly after completion of the merger by Computershare Trust Company of Canada who will serve as the paying agent.

#### Solicitation of Proxies

This proxy solicitation is being made by us on behalf of our board of directors and we will bear the entire cost of solicitation of proxies, including preparation, assembly, printing and mailing of this proxy statement, the proxy card and any additional information furnished to our shareholders. Our directors, officers and employees may also solicit proxies by personal interview, mail, e-mail, telephone, facsimile or other means of communication. These persons will not be paid additional compensation for their efforts. We will also request brokers, banks and other nominees to forward proxy solicitation material to the beneficial owners of our shares of common stock that the brokers, banks and nominees hold of record. Upon request, we will reimburse them for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses related to forwarding the material.

#### THE PARTIES TO THE MERGER

Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc. Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc. is a manufacturer and distributor of a broad line of high-quality antibiotic products including Clavulanic Acid, 7-ACA, downstream cephalosporin active pharmaceutical ingredient and formulated powder for injection in both Chinese and emerging markets. Our headquarters are located at 650 West Georgia Street, Suite 310, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6B 4N9. Our telephone number at our headquarters is (604) 669-8817. Dragon Pharmaceutical Inc. is referred to in this proxy statement as alternatively the

"company" and "we."

- 48 -

---



Chief Respect Limited, a Hong Kong company, is a new company which was formed in connection with the merger. Chief Respect has not carried on any activities other than in connection with the merger. Mr. Han, our Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and beneficial owner of 38.0% of the outstanding share of our common stock, is the sole shareholder of the Chief Respect Limited. Chief Respect Limited's principal offices are located at 11/F, AXA Centre, 151 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, and its telephone number is (852)-25823800. Chief Respect Limited is referred to in this proxy statement as "Parent."

Datong Investment Inc., a Florida corporation, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent and has not engaged in any business activity other than activities related to the purpose of merging with our Company. If the merger is completed, Datong Investment Inc. will cease to exist following its merger with and into our Company. The principal offices are located at c/o Corporation Service Company, 1201 Hays Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301. Datong Investment Inc. is referred to in this proxy statement as "MergerSub."

## THE MERGER AGREEMENT

This section of the proxy statement summarizes the material provisions of the Merger Agreement, but does not purport to describe all of the terms of the Merger Agreement. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the Merger Agreement which is attached to this proxy statement as Appendix A and incorporated into this proxy statement by reference. The rights and obligations of the parties are governed by the express terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement and not by this summary. We urge you to read the Merger Agreement carefully in its entirety, as well as this proxy statement, before making any decisions regarding the merger.

The representations and warranties described in the summary below and included in the Merger Agreement were made by our Company, Parent and MergerSub to each other as of specific dates. The assertions embodied in those representations and warranties were made solely for purposes of the Merger Agreement and are subject to important qualifications, limitations and exceptions agreed to by our Company, Parent and MergerSub in connection with negotiating its terms, including information contained in a confidential disclosure schedule that our Company provided to Parent and MergerSub in connection with the Merger Agreement. Moreover, the representations and warranties may be subject to a contractual standard of materiality that may be different from what may be viewed as material to shareholders, or may have been used for the purpose of allocating risk between our Company, Parent and MergerSub rather than establishing matters as facts. The Merger Agreement is described in this proxy statement and included as Appendix A only to provide you with information regarding its terms and conditions, and not to provide any other factual information regarding our Company, Parent and MergerSub or their respective affiliates or their respective businesses. Accordingly, you should not rely on the representations and warranties in the Merger Agreement as characterizations of the actual state of facts about our Company, Parent or MergerSub, and you should read the information provided elsewhere in this proxy statement and in the documents incorporated by reference into this proxy statement for information regarding our Company, Parent and MergerSub and their respective affiliates and their respective businesses.

## The Merger

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, MergerSub, a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent, will merge with and into our Company. After the merger, our Company will continue as the surviving corporation and as a subsidiary of Parent. The shares of common stock of the Company held by Mr. Han prior to the merger will remain issued and outstanding after the merger and will not be affected by the merger. The surviving corporation will be a privately held corporation and our current shareholders, other than Mr. Han who will hold a direct and indirect ownership interest in the surviving corporation, will cease to have any ownership interest in the surviving corporation or rights as shareholders of the surviving corporation. Our shareholders, with the exception of Mr. Han will not participate in any future earnings or growth of the surviving corporation and will not benefit from any appreciation in value of the surviving corporation.

Upon consummation of the merger, the directors and officers of MergerSub will be the directors and officers of surviving corporation. All directors and officers of the surviving corporation will hold their positions until their successors are duly elected or appointed and qualified or their earlier death, resignation or removal.

We or Parent may terminate the Merger Agreement prior to the consummation of the merger in some circumstances, whether before or after the adoption by our shareholders of the Merger Agreement. Additional details on termination of the Merger Agreement are described in "—Termination of the Merger Agreement" below.

## Effective Time

The merger will be effective at the time the certificate of merger is filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida (or at such later time as is agreed upon by the parties to the Merger Agreement and specified in the certificate of merger), which we refer to as the "Effective Time" in this proxy statement. We expect to complete the merger as promptly as practicable after our shareholders adopt the Merger Agreement (assuming the prior satisfaction of the other closing conditions to the merger). Unless otherwise agreed by the parties to the Merger Agreement, the closing of the merger will occur after the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions described in "—Conditions to the Closing of the Merger" below.

## Merger Consideration

Except as stated below, each share of our common stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the merger will automatically be canceled and converted at the effective time of the merger into the right to receive the merger consideration \$0.82 in cash, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes, if any. The following shares of our common stock will not receive the merger consideration:

- shares owned by Mr. Han (as described in "Special Factors—Interests of our Executive Officers and Directors in the Merger"), which shares will remain issued and outstanding and unaffected by the merger; and
- shares held by holders who did not vote in favor of the merger (or consent thereto in writing) and who are entitled to demand and have properly demanded appraisal of such shares pursuant to, and who have complied in all respects with, the provisions of Sections 607.1301 to 607.1333 of the FBCA, and which shares will be entitled to payment of the appraised value of such shares as may be determined to be due to such holders pursuant to the applicable sections of the FBCA (unless and until such holder has failed to perfect or has effectively withdrawn or lost rights of appraisal under the FBCA).

At the effective time of the merger, each holder of a certificate formerly representing any shares of our common stock (other than shares for which appraisal rights have been properly demanded, perfected and not withdrawn or lost under the FBCA, and shares owned by Mr. Han) will no longer have any rights with respect to such shares, except for the right to receive the merger consideration upon surrender thereof. Refer to "Special Factors—Appraisal Rights."

#### Payment Procedures

Dragon has appointed Computershare of Canada as paying agent to receive the aggregate merger consideration for the benefit of the holders of shares of our common stock located outside of China. In addition, Dragon has appointed [\_\_\_\_\_] (China paying agent) to serve as aggregate merger consideration for the benefit of the holders of shares of our common stock located within China. At or prior to the effective time of the merger, Parent will deposit with the paying agent and China paying agent an aggregate amount in cash equal to the aggregate merger consideration.

At the effective time of the merger, we will close our stock transfer books. After that time, there will be no further transfer of shares of our common stock.

Promptly after the effective time of the merger, but in any event within five business days after the effective time, the surviving corporation will cause the paying agent to mail to each holder of record of our shares of common stock a letter of transmittal and instructions advising such holders how to exchange their certificates for the merger consideration. The paying agent or China paying agent, as the case may be, will pay the merger consideration after each holder of our common stock (1) surrenders its certificates representing our shares of common stock to the paying agent and (2) provides to the paying agent or China paying agent a signed letter of transmittal and any other items specified by the letter of transmittal. Interest will not be paid or accrue in respect of the merger consideration. The paying agent or China paying will reduce the amount of any merger consideration paid by any applicable withholding taxes, if any. **YOU SHOULD NOT FORWARD YOUR STOCK CERTIFICATES TO THE PAYING AGENT WITHOUT A LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL, AND YOU SHOULD NOT RETURN YOUR STOCK CERTIFICATES WITH THE ENCLOSED PROXY.**

If any cash deposited with the paying agent or China paying agent is not claimed within 12 months following the effective time of the merger, such cash will be returned to the surviving corporation. Subject to any applicable unclaimed property laws, after that point, holders of our common stock will be entitled to look only to the surviving corporation for payment of the merger consideration that may be payable upon surrender of any certificates.

If the paying agent is to pay some or all of your merger consideration to a person other than you, as the registered owner of a stock certificate you must have your certificate properly endorsed or otherwise in proper form for transfer, and you must pay any transfer or other taxes payable by reason of the transfer or establish to the surviving corporation's reasonable satisfaction that the taxes have been paid or are not required to be paid.

If you have lost your certificate, or if it has been stolen or destroyed, you will be required to provide an affidavit to that fact and may be required to post a bond in such amount as the surviving corporation or paying agent or China paying agent may reasonably request. The letter of transmittal will tell you what to do in these circumstances.

### Treatment of Outstanding Stock Options

Before the effective time of the merger, we will take all action necessary such that each outstanding stock option will, at the effective time of the merger, to the extent not previously exercised, be canceled and terminated and converted into the right to receive a cash payment, for each share of our common stock subject to such option, equal to the excess, if any, of (a) the merger consideration over (b) the option exercise price payable in respect of such share of our common stock issuable under such option, without interest and less any applicable withholding taxes.

### Representations and Warranties

The Merger Agreement contains representations and warranties of our Company and of Parent and MergerSub made to and solely for the benefit of each other. The assertions embodied in those representations and warranties are qualified by information contained in confidential disclosure schedules, if any, that modify, qualify and create exceptions to the representations and warranties contained in the Merger Agreement. Accordingly, you should not rely on the representations and warranties as characterizations of the actual state of facts, because (1) they were made only as of the date of the Merger Agreement or a prior specified date, (2) in some cases they are subject to qualifications with respect to materiality and knowledge, (3) they may be modified in important part by the disclosure schedules exchanged by the parties in connection with signing the Merger Agreement and (4) in the case of our representations and warranties, are qualified by certain disclosure in the filings we made with the SEC since December 31, 2008. The disclosure schedules contain information that has been included in our prior public disclosures, as well as non-public information. Moreover, information concerning the subject matter of the representations and warranties may have changed since the date of the Merger Agreement, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in our public disclosures.

We make various representations and warranties in the Merger Agreement that are subject, in some cases, to exceptions and qualifications (including exceptions that would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Company Material Adverse Effect). Refer to "—Company Material Adverse Effect Definition" below. Our representations and warranties relate to, among other things:

- our due organization, good standing and qualification, and other corporate matters with respect to us and our subsidiaries;
- our capitalization and certain related matters;
- our corporate authority and authorization to enter into, and enforceability of, the Merger Agreement;
- the absence of conflicts with, or defaults under, our organizational documents, and applicable laws;
- the required shareholder approvals to adopt the Merger Agreement and approve the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement;
  - required regulatory filings and consents and approvals of governmental authorities;
- documents filed with or furnished to the SEC and the accuracy of the information in those documents, including our financial statements;

- the absence of certain undisclosed liabilities;
- the conduct of our business in the ordinary course of business since September 30, 2009 and the absence of any event or change since September 30, 2009, that has had, individually or in the aggregate, a Company Material Adverse Effect;
- litigation and government authorizations;
- compliance with laws and compliance with, and adequacy of, permits;
- this proxy statement not being misleading and the compliance of this proxy statement as to form with the requirements of the Exchange Act;
- tax matters;
- our employee benefit plans and compensation matters;
- environmental matters;
- intellectual property;
- Florida takeover statutes;
- labor matters;
- title to property and matters with respect to leased property;
- material contracts;
- the opinion of the financial advisor to the Special Committee;
- absence of brokers' and finders' fees;
- transactions with our affiliates; and
- insurance matters.

The Merger Agreement also contains various representations and warranties made jointly and severally by Parent and MergerSub. The representations and warranties of Parent and MergerSub relate to, among other things:

- their due organization and good standing;
- their authority and authorization to enter into, and enforceability of, the Merger Agreement;
- the absence of conflicts with, or defaults under, their organizational documents, other contracts and applicable law;

- required regulatory filings and consents and approvals of governmental authorities including the Toronto Stock Exchange and appropriate Canadian province;
- actions relating to its obligation to deposit of \$3,000,000 as part of the merger consideration to be paid in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement;
- information supplied in the proxy statement and the Rule 13e-3 transaction statement on Schedule 13E-3; and
  - absence of brokers' and finders' fees.

The representations and warranties of the parties expire upon consummation of the merger.

### Company Material Adverse Effect Definition

Many of our representations and warranties are qualified by a Company Material Adverse Effect standard. For the purpose of the Merger Agreement, "Company Material Adverse Effect" is defined to mean, subject to various exceptions, any effect, event, fact, development, condition or change that, individually or in the aggregate (1) is materially adverse to our assets, business, results of operations or condition (financial or other) and those of our subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or (2) prevents, or materially hinders the consummation of the merger or any of the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, in each case, other than any effect, event, fact, development, condition or change arising out of or resulting from any of the following:

- (a) any decrease in the market price of our common stock (but not any change underlying such decrease to the extent such change would otherwise constitute a Company Material Adverse Effect);
- (b) changes in conditions in the U.S. or global economy (except to the extent such changes affect us and our subsidiaries in a materially disproportionate manner);
- (c) changes in conditions in the industry in which we and our subsidiaries operate (except to the extent such changes affect us and our subsidiaries in a materially disproportionate manner);
- (d) changes resulting from the announcement or pendency of the merger;
- (e) changes in laws;