# PROSPECTUS



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(incorporated in Malaysia under the Companies Act, 1965)

ISSUE OF

3,000,000 NEW ORDINARY SHARES OF RM1.00 EACH TO MALAYSIAN PUBLIC, ELIGIBLE DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES OF NPC RESOURCES BERHAD AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES; AND

5,000,000 NEW ORDINARY SHARES OF RM1.00 EACH BY PRIVATE PLACEMENT TO IDENTIFIED INVESTORS

AND

OFFER FOR SALE OF

20,400,000 ORDINARY SHARES OF RM1.00 EACH TO BUMIPUTERA INVESTORS APPROVED BY THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY; AND

4,000,000 ORDINARY SHARES OF RM1.00 EACH BY PRIVATE PLACEMENT TO IDENTIFIED INVESTORS

AT AN ISSUE/OFFER PRICE OF RM1.30

PER ORDINARY SHARE PAYABLE IN FULL ON APPLICATION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH ITS LISTING ON THE MAIN BOARD OF KUALA LUMPUR STOCK EXCHANGE

Adviser, Underwriter and Placement Agent

CIMB

Commerce International Merchant Bankers Berhad

THE ORDINARY SHARES ISSUED/OFFERED HEREBY INVOLVE A CERTAIN DEGREE OF RISK, FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING CERTAIN RISK FACTORS WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS, SEE RISK FACTORS' IN SECTION 5 HEREIN

THIS PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN SEEN AND APPROVED BY THE DIRECTORS AND PROMOTERS OF NPC RESOURCES BERHAD (502313-P) ("NPC") AND THE OFFERORS AND THEY COLLECTIVELY AND INDIVIDUALLY ACCEPT FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ACCURACY OF THE INFORMATION GIVEN AND CONFIRM THAT, AFTER HAVING MADE ALL REASONABLE ENQUIRIES, AND TO THE BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THERE ARE NO FALSE OR MISLEADING STATEMENTS OR OTHER FACTS THE OMISSION OF WHICH WOULD MAKE ANY STATEMENT HEREIN FALSE OR MISLEADING.

COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL MERCHANT BANKERS BERHAD (18417-M), THE ADVISER, UNDERWRITER AND PLACEMENT AGENT, ACKNOWLEDGES THAT, BASED ON ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION AND TO THE BEST OF ITS KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THIS PROSPECTUS CONSTITUTES A FULL AND TRUE DISCLOSURE OF ALL MATERIAL FACTS CONCERNING THE PUBLIC ISSUE AND OFFER FOR SALE AND IS SATISFIED THAT THE CONSOLIDATED PROFIT ESTIMATE AND FORECAST (FOR WHICH THE DIRECTORS OF NPC ARE FULLY RESPONSIBLE) PREPARED FOR INCLUSION IN THIS PROSPECTUS HAVE BEEN STATED BY THE DIRECTORS AFTER DUE AND CAREFUL ENQUIRY AND HAVE BEEN DULY REVIEWED BY THE REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS.

THE SECURITIES COMMISSION ("SC") HAS APPROVED THIS PUBLIC ISSUE AND OFFER FOR SALE BUT THAT APPROVAL SHALL NOT BE TAKEN TO INDICATE THAT THE SC RECOMMENDS THIS PUBLIC ISSUE AND/OR THE OFFER FOR SALE, WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF THIS PROSPECTUS. THE SC SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY MATERIAL NON-DISCLOSURE ON THE PART OF NPC AND ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CORRECTNESS OF ANY STATEMENTS MADE OR OPINIONS OR REPORTS EXPRESSED IN THIS PROSPECTUS. INVESTORS SHOULD RELY ON THEIR OWN EVALUATION TO ASSESS THE MERITS AND RISKS OF THE INVESTMENT.

THE VALUATION OF THE PROPERTIES APPROVED OR ACCEPTED BY THE SC SHALL ONLY BE UTILISED FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE LISTING PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO AND APPROVED BY THE SC, AND SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED AS AN ENDORSEMENT BY THE SC ON THE VALUE OF THE SUBJECT ASSETS FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSES.

THE KUALA LUMPUR STOCK EXCHANGE ("KLSE") ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CORRECTNESS OF ANY OF THE STATEMENTS MADE OR OPINIONS EXPRESSED IN THIS PROSPECTUS. ADMISSION TO THE OFFICIAL LIST OF THE MAIN BOARD OF KLSE IS NOT TO BE TAKEN AS AN INDICATION OF THE MERITS OF NPC OR OF ITS ORDINARY SHARES.

A COPY OF THIS PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN REGISTERED BY THE SC AND LODGED WITH THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES, MALAYSIA WHO TAKES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITS CONTENTS.

# INDICATIVE TIMETABLE

The indicative timing of events leading up to the listing of and quotation for NPC's entire enlarged issued and paidup share capital on the Main Board of KLSE is set out below:-

**Event** Date

OPENING OF APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUE SHARES AND OFFER SHARES

CLOSING OF APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUE SHARES AND OFFER SHARES

TENTATIVE BALLOTING DATE FOR APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUE SHARES

TENTATIVE ALLOTMENT DATE OF THE ISSUE SHARES AND OFFER SHARES

April 2002

TENTATIVE LISTING DATE

May 2002

# Note:-

\* The application for the Public Issue will close at the time and date as stated above or such further date or dates as the Directors of NPC and the Offerors, in their absolute discretion, may mutually decide.

# DEFINITIONS

In this Prospectus, unless otherwise stated, the following abbreviations shall have the following meanings:-

Acquisition of Berkat

- Acquisition of 680,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in Berkat, representing 34.00% equity interest therein, for a purchase consideration of RM10,887,749, satisfied wholly by the issuance of 7,853,311 new NPC ordinary shares of RM1.00 each, credited as fully paid-up, at an issue price of approximately RM1.39 per new NPC share

Acquisition of Natural

- Acquisition of 100,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in Natural, representing the entire equity interest therein, for a purchase consideration of RM78,461,817, satisfied wholly by the issuance of 56,594,347 new NPC ordinary shares of RM1.00 each, credited as fully paid-up, at an issue price of approximately RM1.39 per new NPC share

Acquisition of NKH

- Acquisition of 1,104,200 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in NKH, representing approximately 19.82% equity interest therein, for a purchase consideration of RM7,343,405, satisfied wholly by the issuance of 5,296,783 new NPC ordinary shares of RM1.00 each, credited as fully paid-up, at an issue price of approximately RM1.39 per new NPC share

Acquisition of Sebuda

Acquisition of 749,999 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in Sebuda, representing approximately 50.00% equity interest therein, for a purchase consideration of RM2,456,912, satisfied wholly by the issuance of 1,772,166 new NPC ordinary shares of RM1.00 each, credited as fully paid-up, at an issue price of approximately RM1.39 per new NPC share

Acquisition of Seraya

- Acquisition of 5,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in Seraya, representing approximately 50.00% equity interest therein, for a purchase consideration of RM670,101, satisfied wholly by the issuance of 483,342 new NPC ordinary shares of RM1.00 each, credited as fully paid-up, at an issue price of approximately RM1.39 per new NPC share

Acquisition of Soon Tai

- Acquisition of 1 ordinary share of RM1.00 each in Soon Tai, representing 0.1% equity interest therein, for a cash consideration of RM1.00

Acquisition of Summer Focus

- Acquisition of 2 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in Summer Focus, representing 0.2% equity interest therein, for a cash consideration of RM2.00

Acquisitions

 Acquisition of Berkat, Acquisition of Natural, Acquisition of NKH, Acquisition of Sebuda, Acquisition of Seraya, Acquisition of Soon Tai and Acquisition of Summer Focus, collectively

ADA

- Authorised Depository Agent

ADA Code

ADA (Broker) Code

Agrisa

 Agrisa Trading Sdn. Bhd. (102642-M), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Berkat

Arrangement

- Arrangement by two substantial shareholders of NPC, namely Loo Pang Kee and Wong Siew Ying, wherein they will transfer a total of 25,600,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in NPC to JVSB, after the issuance of the Prospectus but prior to the Public Issue

# **DEFINITIONS** (Cont'd)

- Automated Teller Machine ATM Ballerina Sdn. Bhd. (64744-V), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Growth Ballerina Berkat Berkat Setia Sdn. Bhd. (52099-X), a 95.5%-owned subsidiary of Growth Bintang Kinabalu Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (46607-H), a wholly-owned Bintang subsidiary of Growth Bonus Indah Sdn. Bhd. (145132-D), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bonus Indah Telupid CDS Central Depository System Commerce International Merchant Bankers Berhad (18417-M) CIMB CPO Crude palm oil Dat Soon Trading Sdn. Bhd. (20821-T), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dat Soon NKH Deltafort Sdn. Bhd. (149106-H), a wholly-owned subsidiary of SROPP Deltafort Disposal of various non-operational assets by certain subsidiaries of Disposal of Non-Operational Assets NPC for a total cash consideration of approximately RM9.187 million Emashijau Syarikat Emashijau Sdn. Bhd. (27464-K), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Natural Application for the Issue Shares through a Participating Financial Electronic Share Application Institution's ATM **EPS**  Earnings per share **FFB** Fresh fruit bunches FIC Foreign Investment Committee Growth Enterprise Sdn. Bhd. (52423-M), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Growth Natural Intan Ramai Sdn. Bhd. (129660-D), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Intan Ramai Growth 8,000,000 new ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in NPC to be issued at Issue Shares an issue price of RM1.30 per share pursuant to the Public Issue Syarikat Jejco Sdn. Bhd. (48020-H), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Jejco Bintang Jubilant Ventures Sdn. Bhd. (510830-V) **JVSB** Kidat Sdn. Bhd. (61575-H), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Growth Kidat Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange (30632-P) KLSE Listing of and quotation for the entire issued and paid-up share capital Listing of NPC on the Main Board of KLSE Malaysian Association of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and MAICSA

Administrators

# DEFINITIONS (Cont'd)

Mature Land	-	Mature Land Sdn. Bhd. (184593-D), SROPP	a wholly-owned subsidiary of	
Miasa	-	Miasa Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (67537-H) Growth	, a wholly-owned subsidiary of	
MCD	-	Malaysian Central Depository Sdn. Bł KLSE	ad. (165570-W), a subsidiary of	
MIH	-	Malaysian Issuing House Sdn. Bhd. (25	8345-X)	
MITI	-	Ministry of International Trade and Inde	astry	
MPOB	-	Malaysian Palm Oil Board		
Natural	-	Natural Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (108141-W), a wholly-owned subsidiary of NPC		
NKH	-	Ngin Kong Holdings Sdn. Bhd. (37925) of Natural	2-U), a wholly-owned subsidiary	
NPC or Company	_	NPC Resources Berhad (502313-P)		
NPC Group or Group	-	NPC and its subsidiaries		
NTA	-	Net tangible assets		
Offer for Sale or Offer	-	Offer for sale of the Offer Shares to Bumiputera investors approved by MITI and identified investors		
Offer Shares	-	24,600,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 offer price of RM1.30 per share pursuar		
Offerors	-	Shareholders of NPC making the Offer ordinary shares to be offered as follows:		
		Shareholders	No. of shares offered for sale	
		Loo Ngin Kong	965,596	
		Wong Siew Ying	7,935,280	
		Loo Pang Kee	8,446,742	
		P. Nagammal a/p Sithamparrappillai	3,294,486	
		Lim Chau Thye @ Lim Yoke Mooi	689,378	
		Loo Mun Kin	689,054	
		Loo Ban Teng	689,054	
		Loo Mun San	689,054	
		Loo Ban Hen	689,054	
		Loganathan a/l Ponnambalam	512,302	

Participating Financial Institution(s)

 Participating financial institutions for Electronic Share Application as listed in Section 21.4(ii)(o) of this Prospectus

24,600,000

# **DEFINITIONS** (Cont'd)

RM and sen

USD

PE multiple Price earnings multiple PΚ Palm kernel Public Issue Issue of the Issue Shares to eligible Directors and employees of the NPC Group, the Malaysian public and identified investors SC Securities Commission Sebuda Sebuda Sdn. Bhd. (46723-T), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Growth Seraya Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (028707-T), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Seraya Growth Sinar Ramai Sinar Ramai Sdn. Bhd. (138934-X), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Growth Sofrah Syarikat Sofrah Sdn. Bhd. (042405-V), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Growth Soon Tai Soon Tai Enterprise Sdn. Bhd. (51365-A), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Growth SROPP Sungai Ruku Oil Palm Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (129371-P), a whollyowned subsidiary of NKH Summer Focus Summer Focus Sdn. Bhd. (461446-W), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Natural Telupid Telupid Kelapa Sawit Sdn. Bhd. (191430-U), a 70%-owned subsidiary of Growth Transglobe Enterprise Sdn. Bhd. (79012-T), a wholly-owned subsidiary Transglobe of Growth Wenow Wenow Enterprise Sdn. Bhd. (311476-H), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Natural Ladang Zupakeja Sdn. Bhd. (39647-U), a 73.5%-owned subsidiary of Zupakeja SROPP

Words importing the singular shall, where applicable, include the plural and vice versa and words importing the masculine gender shall, where applicable, include the feminine and neuter genders and vice versa. Reference to persons shall include corporation.

United States of America Dollar

Ringgit Malaysia and sen respectively

Any reference in this Prospectus to any enactment is a reference to that enactment as for the time being amended or re-enacted.

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# CORPORATE DIRECTORY

# Directors

Name	Address	Occupation	Nationality
Loo Ngin Kong (Executive Chairman)	Detached House CL 075318697 Taman Tshun Ngen Mile 5, Jalan Labuk 90000 Sandakan Sabah	Company Director	Malaysian
Tengku Datuk Dr. Zainal Adlin bin Tengku Mahamood (Non-Executive Deputy Chairman)	38, Reservoir Garden Phase 2, Jalan Bundusan 88300 Kota Kinabalu Sabah	Company Director	Malaysian
Loo Pang Kee (Managing Director)	Detached House CL 075318697 Taman Tshun Ngen Mile 5, Jalan Labuk 90000 Sandakan Sabah	Company Director	Malaysian
Wong Siew Ying (Executive Director)	Detached House CL 075318697 Taman Tshun Ngen Mile 5, Jalan Labuk 90000 Sandakan Sabah	Company Director	Malaysian
Lim Ted Hing (Independent Non-Executive Director)	Lot 34 & 35 Taman Sentosa Mile 2.5, Jalan Labuk P.O. Box 81 90701 Sandakan Sabah	Chartered Accountant	Malaysian
Dr. Edmond Fernandez (Independent Non-Executive Director)	19, Lorong 2A Taman Grandview 90000 Sandakan Sabah	Doctor	Malaysian

# Audit Committee

Name	Designation	Directorship
Lim Ted Hing	Chairman of the Committee	Independent Non-Executive Director
Dr. Edmond Fernandez	Member of the Committee	Independent Non-Executive Director
Loo Pang Kee	Member of the Committee	Managing Director

# CORPORATE DIRECTORY (Cont'd)

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Offer for Sale

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Sabah

Valuers

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90009 Sandakan

Sabah

# 1. CORPORATE DIRECTORY (Cont'd)

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90000 Sandakan

Sabah

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Sabah

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Telephone no.: 03-21454337

Adviser, Underwriter and

Placement Agent

Commerce International Merchant Bankers Berhad

8th Floor, Bangunan CIMB

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50490 Kuala Lumpur

Listing Sought

Main Board of KLSE

# 2. INTRODUCTION

This Prospectus is dated 28 March 2002.

A copy of this Prospectus has been registered by the SC and lodged with the Registrar of Companies, Malaysia who takes no responsibility for its contents.

An application will be made to the KLSE within three (3) market days of the issuance of this Prospectus for admission to the Official List of the Main Board of KLSE and for permission to deal in and quotation for the entire issued and fully paid-up ordinary shares of the Company, including the Issue Shares and Offer Shares, which are the subject of this Prospectus. These ordinary shares will be admitted to the Official List of the Main Board of KLSE and official quotation will commence after receipt of confirmation from MCD that all CDS accounts of the successful applicants have been duly credited and notices of allotment have been despatched to all successful applicants.

Acceptance of applications will be conditional upon permission being granted by the KLSE to deal in and quotation for the entire issued and fully paid-up ordinary shares of the Company, including the Issue Shares and Offer Shares within six (6) weeks from the date of this Prospectus or such longer period as may be specified by the SC, provided the Company is notified by or on behalf of KLSE within the six (6) weeks or such longer period as may be specified by the SC. Accordingly, monies paid in respect of any application accepted will be returned without interest if the said permission from the KLSE is not granted.

Pursuant to Section 14(1) of the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act, 1991, the KLSE has prescribed NPC as a CDS counter. In consequence thereof, the shares issued and offered through this Prospectus will be deposited directly with MCD and any dealings in these shares will be carried out in accordance with the aforesaid Acts and the Rules of MCD.

Pursuant to the SC's Policies and Guidelines on Issue/Offer of Securities, the Company needs to have at least 25% of the enlarged issued and paid-up share capital in the hands of public shareholders and a minimum number of 1,000 public shareholders (including not more than 250 employees) holding not less than 1,000 shares each upon completion of the Public Issue and Offer for Sale. The Company is expected to achieve this at the point of Listing. In the event that the above requirement is not met pursuant to the Public Issue and Offer for Sale, the Company may not be allowed to proceed with its Listing. In the event thereof, monies paid in respect of all applications will be returned without interest if the said permission is not granted.

An applicant should state his CDS account number in the space provided in the Application Form if the applicant presently has such an account. Where an applicant does not presently have a CDS account, the applicant should state in the Application Form his or her preferred ADA Code. Where an applicant already has a CDS account, he or she should not complete the preferred ADA Code. For application using the Electronic Share Application, an applicant must have a CDS account.

No person is authorised to give any information or to make any representation not contained herein in connection with the Public Issue and/or the Offer for Sale and if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorised by NPC and/or CIMB. Neither the delivery of this Prospectus nor any Public Issue and/or Offer for Sale made in connection with this Prospectus shall, under any circumstances, constitute a representation or create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the NPC Group since the date hereof.

The distribution of this Prospectus and the sale of the Issue Shares and/or Offer Shares are subject to Malaysian law and the Company takes no responsibility for the distribution of this Prospectus and/or sale of the Issue Shares and/or Offer Shares outside Malaysia. Persons who may be in possession of this Prospectus are required to inform themselves of and to observe such restrictions. This Prospectus does not constitute and may not be used for the purpose of an offer to sell or invitation of an offer to buy any Issue Shares and/or Offer Shares in any jurisdiction in which such offer is not authorised or lawful or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer.

If you are in doubt about this Prospectus, you should consult your stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, professional accountant or other professional adviser immediately.

# 3. INFORMATION SUMMARY

The following is only a summary of the salient information about the NPC Group, and of the Public Issue and Offer for Sale. Investors should read and understand the whole Prospectus prior to deciding whether to invest in the Issue/Offer Shares. The following information is derived from, and should be read in conjunction with, the full text of this Prospectus.

# 3.1 History and Business

NPC was incorporated in Malaysia under the Companies Act, 1965 on 28 December 1999 as a private limited company under the name of Synergy Series Sdn. Bhd.. On 4 May 2000, the Company changed its name to NPC Resources Sdn. Bhd.. It was subsequently converted to a public limited company on 23 May 2000 and adopted its present name.

NPC is principally an investment holding company while the principal activities of its subsidiaries, all of which were incorporated in Malaysia, are as follows:-

Subsidiaries	Principal activities
Natural	Operation of an oil palm plantation and investment holding
Subsidiaries of Natural	
Growth	Operation of oil palm plantations
NKH	Investment holding and the provision of management services
Emashijau	Provision of management services on purchasing of consumable stores
Wenow	Trading of FFB and provision of transportation services
Summer Focus	Plantation development contractor
Subsidiaries of NKH	
Dat Soon	Trading of FFB
SROPP	Operation of oil palm plantations and palm oil mill
Subsidiaries of Growth	
Ballerina	Operation of an oil palm plantation
Bintang	Operation of oil palm plantations
Intan Ramai	Operation of an oil palm plantation
Miasa	Operation of an oil palm plantation
Sinar Ramai	Operation of an oil palm plantation
Soon Tai	Operation of an oil palm plantation
Sofrah	Operation of an oil palm plantation
Transglobe	Operation of an oil palm plantation
Kidat	Provision of transportation services
Telupid	Operation of oil palm plantations
Berkat	Operation of palm oil mill and oil palm plantations
Seraya	Operation of an oil palm plantation
Sebuda	Operation of an oil palm plantation

# 3. INFORMATION SUMMARY (Cont'd)

Subsidiaries Principal activities

Subsidiaries of SROPP

Deltafort Subleasing of its leasehold land

Mature Land Subleasing of its leasehold land

Zupakeja Operation of an oil palm plantation

Subsidiary of Bintang

Jejco Operation of an oil palm plantation

Subsidiary of Berkat

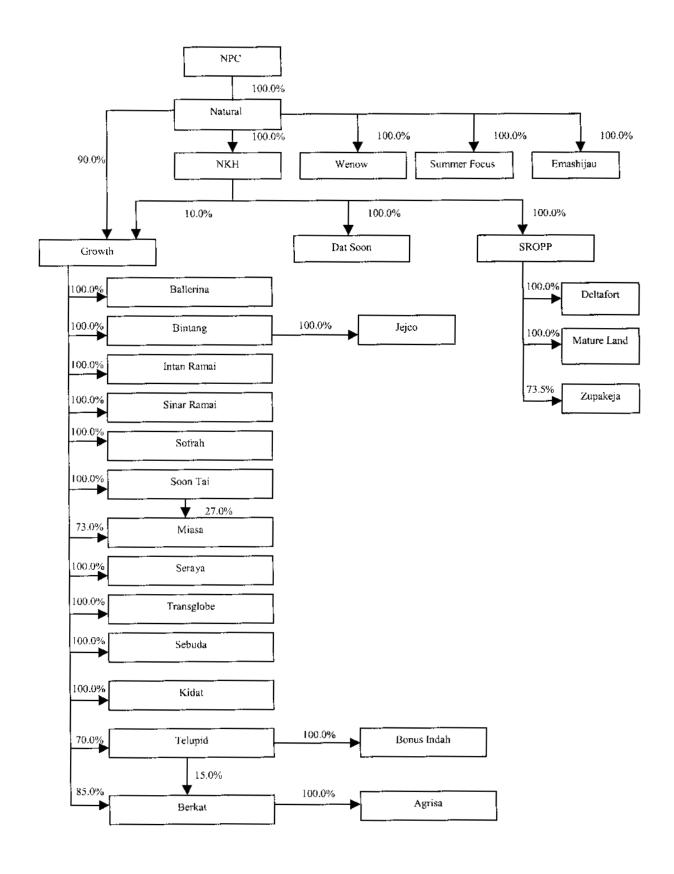
Agrisa Operation of an oil palm plantation

Subsidiary of Telupid

Bonus Indah Operation of an oil palm plantation

As at the date hereof, NPC does not have any associated company. Further information on NPC and its subsidiaries are set out in Sections 8 and 10 of this Prospectus respectively.

The current structure of the NPC Group is as follows:-



# 3.2 Major Shareholders, Promoters, Directors and Key Management

# 3.2.1 Major Shareholders

The major shareholders (holding 5% or more of the issued and paid-up share capital) of NPC and their respective shareholdings after the Public Issue and Offer are as follows:-

	———After the Public Issue and Offer——— No. of ordinary shares of RM1.00 each held					
Shareholders	Designation	Direct	%	Indirect	%	
√SB	-	25,600,000	32.00	-	-	
Loo Pang Kee	Managing Director	6,295,657	7.87	25,600,000*	32.00	
Wong Siew Ying	Executive Director	5,914,445	7.39	25,600,000*	32.00	

## Notes:-

The shareholdings disclosed above do not include any allocations of the Issue Shares reserved for eligible Directors and employees of the NPC Group pursuant to the Public Issue.

\* Deemed interested through JVSB pursuant to the Arrangement.

# 3.2.2 Promoters

Loo Ngin Kong, Wong Siew Ying and Loo Pang Kee individually and collectively are the promoters of the Company, details of whom are as set out in Section 3.2.3 below.

# 3.2.3 Directors

The Directors of NPC and their shareholdings after the Public Issue and Offer are as follows:-

		———After the Public Issue and Offer——— No. of ordinary shares of RM1.00 each held				
Directors	Designation	Direct	%	Indirect	%	
Loo Ngin Kong	Executive Chairman	719,694	0.90	-	-	
Tengku Datuk Dr. Zainal Adlin bin Tengku Mahamood	Non-Executive Deputy Chairman	1	#	•	-	
Loo Pang Kee	Managing Director	6,295,657	7.87	25,600,000*	32.00	
Wong Siew Ying	Executive Director	5,914,445	7.39	25,600,000*	32.00	
Lim Ted Hing	Independent Non-Executive Director	-	-	-	-	
Dr. Edmond Femandez	Independent Non-Executive Director	-	-	-	-	

# Natas.

The shareholdings disclosed above do not include allocations of the Issue Shares reserved for eligible Directors of the NPC Group pursuant to the Public Issue.

- # Negligible
- \* Deemed interested through JVSB pursuant to the Arrangement.

# 3.2.4 Key Management

The key management personnel of NPC and their shareholdings after the Public Issue and Offer are as follows:-

		After the Public Issue and Offer No. of ordinary shares of RM1.00 each held				
Names	Designation	Direct	%	Indirect	%	
Lim Kee Fah @ Robert Lim+	Administration Manager	1	*	-	-	
Tan Vun Su+	Group Accountant	1	*	-	-	
Lok Kong @ Loh Tong Weng	Chief Engineer	1	*	-	-	
Wong Yee Ling++	Mill Manager	-	-	-	-	
Loh Yin Fah	Workshop Manager	-	-	-	-	
David Thien Ming Soon+	Estate Manager	1	*	-	-	
Chiang King Hong+	Senior Estate Manager	1	*	-	-	
Imbau bin Taunangoi @ Imbau Kaangui	Division Manager	1	*	-	-	

# Notes:-

- + Lim Kee Fah @ Robert Lim, Tan Vun Su, David Thien Ming Soon and Chiang King Hong have 2%, 10%, 4% and 2% equity interest respectively in Success Parade Sdn. Bhd. ("SPSB"). SPSB has signed a placement agreement on 26 February 2002 with CIMB to subscribe for 500,000 of the 4,000,000 Offer Shares in NPC to be privately placed
- Wong Yee Ling has signed a placement agreement on 18 February 2002 with CIMB to subscribe for 250,000 of the 4,000,000 Offer Shares in NPC to be privately placed
- Negligible

The shareholdings disclosed above do not include allocations of the Issue Shares reserved for eligible employees of the NPC Group pursuant to the Public Issue and the private placement to identified investors.

Detailed information on the major shareholders, promoters, Directors and key management of NPC is set out in Section 9 of this Prospectus.

# 3.3 Financial Highlights

# 3.3.1 Proforma Consolidated Income Statements

The following is a summary of the proforma consolidated income statements of the NPC Group for the past five (5) financial years ended 31 December 1996 to 2000 and the nine (9) months ended 30 September 2001, which have been prepared based on the audited financial statements of NPC and its subsidiaries for the relevant financial years/period are provided for illustrative purposes, on the assumption that the current structure of NPC Group had been in existence throughout the financial years and period under review and after making such adjustments considered necessary:-

9 months

						ended 30
	——— F 1996	inancial yea 1997	r ended 31 1998	December – 1999	2000	September 2001
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Revenue	80,001	102,485	161,132	95,237	81,426	54,577
Profit before finance cost, depreciation and taxation	13,133	16,475	21,381	20,199	16,381	11,471
Finance cost	(1,153)	(1,819)	(4,151)	(2,933)	(1,990)	(1,415)
Depreciation	(3,067)	(3,434)	(4,308)	(4,338)	(4,148)	(4,458)
Profit before taxation, exceptional item and minority interests	8,913	11,222	12,922	12,928	10,243	5,598
Exceptional item	-	-	-	(47)	(812)	-
Profit before taxation and minority interests	8,913	11,222	12,922	12,881	9,431	5,598
Taxation	(1,946)	(1,888)	563	365	(741)	(590)
Profit after taxation but before minority interests	6,967	9,334	13,485	13,246	8,690	5,008
Minority interests	(451)	(507)	(886)	(587)	(325)	(153)
Profit after taxation and minority						
interests	6,516	8,827	12,599	12,659	8,365	4,855
No. of ordinary shares assumed in issue ('000)*	72,000	72,000	72,000	72,000	72,000	72,000
Net EPS (RM)	0.09	0.12	0.17	0.18	0.12	0.09^
Dividend rate						
- Gross (%)	-	-	-	5.37*	2. 85#	2.92#
- Tax exempt (%)	-	-	-	1.80*	-	0.1}*

# Notes:-

Further details on the proforma consolidated income statements are set out in Section 8.6 of this Prospectus.

<sup>^</sup> Annualised

<sup>\*</sup> The assumed issued and paid-up share capital of 72,000,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each is based on the issued and paid-up share capital of NPC after the Acquisitions but before the Public Issue.

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the number of ordinary shares assumed in issue of 72,000,000.

# 3.3.2 Proforma Consolidated Balance Sheets

The following is a summary of the proforma consolidated balance sheets of NPC as at 30 September 2001, prepared for illustrative purposes only, to show the effects of the Acquisitions, Public Issue and Disposal of Non-Operational Assets, on the assumption that these transactions were completed on 30 September 2001:-

	Audited as at 30.09.2001 RM'000	Proforma I RM'000	Proforma II RM'000	Proforma III RM'000
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	-	178,768	178,768	172,644
INVESTMENT	-	3,063	3,063	-
CURRENT ASSETS	1,164	21,585	23,185	26,785
CURRENT LIABILITIES	(1,175)	(40,618)	(39,118)	(33,531)
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES	(11)	(19,033)	(15,933)	(6,746)
LONG TERM LIABILITIES	-	(36,664)	(30,364)	(30,364)
	(11)	126,134	135,534	135,534
SHARE CAPITAL	*	72,000	80,000	80,000
SHARE PREMIUM	-	27,820	29,220	29,220
RESERVE ON CONSOLIDATION	-	12,440	12,440	12,440
ACCUMULATED LOSSES	(11)	(11)	(11)	(11)
	(11)	112,249	121,649	121,649
MINORITY INTERESTS		13,885	13,885	13,885
	(11)	126,134	135,534	135,534
(Net liabilities)/NTA per share (RM)	(215.69)	1.56	1.52	1.52

# Notes:-

\* RM51.

(i) Proforma l : After the Acquisitions.

(ii) Proforma II : After Proforma I and the Public Issue.

(iii) Proforma III : After Proforma II and the Disposal of Non-Operational Assets.

Further details on the proforma consolidated balance sheets of NPC as at 30 September 2001 are set out in Section 15 of this Prospectus. The above summary should be read together with the notes and assumptions to the proforma consolidated balance sheets as set out in Section 15 of this Prospectus.

### Principal Statistics Relating to the Public Issue and Offer for Sale 3.4

# (i) **Share Capital** Authorised 500,000,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each 500,000,000 Issued and fully paid-up as at the date of this Prospectus 72,000,000 72,000,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each

To be issued pursuant to the Public Issue 8,000,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each 8,000,000

80,000,000

RM

To be offered pursuant to the Offer for Sale 24,600,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each

24,600,000

### (ii) Classes of Shares and Rights

Assets)

There is only one class of shares in NPC, being ordinary shares of RM1.00 each. The Issue Shares will rank pari passu in all respects with the existing issued and paid-up ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in NPC.

Subject to any special rights attaching to any shares that may be issued by the Company in the future, the shareholders of ordinary shares in the Company shall be entitled to share in the whole of the profits paid out by the Company as dividends and other distributions and the whole of any surplus in the event of liquidation of the Company.

At every general meeting of NPC, each shareholder shall be entitled to vote in person or by proxy or by attorney, and on a show of hands, every person present who is a shareholder or representative or proxy or attorney to a shareholder shall have one vote and on a poll, every shareholder present in person or by proxy or by attorney or other duly authorised representative shall have one vote for each ordinary share held. A proxy may but need not be a member of the Company.

### (iii) Issue/Offer price of RM1.30 per ordinary share of RM1.00 each

The factors taken into consideration in the pricing of the Issue/Offer Shares are set out in Section 4.7 of this Prospectus.

### RM (iv) Proforma Group NTA 121,649,000 Proforma Group NTA as at 30 September 2001 (after the Acquisitions, Public Issue and Disposal of Non-Operational

Proforma Group NTA per share (based on the enlarged share capital of 80,000,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each)

1.52

# (v) Consolidated Profit Estimate and Forecast

The consolidated profit estimate and forecast for the financial year ended 31 December 2001 and the financial year ending 31 December 2002 respectively are as follows:-

Financial year ended/ending 31 December	Estimate 2001 RM'000	Forecast 2002 RM'000
Consolidated profit before taxation and minority interests	11,011	14,860
Taxation	(1,877)	(3,097)
Consolidated profit after taxation but before minority interests	9,134	11,763
Minority interests	(328)	(345)
Consolidated profit after taxation and minority interests	8,806	11,418
Pre-acquisition profit	(8,806)	(1,100)
Consolidated profit after taxation attributable to shareholders	-	10,318
Net EPS (sen)	N/A	14.40 <sup>(9)</sup>
Net PE multiple based on the Issue/Offer price of RM1.30 per share (times)	N/A	9.03

# Notes:-

N/A Not applicable.

(i) Based on the weighted average number of shares in issue of 71,671,237 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each calculated on the assumption that the Public Issue is completed on 30 April 2002.

The principal bases and assumptions upon which the consolidated profit estimate and forecast of NPC have been made are set out in Section 12 of this Prospectus.

# (vi) Dividend Forecast

The Directors of NPC do not intend to declare any dividends for the financial year ended 31 December 2001.

The dividend forecast for the financial year ending 31 December 2002 is as follows:-

Financial year ending 31 December	2002
Gross dividend per share (sen)	5.00
Gross dividend yield based on the Issuc/Offer price of RM1.30 per share (%)	3.85
Net dividend yield based on the Issue/Offer price of RM1.30 per share (%)	2.77
Net dividend cover (times)	3.58

Further information on the dividend estimate and forecast of NPC is set out in Section 14 of this Prospectus.

# 3.5 Risk Factors

An investment in shares listed/to be listed on KLSE involves a number of risks. Investors should rely on their own evaluations and carefully consider the investment considerations, together with other information contained in this Prospectus, before subscribing to any of the Issue/Offer Shares, which are the subject of this Prospectus.

The following are some of the main risk factors (which may not be exhaustive), as extracted from Section 5 of this Prospectus, which applicants for the Issue/Offer Shares should carefully consider, in addition to other information contained elsewhere in this Prospectus, before applying for the Issue/Offer Shares:-

# (i) No prior market for NPC's shares

Prior to the Listing, there was no public market for NPC's shares. There can be no assurance that an active market for NPC's shares will develop upon the Listing or, if developed, that such market will be sustained.

# (ii) Delay in or Abortion of the Listing

The occurrence of certain events may cause a delay in or the abortion of the Listing. Although the Directors will endeavour to secure the Listing, there can be no assurance that the aforementioned events will not cause a delay in or abortion of the Listing.

# (iii) Control by substantial shareholders

Following the Public Issue and Offer for Sale, Wong Siew Ying and Loo Pang Kee will be able to control the outcome of certain matters as they will collectively own 47.26% (of which 32.0% is held through JVSB) of the Company's issued and paid-up share capital.

# (iv) Competition

The Group faces competition from other CPO and PK producers in relation to the sales of CPO and PK produced. At the same time, CPO and PK oil also face competition from other vegetable oils such as soyabean and rapeseed oils.

# (v) Business risks

The Group is not insulated from general business risks as well as certain risks inherent in the palm oil industry.

# (vi) Dependence on key personnel

The Group believes that its continued success will depend, to a significant extent, upon the abilities and continued efforts of its existing Executive Directors and senior management. The loss of any of the Group's Executive Directors or key members of its senior management may affect the Group's performance.

# (vii) Dependence on foreign workers

The Group's palm oil estates and mills employ a reasonably large number of foreign workers to sustain and facilitate some of its plantation and mills' operations. The risk of any change in immigration policies by the Government in respect of foreign workers may affect the Group's performance.

# (viii) Dependence on a small number of customers

The Group's output, namely CPO and PK, are mainly sold to four (4) refineries located in Sabah whilst its single largest customer, Sandakan Edible Oils Sdn. Bhd., accounted for approximately 49% of total revenue for the financial period ended 30 September 2001.

# (ix) Potential conflict of interest

Certain Directors and substantial shareholders of the NPC Group have interests in companies carrying out similar business activities as the NPC Group.

# (x) Dependency on particular products, market and geographical location

The NPC Group is principally involved in the production of CPO and PK and hence the growth and viability of its business is highly correlated with and dependent on the growth and viability of these palm products. Further, the Group's market for its CPO and PK comprises only local refineries in Sabah.

# (xi) Fluctuation in CPO and PK prices

Trade and exports of the country's crude and processed palm oil products are undertaken in USD, hence the prices of CPO and PK are highly susceptible to fluctuations of the USD.

# (xii) Dependence on external supply of FFB

As at 30 September 2001, approximately 82% of the Group's FFB requirements are sourced from external plantations.

# (xiii) Termination of development and cultivation agreements

Growth, a wholly-owned subsidiary of NPC, had entered into fifty (50) development and cultivation agreements with various small land owners which can be terminated at any time by giving three (3) months' notice in writing and payment of compensation as specified in the respective development and cultivation agreements.

# (xiv) Insurance risk

At present, all of the Group's oil palm estates and palm oil mills are insured against unforeseen events such as fire and lightning, wind storm, riot, strikes and malicious damage. However, there can be no assurance that the insurance coverage would be adequate for the replacement cost of all assets of the NPC Group, including but not limited to, the oil palm estates and palm oil mills or any consequential costs arising therefrom.

# (xv) Restrictive covenants under borrowing facility agreements

The covenants set out in the credit facility agreements entered into by the subsidiaries of NPC may limit the NPC Group's operating and financial flexibility.

# (xvi) Political, economic and regulatory considerations

Like all other business entities, changes in political, economic and regulatory conditions in Malaysia and elsewhere could materially and adversely affect the financial and business prospects of the Group and the markets of their end products, in particular, CPO and PK.

# 3. INFORMATION SUMMARY (Cont'd)

# (xvii) Profit estimate and forecast

This Prospectus contains certain estimate and forecast that are based on reasonable assumptions that are nevertheless subject to uncertainties and contingencies.

# (xviii) Future prospects

Certain statements in this Prospectus are based on historical data which may not be reflective of future results, and others are forward-looking in nature which are subject to uncertainties and contingencies.

The above risk factors are elaborated in Section 5 of this Prospectus.

# 3.6 Future Prospects of the NPC Group

The future prospects of the NPC Group are expected to be reasonably good mainly due to the following factors:-

- (a) the expected continued growth in the demand for edible oils in line with the increase in worldwide population;
- (b) progressive maturity of the NPC Group's plantations;
- (c) the marketing strategies and promotions undertaken by the various Malaysian palm oil authorities to penetrate new markets and to improve market opportunities and trade of palm oil;
- (d) research and development activities undertaken by the various Malaysian palm oil authorities to further develop the palm oil industry; and
- (e) promotional activities undertaken by the Malaysia Palm Oil Promotion Council to enhance the marketability and image of Malaysian palm oil to the world.

Details of the Group's future prospects are set out in Section 7.2 of this Prospectus.

# 3.7 Utilisation of Proceeds

The total gross proceeds of RM10.400 million from the Public Issue will be utilised in the following manner:-

	RM'000
Repayment of bank borrowing	6,800
Working capital	1,600
Estimated listing expenses	2,000
	10,400

The estimated expenses and fees, including brokerage, placement fees and underwriting commission relating to the Issue Shares, incidental to the Listing amounting to approximately RM2.0 million will be borne by the Company.

The total gross proceeds from the Offer for Sale of RM31.980 million shall accrue entirely to the Offerors and no part of the proceeds of the Offer is receivable by NPC. All expenses, including brokerage and placement fees relating to the Offer Shares, shall be borne by the Offerors.

Details of the utilisation of proceeds are set out in Section 4.8 of this Prospectus.

# 3. INFORMATION SUMMARY (Cont'd)

# 3.8 Material Litigation, Material Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

# (i) Material Litigation

NPC and its subsidiaries are not engaged in any litigation, either as plaintiff or defendant which has a material effect on the financial position of NPC or its subsidiaries, and the Directors do not know of any proceedings pending or threatened or of any fact likely to give rise to any proceedings which might materially and adversely affect the position or business of the Company or its subsidiaries.

# (ii) Material Commitments for Capital Expenditure

Save as disclosed below, there are no material commitments for capital expenditure contracted or known to be contracted by NPC or its subsidiaries, which may have a substantial impact on the financial position of the Group as at 12 March 2002 (being the latest practicable date at which such amounts could be calculated prior to the printing of this Prospectus):-

	Amount RM'000
Approved and contracted for	145
Approved but not contracted for	
	145

# (iii) Contingent Liabilities

There are no material contingent liabilities incurred by NPC and its subsidiaries as at 12 March 2002 (being the latest practicable date at which such amounts could be calculated prior to the printing of this Prospectus) other than those incurred in the ordinary course of business.