Federal Reserve Bank of New York. We make no representation that the Won or Dollar amounts we refer to in this report could have been or could be converted into Dollars or Won, as the case may be, at any particular rate or at all.

	At End of			
Year Ended December 31,	Period	Average Rate(1)	High	Low
2002	1,186	1,250	1,332	1,161
2003	1,192	1,193	1,262	1,146
2004	1,035	1,145	1,195	1,035
2005	1,010	1,023	1,060	997
2006	930	951	1.003	914

Past Six Months	High (Won per US	Low
	(won per US\$1.00)	
January 2007	942.2	925.4
February 2007	942.3	932.5
March 2007	949.1	937.2
April 2007	937.0	926.1
May 2007	934.0	922.3
June 2007 (through June 28, 2007)	932.3	926.1

<sup>(1)</sup> The average rates for the annual periods were calculated based on the average noon buying rate on the last day of each month (or portion thereof) during the period. The average rate for the monthly periods were calculated based on the average noon buying rate of each day of the month (or portion thereof).

On June 28, 2007, the noon buying rate was Won 926.6 to US\$1.00.

#### Item 3.B. Capitalization and Indebtedness

Not applicable

#### Ttem 3.C. Reasons for the Offer and Use of Proceeds

Not applicable

#### Item 3.D. Risk Factors

#### Competition may reduce our market share and harm our results of operations and financial condition.

We face substantial competition in the wireless telecommunications sector in Korea. We expect competition to intensify as a result of consolidation of market leaders and the development of new technologies, products and services. We expect that such trends will continue to put downward pressure on the prevailing tariffs we can charge our subscribers. Also, continued competition from the other wireless and fixed-line service providers has resulted in, and may continue to result in, a substantial level of deactivations among our subscribers. Subscriber deactivations, or churn, may significantly harm our business and results of operations. For 2006, our churn rate ranged from 1.3% to 2.5%, with an average churn rate of 2.0%, compared to an average churn rate of 1.8% for 2005. We cannot assure you that our churn rates will not increase in the future. In addition, increased competition may cause our marketing expenses to increase as a percentage of sales, reflecting higher advertising expenses and other costs of new marketing activities, which may need to be introduced to attract and retain subscribers.

Prior to April 1996, we were the only wireless telecommunications service provider in Korea. Since then, several new providers have entered the market, offering wireless voice and data services that compete directly with our own. Together, these providers had a market share of approximately 49.6%, in terms of numbers of wireless service subscribers, as of December 31, 2006. Furthermore, in 2001, the Government awarded three companies the licenses to provide high-speed third generation, or 36, wireless telecommunications services. In Korea, this 36 license is also known as the "IMT-2000" license. IMT-2000 is the global standard for 36 wireless communications, as defined by the International Telecommunication Union, an organization established to standardize and regulate

international radio and telecommunications. One of these licenses was awarded to our former subsidiary, SK IMT Co., Ltd., which was merged into us on May 1, 2003, and the other two licenses were awarded to consortia led by or associated with KT Corporation, Korea's principal fixed-line operator and the parent of KTF, one of our principal wireless competitors, and to LG Telecom, Ltd., or LGT. In addition, our wireless voice businesses compete with Korea's fixed-line operators, and our wireless Internet businesses compete with providers of fixed-line data and Internet services.

Since 2000, there has been considerable consolidation in the wireless telecommunications industry, resulting in the emergence of stronger competitors. In 2000, KT Corporation acquired a 47.9% interest in Hansol M.Com (Formerly Hansol PCS Co., Ltd.), which was then the fifth largest wireless operator in terms of numbers of wireless service subscribers. Hansol M.Com subsequently changed its name to KT M.Com and merged into KTF in May 2001. In May 2002, the Government sold its remaining 28.4% stake in KT Corporation. KT Corporation had a 52.2% interest in KTF as of December 31, 2006. Such consolidation has created large, well-capitalized competitors with substantial financial, technical, marketing and other resources to respond to our business offerings. Future business combinations and alliances in the telecommunications industry may also create significant new competitors and could harm our business and results of operations.

In addition, in March 2006, the MIC partially lifted the prohibition on the provision of handset subsidies, in place since June 2000, with respect to subscribers meeting certain qualifications. See "— Our businesses are subject to extensive Government regulation and any change in Government policy relating to the telecommunications industry could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition". This recent decision by the MIC has intensified competition among mobile service providers and increased our marketing expenses relating to the provision of handset subsidies, which could, in turn, adversely affect our results of operations.

Furthermore, the MIC has recently announced a "road map" highlighting upcoming revisions in regulations to promote deregulation of the telecommunications industry. The road map includes allowing telecommunications service providers to bundle their services, such as wireless data service, wireless voice service, broadband Internet access service and fixed-line telephone service, at a discounted rate starting in July 2007, provided that we and KT Corporation, which are designated as market-dominating business entities under the Telecommunications Business Act, allow other competitors to employ the services provided by us and KT Corporation, respectively, so that such competitors can provide similar discounted package services. The road map also includes plans to amend the regulations and provisions under the Telecommunications Business Act by as early as October of this year to permit licensed transmission service providers to offer local, domestic long-distance and international telephone services, as well as broadband Internet access and Internet phone services, without additional business licenses. The proposed amendment is currently being considered by the MIC. The introduction of bundled services may increase competition in the telecommunications sector, as well as cause downward price pressure on the fees we charge for our services, which, in turn, may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

We expect competition to intensify as a result of such consolidation, regulatory changes and as a result of the rapid development of new technologies, products and services. Our ability to compete successfully will depend on our ability to anticipate and respond to various competitive factors affecting the industry, including new services that may be introduced, changes in consumer preferences, economic conditions and discount pricing strategies by competitors.

Inability to successfully implement or adapt our network and technology to meet the continuing technological advancements affecting the wireless industry will likely have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operation and business.

The telecommunications industry has been characterized by continuous improvement and advances in technology and this trend is expected to continue. For example, we and our competitors have implemented technology upgrades from basic code division multiple access, or CDMA, networks to more advanced high-speed wireless telecommunications networks based on CDMA 1xRTT and CDMA 1xEV/DD technology. Korean wireless telecommunications companies, including us, have also implemented newer technologies such as wide-band code division multiple access, or WCDMA, which is the 3G technology implemented by us. In 2005, we began to

upgrade our WCDMA network to support high-speed download packet access, or HSDPA, technology. HSDPA, which represents an evolution of the WCDMA standard, is a more advanced 3G technology than the initial WCDMA technology we implemented and is sometimes referred to as "3.5G" technology. Our HSDPA-capable WCDMA network, which was completed in March 2007, supports data transmission services at significantly higher data transmission speeds than our basic CDMA, CDMA 1xRTT and CDMA 1xEV/DO networks. The more successful operation of a 3G network by a competitor, including better market acceptance of a competitor's 3G-based services, could materially and adversely affect our existing wireless businesses as well as the returns on future investments we may make in our 3G network or our other businesses.

In addition, in March 2005, we also obtained a license from the MIC to provide wireless broadband internet, or WiBro, services. WiBro enables us to offer high-speed and large-packet data services, including wireless broadband Internet access to portable computers and other portable devices, but does not support voice transmission. We conducted pilot testing of WiBro service in limited areas of metropolitan Seoul in May 2006 and have since expanded WiBro service to 24 "hot zone" areas, which are neighborhoods and districts that we have determined to be high-data traffic areas, in seven cities in Korea. In 2007, we plan to extend WiBro service to "hot zone" areas in 23 cities throughout Korea. Beyond 2007, our WiBro expansion plans will depend, in part, on subscriber demand for WiBro services. As the implementation of WiBro service in Korea is relatively new, we cannot assure you that there will be sufficient demand for our WiBro services. Our WiBro services may not be commercially successful if market conditions are unfavorable or service demand is weak.

For a more detailed description of our backbone networks, see "Item 4.B. Business Overview — Digital Cellular Network".

Our business could also be harmed if we fail to implement, or adapt to, future technological advancements in the telecommunications sector in a timely manner.

### Implementation of 3G and WiBro technologies has required, and may continue to require, significant capital and other expenditures, which we may not recoun.

We have invested significant capital and resources to develop and implement our 3G technologies, including investments related to the commercial development of WCDMA technology, including advanced WCDMA-based technologies such as HSDPA, and the build-out of our WCDMA network. In 2006, we invested approximately Won 780.5 billion in capital expenditures related to expansion of our WCDMA network. We completed nationwide expansion of our WCDMA network, which is fully HSDPA-capable, in the first quarter of 2007. We also expect to devote additional capital resources in 2007 to enhance our 3G service quality, including through the installation of additional small cell sites and cellular repeaters to improve reception quality in subterranean areas, buildings or any remaining "blind spots" where reception quality may not be optimal, as well as the implementation of high-speed uplink packet access, or HSUPA, upgrades to our WCDMA network, which we commenced in June 2007. HSUPA technology represents yet the next stage in the evolution of the WCDMA standard. The HSUPA upgrades, which we expect to significantly improve our WCDMA network's data uplink speeds, may be accomplished through relatively simple firmware upgrades at relatively low cost. For a more detailed description of our backbone networks, see "Item 4.B. Business Overview — Digital Cellular Network".

We cannot assure you that demand for our 3G services will be sufficient to recoup our aggregate capital expenditures in developing and implementing our 3G technologies, including costs related to the procurement of our IMT-2000 license and construction our WCDMA network. Several companies in other countries have announced problems following the initial implementation of their 3G services, as a result of technological glitches and difficulties with software, equipment and handset supply. We believe that we may be vulnerable to similar problems, and if such problems are not resolved effectively as they arise, our financial condition or results of operations could be adversely affected. Also, we cannot assure you that there will be sufficient demand for our 3G services, as a result of competition or otherwise, to permit us to recoup or profit from our investment.

We have also made, and intend to continue to make, capital investments to develop and launch our WiBro services. In addition to the Won 117.0 billion WiBro license fee we paid to the MIC in March 2005, we spent Won 53.4 billion in capital expenditures in 2006 to build and expand our WiBro network. We plan to spend additional amounts to expand our WiBro network in 2007, and may make further capital investments related to our

WiBro service in the future. Our WiBro-related investment plans are subject to change, and will depend, in part, on market demand for WiBro services, the competitive landscape for provision of such services and the development of competing technologies. We cannot assure you that there will be sufficient demand for our WiBro services, as a result of competition or otherwise, to permit us to recoup or profit from our WiBro-related capital investments. KT Corporation commercial launched its WiBro service in 2006. The more successful operation of a WiBro network by KT Corporation, or another competitor, including better market acceptance of a competitor's WiBro services, could also materially and adversely affect our business.

# Our growth strategy calls for significant investments in new businesses and regions, including businesses and regions in which we have limited experience.

As a part of our growth strategy, we plan to selectively seek business opportunities abroad. In February 2005, we established a joint venture company, UNISK Information Technology Co., Ltd., with China Unicom Ltd., China's second largest mobile operator, to market and offer wireless data service in China. In July 2006, we also acquired US\$1 billion in aggregate principal amount of bonds convertible into a 6.67% equity interest in China Unicom. We also have ongoing projects in Vietnam and Mongolia. In addition, in May 2006, HELIO, our joint venture with EarthLink, a major Internet service provider in the United States, launched cellular voice and data services across the United States. HELIO may require further investment from us, as well as continued cooperation and coordination with our joint venture partner, EarthLink. We continue to seek other opportunities to expand our business abroad, particularly in Asia and the United States, as such opportunities present themselves. For a more detailed description of our investments in our global business, see "Item 4.8. Business Overview – Our Services – Global Business".

We believe that we must continue to make significant investments to build, develop and broaden our existing businesses, including by developing and improving our wireless data, multimedia, mobile commerce and Internet services. We will need to respond to market and technological changes and the development of services which we may have little or no experience in providing. Entering into these new businesses and regions, in which we have limited experience, may require us to make substantial investments and no assurance can be given that we will be successful in our efforts. In addition, when we enter into these businesses and regions with partners through joint ventures or other strategic alliances, we and those partners may have disagreements with respect to strategic directions or other aspects of business, or may otherwise be unable to coordinate or cooperate with each other, any of which could materially and adversely affect our operations in such businesses and regions.

### Due to the existing high penetration rate of wireless services in Korea, we are unlikely to maintain our subscriber growth rate, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

According to data published by the MIC and our population estimates based on historical data published by the National Statistical Office of Korea, the penetration rate for the Korean wireless telecommunications service industry as of December 31, 2006 was approximately 83.2%, which is high compared to many industrialized countries. Therefore, it is unlikely that the penetration rates for wireless telecommunications service in Korea will grow significantly. As a result of the already high penetration rates in Korea for wireless services coupled with our large market share, we expect our subscriber growth rate to decrease. Slowed growth in penetration rates without a commensurate increase in revenues through the introduction of new services and increased use of our services by existing subscribers would likely have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

## Our business and results of operations may be adversely affected if we fail to acquire adequate additional spectrum or use our bandwidth efficiently to accommodate subscriber growth and subscriber usage.

One of the principal limitations on a wireless network's subscriber capacity is the amount of spectrum available for use by the system. We have been allocated 2 x 22.5 MHz of spectrum in the 800 MHz band. As a result of bandwidth constraints, our CDMA 1xRTT network is currently operating near its capacity in the Seoul metropolitan area, although capacity constraints are not as severe for transmissions utilizing CDMA 1xEV/DO technology. While we believe that we can address this issue through system upgrades and efficient allocation of

bandwidth, inability to address such capacity constraints in a timely manner may adversely affect our business and results of operations.

The growth of our wireless data businesses has been a significant factor in the increased utilization of our bandwidth, since wireless data applications are generally more bandwidth-intensive than voice services. This trend has been offset in part by the implementation of CDMA 1xEV/DO upgrades to our CDMA 1xTT network and, more recently, the completion of our HSDPA-capable WCDMA network, which both enable more efficient usage of our bandwidth than was possible on our basic CDMA and CDMA 1xTT networks. However, if the current trend of increased data transmission use by our subscribers continues, or the volume of the multimedia content we offer through our wireless data services substantially grows, our bandwidth capacity requirements are likely to increase. In the event we are unable to maintain sufficient bandwidth capacity, our subscribers may perceive a general slowdown of wireless services. Growth of our wireless business will depend in part upon our ability to manage effectively our bandwidth capacity and to implement efficiently and in a timely manner new bandwidth-efficient technologies if they become available. We cannot assure you that bandwidth constraints will not adversely affect the growth of our wireless business.

#### We may have to make further financing arrangements to meet our capital expenditure requirements and debt payment obligations.

As a network-based wireless telecommunications provider, we have had, and expect to continue to have, significant capital expenditure requirements as we continue to build out, maintain and upgrade our networks. We estimate that we will spend approximately Won 1.55 trillion for capital expenditures in 2007 for a range of projects, including investments in our backbone networks (and our WCDMA and WiBro networks in particular), investments in our wireless Internet-related and convergence businesses and funding for mid- to long-term research and development projects, as well as other initiatives, primarily related to our ongoing businesses and in the ordinary course. We completed nationwide expansion of our HSDPA-capable WCDMA network in the first quarter of 2007 and plan to make further WCDMA-related investments in 2007 to improve our 3G service quality, including through improvements to subterranean and indoor reception quality and HSUPA upgrades. In 2007, we also plan to expand our WiBro service to "hot zone" areas in 23 cities. For a more detailed discussion of our capital expenditure plans and a discussion of other factors that may affect our future capital expenditures, see "Item 5.8. Liquidity and Capital Resources".

At December 31, 2006, we had approximately Won 985.5 billion in contractual payment obligations due in 2007 of which almost all involve repayment of debt obligations. See "Item 5.F. Tabular Disclosure of Contractual Obligations".

We have not arranged firm financing for all of our current or future capital expenditure plans and contractual payment obligations. We have, in the past, obtained funds for our proposed capital expenditure and payment obligations from various sources, including our cash flow from operations as well as from financings, primarily debt and equity financings. Inability to fund such capital expenditure requirements may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and business. In addition, although we currently anticipate that the capital expenditure levels estimated by us will be adequate to meet our business needs, such estimates may need to be adjusted based on developments in technology and markets. No assurance can be given that we will be able to meet any such increased expenditure requirements or obtain adequate financing for such requirements, on terms acceptable to us, or at all.

### Termination or impairment of our relationship with a small number of key suppliers for network equipment and for leased lines could adversely affect our results of operations.

We purchase wireless network equipment from a small number of suppliers. We purchase our principal wireless network equipment from Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. and LG Nortel Co., Ltd. To date, we have purchased substantially all of the equipment for our CDMA 1xRTT and CDMA 1xEV/DO networks from Samsung Electronics and substantially all of the equipment for our WCDMA network, including the software and firmware used to implement HSDPA and HSUPA upgrades, from Samsung Electronics and LG Nortel. In addition, to date, we have purchased substantially all of the equipment for our WiBro network from Samsung Electronics. We believe

Samsung Electronics currently manufactures approximately half of the wireless handsets sold to our subscribers. Although other manufacturers sell the equipment we require, sourcing such equipment from other manufacturers could result in unanticipated costs in maintenance and upkeep of the CDMA 1xRTT, CDMA 1xEV/DO and WCDMA networks, as well as in the planned expansion of our WiBro network. With respect to the introduction of 3G services, various wireless telecommunications service providers globally have had difficulty in obtaining adequate quantities of various types of 3G equipment from suppliers. Inability to obtain the needed equipment for our networks in a timely manner may have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, we rely on KT Corporation and SK Networks to provide a substantial majority of the transmission lines we lease. As of December 31, 2006, KT Corporation and SK Networks provided approximately 11.0% and 66.0%, respectively, of such leased lines. For a more detailed discussion of the lines we lease from fixed-line operators, see "Item 4.B. Business Overview — Digital Cellular Network — Network Infrastructure".

We cannot assure you that we will be able to continue to obtain the necessary equipment from one or more of our suppliers. Any discontinuation or interruption in the availability of equipment from our suppliers for any reason could have an adverse effect on our results of operations. Inability to lease adequate lines at commercially reasonable rates may impact the quality of the services we offer and may result in damage to our reputation and our business.

Our businesses are subject to extensive Government regulation and any change in Government policy relating to the telecommunications industry could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

All of our businesses are subject to extensive governmental supervision and regulation. The MIC has periodically reviewed the tariffs charged by wireless operators and has, from time to time, suggested tariff reductions. Although these suggestions are not binding, we have in the past implemented some degree of tariff reductions in response to MIC recommendations. After discussions with the MIC, we began to provide Caller ID service to our customers free of charge from January 1, 2006. In addition, after discussions with the MIC, effective September 1, 2004, we reduced our monthly plan-based fees by 7.1%. Based on the MIC's recommendation, in January 2007, we and other wireless telecommunications providers, including KTF and LGT, reduced usage fees for wireless Internet services by 30%.

The Government also plays an active role in the selection of technology to be used by telecommunications operators in Korea. The MIC has adopted the WCDMA and CDMA2000 technologies as the only standards available in Korea for implementing 3G services. The MIC may impose similar restrictions on the choice of technology used in future telecommunications services and we can give no assurance that the technologies promoted by the Government will provide the best commercial returns for us. In addition, the MIC may revoke our licenses or suspend any of our businesses if we fail to comply with its rules, regulations and corrective orders, including the rules restricting beneficial ownership and control and corrective orders issued in connection with any violation of rules restricting beneficial ownership and control or any violation of the conditions of our licenses. We believe we are currently in compliance with the material terms of all our cellular licenses, including our IMT-2000 and WiBro licenses.

Our wireless telecommunications services depend, in part, on our interconnection arrangements with domestic and international fixed-line and other wireless networks. Our interconnection arrangements, including the interconnection rates we pay and interconnection rates we charge, affect our revenues and operating results. The MIC determines the basic framework for interconnection arrangements, including interconnection policies relating to interconnection rates in Korea, and has changed this framework several times in the past. We cannot assure you that we will not be adversely affected by future changes in the MIC's interconnection policies. See "Item 4.B. Business Overview — Interconnection — Domestic Calls".

In January 2003, the MIC announced its plan to implement number portability with respect to wireless telecommunications service in Korea. The number portability system allows wireless subscribers to switch wireless service operators while retaining the same mobile phone number. In accordance with the plan published by the MIC, the number portability system was adopted by us first, starting from January 1, 2004. KTF and LGT were required to

introduce number portability starting from July 1, 2004 and January 1, 2005, respectively. In addition, in order to manage the availability of phone numbers efficiently and to secure phone number resources for the new services, the MIC has required all new subscribers to be given numbers with the '010' prefix starting January 2004, and it has been gradually retracting the mobile service identification numbers which had been unique to each wireless telecommunications service provider, including '011' for our cellular services.

We believe that the use of the common prefix identification system has posed, and continues to pose, a greater risk to us compared to the other wireless telecommunications providers because, historically, '011' has had high brand recognition in Korea as the premium wireless telecommunications service. The MIC's adoption of the number portability system has resulted in and could continue to result in a deterioration of our market share as a result of weakened customer loyalty, increased competition among wireless service providers and higher costs of marketing as a result of maintaining the number portability system, increased subscriber deactivations and increased churn rate, all of which had, and may continue to have, an adverse effect on our results of operations. See "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects" and "Item 4.B. Business Overview — Law and Regulation — Competition Regulation — Number Portability".

In the past, wireless telecommunications service providers provided handsets at below retail prices to attract new subscribers, offsetting a significant portion of the cost of handsets. The rapid growth in penetration rate in past years can, at least in part, be attributed to such subsidies on handsets given to new subscribers. The MIC prohibitied all wireless telecommunications service providers, subject to certain exceptions stipulated in the Telecommunications Business Act, from providing any such handset subsidies since June 2000. The MIC has, on several occasions between March 2002 and April 2007, imposed various types of sanctions and fines against us and the other wireless service providers for violating restrictions on providing handset subsidies and other activities that were deemed to be disruptive to fair competition. We paid the fines and believe that we have complied in all material respects with the other sanctions imposed by the MIC. For details on these and other Government penalties, see "Item 8.A. Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information — Legal Proceedings". Beginning in March 2006, the MIC partially lifted its prohibition on the provision of handset subsidies and began to allow mobile service providers to grant subsidies to certain qualifying subscribers who purchase new handsets. We currently provide subsidies of between Won 40,000 and Won 260,000 with respect to CDMA-capable handsets and Won 70,000 and Won 350,000 with respect to WCDMA-capable handsets, to subscribers meeting certain subscription requirements. As a result of the MIC's recent decision to allow handset subsidies, we have faced increased competition from other mobile service providers. The provision of handset subsidies has increased, and may continue to increase, our marketing expenses, which in turn, has had, and may continue to have, a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

In addition, the MIC may revoke our licenses or suspend any of our businesses if we fail to comply with its rules, regulations and corrective orders, including the rules restricting beneficial ownership and control and corrective orders issued in connection with any violation of rules restricting beneficial ownership and control or any violation of the conditions of our licenses. Alternatively, in lieu of suspension of our business, the MIC may levy a monetary penalty of up to 3% of the average of our annual revenue for the preceding three fiscal years. The revocation of our cellular licenses, suspension of our business or imposition of monetary penalties by the MIC could have a material adverse effect on our business. We believe we are currently in compliance with the material terms of all our cellular licenses.

We are subject to additional regulation as a result of our dominant market position in the wireless telecommunications sector, which could harm our ability to compete effectively.

The MIC's policy is to promote competition in the Korean telecommunications markets through measures designed to prevent a dominant service provider in a telecommunications market from exercising its market power to prevent the emergence and development of viable competitors. We are currently designated by the MIC as the "market dominant service provider" in respect of our wireless telecommunications business. As such, we are subject to additional regulation to which certain of our competitors are not subject. For example, under current Government regulations, we must obtain prior approval from the MIC to change our existing rates or introduce new rates while our competitors may generally change their rates or introduce new rates at their discretion. See "Item 4.B. Business Overview — Law and Regulation — Competition Regulation — Rate Regulation". As of

December 31, 2006, our standard peak usage charge rate was approximately 11.1% higher than those charged by our competitors. We could also be required by the MIC to charge higher usage rates than our competitors for future services. In addition, we were required to introduce number portability earlier than our competitors, KTF and LGT. The MIC also awarded the IMT-2000 license to provide 3G services to LGT at a fee lower than our license fee and on terms generally more favorable than the terms of our license.

In addition, in connection with our merger with Shinsegi Telecomm, Inc. in January 2002, the MIC imposed on us several ongoing post-merger conditions that we were required to observe until the end of 2004. In May 2004, a policy advisory committee to the MIC found that our market dominance may significantly restrict competition in the telecommunications market. In addition, the committee also reported its belief that we had provided handset subsidies in violation of certain of the post-merger conditions. In June 2004, the MIC fined us Won 11.9 billion in respect of our allegedly improper subsidy of handset purchases and extended our compliance period with respect to the post-merger conditions mentioned above, through the end of 2006. We no longer remain subject to these post-merger conditions. In April 2007, the MIC also imposed fines on us, KTF, LGT and KT of Won 7.5 billion, Won 5.8 billion, Won 4.7 billion and Won 1.6 billion, respectively, for allegedly improperly providing handset subsidies. We paid such fines in May 2007.

We also qualify as a "market-dominating business entity" under the Fair Trade Act. The Fair Trade Commission of Korea, or the FTC, approved our acquisition of Shinsegi on various conditions, one of which was that our and Shinsegi's combined market share of the wireless telecommunications market, based on numbers of subscribers, be less than 50% as of June 30, 2001. In order to satisfy this condition, we reduced the level of our subscriber activations and adopted more stringent involuntary subscriber deactivation policies beginning in 2000 and ceased accepting new subscribers from April 1, 2001 through June 30, 2001. Although we are not currently subject to any market share limitations, we have voluntarily undertaken to limit our market share to 52.3%, the level of our market share at the time of the approval of our merger with Shinsegi in January 2002, until the end of 2007. We can give no assurance that the Government will not impose restrictions on our market share in the future or that we will not undertake to voluntarily restrict our market share in the future. If we are subject to market share limitations in the future, our ability to compete effectively will be impeded.

In May 2006, the FTC imposed fines of Won 660 million on each of KTF and us and Won 462 million on LGT for alleged collusion in terminating optional flat-rate subscription plans. In December 2006, the FTC fined us Won 330 million in respect of certain allegedly anti-competitive tactics we employed in connection with MelOn, our digital music portal. We paid such fine in April 2007.

The additional regulation to which we are subject has affected our competitiveness in the past and may materially hurt our profitability and impede our ability to compete effectively against our competitors in the future.

### Financial difficulties and charges of financial statement irregularities at our affiliate, SK Networks (formerly SK Global), may cause disruptions in our business.

Charges of financial statement irregularities by certain directors and executives at SK Networks culminated in the resignation of four of our board members and executives in March 2004, although none of these resignations were related to any allegations of wrongdoing in connection with their role in our business. We were not implicated in any of the charges against SK Networks' management. However, continuing financial difficulties at SK Networks could result in our having to look for alternative sources for handset distribution and fixed network line needs. In February 2004, Mr. Kil Seung Son and Mr. Tae Won Chey, who both received prison terms of three years in the court of first instance and appealed to the Seoul High Court in connection with allegations of financial misconduct at SK Networks, resigned from our board of directors, along with Mr. Moon Soo Pyo, our president at the time, and Mr. Jae Won Chey, our executive vice president at the time. See "Item 6.A. Directors and Senior Management — Involvement In Certain Legal Proceedings".

In March 2003, the principal creditor banks of SK Networks commenced corporate restructuring procedures against SK Networks after the company announced that its financial statements understated its total debt by Won 1.1 trillion and overstated its profits by Won 1.5 trillion. These banks agreed to a temporary rollover of approximately Won 6.6 trillion of SK Networks' debt until June 18, 2003 and subsequently decided to put SK Networks into corporate restructuring. In October 2003, SK Networks' foreign and domestic creditors agreed to a

restructuring plan which, among other things, allowed the foreign creditors to have their debts repaid at a buyout rate of 43% of the face value of the outstanding debt owed to them. In November 2003, SK Networks underwent a capital reduction and sold approximately Won 1 trillion of its assets as part of its restructuring plan, and SK Corporation approved a Won 850 billion debt-for-equity swap. SK Networks graduated from its debt restructuring program in April 2007.

SK Networks also serves as a distributor of handsets manufactured by third parties to our nationwide network of dealers. SK Networks was also the exclusive distributor of all of the handsets sold by our former subsidiary, SK Teletech, prior to our sale of the company to Pantech & Curitel in July 2005. Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd., LG Electronics Inc., Motorola Korea, Inc. and Pantech & Curital suspended their supply handsets to SK Networks for two to three weeks in April 2003 because of the credit risk of SK Networks. In May 2003, all suppliers resumed their supply of handsets on the condition that payment on their mobile phones be made in cash within one week of delivery. Although we believe that handset manufacturers will be able to find another distributor to replace SK Networks in the event SK Networks is no long able to distribute handsets, there may be difficulties in efficiently distributing handsets to our subscribers and other customers in the short term.

In addition, as of December 31, 2006, we leased approximately 66.0% of our leased lines from SK Networks. For a more detailed discussion of the lines we lease from fixed-line operators, see "Item 4.B. Business Overview — Digital Cellular Network — Network Infrastructure". If there is a material disruption of SK Networks' ability to maintain and operate this business due to its financial difficulties, we may need to seek alternative sources, which may result in a disruption of our services in the short term, which, in turn, may have a material adverse effect on our business.

# Concerns that radio frequency emissions may be linked to various health concerns could adversely affect our business and we could be subject to litigation relating to these health concerns.

In the past, allegations that serious health risks may result from the use of wireless telecommunications devices or other transmission equipment have adversely affected share prices of some wireless telecommunications companies in the United States. We cannot assure you that these health concerns will not adversely affect our business. Several class action and personal injury lawsuits have been filed in the United States against several wireless phone manufacturers and carriers, asserting product liability, breach of warranty and other claims relating to radio transmissions to and from wireless phones. Certain of these lawsuits have been dismissed. We could be subject to liability or incur significant costs defending lawsuits brought by our subscribers or other parties who claim to have been harmed by or as a result of our services. In addition, the actual or perceived risk of wireless telecommunications devices could have an adverse effect on us by reducing our number of subscribers or our usage per subscriber.

#### Our businesses may be adversely affected by developments affecting the Korean economy.

We generate substantially all of our revenue from operations in Korea. Our future performance will depend in large part on Korea's future economic growth. As a result, we are subject to economic, political, legal and regulatory risks specific to Korea. Beginning in mid-1997, Korea experienced a severe financial and economic downturn. The downturn was characterized by, among other things, significant corporate failures, declining consumer confidence, instability in the financial sector, credit and liquidity concerns and volatility in the domestic financial and currency markets.

Any future deterioration of financial or economic conditions in Korea, especially if it has a material negative impact on consumer spending or the availability or cost of funding, could adversely affect the Company's financial condition and results of operations. Developments that could hurt the Korean economy in the future include, among others:

- · a deterioration of the Korean consumer or corporate sector;
- a failure of the restructuring of large troubled chaebols or companies;
- adverse changes or volatility in commodity prices (including an increase in oil prices), exchange rates, interest rates, stock markets or foreign currency reserves;

- adverse developments in the economies of countries such as the United States and Japan to which Korea exports, or in emerging market economies in Asia or elsewhere that result in a loss of confidence in the Korean economy;
- an increase in lay-offs or unemployment rates or a reduction in income levels, which could adversely affect consumer spending or lead to social or labor unrest;
- a decrease in tax revenues and a substantial increase in the Government's expenditures for unemployment compensation and other social
  programs that together lead to an increased Government budget deficit;
- political uncertainty or increasing strife among and within political parties in Korea, particularly in the lead-up to the presidential elections in late 2007;
- a deterioration in economic or diplomatic relations between Korea and its trading partners or allies, including as a result of trade disputes or disagreements in foreign policy; and
- · an increase in the level of tensions or an outbreak of hostilities between Korea and North Korea.

Depreciation of the value of the Won against the Dollar and other major foreign currencies may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and on the prices of our common stock and the ADSs.

Substantially all of our revenues are denominated in Won. Depreciation of the Won may materially affect our results of operations because, among other things, it causes:

- an increase in the amount of Won required by us to make interest and principal payments on our foreign currency-denominated debt, which accounted for approximately 24.0% of our total consolidated long-term debt, including current portion, as of December 31, 2006; and
- an increase, in Won terms, of the costs of equipment that we purchase from overseas sources which we pay for in Dollars or other foreign currencies.

Fluctuations in the exchange rate between the Won and the Dollar will affect the Dollar equivalent of the Won price of the shares of our common stock on the Stock Market Division of the Korea Exchange, or the KRX Stock Market. These fluctuations also will affect:

- the amounts a registered holder or beneficial owner of ADSs will receive from the ADR depositary in respect of dividends, which will be paid in Won to the ADR depositary and converted by the ADR depositary into Dollars;
- the Dollar value of the proceeds that a holder will receive upon sale in Korea of the shares; and
- the secondary market price of the ADSs.

For historical exchange rate information, see "Item 3.A. Selected Financial Data — Exchange Rate".

Increased tensions with North Korea could have an adverse effect on us and the prices of our common stock and the ADSs.

Relations between Korea and North Korea have been tense throughout Korea's modern history. The level of tension between the two Koreas has fluctuated and may increase abruptly as a result of current and future events. In recent years, there have been heightened security concerns stemming from North Korea's nuclear weapon and long-range missile programs and increased uncertainty regarding North Korea's actions and possible responses from the international community.

In December 2002, North Korea removed the seals and surveillance equipment from its Yongbyon nuclear power plant and evicted inspectors from the United Nations International Atomic Energy Agency. In January 2003, North Korea renounced its obligations under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. Since the renouncement, Korea, the United States, North Korea, China, Japan and Russia have held numerous rounds of six party multi-lateral talks in an effort to resolve issues relating to North Korea's nuclear weapons program.

In addition to conducting test flights of long-range missiles, North Korea announced in October 2006 that it had successfully conducted a nuclear test, which increased tensions in the region and elicited strong objections worldwide. In response, the United Nations Security Council passed a resolution that prohibits any United Nations member state from conducting transactions with North Korea in connection with any large scale arms and material or technology related to missile development or weapons of mass destruction and from providing luxury goods to North Korea, imposes an asset freeze and travel ban on persons associated with North Korea's weapons program, and calls upon all United Nations member states to take cooperative action, including through inspection of cargo to or from North Korea. In response, North Korea agreed in February 2007 at the six-party talks to shut down and seal the Yongbyon nuclear facility, including the reprocessing facility, and readmit international inspectors to conduct all necessary monitoring and verifications. In return, the other five parties in the six-party talks agreed to provide emergency energy assistance of 50,000 tons of heavy fuel oil to North Korea in the initial phase.

There can be no assurance that the February 2007 accord will be implemented as agreed or the level of tension on the Korean peninsula will not escalate in the future. Any further increase in tension could have an adverse effect on our operations.

#### If SK Corporation causes us to breach the foreign ownership limitations on shares of our common stock, we may experience a change of control.

There is currently a 49% limit on the aggregate foreign ownership of our issued shares. Under a newly adopted amendment to the Telecommunications Business Act, which became effective on May 9, 2004, a Korean entity, such as SK Corporation, is deemed to be a foreign entity if its largest shareholder (determined by aggregating the shareholdings of such shareholder and its related parties) is a foreigner and such shareholder (together with the shareholdings of its related parties) holds 15% or more of the issued voting stock of the Korean entity. As of December 31, 2006, SK Corporation owned 17,663,127 shares of our common stock, or approximately 21.8%, of our issued shares. If SK Corporation were considered to be a foreign shareholder, then its shareholding in us would be included in the calculation of our aggregate foreign shareholding and our aggregate foreign shareholding (based on our foreign ownership level as of December 31, 2006, which we believe was 47.5%) would exceed the 49% ceiling on foreign shareholding. As of December 31, 2006, a foreign investment fund and its related parties collectively held a 6.1% stake in SK Corporation. Also see, "Item 7.A. Major Shareholders" regarding the expected corporate reorganization of SK Corporation. We could breach the foreign ownership limitations if the number of shares of our common stock or ADSs owned by other foreign persons significantly increases.

If our aggregate foreign shareholding limit is exceeded, the MIC may issue a corrective order to us, the breaching shareholder (including SK Corporation if the breach is caused by an increase in foreign ownership of SK Corporation) and the foreign investment fund and its related parties who own in the aggregate 15% or more of SK Corporation. Furthermore, if SK Corporation is considered a foreign shareholder, it may not exercise its voting rights with respect to the shares held in excess of the 49% ceiling, which may result in a change in control of us. In addition, the MIC may refuse to grant us licenses or permits necessary for entering into new telecommunications businesses until our aggregate foreign shareholding is reduced to below 49%. If a corrective order is issued to us by the MIC arising from the violation of the foregoing foreign ownership limit, and we do not comply within the prescribed period under such corrective order, the MIC may

- · revoke our business license;
- · suspend all or part of our business; or
- if the suspension of business is deemed to result in significant inconvenience to our customers or to be detrimental to the public interest, impose a one-time administrative penalty of up to 3% of the average of our annual revenue for the preceding three fiscal years.

The amendment to the Telecommunications Business Act in May 2004 also authorizes the MIC to assess monetary penalties of up to 0.3% of the purchase price of the shares for each day the corrective order is not complied with, as well as a prison term of up to one year and a penalty of Won 50 million. For a description of further actions that the MIC could take, see "Item 4.8. Business Overview — Law and Regulation — Foreign Ownership and Investment Restrictions and Requirements".

If our convertible notes are converted by foreign holders and the conversion would cause a violation of the foreign ownership restrictions of the Telecommunications Business Act, or in certain other circumstances, we may sell common stock in order to settle the converting holders' conversion rights in cash in lieu of delivering common stock to them, and these sales might adversely affect the market price of our common stock at ABPS.

In May 2004, we sold US\$329.5 million in zero coupon convertible notes due 2009. As of March 31, 2007, these convertible notes were convertible by the holders into shares of our common stock at the rate of Won 211,943 per share. These notes are held principally by foreign holders. If (1) the exercise by the holder of the conversion right would be prohibited by Korean law or we reasonably conclude that the delivery of common stock upon conversion of these notes would result in a violation of applicable Korean law or (2) we do not have a sufficient number of shares of our common stock to satisfy the conversion right, then we will pay a converting holder a cash settlement payment. In such situations, we may sell such number of treasury shares held in trust for us that corresponds to the number of shares of common stock that would have been deliverable in the absence of the 49% foreign shareholding restrictions imposed by the Telecommunications Business Act or other legal restrictions. The number of shares sold in these circumstances might be substantial. We cannot assure you that such sales would not adversely affect the market prices of our common stock or ADSs.

Sales of our shares by companies in the SK Group, POSCO and/or other large shareholders may adversely affect the prices of our common stock and ADSs.

Sales of substantial amounts of shares of our common stock, or the perception that such sales may occur, could adversely affect the prevailing market price of the shares of our common stock or ADSs or our ability to raise capital through an offering of our common stock.

As of December 31, 2006, POSCO owned 2.9% of our issued common stock. POSCO has not agreed to any restrictions on its ability to dispose of our shares. See "Item 7.A. Major Shareholders". Companies in the SK Group, which collectively owned 23.1% of our issued common stock as of December 31, 2006, may sell their shares of our common stock in order to comply with the Fair Trade Act's limits on the total investments that companies in a large business group, such as the SK Group, may hold in other domestic companies. See "Item 4.B. Business Overview — Law and Regulation — Competition Regulation". We can make no prediction as to the timing or amount of any sales of our common stock. We cannot assure you that future sales of shares of our common stock, or the availability of shares of our common stock for future sale, will not adversely affect the market prices of the shares of our common stock or ADSs prevailing from time to time.

#### Korea's new legislation allowing class action suits related to securities transactions may expose us to additional litigation risk.

The Securities-related Class Action Act of Korea enacted in January 2004 allows class action suits to be brought by shareholders of companies (including us) listed on the KRX Stock Market for losses incurred in connection with purchases and sales of securities and other securities transactions arising from (i) false or inaccurate statements provided in the registration statements, prospectuses, business reports and audit reports and omission of material information in such documents; (ii) insider trading and (iii) market manipulation. This law permits 50 or more shareholders who collectively hold 0.01% of the shares of a company to bring a class action suit against, among others, the issuer and its directors and officers. It is uncertain how the courts will apply this law. Litigation can be time-consuming and expensive to resolve, and can divert management time and attention from the operation of a business. We are not aware of any basis under which such suit may be brought against us, nor are any such suits pending or threatened. Any such litigation brought against us could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

If an investor surrenders his ADSs to withdraw the underlying shares, he may not be allowed to deposit the shares again to obtain ADSs.

Under the deposit agreement, holders of shares of our common stock may deposit those shares with the ADR depositary's custodian in Korea and obtain ADSs, and holders of ADSs may surrender ADSs to the ADR depositary

and receive shares of our common stock. However, under the terms of the deposit agreement, as amended, the depositary bank is required to obtain our prior consent to any such deposit if, after giving effect to such deposit, the total number of shares of our common stock on deposit, which was 1,688,842 shares as of May 31, 2007, exceeds a specified maximum, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. In addition, the depositary bank or the custodian may not accept deposits of our common shares for issuance of ADSs under certain circumstances, including (1) if it has been determined by us that we should block the deposit to prevent a violation of applicable Korean laws and regulations or our articles of association or (2) if a person intending to make a deposit has been identified as a holder of at least 3% of our common stock on October 7, 2002. See "Item 10.B. Memorandum and Articles of Association — Description of American Depositary Shares". It is possible that we may not give the consent. Consequently, an investor who has surrendered his ADSs and withdrawn the underlying shares may not be allowed to deposit the shares again to obtain ADSs.

An investor in our ADSs may not be able to exercise preemptive rights for additional shares and may suffer dilution of his equity interest in

The Korean Commercial Code and our articles of association require us, with some exceptions, to offer shareholders the right to subscribe for new shares in proportion to their existing ownership percentage whenever new shares are issued. If we offer any rights to subscribe for additional shares of our common stock or any rights of any other nature, the ADR depositary, after consultation with us, may make the rights available to an ADS holder or use reasonable efforts to dispose of the rights on behalf of the ADS holder and make the net proceeds available to the ADS holder. The ADR depositary, however, is not required to make available to an ADS holder any rights to purchase any additional shares unless it deems that doing so is lawful and feasible and:

- a registration statement filed by us under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, is in effect with respect to those shares; or
- the offering and sale of those shares is exempt from, or is not subject to, the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act.

We are under no obligation to file any registration statement with respect to any ADSs. If a registration statement is required for an ADS holder to exercise preemptive rights but is not filed by us, the ADS holder will not be able to exercise his preemptive rights for additional shares. As a result, ADS holders may suffer dilution of their equity interest in us.

Short selling of our ADSs by purchasers of securities convertible or exchangeable into our ADSs could materially adversely affect the market price of our ADSs.

SK Corporation, through one or more special purpose vehicles, has engaged and may in the future engage in monetization transactions relating to its ownership interest in us. These transactions have included and may include offerings of securities that are convertible or exchangeable into our ADSs. Many investors in convertible or exchangeable securities seek to hedge their exposure in the underlying equity securities at the time of acquisition of the convertible or exchangeable securities, often through short selling of the underlying equity securities or through similar transactions. Since a monetization transaction could involve debt securities linked to a significant number of our ADSs, we expect that a sufficient quantity of ADSs may not be immediately available for borrowing in the market to facilitate settlement of the likely volume of short selling activity that would accompany the commencement of a monetization transaction. This short selling and similar hedging activity could place significant downward pressure on the market price of our ADSs, thereby having a material adverse effect on the market value of ADSs owned by you.

After the exchange of ADSs into our underlying common shares, seller or purchasers of the underlying common shares may have to pay securities transaction tax upon the transfer of the shares.

Under Korean tax law, transfer of a company's common shares after the exchange of ADSs into our underlying common shares of will be subject to securities transaction tax (including an agricultural and fishery special tax) at the rate of 0.3% of the sales price if traded on the KRX Stock