Chinese Energy Holdings Limited 華夏能源控股有限公司

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability) (Stock code: 8009)

2021/2022 THIRD QUARTERLY RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT

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HIGHLIGHTS

- The Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "**Group**") recorded a revenue of approximately HK\$293,629,000 (2020: HK\$339,692,000) for the nine months ended 31 December 2021, representing a decrease of approximately 13.56% when compared with the same period in 2020.
- The Group recorded an unaudited consolidated profit attributable to owners of the Company of approximately HK\$3,244,000 for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 as compared with a loss of approximately HK\$3,000 for the same period of last year. The board (the "**Board**") of Directors considered that the improvement in the performance of the Group was mainly attributable to the increase in gross profit arising from increase in gross profit margin, decrease in interest expense on convertible note ("CN") (under finance costs), and increase in a value-added item of handling fee income (under other income).
- The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 (2020: Nil).

RESULTS

The Board of the Company hereby announces the unaudited consolidated results of the Group for the three months and nine months ended 31 December 2021, together with the comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding periods in 2020, as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

		Three months ended 31 December		Nine months ended 31 December	
		2021	2020	2021	2020
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	Notes	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue	4	90,704	126,752	293,629	339,692
Cost of sales		(87,968)	(123,493)	(285,342)	(332,493)
Gross profit		2,736	3,259	8,287	7,199
Other income	5	1,021	1,034	5,953	2,143
Impairment loss under expected credit loss ("ECL") model on					
a trade receivable		(13)	_	(2,416)	_
Administrative expenses		(2,105)	(2,165)	(5,976)	(6,031)
Finance costs		(30)	(754)	(66)	(2,154)
Profit before tax	6	1,609	1,374	5,782	1,157
Income tax expense	7	(388)	(654)	(2,538)	(1,160)
Profit (loss) for the period		1,221	720	3,244	(3)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (CONTINUED)

		Three months ended 31 December		Nine months ended 31 December		
		2021	2020	2021	2020	
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	Note	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Other comprehensive income						
for the period, net of income tax						
Item that has been reclassified or						
may be reclassified subsequently to						
profit or loss:						
Exchange differences arising on						
translation of foreign operations		5,091	13,237	10,152	24,660	
Items that will not be reclassified to						
profit or loss:						
Fair value gain on investment in						
financial assets at fair value						
through other comprehensive						
income ("FVTOCI")		8,051	11,526	4,832	23,976	
Other comprehensive income						
for the period		13,142	24,763	14,984	48,636	
Total comprehensive income						
for the period		14,363	25,483	18,228	48,633	
Earnings (loss) per share	8					
- basic (HK cents)		2.07	1.22	5.51	(0.01)	
- diluted (HK cents)		2.07	1.22	5.51	(0.01)	

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company is a public limited company incorporated in Hong Kong ("**HK**") and its ordinary shares ("**Shares**" and each a "**Share**") are listed on the GEM of the Stock Exchange. The addresses of its registered office and principle place of business of the Company are Unit 3517, Floor 35, West Tower, Shun Tak Centre, No. 168-200 Connaught Road Central, HK. The Group principally engaged in trading of liquefied natural gas ("**LNG**"), investment in financial assets, general trading (including market sourcing of technical and electronic products) and provision of money lending.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair values, as appropriate.

Except for the amendments to Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("**HKFRSs**") applied by the Group in the current period, the accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 are consistent with those adopted in preparing the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The financial information relating to the year ended 31 March 2021 included in these financial statements as comparative information does not constitute the Company's statutory annual consolidated financial statements for that financial year but is derived from those financial statements. Further information relating to these statutory financial statements required to be disclosed in accordance with section 436 of the Companies Ordinance is as follows:

The Company has delivered the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 to the Registrar of Companies in accordance with section 662(3) of, and Part 3 of Schedule 6 to, the Companies Ordinance.

The Company's external auditor has reported on the financial statements for the years ended 31 March 2020 and 2021. The independent auditor's reports were unqualified; did not include references to any matter to which the auditor drew attention by way of emphasis without qualifying its reports; and did not contain statements under sections 406(2), 407(2) or (3) of the Companies Ordinance.

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("**HKICPA**"). In addition, the condensed consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the GEM Listing Rules and by the Companies Ordinance.

The condensed consolidated financial statements are unaudited, but have been reviewed by the audit committee (the "Audit Committee") of the Company and were approved for issue by the Board.

3. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO HKFRSs

Amendments to HKFRSs that are mandatorily effective for the current period

The Group has applied the following amendments to HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA for the first time in the current period:

Amendments to HKFRS 9, HKAS 39,	Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2
HKFRS 7, HKFRS 4 and HKFRS 16	
Amendments to HKFRS 16	Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions

New and amendments to HKFRSs issued but not yet effective

The Group has not early applied the following new and amendments to HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective:

Accounting Guideline 5 (Revised)	Merger Accounting for Common Control Combinations ¹
Hong Kong Interpretation 5 (2020)	Presentation of Financial Statements - Classification by the Borrower of
	a Term Loan that Contains a Repayment on Demand Clause ²
HKFRS 17	Insurance Contracts and the related Amendments ²
Amendments to HKAS 1	Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current and related
	amendments to Hong Kong Interpretation 5 (2020) ²
Amendments to HKAS 1	Disclosure of Accounting Policies ²
Amendments to HKAS 8	Definition of Accounting Estimates ²
Amendments to HKAS 12	Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single
	Transaction ²
Amendments to HKAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment – Proceeds before Intended Use'
Amendments to HKAS 37	Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract ¹
Amendments to HKFRS 3	Reference to the Conceptual Framework ¹
Amendments to HKFRS 10 and	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or
HKAS 28	Joint Venture ³
Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018–2020 ¹

¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.

² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.

³ Effective date to be determined.

The Directors do not anticipate that the application of these new and amendments to HKFRSs will have any material impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements in the foreseeable future.

4. **REVENUE**

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers:

	Three mor	ths ended	Nine months ended		
	31 Dec	ember	31 December		
	2021	2020	2021 202		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Types of goods and service Trading of LNG	90,704	126,752	293,629	339,692	
Revenue from contracts with customers	90,704	126,752	293,629	339,692	

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers by timing of revenue recognition:

	Trading of LNG		
	2021	2020	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
For three months ended 31 December			
Disaggregated by timing of revenue recognition			
Point in time	90,704	126,752	
For nine months ended 31 December			
Disaggregated by timing of revenue recognition			
Point in time	293,629	339,692	

5. OTHER INCOME

	Three mor	nths ended	Nine months ended 31 December		
	31 Dec	ember			
	2021 2020		2021	2020	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Consultancy income	_	25	_	25	
Dividend income	_	_	437	353	
Handling fee income	18	_	4,282	_	
Interest income from banks					
and financial institutions	986	915	1,204	1,611	
Net exchange gain	17	39	24	39	
Other refund	_	55	6	109	
Sundries				6	
	1,021	1,034	5,953	2,143	

6. **PROFIT BEFORE TAX**

Profit before tax has been arrived at after charging (crediting) the following items:

	Three months ended 31 December		Nine months ended 31 December		
	2021	2020	2021	2020	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Staff costs (including Directors' emoluments)					
Salaries, allowances and other benefits	956	1,297	2,664	3,272	
Contributions to retirement benefits schemes	22	14	61	41	
	978	1,311	2,725	3,313	
External auditor's remuneration					
– audit services	105	120	315	320	
– other services	70	_	120	50	
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	32	2	86	31	
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	240	224	749	675	
Impairment loss under ECL model on a trade receivable	13	_	2,416	_	
Legal and professional fees	132	28	355	142	
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	2	_	2	_	
Net exchange gain	(17)	(74)	(24)	(39)	
Lease payments for short-term lease not included in					
the measurement of lease liabilities	13	12	35	34	

7. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Under the Two-tiered Profits Tax Rates Regime, the first HK\$2 million of profits of the qualifying group entity will be taxed at 8.25%, and profits above HK\$2 million will be taxed at 16.5%. The profits of group entities not qualifying for the Two-tiered Profits Tax Rates Regime will continue to be taxed at a flat rate of 16.5%. The Directors considered the amount involved upon implementation of the Two-tiered Profits Tax Rates Regime is insignificant to the condensed consolidated financial statements. HK Profits Tax is calculated at 16.5% of the estimated assessable profits for both periods. No provision for HK profits tax had been made as the Group did not generate any assessable profits in HK for both periods.

Under the Law of the People's Republic of China ("**PRC**") on Enterprise Income Tax ("**EIT Law**") and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, the tax rate of PRC subsidiaries is 25% for both periods. Taxation for other entities of the Group is charged at their respective applicable income tax rates ruling in the relevant jurisdictions.

8. EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

The basic and diluted earnings (loss) per Share attributable to owners of the Company are calculated on the following data:

		nths ended cember	Nine months ended 31 December		
	2021 2020		2021 20		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Earnings (loss)					
Earnings (loss) for the purpose of					
basic earnings (loss) per Share	1,221	720	3,244	(3)	
Effect of dilutive potential Shares:					
Interest expense on CN (net of income tax)					
Earnings (loss) for the purpose of					
diluted earnings (loss) per Share	1,221	720	3,244	(3)	
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Number of Shares					
Number of Shares for the purpose of					
basic earnings (loss) per Share	58,901	58,901	58,901	58,901	
Effect of dilutive potential Shares:					
CN					
Number of Shares for the purpose of					
diluted earnings (loss) per Share	58,901	58,901	58,901	58,901	

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings (loss) per Share are based on the profit (loss) attributable to owners of the Company, and 58,900,537 (2020: 58,900,537) Shares in issue.

For the nine months ended 31 December 2020, the computation of diluted loss per Share has not assumed the conversion of the Company's outstanding CN since the exercise would result in a decrease in loss per Share.

9. INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 (2020: Nil).

10. MOVEMENT OF RESERVES

	Share capital <i>HK\$`000</i>	Exchange reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	CN equity reserve <i>HK\$`000</i>	Merger reserve HK\$'000	Translation reserve <i>HK\$`000</i>	Investment revaluation reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$`000</i>
As at 1 April 2020 (audited)	847,601	(2,566)	3,398	45,918	31,380	(791)	(555,104)	369,836
Loss for the period Other comprehensive income (expenses) – Exchange differences arising on translation	-	_	_	_	-	-	(3)	(3)
of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	24,660	-	-	24,660
 Fair value gain on investment in financial assets at FVTOCI 		1,962				22,014		23,976
Total comprehensive income (expenses) for the period		1,962			24,660	22,014	(3)	48,633
As at 31 December 2020 (unaudited)	847,601	(604)	3,398	45,918	56,040	21,223	(555,107)	418,469

	Share capital <i>HK\$'000</i>	Exchange reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	CN equity reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Merger reserve HK\$'000	Translation reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Investment revaluation reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Accumulated losses <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
As at 1 April 2021 (audited)	847,601	(808)		45,918	54,761	21,727	(561,777)	407,422
Profit for the period Other comprehensive income – Exchange differences arising on translation	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,244	3,244
of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	10,152	-	-	10,152
 Fair value gain on investment in financial assets at FVTOCI 		1,743				3,089		4,832
Total comprehensive income for the period		1,743			10,152	3,089	3,244	18,228
As at 31 December 2021 (unaudited)	847,601	935		45,918	64,913	24,816	(558,533)	425,650

FINANCIAL REVIEW

For the nine months ended 31 December 2021, the revenue of the Group was approximately HK\$293,629,000 (2020: HK\$339,692,000). The cost of sales of the Group for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 was approximately HK\$285,342,000 (2020: HK\$332,493,000). The gross profit of the Group for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 was approximately HK\$8,287,000 (2020: HK\$7,199,000). Dividend income received by the Group from investment in financial and investment products for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 was approximately HK\$437,000 (2020: HK\$353,000). The administrative expenses of the Group for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 was approximately HK\$437,000 (2020: HK\$353,000). The administrative expenses of the Group for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 was approximately HK\$4,000 (2020: HK\$6,031,000). The Group recorded an unaudited consolidated profit attributable to owners of the Company of approximately HK\$3,244,000 for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 as compared with a loss of approximately HK\$3,000 for the same period of last year. The Board considered that the improvement in the performance of the Group was mainly attributable to the increase in gross profit arising from increase in gross profit margin, decrease in interest expense on CN (under finance costs), and increase in a value-added item of handling fee income (under other income).

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 (2020: Nil).

INVESTMENTS

The Company continues to identify suitable investments in HK stock equity market as well as any industry with high growth potential in PRC. As of 31 December 2021, the Group has investment classified as financial assets at FVTOCI of approximately HK\$61,839,000 (31 March 2021: HK\$55,795,000). In general, the investment strategy will be reviewed and monitored constantly with appropriate actions taken whenever necessary in response to the changes in global economic and market situations.

MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS OF SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES

The Group did not make any material acquisition and disposal of subsidiaries and affiliated companies for the nine months ended 31 December 2021.

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CHARGE ON ASSETS

The Group has no significant contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2021 (31 March 2021: Nil). As at 31 December 2021, the Group did not pledge any asset to financial institution in respect of the due and punctual payment of its obligations (31 March 2021: Nil).

BUSINESS REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

There was an imbalance in overall demand and supply of LNG recently. The increase in our average selling price of LNG arising from higher demand has compensated for the overall drop in sales volume of LNG. It is expected that the Group's revenue will benefit from the continued increase in demand for LNG.

The management is mindful of the market environment and will continue to adopt cautionary steps and implement various strategies to mitigate adverse impact on the LNG business arising from this present challenge. Furthermore, the Group will continue to develop its core business in LNG sector and to explore new business opportunities in order to create value for shareholders ("Shareholders" and each a "Shareholder") of the Company.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ANY OF ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATION

As at 31 December 2021, the interests of the Directors, chief executives of the Company and their associates in the Shares or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "**SFO**") (Chapter 571, Laws of HK)) which are required (a) to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or (b) pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein, or (c) to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the required standards of dealing by Directors as referred to in Rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules, were as follows:

Long position in the Shares:

Name of a Director	Capacity	Number of Shares held	Approximate percentage of issued share capital of the Company
Mr. Chen Haining (" Mr. HN Chen ")	Held by controlled corporation (Note)	7,141,000	12.12%

Note:

These Shares are registered in the name of Wise Triumph Limited ("WTL"), which is wholly-owned by Mr. HN Chen who is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which WTL is interested by virtue of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors, chief executive of the Company or their associates had or was deemed to have any interests or short positions in the Shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 31 December 2021, the following persons or companies (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company) had interests or short positions in the Shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO.

Long positions in the underlying shares and Shares

Names of substantial Shareholders	Capacities/ natures of interests	Numbers of underlying shares/ Shares held	Approximate percentages of issued share capital of the Company (Note 4)
Keen Insight Limited ("KIL") (Note 1)	Beneficial owner	8,250,000	14.01%
Hony Capital Group L.P. (" HCGLP ") (Note 1)	Interests in controlled corporation	8,250,000	14.01%
Hony Group Management Limited (" HGML ") (Note 1)	Interests in controlled corporation	8,250,000	14.01%
Hony Managing Partners Limited ("HMPL") (Note 1)	Interests in controlled corporation	8,250,000	14.01%
Exponential Fortune Group Limited ("EFGL") (Note 1)	Interests in controlled corporation	8,250,000	14.01%
Mr. Zhao John Huan (" Mr. Zhao ") (Note 1)	Interests in controlled corporation	8,250,000	14.01%
WTL (Note 2)	Beneficial owner	7,141,000	12.12%

Names of substantial Shareholders	Capacities/ natures of interests	Numbers of underlying shares/ Shares held	Approximate percentages of issued share capital of the Company (Note 4)
Mark Profit Development Limited (" MPDL ") (Note 3)	Beneficial owner	3,585,000	6.09%
Easyknit Properties Holdings Limited ("EPHL") (Note 3)	Interests in controlled corporation	3,585,000	6.09%
Easyknit International Holdings Limited ("EIHL") (Note 3)	Interests in controlled corporation	5,770,000	9.80%
Magical Profits Limited ("MPL") (Note 3)	Interests in controlled corporation	5,770,000	9.80%
Accumulate More Profits Limited ("AMPL") (Note 3)	Interests in controlled corporation	5,770,000	9.80%
The Winterbotham Trust Company Limited (" TWTCL ") (Note 3)	Interests in controlled corporation	5,770,000	9.80%
The Magical 2000 Trust (" The Magical ") (Note 3)	Interests in controlled corporation	5,770,000	9.80%
Ms. Koon Ho Yan Candy (" Ms. Koon ") (Note 3)	Interests in controlled corporation	5,770,000	9.80%
Winterbotham Holdings Limited ("WHL") (Note 3)	Interests in controlled corporation	5,770,000	9.80%
Mr. Christopher Geoffrey Douglas Hooper (" Mr. Hooper ") (Note 3)	Interests in controlled corporation	5,770,000	9.80%

Notes:

- 1. KIL is a wholly-owned subsidiary of HCGLP. HCGLP is a wholly-owned subsidiary of HGML. HGML is owned as to 80% by HMPL, a wholly-owned subsidiary of EFGL. EFGL is held as to 49% by Mr. Zhao, and the remaining 51% is held by two individuals equally.
- 2. WTL is wholly-owned by Mr. HN Chen.
- 3. MPDL is a wholly-owned subsidiary of EPHL, which in turn is a wholly-owned subsidiary of EIHL. Glory Link Investment Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Eminence Enterprise Limited ("EEL"), which holds 2,185,000 Shares or approximately 3.71% of issued share capital of the Company. EEL is held as to approximately 52.02%, 17.33%, 2.51% and 2.90% by Ace Winner Investment Limited, Goodco Development Limited and Landmark Profits Limited (those are wholly-owned subsidiaries of EIHL) as well as EIHL respectively. As such, EEL is totally held by EIHL approximately 74.76%. EIHL is held as to approximately 38.90% by MPL, which in turn is a wholly-owned subsidiary of AMPL. AMPL is wholly-owned by TWTCL in its capacity as a trustee of The Magical (beneficiaries include Ms. Koon). TWTCL is held as to 75% by WHL, which in turn is held as to approximately 99.99% by Mr. Hooper. Furthermore, EIHL is held as to approximately 23.24% by Sea Rejoice Limited, which in turn is whollyowned by Ms. Lui Yuk Chu, the spouse of Mr. Koon Wing Yee.
- 4. The percentage is based on 58,900,537 issued Shares as at 31 December 2021.

Save as disclosed above, there was no long positions of the other persons and substantial Shareholders in the underlying shares and Shares recorded in the register.

Short positions in the underlying shares and Shares

As at 31 December 2021, no short positions of other persons and substantial Shareholders in the underlying shares of equity derivatives of the Company and Shares were recorded in the register.

As at 31 December 2021, save as disclosed above, the Directors and chief executive of the Company were not aware of any persons or companies (other than the Directors and the chief executive of the Company) who had, or was deemed to have, interests or short positions in the Shares or underlying shares of the Company which were interested in 5% or more of the issued share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any other members of the Group or any persons (not being a Director) have interests or short positions in the Shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO.

PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's Articles of Associations which would oblige the Company to offer new Shares on a pro-rata basis to existing Shareholders.

CODE OF CONDUCT REGARDING SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

During the period under review, the Group has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by Directors on terms no less exacting than the required standard of dealings as set out in Rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules. The Company had also made specific enquiry of all Directors, the Company was not aware of any non-compliance with the required standard of dealings and its code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors.

ARRANGEMENTS TO PURCHASE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

At no time during the nine months ended 31 December 2021 was the Company, its holding company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of Shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate and none of the Directors, their spouses or children under the age of eighteen, had any rights to subscribe for securities of the Company, or had exercised any such rights during the nine months ended 31 December 2021.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

During the period under review, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

COMPETITION AND CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

During the period under review, none of the Directors, the management Shareholders, substantial Shareholders or any of their respective associates (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) had interests in a business which causes or may cause any significant competition and conflict of interests with the business of the Group.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee has three members comprising three independent ("**Independent**") nonexecutive ("**Non-Executive**") Directors, namely, Mr. Luk Chi Shing ("**Mr. Luk**") (Chairman of the Audit Committee), Mr. Leung Fu Hang ("**Mr. Leung**") and Mr. Chen Liang ("**Mr. L Chen**").

The primary duties of the Audit Committee are to ensure the adequacy and effectiveness of the accounting and financial controls of the Group, oversee the performance of internal control systems, risk management, and financial reporting process, monitor the integrity of the financial statements and compliance with statutory and listing requirements.

The Group's third quarterly results for the nine months ended 31 December 2021 have been reviewed by the members of the Audit Committee, who are of the opinion that the preparation of such financial results complied with the applicable accounting standards, the GEM Listing Rules and legal requirements, and that adequate disclosures have been made.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The remuneration committee (the "**Remuneration Committee**") of the Company has three members comprising three Independent Non-Executive Directors, namely, Mr. Leung (Chairman of the Remuneration Committee), Mr. Luk and Mr. L Chen.

The primary duties of the Remuneration Committee, among others, are (i) to make recommendations to the Board on the Company's policy and structure for all Directors' and senior management remuneration and on the establishment of a formal and transparent procedure for developing remuneration policy; (ii) to review and approve the management's remuneration proposals with reference to the Board's corporate goals and objectives; and (iii) to make recommendations to the Board on the remuneration packages of individual executive ("**Executive**") Directors and senior management.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The nomination committee (the "Nomination Committee") of the Company has three members comprising two Independent Non-Executive Directors, namely, Mr. L Chen (Chairman of the Nomination Committee) and Mr. Leung, and one Executive Director, namely, Mr. HN Chen.

The primary duties of the Nomination Committee include, among other things:

- (a) to review director nomination policy and board diversity policy;
- (b) to review the structure, size and composition (including the skills, knowledges and experiences) of the Board at least annually and make recommendations on any proposed changes to the Board to complement the Company's corporate strategies;
- (c) to identify individuals suitably qualified to become Board members and select or make recommendations to the Board on the selection of individuals nominated for directorships;
- (d) to assess the independence of Independent Non-Executive Directors; and
- (e) to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment or re-appointment of Directors and succession planning for Directors, in particular the Chairman and/or chief executive of the Company.

By order of the Board Mr. Chen Haining Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 11 February 2022

As at the date hereof, the Executive Directors are Mr. Chen Haining (Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company) and Ms. Tong Jiangxia; and the Independent Non-Executive Directors are Mr. Luk Chi Shing, Mr. Leung Fu Hang and Mr. Chen Liang.

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