

# business

## highlights 2004



February



March

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The Group was the first Fixed Telecommunications Network Services operator in Hong Kong to establish a total interconnection capacity of 22.5 Gbit/s between Mainland China and Hong Kong.

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The Group worked with 3 Hong Kong and CK Communications Limited to introduce the world's first video communications service between 3 video mobile phone and Vfone. The pioneering connection further establishes a community extensively using video-based communications.

**March**

The Group jointly established the world's first inter-Autonomous System International Ethernet network with South Korea KT Corporation. It signifies a technology breakthrough that transforms traditional local Metro Ethernet connectivity into a powerful multipoint-to-multipoint International Ethernet service that can extend across geographical boundaries. It is as if the sites were all attached to the same simple Ethernet LAN.

**April**

The Group's Residential Broadband service was certified as Xbox Live compatible Internet service in Hong Kong, delivering the ultimate gaming experience on Xbox Live with the ultra-fast and seamless broadband service.

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August



November

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The Group unveiled the innovative “Home Zone Residential Telephone Line” service. This novel mode of communications spearheads “Fixed Mobile Convergence” (“FMC”) by allowing Hong Kong customers to make and receive unlimited free calls via the home telephone in designated neighbourhoods.

**November**

The Group embarked on the setting up of a private Internet peering arrangement with PCCW Limited and New World Telecommunications Limited. The newly established private Internet peering platform enhanced the speed and reliability of Internet connections for Hong Kong Internet access customers.

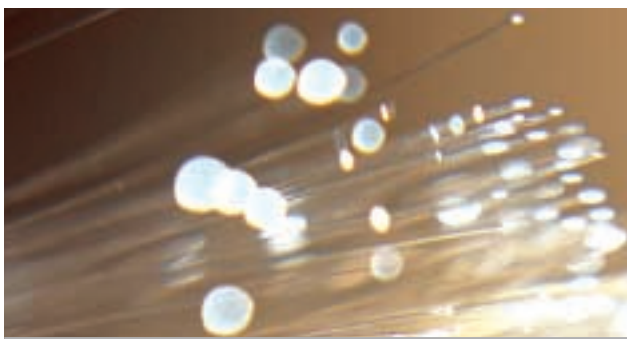
**December**

The Group’s fixed telecommunications network extended its total linear length of ducting to over 4,600 kilometres and that of core fibre optical cable to over 800,000 kilometres. The Group owns the largest fibre-to-the-building telecommunications network in Hong Kong.

**October**

The Group further extended the world’s first inter-Autonomous System International Ethernet network to Taiwan through cooperations with Taiwan Fixed Network and Koos Broadband Telecom.

October



December

