

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 3628)



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## **CORPORATE INFORMATION**

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Executive Directors**

Ms. Liu Li (*Chairman and Chief Executive Officer*) Mr. Xu Jiagui

#### Independent Non-executive Directors

Dr. Lam Lee G. Mr. Lam Chi Wlng (*Appointed on 19 July 2023*) Mr. Wu Wei Mr. Kong Hing Ki (*Resigned on 19 July 2023*)

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Dr. Lam Lee G. (*Chairman*) Mr. Wu Wei Mr. Lam Chi Wing (*Appointed on 19 July 2023*) Mr. Kong Hing Ki (*Resigned on 19 July 2023*)

## **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

Mr. Lam Chi Wlng *(Chairman) (Appointed on 19 July 2023)* Dr. Lam Lee G. Mr. Wu Wei Mr. Kong Hing Ki *(Resigned on 19 July 2023)* 

## **NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

Mr. Wu Wei *(Chairman)* Mr. Lam Chi Wing *(Appointed on 19 July 2023)* Dr. Lam Lee G. Mr. Kong Hing Ki *(Resigned on 19 July 2023)* 

## **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Mr. Tsang Chi Hon

## **AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVES**

Ms. Liu Li Mr. Tsang Chi Hon

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## **PRINCIPAL BANKERS**

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited Bank of Communications (Hong Kong) Limited Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited, Baoying Sub-Branch China Construction Bank Corporation, Baoying Sub-Branch

## **STOCK CODE**

3628

## **CORPORATE WEBSITE**

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## **CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**

#### Dear Shareholders,

On behalf of the board of Directors (the "Board") of RENHENG Enterprise Holdings Limited (the "Company"), I am pleased to present the annual report of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

For 2023, the Group achieved turnover of approximately HK\$124,423,000, representing an year-to-year increase of approximately 80.1%, which was mainly attributable to the increase in revenue recognised from the casing and flavouring systems. The net profit attributable to shareholders for the year was approximately HK\$13,558,000 (2022: loss for the year of HK\$2,363,000).

The Group mainly deal with the customer (named "Tobacco Monopoly Administration of the PRC"), which is one of the world's largest tobacco manufacturers. It is believed that the tobacco machinery industry in PRC would be in a steady momentum in the coming years. Being the chief cigarette manufacturers in the PRC, they keep looking for new sets of tobacco machinery products with higher degree of technology to replace their existing machines. This maintains a steady demand to our catalogue special-purpose tobacco machinery products. So that, as being the one of the thirty-five licenced manufacturers, the Group will keep focusing on the technology advancement in their cigarettes in order to fulfill the customer's demand.

Looking back to 2023, the volatilities, uncertainties, complexities and ambiguities exited in the past few years. However, benefiting from the Tobacco machinery businesses, it provides a good foundation for us to explore our new developments in order to diversify our revenue structure in the future.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to our business partners, banks and shareholders for their continuous support, as well as our committed management and staff who have significant contribution to the development and success of the Group during past years.

#### Liu Li

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer 28 March 2024

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

#### Ms. Liu Li

Ms. Liu, aged 53, is an executive director of the Company and is responsible for overall business planning, strategic development, human resources and administration functions of our Group. In February 2007, she was appointed as a director of Yanlord Industry Investment Limited ("Yanlord Industry Investment") and has been responsible for overseeing the operation of Bao Ying Ren Heng Industrial Co., Ltd ("Baoying Renheng") thereafter since the completion of the transfer of equity interest in Baoying Renheng from Yanlord (Holdings) Industrial Limited to Yanlord Industry Investment in 2008. Ms. Liu is principally responsible for the treasury, human resources and administrative functions of the Company. She obtained a bachelor's degree in sport management from Beijing Sport University in July 1992. Ms. Liu was appointed as an executive director on 2 February 2011.

#### Mr. Xu Jiagui

Mr. Xu, aged 58, is the director and general manager of Baoying Renheng. He is primarily responsible for the strategic planning, business development as well as overseeing the daily operations of Baoying Renheng. Mr. Xu has over 20 years of experience in research and development, production and general management relating to the tobacco machinery manufacturing industry. He joined Baoying Renheng in January 2002. Mr. Xu was awarded by Baoying County top ten technological worker and advanced technological worker in March 2000 and April 2001 respectively. He graduated with a college diploma in mechanical design and manufacturing process from Jiangsu Radio and TV University in July 1991 and obtained a certificate of completion for Class for Advanced Studies of Postgraduate Curricula in management science and engineering from Southeast University in December 2004.

## **INDEPENDENT NON EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

#### Mr. Lam Chi Wing

Mr. Lam Chi Wing, aged 44, joined the Group in 2023. He is chairman of the Remuneration Committee and is a member of each of the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee. Mr. Lam has extensive international experience in corporate management, strategy consulting, corporate governance, direct investment, investment banking and asset management. Mr. Lam obtained a bachelor of business administration in accounting and finance degree from The University of Hong Kong in December 2003, a master of science in knowledge management degree from The Hong Kong Polytechnic University in December 2006 and a master of business administration degree from The Chinese University of Hong Kong in December 2010. He is currently a postgraduate of the Executive Master in Public Administration Hong Kong Administrative Talents Program conducted by the School of Public Policy & Management at Tsinghua University.

Mr. Lam served as an executive director of Bonjour Holdings Limited (stock code: 653) from July 2020 to December 2020 and an independent non-executive director of Aidigong Maternal & Child Health Limited (stock code: 286) from March 2016 to December 2022, the shares of both of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. Mr. Lam is currently an independent non-executive director of each of China Wantian Holdings Limited (stock code: 1854), Wai Hung Group Holdings Limited (stock code: 3321), Alco Holdings Limited (stock code: 2350) and Space Group Holdings Limited (stock code: 2448), the shares of all of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange.

#### Dr. Lam Lee G.

Dr. Lam Lee G., aged 64, joined the Group in 2022. He is chairman of the Audit Committee and is a member of each of the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee. Dr. Lam has extensive international experience in corporate management, strategy consulting, corporate governance, direct investment, investment banking and asset management.

Dr. Lam is a Solicitor of the High Court of Hong Kong (and formerly a member of the Hong Kong Bar), an Accredited Mediator of the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution, a Fellow of Certified Management Accountants (CMA) Australia, the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators and the Hong Kong Institute of Directors, an international affiliate of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (CPA) Australia, the Hong Kong Institute of Facility Management and the University of Hong Kong School of Professional and Continuing Education, and a Distinguished Fellow of the Hong Kong Innovative Technology Development Association. Dr. Lam served as Chairman of Hong Kong Cyberport, a member of the Committee on Innovation, Technology and Re-Industrialization, the Sir Murray MacLehose Trust Fund Investment Advisory Committee and the Development Bureau Common Spatial Data Advisory Committee, and a Part-time Member of the Central Policy Unit of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") Government.

Dr. Lam is an executive director of USPACE Technology Group Limited (Stock Code: 1725, formerly known as Hong Kong Aerospace Technology Group Limited, re-designated from non-executive director on 3 January 2022), the shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. He is an independent non-executive director of each of CSI Properties Limited (Stock Code: 497), Mei Ah Entertainment Group Limited (Stock Code: 391), Hang Pin Living Technology Company Limited (Stock Code: 1682), Kidsland International Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 2122), Greenland Hong Kong Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 337), Huarong International Financial Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 993), RENHENG Enterprise Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 3628), and Sinohope Technology Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 1611, formerly known as New Huo Technology Holdings Limited); and a non-executive director of Mingfa Group (International) Company Limited (Stock Code: 846, re-designated from independent non-executive director of Asia-Pacific Strategic Investments Limited (Stock Code: 5RA), whose shares are listed on the Singapore Exchange; an independent non-executive director of AustChina Holdings Limited (Stock Code: AUH), whose shares are listed on the Australian Securities Exchange, and a non-executive director of Jade Road Investments Limited (Stock Code: JADE), whose shares are listed on the London Securities Exchange.

In the past three years, Dr. Lam was an independent non-executive director of Vongroup Limited (Stock Code: 318), MOS House Group Limited (Stock Code: 1653, appointed in October 2023), Elife Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 223), all up to February 2024, Haitong Securities Company Limited, (Stock Code: 6837, it is also listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange Stock Code: 600837) up to October 2023 and Aurum Pacific (China) Group Limited (Stock Code: 8148) up to March 2021; and he was also a non-executive director of each of Sunwah Kingsway Capital Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 188), and China Hong Kong Power Smart Energy Group Limited (Stock Code: 8148) up to February 2024, National Arts Group Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 8228) up to July 2022, and Tianda Pharmaceuticals Limited (Stock Code: 455) up to August 2021, the shares of all of which are listed on the Stock Exchange. He was an independent non-executive director of each of Thomson Medical Group Limited (Stock Code: A50) up to November 2023, Alset International Limited (Stock Code: 40V, re-designated from non-executive director on 2 July 2020), up to November 2023, Beverly JCG Ltd. (Stock Code: VFP) up to April 2023 and Top Global Limited (Stock Code: BHO), up to August 2021 (delisted on the Singapore Exchange since August 2021), the shares of all of which are then listed on the Singapore Exchange, Sunwah International Limited (Stock Code: SWH, listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange) up to June 2021 and TMC Life Sciences Berhad (Stock Code: 0101, listed on the Bursa Malaysia) up to 31 May 2023.

#### Mr. Wu Wei

Mr. Wu, aged 50, is an independent non-executive director and the chairman of the nomination committee, and a member of the audit committee and the remuneration committee of the Company. He holds a Bachelor's Degree of Arts from Columbia University. He has over 23 years' experience in enterprise investment and investment banking. He is a senior partner of Maison Capital Co. Ltd., a private equity fund manager. Mr. Wu previously served as managing director of CITIC Securities International Company Limited where he was responsible for its private equity business. He also served in Deutsche Bank AG, Henderson Global Investors (Hong Kong) Limited and Lehman Brothers Asia Limited. He was an independent non-executive director of AVIC International Holdings Limited whose shares were listed on the Stock Exchange till 17 April 2020. He was appointed as an independent non-executive director with effect from 31 October 2014.

## SENIOR MANAGEMENT

#### Mr. Liu Yang

Mr. Liu is a director and vice general manager of Baoying Renheng. He is principally responsible for overseeing the sales and marketing activities of Baoying Renheng. Mr. Liu has over 25 years of experience in sales and marketing. He was the vice general manager for sales of Zhuhai Gang Zhuhai Ming An Enterprise Co. Ltd. between July 1994 to June 2002, and subsequently acquired knowledge and experience in the tobacco machinery industry after joining Baoying Renheng in June 2004. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in marketing from Changchun University of Science and Technology in July 1993. Mr. Liu is the brother of Ms. Liu.

#### Mr. Chan Kit Yan

Mr. Chan Kit Yan ("Mr. Chan") joined the Group in 2022, who is the financial controller and responsible for overseeing corporate and financial matters of the Company. Mr. Chan is also concurrently supervising sales and marketing, technical, production, human resource, purchasing and administration departments in Baoying Renheng. Mr. Chan has engaged in capital market over 10 years of experience in enterprises management and he has rich experiences in financial management, asset and credit management, mergers and acquisitions and risk management. Mr. Chan has obtained his bachelor of business degree from University of Birmingham and a postgraduate diploma in integrated practical management from The University of Hong Kong, Mr. Chan is also an associate member of the Certified Public Accountants (Australia).

#### Mr. Tsang Chi Hon

Mr. Tsang Chi Hon (曾志漢), aged 49, is the company secretary. Mr. Tsang was engaged as our company secretary since May 2022 and has been mainly responsible for the company secretarial and related matters. Mr. Tsang is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and has more than 15 years of experience in audit and accounting. Mr. Tsang joined Baker Tilly Hong Kong Business Services Limited as an auditor in October 1999 and left the company as a senior auditor in February 2004. In March 2004, Mr. Tsang joined Grant Thornton Hong Kong as a senior in the assurance division and was subsequently promoted to supervising senior in October 2004 responsible for supervising the field work staff and reviewing the working papers. He was further promoted to supervisor in October 2005 and was entrusted with a portfolio of the firm's clients and also assisted the audit manager in the review function. He held the same position when he left the firm in March 2007. From May 2007 to July 2008, Mr. Tsang joined Reyoung Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Main Board of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited, as a group financial controller mainly responsible for the finance and accounting functions of the group companies. From May 2009 to September 2009, Mr. Tsang was employed by Luxworld Limited as a financial reporting manager, responsible for financial reporting functions. From November 2009 to February 2014, Mr. Tsang served as chief financial officer in Zuoan Fashion Limited, a company previously listed on the New York Stock Exchange and was responsible for the finance and accounting functions of the group companies.

From November 2013 to July 2021, Mr. Tsang had served as an independent non-executive director of Xinhua News Media Holdings Limited (Stock code: 309). From January 2017 to August 2018, Mr. Tsang was a company secretary of Swee Seng Holdings Limited, since April 2021, Mr. Tsang was appointed as the Company secretary and financial controller of Micron (International) Group Holdings Limited.

Mr. Tsang graduated from The University of Hong Kong in December 2009 with a Bachelor of Accounting and was admitted as a certified public accountant of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants in April 2006.

The Group is principally engaged in the manufacture, sale and provision of maintenance, overhaul and modification services in respect of tobacco machinery products in the PRC. We have obtained the Tobacco Monopoly Production Enterprise Licence (煙草 專賣生產企業許可證) issued by the State Tobacco Monopoly Administration of the PRC (中國國家煙草專賣局), under which we are permitted to manufacture, sell and provide maintenance, overhaul as well as modification services in respect of the aforesaid machinery products, and we are one of the thirty-five licenced manufacturers in the PRC. We generate our turnover primarily from projects related to two types of catalogued special-purpose tobacco machinery products, namely the casing and flavouring system and pneumatic feeding system.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

For the year ended 31 December 2023, the Group recorded a profit of HK\$13,558,000 while it was a loss of HK\$2,363,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022. In the current year, attributable to the increases of the Group's business of the product of the construction contracts of casing and flavouring system and pneumatic feeding system, there is a year-on-year increase in revenue of approximately 80.1% in comparison to the prior year.

Revenue from construction contracts of casing and flavouring systems continued to have outperformed other type of products and goods, contributing HK\$102,897,000, accounting for 82.7% of the total revenue in the current year (2022: HK\$55,551,000 or 80.4%).

Revenue from pneumatic feeding system has increased approximately 89.3% from HK\$9,932,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022 to HK\$18,803,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023. There was no sales of pre-pressing packing machine for the years ended 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022. The sales of water treatment system escalated from HK\$709,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022 to HK\$271,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023. The sales of other goods amounted from HK\$2,891,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022 to HK\$2,452,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The gross profit margin for the current year was 36.7% and has dropped by 0.3% when comparing with the gross profit margin for the prior year which was 37.0%. The gross profit margin for the construction contracts on casing and flavouring systems has increased by 1.3% from 33.0% for the year ended 31 December 2022 to 34.3% for the year ended 31 December 2023. The gross profit of construction contracts on casing and flavouring systems is HK\$35,283,000 for the current year and it was HK\$18,313,000 for the prior year. The gross profit of pneumatic feeding system amounted to HK\$122,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: HK\$25,531,000). The gross profit of the water treatment system amounted to HK\$122,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: HK\$280,000).

Allowance for inventories (included in cost of sales) amounted to HK\$351,000 had been recognised during the year ended 31 December 2023 while HK\$915,000 allowance loss was made in the prior year. The identification of obsolete inventories required the use of judgement and estimates on the conditions and usefulness of the inventories.

The average contract sum of construction contracts on casing and flavouring systems completed was HK\$6,431,000 for the current year while it was HK\$2,222,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022. The revenue from the 3 largest construction contracts on casing and flavouring systems completed during the current year was HK\$77,348,000 while it was HK\$33,134,000 for the preceding year. The design and complexity of the products varies by customers and therefore there is a wide range of contract prices.

Other income was down by HK\$313,000 or 16.8% and amounted to HK\$1,545,000 in aggregate for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: HK\$1,858,000) due to the decrease on the bank interest income and the subsidy income. In the current year, the bank interest income is HK\$971,000 (2022: HK\$1,230,000) and subsidy income of HK\$574,000 was received while HK\$628,000 was received in the prior year.

The other gains and losses had increased by HK\$1,066,000 or 147.9% to HK\$1,787,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: HK\$721,000), mainly due to less net foreign exchange loss in the current year amounted to HK\$289,000 (2022: HK\$1,123,000). The sales of scrap materials, parts and components amounted to HK\$2,076,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: HK\$1,960,000) and it was increased by HK\$116,000 or 5.9% compared to the prior year.

A reversal of impairment loss on Trade-related receivables under expected credit loss model amounting to HK\$322,000 had been recognised during the year ended 31 December 2023, while it was an impairment loss reversal of HK\$42,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Impacting by the trend of tobacco regulatory policies and the end of COVID-19 epidemic, marketing initiatives had been placed in the current year and led to an increment in selling and distribution expenses by HK\$2,413,000 from HK\$7,797,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022 to HK\$10,210,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023 or 30.9% as compared to the prior year.

The administrative expenses were slightly decreased by HK\$77,000 or 0.5% in comparison with prior year, for the year ended 31 December 2023 amounted to HK\$16,578,000 (2022: HK\$16,655,000). Salaries of management and the depreciation expenses are relatively stable for the years ended 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022, resulting in only minor fluctuations in administrative expenses.

The research and development expenses amounted to HK\$4,672,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: HK\$4,324,000), and it had slightly increased by HK\$348,000 or 8.0%.

The tax expense of HK\$4,360,000 was recorded for the year ended 31 December 2023 and it was HK\$1,775,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022. The tax expense was resulted from profit generation and provision of PRC withholding tax on undistributed profit from the PRC subsidiary.

The Directors do not recommend the payment of dividend for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: Nil).

## **BUSINESS REVIEW AND PROSPECT**

The Group mainly deals with the customer named "Tobacco Monopoly Administration of the PRC", which is one of the world's largest tobacco manufacturer. China produces more than two million metric tons of tobacco each year. The majority of China's tobacco production serves its massive domestic market, so tobacco industry occupies an important position in China's economic development. In the annual fiscal revenue of the Chinese government, tax revenue from the tobacco industry has always maintained a relatively high share, contributing nearly one-tenth of the country's fiscal revenue in the recent year. The tobacco factories in China own the most automatic factory. It is believed that the tobacco machinery industry would maintain in a steady momentum in the coming years.

The tobacco machinery industry renders our company's technical developments especially the innovations on the machinery related technologies. Being one of the suppliers of Tobacco Monopoly Administration of the PRC and its subsidiaries provides a stable financial proposition to our Group. Furthermore, our subsidiary company of the Group, Baoying Renheng Industrial Company Limited, has been rewarded the recognition of "The Excellent Supplier" from Qinhuangdao Tobacco Machinery Company Limited in both 2022 and 2023. The absolute controlling shareholder of Qinhuangdao Tobacco Machinery Company Limited is China Tobacco Machinery Group Company Limited.

The volatilities, uncertainties, complexities and ambiguities exited in the current economic environment. However, the tobacco machinery business provides a good condition and chances for our new developments on diversifying our revenue structure including different products on tobacco industry and the Group has the change to serve different industries which need to have technical supports of non-standardised automatic machinery service. Leveraging on the Group's competitive strengths in product customisation, development capabilities and our brand on machinery industry, our sales and technical personnel can obtain good and timely understanding of customers' requests in the tobacco machinery industry and other industries. The Group intends to capture the market opportunities for its specialised products and secure contracts more than one machinery industry and will try to dedicate to innovate the key technologies for the customised automatic machinery industry, hence hope to deliver greater value to our shareholders.

## **CAPITAL STRUCTURE, LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

During the year under review, there was no change in the capital structure of the Group and cash and cash equivalents of the Group as at 31 December 2023 amounted to HK\$86,100,000 (2022: HK\$97,195,000, which was mainly denominated in RMB and HK\$.

During the year ended 31 December 2023, there was no repayment to advance from a director (2022: Nil). The Group had no bank borrowings, mortgages or charges and its gearing ratio was Nil at 31 December 2023 (2022: Nil).

As at 31 December 2023, the Group's net current assets was HK\$98,984,000 (2022: HK\$85,628,000). Current ratio and quick ratio of the Group were 1.9 (2022: 1.6) and 1.2 (2022: 0.9), respectively.

## SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS HELD

The Group's investing activities mainly include placement and withdrawal of short-term fixed deposits and purchase of property, plant and equipment.

## **EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES**

As at 31 December 2023, the Group had a total of 147 employees (2022: 142). Total staff costs (including directors' emoluments) were approximately HK\$19,981,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: HK\$19,041,000).

Remuneration in the form of salaries and bonus is determined by reference to our employees' respective experience, responsibilities, qualifications and competence displayed and our operation results. Our employees also receive reimbursements for expenses which are necessarily and reasonably incurred for providing services to our Group or executing their functions in relation to our operations. Our Directors and employees may also receive options granted under the share option scheme.

## **MATERIAL ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL**

The Group had no material acquisition and disposal of subsidiaries during the year ended 31 December 2023.

## PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

During the year ended 31 December 2023, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

The board (the "Board") of the directors (the "Directors") of RENHENG Enterprise Holdings Limited (the "Company") present their annual report together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively as the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

## **PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS**

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands and domiciled in Hong Kong. Its registered office is at P.O. Box 309, Ugland House, Grand Cayman, KY1-1104, Cayman Islands and principal place of business of the Company is Room 3805, 38/F., Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Admiralty, Hong Kong.

## **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The Company acts as an investment holding company and provides corporate management services. The activities of its principal subsidiaries are set out in Note 29 to the consolidated financial statements.

Segment information about the business of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023 is set out in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.

## **BUSINESS REVIEW AND PERFORMANCE**

A fair review of the Group's business, a discussion and analysis of the Group's performance during the year and discussion of the principal risks and uncertainties the Group facing and an indication of likely future developments in the Group's business are set out in the Management Discussion and Analysis set out on pages 8 to 11 of this annual report.

#### RESULTS

The results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023 are set out in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income on page 42 of this annual report.

The Board did not recommend the payment of dividend for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: Nil).

#### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

A summary of the results and the assets and liabilities of the Group for each of the five years ended 31 December 2023 is set out on page 98 of this annual report.

#### **PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Group during the year ended 31 December 2023 are set out in Note 14.

## SHARE CAPITAL

Details of movements in the share capital of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2023 are set out in Note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

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

## RESERVES

Details of movements in the reserves of the Group and of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2023 are set out in the consolidated statement of changes in equity on page 45 of this report and in Note 30 to the consolidated financial statements respectively.

At the end of the reporting date, the Company has no reserve available for distribution (2022: HK\$1,007,000). Under the Company Law of the Cayman Islands, the share premium of the Company is available for distribution or paying dividends to shareholders subject to the provisions of its memorandum or articles of association, the Company is able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

## **BANK BORROWINGS**

The Group did not have any bank borrowings during the year ended 31 December 2023.

## **MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS**

During the year ended 31 December 2023, sales to the Group's five largest customers in aggregate accounted for approximately 82.8% (2022: 88.4%) of the total sales and sales to the largest customer accounted for approximately 42.5% (2022: 40.4%) of total sales. Purchases from the Group's five largest suppliers in aggregate accounted for approximately 44.9% (2022: 46.4%) of the total purchases and purchases from the largest supplier accounted for approximately 10.9% (2022: 19.4%) of total purchases.

None of the Directors, their associates or any shareholders of the Company (which, to the best knowledge of the Directors, own more than 5% of the Company's issued share capital) had any interest in the Group's five largest customers and suppliers during the year.

## DIRECTORS

The Directors of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2023 and up to the date of this report were as follows:

#### **Executive Directors**

Ms. Liu Li Mr. Xu Jiagui

#### Independent Non-executive Directors

Dr. Lam Lee G. Mr. Lam Chi Wing (Appointed on 19 July 2023) Mr. Wu Wei Mr. Kong Hing Ki (Resigned on 19 July 2023)

In accordance with Article 16.18, at every annual general meeting of the Company one-third of the directors for the time being (or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest to, but not less than, one-third) shall retire from office by rotation provided that every Director (including those appointed for a specific term) shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.

Pursuant to the Listing Rules and Article 16.18, all directors appointed to fill a casual vacancy should be subject to election by shareholders at the first general meeting after appointment. Mr. Lam Chi Wing has been appointed to fill a causal vacancy during the year.

Accordingly, Ms. Liu Li and Mr. Wu Wei, among the longest-serving Directors, and Mr. Lam Chi Wing. shall retire at the annual general meeting and being eligible, offer himself for re-election.

Biographical details in respect of the Directors and senior management of the Group are set out in pages 4 to 7 of this annual report.

# CHANGE OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND COMPOSITION OF BOARD COMMITTEES

With effect from 19 July 2023: (1) Mr. Kong Hing Ki has resigned as an independent non-executive Director, the chairman of the remuneration committee, and a member of each of the nomination committee and the audit committee of the Company; and (2) Mr. Lam Chi Wing has been appointed as an independent non-executive Director, the chairman of the remuneration committee, and a member of each of the nomination committee and the audit committee of the Company.

## **DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS**

All executive Directors have entered into service agreements with the Company for a period of three years and will continue thereafter until terminated by either party giving not less than three months' prior written notice to the other. They are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the Company's annual general meeting in accordance with the Company's articles of association.

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Save as aforesaid, no Director proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract which is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation (other than statutory compensation).

## PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISION

During the year and up to the date of this report, pursuant to the Company's articles of association there was in force the permitted indemnity provisions which provided for in the Directors and officers liability insurance maintained for the Group in respect of potential liability and costs associated with legal proceedings that may be brought against them.

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE' S INTEREST IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

As at 31 December 2023, the interests of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")) which were notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (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 as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the required standard of dealings by Directors as referred to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers contained in Appendix 10 to The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"), were as follows:

## Long positions

#### Ordinary shares of HK\$0.0025 each of the Company

|                           | Conneitud                           | Number of issued     | Approximate<br>percentage of the       |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Name Directors            | Capacity/<br>Nature of Interest     | ordinary shares held | issued share capital<br>of the Company |
| Directors                 |                                     |                      |  |
| Ms. Liu Li <sup>(1)</sup> | Interest of controlled corporations | 600,000,000          | 74.6%                                  |
| Mr. Xu Jiagui             | Beneficial interest                 | 800,000              | 0.1%                                   |
|                           |                                     |                      |  |

Note:

1. Open Venture Global Limited ("Open Venture") and LinkBest Capital Group Limited ("LinkBest"), which is wholly owned by Ms. Liu Li, is interested in 240,000,000 shares and 360,000,000 shares of the Company, respectively.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors and the chief executive of the Company nor their associates had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations as at 31 December 2023.

## **PRE-IPO SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

The Company's pre-IPO share option scheme (the "Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme") was adopted pursuant to a written resolution passed by the shareholders on 20 October 2011. The purpose of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme is to grant options to the participants as incentive or rewards for their contributions to the Group.

Options to subscribe for an aggregate of 1,300,000 shares at an exercise price of HK\$0.96 were granted to 10 participants including one executive Director, four members of the senior management of the Group and five employees of the Group, each at a consideration of HK\$10.00 under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme on 20 October 2011. Up to 31 December 2023, no outstanding options were resulted.

## **SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

The Company's share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") was adopted pursuant to a written resolution passed by the shareholders on 20 October 2011 for the primary purpose of providing the people and the parties working for the interests of the Group with an opportunity to obtain an equity interest in the Company, thus linking their interest with the interests of the Group and thereby providing them with an incentive to work better for the interests of the Group. Up to 31 December 2023, no options were granted to Directors, eligible employees and other outside third parties under the Share Option Scheme.

Details of the Share Option Scheme are set out in Note 23 to the consolidated financial statements.

## **ARRANGEMENTS TO PURCHASE SHARES OR DEBENTURES**

Save as disclosed above, at no time during the year was the Company, its holding company, or any of its subsidiaries, a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

## **CONTRACTS OF SIGNIFICANCE**

No contract of significance, to which the Company, its holding company or subsidiaries was a party and in which a Director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

## **INDEPENDENT NON EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

The Company has received, from each of the independent non-executive Directors, an annual confirmation of his independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. The Company considers all independent non-executive Directors are independent.

## **CONNECTED TRANSACTION**

The Directors are not aware of any connected transactions of the Group that shall be disclosed in this annual report under the relevant Listing Rules.

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTEREST IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

As at 31 December 2023, according to the register of interests required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO other than the interests disclosed above in respect of Directors and chief executive of the Company, the following parties had interests in shares of the Company, as notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, as follows:

## Long positions

## Ordinary shares of HK\$0.0025 each of the Company

| Name of shareholders        | Capacity/<br>Nature of Interest     | Number of issued<br>ordinary shares held | Approximate<br>percentage of the<br>issued share capital<br>of the Company |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| LinkBest <sup>(1)</sup>     | Beneficial owner                    | 360,000,000                              | 44.8%  |
| Open Venture <sup>(1)</sup> | Beneficial owner                    | 240,000,000                              | 29.9%  |
| Ms. Liu Li                  | Interest of controlled corporations | 600,000,000                              | 74.6%  |

Note:

1. LinkBest and Open Venture are wholly owned by Ms. Liu Li.

Save as disclosed above, the Company has not been notified of any other relevant interests or short positions in the issued share capital of the Company as at 31 December 2023.

## **EMOLUMENT POLICY**

A remuneration committee is set up for reviewing the Group's emolument policy and structure for all remuneration of the Directors and senior management. Having regard of the Group's operating results, individual performance and competence, our remuneration is comparable according to market practices.

The Company has adopted a Share Option Scheme as an incentive to directors and eligible employees, details of the Scheme is set out in Note 23 to the consolidated financial statements.

Details of Directors' emoluments are set out in Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements.

## **PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS**

There is no provision for pre-emptive rights under the Company's articles of association, or the laws of the Cayman Islands, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro-rata basis to existing shareholders.

## **COMPETING INTERESTS**

None of the Directors nor their respective associates (as defined under the Listing Rules) had any interest in a business that competes or may compete with the business of the Group.

## PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

During the year ended 31 December 2023, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

Principal corporate governance practices adopted by the Company is set out in the Corporate Governance Report on pages 20 to 29 of this annual report.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE**

Detail information regarding the environmental, social and governance practices adopted by the Company is set out in the Environmental, Social and Governance Report on pages 30 to 36 of this annual report.

## SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors, the Directors confirm that the Company has maintained the prescribed public float under the Listing Rules during the year ended 31 December 2023.

## DATE OF THE AGM AND CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The AGM will be held on Wednesday, 19 June 2024. The notice of the AGM, together with the AGM circular and the proxy form will be published on the websites of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) and the Company (www.renhengenterprise.com) and dispatched in due course in the manner as required by the Listing Rules and the applicable laws and regulations.

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 12 June 2024 to Wednesday, 19 June 2024, both days inclusive, in order to determine the identity of the Shareholders who are entitled to attend the AGM, during which period no transfers of Shares will be registered. To be eligible to attend the AGM, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant Share certificates must be lodged for registration with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 11 June 2024.

## **EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD**

The Directors are not aware of any other significant events that have taken place subsequent to 31 December 2023 and up to the date of approval of this report.

## **AUDITOR**

The consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 have been audited by Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu ("Deloitte"). A resolution will be submitted to the annual general meeting to re-appoint Deloitte as auditor of the Company.

On behalf of the Board

Liu Li Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 28 March 2024

The Board considers that maintaining high standard of corporate governance and business ethics will serve the long interest of the Company and of its shareholders. The principles adopted by the Board emphasise a quality board, sound internal control, accountability to shareholders and thus an ethical corporate culture established.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

Pursuant to the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") contained in Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules which sets out the principles of good corporate governance and the code provisions (the "Code Provisions"), the Company has applied all the Code Provisions as set out in the CG Code during the year ended 31 December 2023, save and except the Code Provision C.2.1 regarding segregation of chairman and chief executive officer as explained below.

## **DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS**

The Company has applied the principles of the required standard of securities transactions by our Directors as set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers contained in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules. Having made specific enquiry of all Directors, the Company was confirmed that all Directors have complied with or they were not aware of any non-compliance with the required standard of dealings as set out in the Listing Rules during the year ended 31 December 2023.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Board composition**

Up to the date of this annual report, the Board comprises five Directors, including two executive Directors and three independent nonexecutive Directors. Details of their composition by category are as follows:

#### **Executive Directors**

Ms. Liu Li *(Chairman & Chief Executive Officer)* Mr. Xu Jiagui

#### Independent Non-executive Directors

Dr. Lam Lee G. Mr. Kong Hing Ki *(Resigned on 19 July 2023)* Mr. Wu Wei Mr. Lam Chi Wing *(Appointed on 19 July 2023)* 

The biographical details of Directors are set out on pages 4 to 7 of this annual report.

The Directors, with relevant and sufficient experience and qualifications, have given sufficient time and attention to the affairs of the Group and have exercised due care and fiduciary duties to the significant issues of overall business planning, management and strategic development of the Group.

Neither Directors have relation to each other and business relation with the Group, nor the chairman and the chief executive officer.

## **Board and general meetings**

The Board conducts regular scheduled meetings on a quarterly basis. Ad-hoc meetings are convened when circumstances require. During the year ended 31 December 2023 and up to the date of this annual report, there were five board meetings and one general meeting held.

The Directors can attend meetings in person or via telephone conference as permitted under the articles of association of the Company.

Details of individual attendance of all Directors at the board and committee meetings together with general meeting are as follows:

| Name of Directors/Meetings      | General<br>meeting | Board | Audit<br>committee | Nomination<br>committee | Remuneration<br>committee |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Executive Directors             |                    |       |                    |                         |                           |
| Ms. Liu Li                      | 1/1                | 5/5   | -                  | -                       | -                         |
| Mr. Xu Jiagui                   | 1/1                | 5/5   | -                  | -                       | -                         |
| Independent Non-executive Direc | tors               |       |                    |                         |                           |
| Dr. Lam Lee G.                  | 1/1                | 5/5   | 3/3                | 2/2                     | 2/2                       |
| Mr. Kong Hing Ki                |                    |       |                    |                         |                           |
| (Resigned on 19 July 2023)      | 1/1                | 4/5   | 1/3                | 2/2                     | 2/2                       |
| Mr. Wu Wei                      | 1/1                | 5/5   | 3/3                | 2/2                     | 2/2                       |
| Mr. Lam Chi Wing                |                    |       |                    |                         |                           |
| (Appointed on 19 July 2023)     | 0/1                | 2/5   | 2/3                | 1/2                     | 1/2                       |

Information of material issues, due notice of meeting and minutes of each directors' meeting have been sent to each of the Directors for their information, comment and review.

The Board is responsible to set strategic plans, formulates policies and provides effective oversight over the management on the operational affairs, and members of the Board are individually and collectively accountable to the shareholders of the Company. The management is responsible for the daily operations of the Group. For significant matters that are specifically delegated by the Board, the management must report back to and obtain prior approval from the Board before making decisions or entering into any commitments on behalf of the Group.

No corporate governance committee has been established and the Board is also delegated with the corporate governance functions.

#### Independent non-executive Directors

Each Director is required to keep abreast of his responsibilities as a director of the Company and of the Company's conduct, business activities and development. Given the essential unitary nature of the Board, independent non-executive Director has the same duties of care and skill and fiduciary duties as executive Directors. Independent non-executive Director brings a wide range of business and financial expertise, experience and independent judgement to the Board. Functions of independent non-executive Director include but should not be limited to the following:

- i. participating in Board meetings to bring independent judgement;
- ii. taking the lead where potential conflict of interests may arise;
- iii. serving on the audit, nomination and remuneration committees if invited; and
- iv. scrutinizing the Group's performance in achieving agreed corporate goals and objectives, and monitoring the reporting of performance.

Pursuant to Rule 3.10(1) and 3.10A of the Listing Rules, the Board has appointed three independent non-executive Directors, representing half of the Board and all of them have appropriate professional accounting qualifications or related experiences on financial management which is in compliance with Rule 3.10(2) of the Listing Rules. Each of the independent non-executive Directors is appointed for a period of three years.

Further, pursuant to code provision B.2.3 of Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules, if an independent non-executive director serves more than nine years, any further appointment of such independent non-executive director should be subject to a separate resolution to be approved by shareholders.

All independent non-executive Directors have confirmed their independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules by providing an annual confirmation of their independence. The Board has assessed their independence and considers that all independent non-executive Directors are independent as required under the Listing Rules.

## **CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

The Code Provision C.2.1 stipulates that the roles of chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual.

The roles of chairman and chief executive of the Company are both performed by the same individual – Ms. Liu Li. Ms. Liu Li will ensure that all the Board members keep abreast of the conduct, business activities and development of the Group and adequate, complete and reliable information is provided to Directors on issues to be considered by the Board.

## **APPOINTMENT AND RE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Each of the executive Directors has entered a service agreement for a term of three years, and each of the independent non- executive Directors has been appointed for a term of three years.

In accordance with Article 16.18, at every annual general meeting of the Company one-third of the directors for the time being (or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest to, but not less than, one-third) shall retire from office by rotation provided that every Director (including those appointed for a specific term) shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.

Pursuant to the Listing Rules and Article 16.18, all directors appointed to fill a casual vacancy should be subject to election by shareholders at the first general meeting after appointment. Mr. Lam Chi Wing has been appointed to fill a causal vacancy during the year.

Accordingly, Ms. Liu Li and Mr. Wu Wei, among the longest-serving Directors, and Mr. Lam Chi Wing shall retire at the annual general meeting and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

## DIRECTORS' CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

All Directors should keep abreast of their collective responsibilities as Directors and of the business and activities of the Group. Each newly appointed Director would receive an induction package covering the Group's business and the statutory and regulatory obligations of a director of a listed company.

During the year ended 31 December 2023, the Directors participated in the continuous professional developments in relation to regulatory update, the duties and responsibility of the Directors and the business of the Group in the following manner:

| Name o    | of Directors   | Type of continuous<br>professional<br>development<br>programmes<br>(Notes) |
|-----------|--|--|
|           |  |  |
| Executi   | ive Directors  |  |
| Ms. Liu l | Li   | 2  |
| Mr. Xu J  | iagui  | 2  |
|           |  |  |
| Indepe    | ndent Non-executive Directors  |  |
| Dr. Lam   | Lee G.   | 88 81&2  |
| Mr. Lam   | Chi Wing   | 88                                   |
| Mr. Wu    | Wei  | 1&2  |
|           |  |  |
| Notes:    |  |  |
| 1.        | Attending seminars/courses for development of professional skills and knowledge.                                 |  |
| 2.        | Reading materials in relation to regular update to statutory requirements, listing rules and other relevant topi | cs related to listed company.  |

## **BOARD COMMITTEES**

#### **Audit committee**

The audit committee currently comprises three independent non-executive Directors and is chaired by Dr. Lam Lee G.. The rest of members are Mr. Lam Chi Wing and Mr. Wu Wei. At the discretion of the audit committee, executive Directors and/or senior management personnel, overseeing the Group's finance and internal control functions, may be invited to attend meeting. The primary role and function of the audit committee are to review the Company's financial controls, internal control and risk management systems; to review and monitor the external auditors' independence and objectivity and the effectiveness of the audit process in accordance with applicable standard; to review the Company's financial statements, annual reports and interim reports, and to provide advice and comment thereon to the Board.

Up to the date of this annual report, the audit committee held five meetings to review the quarterly, interim and annual results during the year as well as discussed and reviewed the Group's internal control and audit works with the auditor of the Group.

#### **Nomination committee**

The nomination committee currently comprises three independent non-executive Directors and is chaired by Mr. Wu Wei. The rest of the members are Dr. Lam Lee G. and Mr. Lam Chi Wing. The primary role and function of the nomination committee are to review and monitor the structure, size and composition of the Board at least once a year and make recommendations on any proposed changes to the Board to carry out the Company's corporate strategies; to assess the independence of independent non-executive Directors; to review the board diversity policy and make recommendation for revision to the Board; and to make recommendations to the Board succession planning.

Up to the date of this annual report, the nomination committee held two meetings to perform the aforesaid functions.

#### **Remuneration committee**

The remuneration committee currently comprises three independent non-executive Directors and is chaired by Mr. Lam Chi Wing. The rest of the members are Dr. Lam Lee G. and Mr. Wu Wei. The primary role and function of the remuneration committee are to review and make recommendations to the Board on the Company's policy and structure for all Directors and senior management remuneration; and to review and make recommendations to the Board the remuneration packages of all Directors and senior management.

Up to the date of this annual report, the remuneration committee held two meetings and has considered and reviewed the remuneration package of the Directors and senior management of the Group.

## **BOARD INDEPENDENCE**

The Board has established mechanisms to ensure independent views and input are available to the Board. The Board ensures the appointment of at least three independent non-executive Directors and at least one-third of its members being independent non-executive Directors. Further, independent non-executive Directors will be appointed to Board Committees as required under the Listing Rules and as far as practicable to ensure independent views and input are available. The Nomination Committee strictly adheres to the independence assessment criteria as set out in the Listing Rules with regard to the nomination and appointment of independent non-executive Directors, and is mandated to assess annually the independence of independent non-executive Directors to ensure that they can continually exercise independent judgement. No equity-based remuneration with performance-related elements will be granted to independent non-executive Directors as this may lead to bias in their decision-making and compromise their objectivity and independence. Directors (including independent non-executive Directors) are entitled to seek further information from the management on the matters to be discussed at Board meetings and, where necessary, independent advice from external professional advisers at the Company's expense. A Director (including independent non-executive Director) who has a material interest in a contract or arrangement shall not vote or be counted in the quorum on any Board resolution approving the same.

## **BOARD DIVERSITY POLICY**

The Company sees increasing diversity at the Board level as an essential element in supporting the attainment of its strategic objectives and its sustainable development. In compliance with Rule 13.92 of the Listing Rules, a policy concerning diversity of the members of the Board were adopted by the Company and applied and reviewed by the Nomination Committee at least annually.

In assessing the composition of the Board, the Nomination Committee would take into account various measurable objectives as set out in the board diversity policy, including but not limited to gender, age, cultural and educational background, ethnicity, professional experience, skills, knowledge and length of service. All Board appointments will be based on meritocracy, and candidates will be considered against objective criteria, having due regard for the benefits of diversity on the Board.

In identifying and selecting suitable candidates for directorships, the Nomination Committee would consider measurable objectives including the candidate's character, qualifications, experience, independence and other relevant criteria necessary to complement the corporate strategy and achieve board diversity, where appropriate, before making recommendation to the Board. The ultimate decision will be based on merits and contribution that the selected candidates will bring to the Board.

The Nomination Committee will review the board diversity policy at least annually and discuss any revisions and updates that may be required, and recommend the same to the Board for approval.

The Company's diversity philosophy including the gender diversity was generally followed in the workforce throughout the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023. As of the date of this annual report, approximately 80.0% of Directors and approximately 80.0% of total workforce were male. The Company will continue to take steps to promote diversity, including gender diversity, at workforce levels.

## **AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION**

The remuneration of the audit service provided by the auditor to the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023 was mutually agreed in view of the scope of services, amounting to HK\$1,164,000 (2022: HK\$1,159,000).

No non-audit service has been provided by the auditor for the years ended 31 December 2023 and 2022.

## **PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities to prepare the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023, which give a true and fair view and in compliance with relevant laws and disclosure provisions of the Listing Rules. In preparing the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023, the Directors have selected appropriate accounting policies and applied them consistently; made judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable; and have prepared the consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis. The auditor of the Company had made a statement about their reporting responsibilities in the independent Auditor's Report.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL**

The Board has overall responsibilities for the establishment and maintenance of an adequate and effective risk management and internal control system to safeguard the Group's assets against unauthorised use or disposition, and to protect the interest of shareholders of Company. The Board has established effective risk management and internal control systems to provide reasonable but not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss and to manage risks of failing to achieve business objectives The Board shall be responsible for the risk management and internal control systems and shall review at least annually the effectiveness of such systems for that relevant financial year. Audit committee assists the Board in monitoring the Group's all material controls, including financial, operational and compliance controls. During the year ended 31 December 2023, review of the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control systems has been conducted and the result has been summarised and reported to the audit committee and the Board.

The Company identifies potential risks at all levels within the group companies. The Board of the Company then reviews the potential identified risks and evaluates the nature and impact of the potential identified risks, Afterward, the Board of the Company formulates the potential strategies addressing the potential identified risks. The Company also carried out annual internal control review to our business cycles, namely revenue, expenditure, human resources and payroll, inventory, fixed assets and treasury under a 3-years rotation plan. The Company also reviewed the financial organisation structure, accounting policies and financial reporting process. The main feature of the risk management processes and internal control systems to capture material risks that the Company will face in our risk management and internal controls, operational and financial aspects to resolve material internal control defects.

Regarding to the procedures and internal controls for the handling and dissemination of inside information, it is required to disclose inside information as soon as possible in accordance with the Securities and Futures Ordinance and the Listing Rules and ensure that appropriation of handling and dissemination of inside information.

## **COMPANY SECRETARY**

The Company Secretary has the relevant experiences and comprehensive understanding of the Company's affairs, and shall be responsible to the Board. All Directors are able to seek advice and services from the Company Secretary on the Board procedures and all applicable laws, rules and regulations, and corporate governance matters. The Company Secretary assists the Chairman to prepare agendas and Board papers for meetings and disseminates such documents to the Directors and board committees in a timely manner. The Company Secretary maintains formal minutes of the Board meetings and other Board committee meetings.

During the year ended 31 December 2023 the Company Secretary of the Company had confirmed that he had taken no less than 15 hours of relevant professional training.

## SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

## **Convening of extraordinary general meeting**

Pursuant to article 12 of the articles of association of the Company, extraordinary general meeting ("EGM") may be convened by the Board on written requisition of any two or more shareholders of the Company holding not less than one- tenth of the paid up capital of the Company or by such shareholders who made the requisition (the "Requisitionists"). Such written requisition must specify the objects of the EGM and must be signed by the Requisitionists and deposited at the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong or, in the event the Company ceases to have such principal office, the registered office of the Company. Shareholders should follow the requirements and procedures as set out in such article for convening an EGM.

If the Board does not within 21 days from the date of deposit of the requisition proceed duly to convene the EGM to be held within a further 21 days, the Requisitionist(s) themselves or any of them representing more than one-half of the total voting rights of all of them, may convene the EGM provided that any meeting so convened shall not be held after the expiration of three months from the date of deposit of the requisition.

## **Enquiries put to the Board**

Shareholders may send written enquiries or requests in respect of their rights to the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong or by email to info@renhengenterprise.com and for the attention of the Company Secretary.

## Procedures for putting forward proposals at shareholders' meetings

There is no provision for shareholders to propose resolutions at general meetings under the Cayman Islands Companies Law. However, shareholders can follow the above procedure and request to convene an EGM.

Pursuant to article 16 of the Articles of Association, no person shall, unless recommended by the Board, be eligible for election to the office of Director at any general meeting unless during the period, which shall be at least seven days, commencing no earlier than the day after the despatch of the notice of the meeting appointed for such election and ending no later than seven days prior to the date of such meeting, there has been given to the Company Secretary notice in writing by a shareholder of the Company (not being the person to be proposed), entitled to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given, of his intention to propose such person for election and also notice in writing signed by the person to be proposed of his willingness to be elected.

Accordingly shareholders who wish to propose a person for election as a director of the Company shall file a notice in writing to the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong for the attention of the Company Secretary and should follow the requirements and procedures as set out in such article.

## **COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND INVESTORS**

The Company strives to provide ready, fair, regular and timely disclosure of information that is material to the investor community. Therefore, the Company works to maintain an on-going dialogue with Shareholders and in particular, through annual general meeting and other general meetings or other proper means. The Chairman, all other members of the Board including independent non-executive Directors and the chairmen of all Board committees will attend the forthcoming AGM to meet with the Shareholders and answer their enquiries.

In addition, the Company has developed a shareholder communication policy with the objective of maintaining effective and timely dissemination of the Company's information to its Shareholders and the market, including its financial performance, strategic goals and plans, material developments and governance, in order to enable Shareholders to exercise their rights in a timely and informed manner, and to allow Shareholders and the investment community to engage actively with the Company. During the year ended 31 December 2023, Board has maintained and regularly reviewed the policy in accordance with the Corporate Governance Code to ensure its effectiveness. Reference has also been made to the shareholders' communication policy of other listed issuers in Hong Kong to ensure the Company's shareholders' communication policy is on par with market standard.

## **CONSTITUTIONAL DOCUMENTS**

Upon the shareholders' approval by way of a special resolution at the annual general meeting held on 30 May 2023, the Company has adopted the second amended and restated articles of association. Details of the changes made in the document can be found in the shareholders' circular dated 25 April 2023. An up-to-date consolidated version of the Company's articles of association has been posted on both the websites of the Company and the Stock Exchange.

## DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for preparing the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2023 which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group.

The management has provided to the Board such explanation and information as are necessary to enable the Board to carry out an informed assessment of the Company's financial statements, which are put to the Board for approval. The Company has provided all members of the Board with regular updates on the Company's performance, positions and prospects.

The Directors, having made appropriate enquiries, are not aware of any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

The statement by the external auditor regarding its reporting responsibilities on the consolidated financial statements of the Company is set out in the Independent Auditor's Report from pages 37 to 41 of this annual report.

The Group is committed to promoting sustainable development, which is extremely important to create long-term value for the Group's shareholders, clients, employees, other stakeholders, as well as the general public. The Group cares about the impact of its daily operation on environment and society and strives to set a good example for the public. We make effort to meet the interests of all stakeholders, economy, environment, society and corporate governance and does our best to achieve a fine balance.

## SCOPE

This environmental, social and governance report ("ESG Report") has been prepared in compliance with the Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide ("ESG Guide") set out in Appendix 27 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules").

The Group is principally engaged in the manufacture, sale and provision of maintenance, overhaul and modification services in respect of tobacco machinery products in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") through its wholly owned subsidiary – Bao Ying Ren Heng Industrial Co. Limited ("Baoying Renheng"). This ESG Report covers environmental, social and governance matters of Baoying Renheng during the reporting period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 ("FY2023").

## STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND MATERIALITY ASSESSMENT

We believe that the opinions of our stakeholders can contribute to the sustainable development of the Group. Therefore, we appropriately communicate with our stakeholders and promote the participation of stakeholders through different forms and channels of communication. The following are the main categories of stakeholders and communication channels:

| Stakeholder                           | Communication Channel  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Shareholder                           | <ul> <li>Company website</li> <li>Interim and annual reports</li> <li>Announcements</li> <li>General meetings</li> </ul>               |
| Employee                              | <ul> <li>Employees' activities</li> <li>Staff communication</li> <li>Regular meetings/training courses</li> </ul>                      |
| Client                                | <ul><li>Daily operation/communication</li><li>Regular meetings and visits</li></ul>  |
| Supplier                              | <ul> <li>Procurement process</li> <li>Daily operation/communication</li> <li>Regular review and evaluation</li> </ul>                  |
| Government and regulatory authorities | <ul> <li>Regular performance reports</li> <li>Letter and phone contact</li> <li>Occasional face-to-face meetings and visits</li> </ul> |

The Group determines the scope of its environmental, social and governance disclosures in accordance with the requirements of the ESG Guide. The management identified and assessed major issues after considering the Group's business operations and the standards adopted by the industry. The impact of these material issues is assessed on the basis of their importance to the sustainable development of the Group and its stakeholders. The relevant assessment is related to the current development stage of the Group or may change in the future.

The list of important environmental and social issues that the Group has identified is as follows:

| Aspect        | ue   |  |
|---------------|--|--|
| Environmental | Emissions<br>Use of Resources<br>The environment and Natural Resources<br>Tackling climate change  |  |
| Social        | Employment and Labour Practices<br>Health and Safety<br>Development and Training<br>Labour Standards<br>Supply Chain Management<br>Product Responsibility<br>Anti-corruption |  |
| Community     | Community Investment   |  |

## **STAKEHOLDERS' FEEDBACK**

The Group welcomes stakeholders' feedback on our environmental, social and governance approach and performance. Please give your suggestions or share your views with us at info@renhengenterprise.com such that we can keep stepping up our environmental, social and governance undertakings.

## A. ENVIRONMENT

Owing to the industry nature, it is unavoidable for Baoying Renheng to produce industrial wastes during the operation. The Group is committed to protect the environment and maintain the sustainability in long-term. We have established procedures to ensure our operation and business are in compliance with the applicable safety and environmental regulations.

## A1. Emissions

The Group is aware that there is greenhouse gas emission, wastewater discharge and solid waste generated from the operation of Baoying Renheng. We have tried our best to enhance the efficiency of the usage of energy, water and materials in order to reduce the green house gas emission and unfavourable impact of wastewater discharge and combat climate change. We had installed exhaust gas fans and filtering tanks in the production plant to eliminate the effect from hazardous gas emission and unfavourable element in the wastewater collected by the domestic sewage.

Annual review on wastewater discharged by the production plant is also performed by the environmental authority in the PRC. Meanwhile, we noted that there was limited solid waste generated from the operation during the reporting period.

|                         |   | FY202              | 3            | FY2022             | 2        |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|----------|
| Scope of                |   | Emission           |              | Emission           |          |
| Greenhouse Gas          |   | (In tonnes of      | Total        | (In tonnes of      | Total    |
| Emission                | <b>Emission Sources</b>                 | CO <sub>2</sub> e) | Emission     | CO <sub>2</sub> e) | Emission |
| Scope 1                 |   |                    |              |                    |          |
| Direct emission         | Mobile combustion sources               | 252.16             | <b>50.5%</b> | 185.3              | 46.4%    |
| Scope 2                 |   |                    |              |                    |          |
| Indirect emission       | Purchased electricity                   | 151.61             | 30.4%        | 167.3              | 41.9%    |
| Scope 3                 |   |                    |              |                    |          |
| Other indirect emission | Raw materials for packaging of products | 86.02              | <b>19.1%</b> | 39.4               | 11.7%    |
|                         | Water                                   | 9.08               |              | 7.5                |          |
| Total                   |   | 498.87             | 100%         | 399.5              | 100%     |

There were 498.87 and 399.50 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent ( $CO_2e$ ) greenhouse gases emitted from the operation of Baoying Renheng in FY2023 and FY2022, respectively, which mainly resulted from the transportation of tobacco machinery products to different provinces in the PRC and the electricity supply for production. The increase in emission of  $CO_2e$  is directly related to the further distance of transportation to the customers' factories. More products in greater scale and size are shipped to the customers' factories by trucks and packaging materials were used during the shipping. In addition, significant increase in direct emission caused by the mobile combustion (including both petrol and diesel) as the machinery products were shipped to provinces further away from our production plant. The annual emission intensity was 0.022 tonnes (FY2022: 0.017 tonnes) of  $CO_2e$  per square metre, with our production plant of a total floor area coverage of 23,223 square metres.

No hazardous waste was generated in the production. During the reporting period, only limited non-hazardous waste was generated and a total amount of RMB10,000 was paid for the solid waste treatment during the year ended 31 December 2023 (FY2022: RMB10,000). The non-hazardous waste is discharged to a site designated by the municipal government agency.

#### A2. Use of Resources

Baoying Renheng consumed 254,000 kWh (FY2022: 281,000 kWh) of electricity during the reporting period, contributed to an emission of 151.61 tonnes (FY2022: 167.3 tonnes) of CO<sub>2</sub>e. We required our employees to switch off office electronic facilities such as lighting, manufacturing and computer equipment during unattended hours in relevant office or working area and encouraged to have double-sided printing. We will consider purchase of energy saving office appliances, when applicable, in the future.

During the reporting period, Baoying Renheng consumed approximately 46,748 tonnes of water as compared to 38,980 tonnes of water consumption in FY2022. Water saving practice is encouraged at the office. At the same time, the Group strives to minimise the impact to the environment, if any, and save material costs by continuously reviewing the design for product packaging, with the aim of reducing packaging size. Despite this, as the Group's products are mainly machinery products which are fragile, they must be protected by wooden box during the transportation. We have consumed approximately 50,345 kg wooden board for product packaging during the reporting period with a drastic increase of usage in compare to FY2022 by 23,074 kg resulted from the increase in sales volume.

## A3. The Environment and Natural Resources

The manufacturing facilities in Baoying Renheng are required to undergo stringent environment audit and continuous monitoring. During the reporting period, we have not been subjected to any claims in the form of any compensation or penalty levied for environmental disruption by the Group for business. In the future, the Group will spend more effort to allocate more resources to promote a wide range of environmental protection action plans.

#### A4. Tackling climate change

The Board meets at least twice a year to oversee climate-related strategies, polices, actions and disclosures. The management supports climate action planning and internal policy setting, as well as coordinating responses to climate-related risks. We encourage employees to participate in green workshop to enhance their environmental awareness, and continuously promote the importance of mitigate the potential climate change risks.

## **B.** SOCIAL

#### **B1.** Employment and Labour Practices

The Group believes that our business success relies on our experience talents employed. We promote equal opportunities to all our employees and are committed to fostering an equal employment environment for employees where treating employees differently on the ground of gender, ethnicity, age, marital status, family status, and religious beliefs among other factors is prohibited. In FY2023, all of Baoying Renheng's employees were full time employees working in the PRC. We do strictly comply with all relevant laws and regulations in respect of employment and labour practices including the PRC Labour Law (中華人民共和國勞動法) and the PRC Labour Contract Law (中華人民共和國勞動合同法).

Our compensation and dismissal, recruitment and promotion, working hours and rest periods are determined by reference to our employees' respective experiences, responsibilities, qualifications, competence displayed and our operation results.

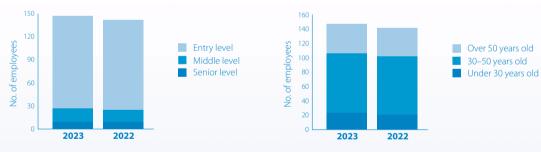
Based on our corporate responsibility, the Group do not allow any violations against employment regulations. During the reporting period, the Group did not discover any relevant cases.

In FY2023 and FY2022, the total workforce by gender, employment category and age group are as shown.

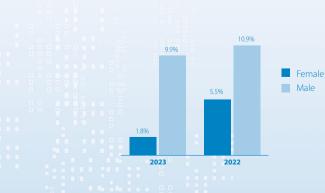
# 20% 20% Female Male 20% 20% Some 80% 2023 Number of staffs 147 2022 Number of staffs 142

## Average number of employees (By Gender)



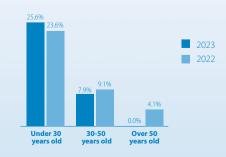


In FY2023 and FY2022, the employee turnover rate is 5.56% and 10.64%, respectively. The employee turnover rate by gender and age group are as shown.









#### B2. Health and Safety

Considering our employees as valuable assets for contributing to the Group's success and sustainability, their health and safety is the major concern the Group attends to. We did strictly comply with the PRC Production Safety Law by 國家安全生產監督管理總局 (the State Administration of Work Safety) which is in charge of the overall administration of production safety. We provide safe production conditions according to the law and provide education and training on occupational safety and health knowledge to our employees.

| Number and Rate of Work-related Fatalities         | FY2023 | FY2022 | Unit     |
|--|--------|--------|----------|
| Number of work-related fatalities                  | _      | _      | People   |
| Fatality rate per 100 employees                    | -      | -      | -        |
| Lost Days Due to Work Injury                       | FY2023 | FY2022 | Unit     |
| Number of lost days                                | -      | _      | Days     |
| Number of reported accidents (sick leave > 3 days) | 1      | -      | Accident |
| Injury rate per 100 employees                      | 0.68%  | -      | -        |

#### **B3.** Development and Training

We strongly believe that nurturing and retaining talent is conductive to developing a more cohesive corporate culture, building a better corporate image, and generating more rewarding economic benefits. In addition to training on occupational safety and health knowledge, we provide on-the-job trainings which include product design, technical training on domestic and foreign tobacco machinery production as well as subsidise in attending external training sessions.

| Average training<br>hours/person |   | Percentage of<br>employees trained  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| FY2023                           | FY2022  | FY2023  | FY2022   |  |
|                                  |   |   |  |  |
| 1.89                             | 1.8   | <b>29</b> %   | 29%  |  |
| 2.45                             | 2.2   | <b>18.2</b> %   | 18.2%  |  |
|                                  |   |   |  |  |
| -                                | -   | -   | -  |  |
| 0.4                              | 0.8   | 53.3%   | 53.3%  |  |
| 3.6                              | 3.2   | 14.5%   | 3.2%   |  |
|                                  | hours/perso<br>FY2023<br>1.89<br>2.45<br>-<br>0.4 | hours/person         FY2022           1.89         1.8           2.45         2.2           0.4         0.8 | hours/person         employees tra           FY2023         FY2022           1.89         1.8           2.45         2.2           0.4         0.8 |  |

## ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE REPORT

### **B4.** Labour Standards

Our Group fully recognises that child labour and forced labour violate fundamental human rights and international labour conventions and pose a threat to sustainable social and economic development. Therefore, the Group strictly abides by the PRC Labour Law. The Group prohibits child labour and carries out examination of applicants' actual age during the recruitment process, includes the checking and making records of the identity documents. The Group implements the requirements of standard labour contract and will not unfairly limit the employment relationship between employees and the Group in any way, such as detaining a deposit or proof of identity. Employees have the right to terminate labour contract as long as it is in compliance with laws and regulations. During the reporting period, the Group did not find case of child labour nor forced labour.

### **B5.** Supply Chain Management

We procure based on the project implementation plan taking into account the raw materials, parts and components in stock. We enter into procurement arrangements with our suppliers to secure the necessary raw materials, parts and components required for individual project after we have entered into sales contracts with our customers with the production schedules. We maintain a list of approved suppliers and procure raw materials, parts and components from such suppliers. In the selection of our approved suppliers, we take into account different factors, including but not limited to, the pricing and quality of the raw materials, parts and components, stability of supply and delivery, the credit period offered by the suppliers as well as their reputation. We generally review the list of approved suppliers on an annual basis. For FY2023, the Group's five largest suppliers in aggregate accounted for approximately 44.9% (FY2022: 46.6%) of the total purchases and all the suppliers of the Group are situated in the PRC.

### **B6.** Product Responsibility

Our product quality management is in compliance with the General Principles of the Civil Laws of the PRC (中華人民共和國 民法通則), the Product Quality Law of the PRC (中華人民共和國產品質量法), the Law of the PRC on the Protection of the Rights and Interests of Consumers (中華人民共和國消費者權益保護法), the Administrative Measures on Supervision and Inspection of Product Quality in Tobacco Industry (煙草行業產品質量監督檢驗網管理辦法) and other related laws and regulations. During the reporting period, none of the sold or shipped products was subjected to recalls for safety and health reasons and no complaint on products has been received. We keep close communication with the customers and provide to them high quality products that are tailored to their needs.

We recognises that customers' privacy is an important issue and are dedicated to respecting the customers' privacy safeguarding by keeping the sensitive data separately which is only assessable by authorised personnel.

### **B7.** Anti-corruption

The Group attaches great importance to corporate governance and anti-corruption. We require our employees to strictly follow the standards of business ethics and refuse to accept bribery. We believe that all of our staffs (including management) are honest and obeying the relevant laws and regulations in the jurisdiction. The staffs are encouraged to report to the senior management for any suspected or known fraud and during the reporting period, there is no corruption litigation case involving the Group and the employees.

### **B8.** Community Investment

We treasure the importance of support from the social community on its business and its social responsibilities towards the community.

Looking forward, we will continue to undertake corporate social responsibility, so as to give back and contribute to society.

# Deloitte



### TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF RENHENG ENTERPRISE HOLDINGS LIMITED

(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

### **OPINION**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of RENHENG Enterprise Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") set out on pages 42 to 97, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including material accounting policy information and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2023, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

### **BASIS FOR OPINION**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSAs") issued by the HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA's Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the "Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **KEY AUDIT MATTER**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

### **Key audit matter**

### Impairment assessment on Trade Receivables and Retention Money Receivables ("Trade-related Receivables")

We identified impairment assessment on Trade-related Receivables as a key audit matter due to the significance of the balance to the consolidated financial statements as a whole and the involvement of subjective judgement and management estimates in evaluating the expected credit losses ("ECL") of Trade-related Receivables at the end of the reporting period.

At 31 December 2023, the carrying amounts of Trade-related Receivables, net of allowance for credit losses are HK\$27,912,000, which represented approximately 12% of total assets of the Group.

As disclosed in Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements, the Group estimates the amount of lifetime ECL of Trade-related Receivables based on assessment through considering internal credit ratings of trade debtors, aging, repayment history and/ or past due status of respective Trade-related Receivables. Estimated loss rates are based on historical observed default rates over the expected life of the debtors and forward-looking information, which based on economic variables such as growth rate of gross domestic product and unemployment rate, economic scenarios and weightings. The assessment of ECL involves a high degree of uncertainties and details of the assessment and assumptions are disclosed in Note 27(b).

A reversal of impairment loss amounting to HK\$322,000 was recognised for Trade-related Receivables for the year ended 31 December 2023.

### How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Our procedures in relation to impairment assessment on Trade-related Receivables included:

- Testing the accuracy of information used by management to develop the assessment, including Trade-related Receivables aged analysis as at 31 December 2023, on a sample basis, by comparing individual items in the analysis with the relevant sales orders, sales invoices and other supporting document;
- Assessing the reasonableness of the management's basis and judgement in determining the ECL based on historical credit loss records and with reference to other factors that have been taken into consideration by the management; and
- Reviewing the basis of estimated loss rate applied with reference to historical default rate, and forward-looking information applied with reference to economic variables, economic scenarios and weightings.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

# **RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

# AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

# AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

## AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL

### **STATEMENTS** (Continued)

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in the independent auditor's report is Chan, Benjie Pak Kin.

**Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu** Certified Public Accountants Hong Kong 28 March 2024

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 31 December 2023

|  | NOTES | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Revenue  | 5     | 124,423                 | 69,083                  |
| Cost of sales  |       | (78,699)                | (43,516)                |
| Gross profit   |       | 45,724                  | 25,567                  |
| Other income   | 6     | 1,545                   | 1,858                   |
| Reversal of impairments losses under expected credit loss model, net | 7     | 322                     | 42                      |
| Other gains and losses, net  | 8     | 1,787                   | 721                     |
| Selling and distribution expenses                                    |       | (10,210)                | (7,797)                 |
| Administrative expenses  |       | (16,578)                | (16,655)                |
| Research and development expenses                                    |       | (4,672)                 | (4,324)                 |
| Profit (loss) before taxation  | 9     | 17,918                  | (588)                   |
| Taxation   | 11    | (4,360)                 | (1,775)                 |
| Profit (loss) for the year   |       | 13,558                  | (2,363)                 |
| Other comprehensive expense for the year:                            |       |                         |                         |
| Item that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:                |       |                         |                         |
| Exchange difference arising on translation from functional           |       |                         |                         |
| currency to presentation currency                                    |       | (1,493)                 | (9,514)                 |
| Total comprehensive income (expense) for the year                    |       | 12,065                  | (11,877)                |
|  |       | HK cents                | HK cents                |
|  |       |                         |                         |
| Earnings (loss) per share  |       |                         |                         |
| – Basic and diluted  | 13    | 1.69                    | (0.29)                  |

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 31 December 2023

|                                       | NOTES | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Non-current assets                    |       |                         |                         |
| Property, plant and equipment         | 14    | 21,061                  | 22,967                  |
| Right-of-use assets                   | 15a   | 5,021                   | 5,115                   |
|                                       |       | 26,082                  | 28,082                  |
| Current assets                        |       |                         |                         |
| Inventories                           | 16    | 72,554                  | 97,097                  |
| Trade and other receivables           | 17    | 38,780                  | 30,987                  |
| Restricted bank deposits              | 18    | 12,001                  | 5,087                   |
| Cash and cash equivalents             | 18    | 86,100                  | 97,195                  |
|                                       |       | 209,435                 | 230,366                 |
| Current liabilities                   |       |                         |                         |
| Trade and other payables              | 19    | 42,024                  | 47,590                  |
| Lease liabilities                     | 15b   | 212                     | -                       |
| Contract liabilities                  | 20    | 57,828                  | 90,153                  |
| Tax payable                           |       | 10,387                  | 6,995                   |
|                                       |       | 110,451                 | 144,738                 |
| Net current assets                    |       | 98,984                  | 85,628                  |
| Total assets less current liabilities |       | 125,066                 | 113,710                 |
| Non-current liabilities               |       |                         |                         |
| Deferred tax liabilities              | 21    | 1,680                   | 2,389                   |
|                                       |       | 1,680                   | 2,389                   |
|                                       |       | 123,386                 | 111,321                 |

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 31 December 2023

|                            | NOTES | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|----------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Capital and reserves       |       |                         |                         |
| Share capital              | 22    | 2,010                   | 2,010                   |
| Share premium and reserves |       | 121,376                 | 109,311                 |
|                            |       |                         |                         |
| Total equity               |       | 123,386                 | 111,321                 |

The consolidated financial statements on pages 42 to 97 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 28 March 2024 and are signed on its behalf by:

**LIU LI** Director **XU JIAGUI** Director



## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the year ended 31 December 2023

|  | Share<br>capital<br>HK\$'000 | Share<br>premium<br>HK\$'000<br>(Note e) | Merger<br>reserve<br>HK\$'000<br>(Note a) | Discretionary<br>surplus<br>and other<br>reserve<br>HK\$'000<br>(Note b and d) | Statutory<br>surplus<br>reserve<br>HK\$'000<br>(Note b) | <b>Capital</b><br>reserve<br>HK\$'000<br>(Note c) | Property<br>revaluation<br>reserve<br>HK\$'000 | Translation<br>reserve<br>HK\$'000 | Accumulated<br>Iosses<br>HK\$'000 | <b>Total</b><br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|------------------------------|--|---|--|---|---|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| At 1 January 2022  | 2,010                        | 41,818                                   | 49,091                                    | 3,338  | 25,359  | 999   | 2,775  | 8,465                              | (10,657)                          | 123,198                         |
| Loss for the year<br>Exchange difference arising on<br>translation from functional currency to   | -                            | -  | -   | -  | -   | -   | -  | -                                  | (2,363)                           | (2,363)                         |
| presentation currency  | -                            | -  | -   | -  | -   | -   | -  | (9,514)                            | -                                 | (9,514)                         |
| Total comprehensive expense for the year<br>Transfer   | -                            | -  | -   | -  | -<br>248  | -   | -  | (9,514)<br>-                       | (2,363)<br>(248)                  | (11,877)                        |
| At 31 December 2022  | 2,010                        | 41,818                                   | 49,091                                    | 3,338  | 25,607  | 999   | 2,775  | (1,049)                            | (13,268)                          | 111,321                         |
| Profit for the year<br>Exchange difference arising on<br>translation from functional currency to | -                            | -  | -   | -  | -   | -   | -  | -                                  | 13,558                            | 13,558                          |
| presentation currency  | -                            | -  | -   | -  | -   | -   | -  | (1,493)                            | -                                 | (1,493)                         |
| Total comprehensive (expense) income<br>for the year<br>Transfer                                 | -                            | -  | -   | -<br>970   | -<br>1,922  | -   | -  | (1,493)<br>-                       | 13,558<br>(2,892)                 | 12,065                          |
| At 31 December 2023  | 2,010                        | 41,818                                   | <b>49,091</b>                             | 4,308  | 27,529  | 999   | 2,775  | (2,542)                            | (2,602)                           | 123,386                         |

Notes:

- a. The merger reserve represents the aggregate amount of paid-in capital of Bao Ying Ren Heng Industrial Co. Limited 寶應仁恒實業有限公司 ("Baoying Renheng") and share capital of RENHENG Global Limited ("RENHENG Global"), subsidiaries of the Company, acquired pursuant to group reorganisation in prior years.
- b. As stipulated by the relevant laws and regulations in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"), Baoying Renheng is required to maintain two reserves, being a statutory surplus reserve and a discretionary surplus reserve which are non-distributable. Appropriations to such reserves are made out of profit after taxation of Baoying Renheng based on the relevant accounting principles and financial regulations applicable to the PRC enterprises while the amount and allocation basis are decided by its board of directors annually. Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations in the PRC, appropriation to the statutory surplus reserve is required until the balance reaches 50% of the registered capital. The statutory surplus reserve and the discretionary surplus reserve can be used to make up its prior year losses, if any, and can be applied in conversion into capital by means of capitalisation issue.
- c. The capital reserve represented waiver of an amount due to a former shareholder of a subsidiary of the Company in prior years.
- d. The Group is required to make appropriations based on its revenue in accordance with CaiZi [2022] No.136 "Measures for the provision and utilisation of the safety production fund" that is issued by the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Emergency Management. The reserve is for future enhancement of safety production environment and improvement of facilities and is not available for distribution to shareholders.
- e. Under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, the share premium of the Company is available for distribution or paying dividends to shareholders subject to the provisions of its memorandum or articles of association and provided that immediately following the distribution of dividends, the Company is able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 31 December 2023

|  | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Operating activities   |                         |                         |
| Profit (loss) before taxation  | 17,918                  | (588)                   |
| Adjustments for:   |                         |                         |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment                        | 2,151                   | 1,597                   |
| Deprecation of right-of-use assets                                   | 373                     | 388                     |
| Finance costs of lease liabilities                                   | 125                     | -                       |
| Loss on fair value change of investment properties                   | -                       | 116                     |
| Write-down of inventories  | 351                     | 915                     |
| Impairment loss on trade receivables and retention money receivables |                         |                         |
| ("Trade-related Receivables"), net of reversal                       | (322)                   | (42)                    |
| Interest income  | (971)                   | (1,230)                 |
| Operating cash flows before movements in working capital             | 19,625                  | 1,156                   |
| Decrease (increase) in inventories                                   | 22,964                  | (29,287)                |
| (Increase) decrease in trade and other receivables                   | (7,966)                 | 7,274                   |
| Decrease in trade and other payables                                 | (4,921)                 | (2,677)                 |
| (Decrease) increase in contract liabilities                          | (31,249)                | 17,515                  |
| Cash used in operations  | (1,547)                 | (6,019)                 |
| PRC Enterprise Income Tax ("EIT") paid, net                          | (890)                   | (1,192)                 |
| Withholding tax paid   | (886)                   |                         |
| Net cash used in operating activities                                | (3,323)                 | (7,211)                 |
| Investing activities   |                         |                         |
| Release of restricted bank deposits                                  | 16,937                  | 30,409                  |
| Interest received  | 971                     | 1,230                   |
| Placement of restricted bank deposits                                | (23,971)                | (14,747)                |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment                            | (572)                   | (668)                   |
| Net cash (used in) from investing activities                         | (6,635)                 | 16,224                  |

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 31 December 2023

|  | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Financing activities                                 |                         |                         |
| Repayments of lease liabilities                      | (139)                   | (307)                   |
| Payments of interest expense                         | (125)                   | (3)                     |
|  |                         |                         |
| Cash used in financing activities                    | (264)                   | (310)                   |
|  |                         |                         |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents | (10,222)                | 8,703                   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January               | 97,195                  | 96,040                  |
| Effect of foreign exchange rate changes              | (873)                   | (7,548)                 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December             | 86,100                  | 97,195                  |

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### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

RENHENG Enterprise Holdings Limited (the "Company") was incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability and its shares were listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). The Company is jointly controlled by LinkBest Capital Group Limited and Open Venture Global Limited. The ultimate controlling shareholder is Ms. Liu Li, who is also the chairman and chief executive officer of the Company.

The Company acts as an investment holding company while its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") are principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of tobacco machinery products in the PRC. The address of the registered office and the address of the principal place of business of the Company is disclosed in Corporate Information section of the annual report.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is different from the Company's functional currency of Renminbi ("RMB"). The directors of the Company adopted HK\$ as presentation currency as the Company's shares are listed on the Stock Exchange and the management considers this presentation to be more useful for its current and potential investors.

## 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs")

### New and amendments to HKFRSs that are mandatorily effective for the current year

In the current year, the Group has applied the following new and amendments to HKFRSs issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the Group's for the annual periods beginning on 1 January 2023 for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements:

| HKFRS 17 (including the October 2020 and February 2022 | Insurance Contracts   |
|--|---|
| Amendments to HKFRS 17)                                |   |
| Amendments to HKAS 8                                   | Definition of Accounting Estimates                            |
| Amendments to HKAS 12                                  | Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a |
|  | Single Transaction  |
| Amendments to HKAS 12                                  | International Tax Reform – Pillar Two model Rules             |
| Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2    | Disclosure of Accounting Policies                             |

Except as described below, the application of the new and amendments to HKFRSs in the current year has had no material impact on the Group's financial positions and performance for the current and prior years and/or on the disclosures set out in these consolidated financial statements.

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## 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs") (Continued)

### Impacts on application of Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2 Disclosure of Accounting Policies

The Group has applied the amendments for the first time in the current year. HKAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements* is amended to replace all instances of the term "significant accounting policies" with "material accounting policy information". Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity's financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements.

The amendments also clarify that accounting policy information may be material because of the nature of the related transactions, other events or conditions, even if the amounts are immaterial. However, not all accounting policy information relating to material transactions, other events or conditions is itself material. If an entity chooses to disclose immaterial accounting policy information, such information must not obscure material accounting policy information.

HKFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality Judgements (the "Practice Statement") is also amended to illustrate how an entity applies the "four-step materiality process" to accounting policy disclosures and to judge whether information about an accounting policy is material to its financial statements. Guidance and examples are added to the Practice Statement.

The application of the amendments has had no material impact on the Group's financial positions and performance but has affected the disclosure of the Group's accounting policies set out in Note 3.

### Amendments to HKFRSs in issue but not yet effective

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

| Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28 | Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture <sup>1</sup> |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Amendments to HKFRS 16             | Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback <sup>2</sup>   |
| Amendments to HKAS 1               | Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current and related                                |
|                                    | amendments to Hong Kong Interpretation 5 (2020) <sup>2</sup>                                       |
| Amendments to HKAS 1               | Non-current Liabilities with Covenants <sup>2</sup>  |
| Amendments to HKAS 7 and HKFRS 7   | Supplier Finance Arrangements <sup>2</sup>   |
| Amendments to HKAS 21              | Lack of Exchangeability <sup>3</sup>   |
|                                    |  |

<sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after a date to be determined.

<sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024.

<sup>3</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2025.

The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of all amendments to HKFRSs will have no material impact on the consolidated financial statements in the foreseeable future.

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#### **BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL** 3. **ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)**

#### 3.1 **Basis of preparation of consolidated financial statements**

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA. For the purpose of preparation of the consolidated financial statements, information is considered material if such information is reasonably expected to influence decisions made by primary users. In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules") and by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance ("CO").

The directors of the Company have, at the time of approving the consolidated financial statements, a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

#### 3.2 **Material accounting policy information**

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company and its subsidiaries. Control is achieved when a company:

- has power over the investee;
- is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- has the ability to use its power to affect its returns.

The Group reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed above.

All intragroup assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

### Revenue from contracts with customers

Information about the Group's accounting policies relating to contracts with customers is provided in Notes 5 and 20.

### Leases

#### Definition of a lease

A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

For contracts entered into or modified on or after the date of initial application of HKFRS 16, the Group assesses whether a contract is contains a lease based on the definition under HKFRS 16 at inception, or modification date, as appropriate. Such contract will not be reassessed unless the terms and conditions of the contract are subsequently changed.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### *Leases* (Continued)

The Group as a lessee

Short-term leases

The Group applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to leases of motor vehicles that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option. Lease payments on short-term leases are recognised as expense on a straight-line basis or another systematic basis over the lease term.

### Right-of-use assets

The cost of right-of-use assets includes:

- the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability;
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received; and
- any initial direct costs incurred by the Group.

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its estimated useful life and the lease term.

The Group presents right-of-use assets as a separate line item on the consolidated statement of financial position.

### Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of a lease, the Group recognises and measures the lease liability at the present value of lease payments that are unpaid at that date. In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses the incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### *Leases* (Continued)

The Group as a lessee (Continued) Lease liabilities (Continued) The lease payments include: fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable.

After the commencement date, lease liabilities are adjusted by interest accretion and lease payments.

The Group remeasures lease liabilities (and makes a corresponding adjustment to the related right-of-use assets) when the lease term has changed, in which case the related lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate at the date of reassessment.

The Group presents lease liabilities as a separate line item on the consolidated statement of financial position.

#### Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are tangible assets that are held for use in production or supply of goods or services, or for administrative purposes. Property, plant and equipment are stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost less subsequent accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss, if any.

When the Group makes payments for ownership interests of properties which includes both leasehold land and building elements, the entire consideration is allocated between the leasehold land and the building elements in proportion to the relative fair values at initial recognition. To the extent the allocation of the relevant payments can be made reliably, interest in leasehold land is presented as "right-of-use assets" in the consolidated statement of financial position. When the consideration cannot be allocated reliably between non-lease building element and undivided interest in the underlying leasehold land, the entire properties are classified as property, plant and equipment.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost of property, plant and equipment less their residual values over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Impairment on property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets

At the end of the reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets to determine whether there is any indication that these assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the relevant asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss, if any.

The recoverable amount of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets are estimated individually. When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount individually, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

In testing a cash-generating unit for impairment, corporate assets are allocated to the relevant cash-generating unit when a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be established, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be established. The recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit or group of cash-generating units to which the corporate asset belongs, and is compared with the carrying amount of the relevant cash-generating unit or group of cash-generating units.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or a cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. For corporate assets or portion of corporate assets which cannot be allocated on a reasonable and consistent basis to a cash-generating unit, the Group compares the carrying amount of a group of cash-generating units, including the carrying amounts of the corporate assets or portion of corporate assets allocated to that group of cash-generating units, with the recoverable amount of the group of cash-generating units. In allocating the impairment loss, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill (if applicable) and then to the other assets on a pro-rata basis based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit or the group of cash-generating units. The carrying amount of an asset is not reduced below the highest of its fair value less costs of disposal (if measurable), its value in use (if determinable) and zero. The amount of the impairment loss that would otherwise have been allocated to the asset is allocated prorata to the other assets of the unit or the group of cash-generating units. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit or a group of cash-operating units) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash-generating unit or a group of cash-operating units) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents presented on the consolidated statement of financial position include:

- (a) cash, which comprises of cash on hand and demand deposits, excluding bank balances that are subject to regulatory restrictions that result in such balances no longer meeting the definition of cash; and
- (b) cash equivalents, which comprises of short-term (generally with original maturity of three months or less), highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. Cash equivalents are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments rather than for investment or other purposes.

For the purposes of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and cash equivalents as defined above.

### Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs of inventories are determined on a weighted average method. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price for inventories less all estimated costs of completion and costs necessary to make the sale. Costs necessary to make the sale include incremental costs directly attributable to the sale and non-incremental costs which the Group must incur to make the sale.

#### Warranties

Provisions for the expected cost of assurance-type warranty obligations under the relevant contracts with customers for the construction contracts of casing and flavouring system and sales of other products are recognised at the date of the sale of the relevant products, at the directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settled the Group's obligation.

### Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when a group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value except for trade receivables arising from contracts with customers which are initially measured in accordance with HKFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial liabilities at FVTPL are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Financial instruments (Continued)

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability and of allocating interest income and interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts and payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial asset or financial liability, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

### Financial assets

Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets Financial assets that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at amortised cost:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Debt instruments that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at fair value through other comprehensive income:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both selling and collecting contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

All other financial assets are subsequently measured at FVTPL, except that at initial recognition of a financial asset the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value of an equity investment in other comprehensive income if that equity investment is neither held for trading nor in contingent consideration recognised by an acquirer in a business combination to which HKFRS 3 Business Combinations applies.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Amortised cost and interest income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method for financial assets measured subsequently at amortised cost. Interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset, except for financial assets that have subsequently become credit-impaired (see below). For financial assets that have subsequently become credit-impaired interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset from the next reporting period. If the credit risk on the credit impaired financial instrument improves so that the financial asset is no longer credit-impaired, interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of the financial asset from the beginning of the reporting period following the determination that the asset is no longer credit-impaired.

Impairment of financial assets subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9

The Group performs impairment assessment under expected credit loss ("ECL") model on financial assets (including trade and other receivables, restricted bank deposits and bank balances) which are subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9. The amount of ECL is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition.

Lifetime ECL represents the ECL that will result from all possible default events over the expected life of the relevant instrument. In contrast, 12-month ECL ("12m ECL") represents the portion of lifetime ECL that is expected to result from default events that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date. Assessments are done based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current conditions at the reporting date as well as the forecast of future conditions.

The Group always recognises lifetime ECL for Trade-related receivables, comprising trade receivables and retention money receivables. The ECL on Trade-related Receivables are assessed collectively.

For all other financial assets, the Group measures the loss allowance equal to 12m ECL, unless when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, in which case the Group recognises lifetime ECL. The assessment of whether lifetime ECL should be recognised is based on significant increases in the likelihood or risk of a default occurring since initial recognition.

Significant increase in credit risk

In assessing whether the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition. In making this assessment, the Group considers both quantitative and qualitative information that is reasonable and supportable, including historical experience and forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Impairment of financial assets subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9 (Continued)

- Significant increase in credit risk (Continued)
   In particular, the following information is taken into account when assessing whether credit risk has increased significantly:
  - an actual or expected significant deterioration in the financial instrument's external (if available) or internal credit rating;
  - significant deterioration in external market indicators of credit risk, e.g. a significant increase in the credit spread, the credit default swap prices for the debtor;
  - existing or forecast adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations;
  - an actual or expected significant deterioration in the operating results of the debtor; and
  - an actual or expected significant adverse change in the regulatory, economic, or technological environment of the debtor that results in a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations.

Irrespective of the outcome of the above assessment, the Group presumes that the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition when contractual payments are more than 30 days past due, unless the Group has reasonable and supportable information that demonstrates otherwise.

The Group regularly monitors the effectiveness of the criteria used to identify whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk and revises them as appropriate to ensure that the criteria are capable of identifying significant increase in credit risk before the amount becomes past due.

### (ii) Definition of default

For internal credit risk management, the Group considers an event of default occurs when information developed internally or obtained from external sources indicates that the debtor is unlikely to pay its creditors, including the Group, in full.

Irrespective of the above, the Group considers that default has occurred when a financial asset is more than 90 days past due unless the Group has reasonable and supportable information to demonstrate that a more lagging default criterion is more appropriate.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Impairment of financial assets subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9

(iii) Credit-impaired financial assets

A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of that financial asset have occurred. Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes observable data about the following events:

- (a) significant financial difficulty of the issuer or the borrower;
- (b) a breach of contract, such as a default or past due event;
- (c) the lender(s) of the borrower, for economic or contractual reasons relating to the borrower's financial difficulty, having granted to the borrower a concession(s) that the lender(s) would not otherwise consider; or
- (d) it is becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation.
- (iv) Write-off policy

The Group writes off a financial asset when there is information indicating that the counterparty is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, for example, when the counterparty has been placed under liquidation or has entered into bankruptcy proceedings. Financial assets written off may still be subject to enforcement activities under the Group's recovery procedures, taking into account legal advice where appropriate. A write-off constitutes a derecognition event. Any subsequent recoveries are recognised in profit or loss.

### (v) Measurement and recognition of ECL

The measurement of ECL is a function of the probability of default, loss given default (i.e. the magnitude of the loss if there is a default) and the exposure at default. The assessment of the probability of default and loss given default is based on historical data and forward-looking information. Estimation of ECL reflects an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined with the respective risks of default occurring as the weights.

Generally, the ECL is the difference between all contractual cash flows that are due to the Group in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at the effective interest rate determined at initial recognition.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Impairment of financial assets subject to impairment assessment under HKFRS 9 (Continued)

(v) Measurement and recognition of ECL (Continued)

Lifetime ECL for Trade-related Receivables are considered on a collective basis taking into consideration past due information and relevant credit information such as forward looking macroeconomic information.

For collective assessment, the Group takes into consideration the following characteristics when formulating the grouping:

- Past-due status; and
- Nature, size and industry of debtors.

The grouping is regularly reviewed by management to ensure the constituents of each group continue to share similar credit risk characteristics.

Interest income is calculated based on the gross carrying amount of the financial asset unless the financial asset is credit-impaired, in which case interest income is calculated based on amortised cost of the financial asset.

The Group recognises an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss for all financial instruments by adjusting their carrying amount, with the exception of trade and other receivables where the corresponding adjustment is recognised through a loss allowance account.

### Foreign exchange gains and losses

The carrying amount of financial assets that are denominated in a foreign currency is determined in that foreign currency and translated at the spot rate at the end of each reporting period. Specifically for financial assets measured at amortised cost that are not part of a designated hedging relationship, exchange differences are recognised in profit or loss in the 'Other gains and losses' line item (Note 8) as part of the net foreign exchange gains/(losses).

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Derecognition of financial assets

The Group derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity.

On derecognition of a financial asset measured at amortised cost, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable is recognised in profit or loss.

### Financial liabilities and equity

Classification as debt or equity

Debt and equity instruments are classified as either financial liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

#### Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the Company are recognised at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

### Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities (including trade and other payables) are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

#### Foreign exchange gains and losses

For financial liabilities that are denominated in a foreign currency and are measured at amortised cost at the end of each reporting period, the foreign exchange gains and losses are determined based on the amortised cost of the instruments. These foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in the 'Other gains and losses' line item in profit or loss as part of net foreign exchange gains/(losses) (Note 8) for financial liabilities that are not part of a designated hedging relationship.

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### 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial liabilities and equity (Continued)

Foreign exchange gains and losses (Continued)

The fair value of financial liabilities denominated in a foreign currency is determined in that foreign currency and translated at the spot rate at the end of the reporting period.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the Group's obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable is recognised in profit or loss.

#### **Taxation**

Income tax expense represents the sum of current and deferred income tax expense.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit before taxation because of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deducible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit and at the time of the transaction does not give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with such investments are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilise the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

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## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Taxation (Continued)

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset is realised, based on tax rate (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax for leasing transactions in which the Group recognises the right-of-use assets and the related lease liabilities, the Group first determines whether the tax deductions are attributable to the right-of-use assets or the lease liabilities.

For leasing transactions in which the tax deductions are attributable to the lease liabilities, the Group applies HKAS 12 requirements to the lease liabilities and the related assets separately. The Group recognises a deferred tax asset related to lease liabilities to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary difference can be utilised and a deferred tax liability for all taxable temporary differences.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied to the same taxable entity by the same taxation authority.

Current and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

#### Foreign currencies

In preparing the financial statements of each individual group entity, transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of that entity (foreign currencies) are recognised at the rates of exchanges prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At the end of the reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

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# 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Foreign currencies (Continued)

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the retranslation of monetary items, are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

For the purposes of presenting the consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group (i.e. HK\$) using exchange rates prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during the period, in which case the exchange rates at the date of transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under the heading of translation reserve.

Exchange differences relating to the retranslation of the Group's net assets in RMB to the Group's presentation currency (i.e. HK\$) are recognised directly in other comprehensive income and accumulated in translation reserve. Such exchange differences accumulated in the translation reserve are not reclassified to profit or loss subsequently.

### **Employee benefits**

### Retirement benefit costs

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans, including the state-managed retirement benefit schemes in the PRC and the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme ("MPF Scheme"), which are defined contribution schemes, are recognised as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

### Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits are recognised at the undiscounted amount of the benefits expected to be paid as and when employees rendered the services. All short-term employee benefits are recognised as an expense unless another HKFRS requires or permits the inclusion of the benefit in the cost of an asset.

A liability is recognised for benefits accruing to employees (such as wages and salaries and annual leave) after deducting any amount already paid.

### **Government grants**

Government grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them and that the grants will be received.

Government grants related to income that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Group with no future related costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they become receivable. Such grants are presented under "Other income".

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### 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Research and development expenditure

Expenditure on research activities is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

# 4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in Note 3, the directors of the Company are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

### **Critical judgements in applying accounting policies**

The following is a critical judgement, apart from those involving estimations (see below), that the directors of the Company have made in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements.

#### Revenue recognition at a point in time

Revenue is recognised over time when the Group's performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the Group and the Group has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date. Significant judgement is required in determining whether the terms of the Group's contracts with customers in relation to products with no alternative use create an enforceable right to payment for the Group. The Group has considered the relevant local laws that apply to those relevant contracts. Based on the assessment of the Group's management, the terms of the relevant sales contracts do not create an enforceable right to payment for the Group after taking into consideration that the Group will not have a right to collection for performance completed to date, until to be at an agreed-upon milestone and the Group would not have an enforceable right to demand payment for performance completed to date if the contract were to be terminated before completion for reasons other than the Group's failure to perform as promised. Accordingly, the construction work and sales of other products with no alternative use are considered to be performance obligation satisfied at a point in time.

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# 4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (Continued)

### Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The following are the key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of reporting period that may have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

### Provision of ECL for Trade-related Receivables

The Group recognises lifetime ECL for Trade-related Receivables based on assessment through considering internal credit ratings of trade debtors, aging, repayment history and/or past due status of respective Trade-related Receivables. The estimation on lifetime ECL is required in assessing probability-weighted estimate of the credit loss which is based on historical observed default rates over the expected life of the debtors and forward-looking information. Where the future cash flows are less than expected, or being revised downward due to changes in facts and circumstances, a material impairment loss may arise.

The provision of ECL is sensitive to changes in estimates. The information about the ECL and the Group's Trade-related Receivables are disclosed in Notes 17 and 27(b).

### Allowance for inventories

The Group makes allowance for inventories based on an assessment of the net realisable value of inventories. Allowances are applied to inventories where events or changes in circumstances indicate that the net realisable value is lower than the cost of inventories. The identification of obsolete inventories requires the use of judgement and estimates on the conditions and usefulness of the inventories. In cases where the net realisable value of inventories assessed are less than expected, a material recognition of allowance for inventories may arise, which would be recognised in profit or loss in the period in which such recognition takes place.

At 31 December 2023, the carrying amount of inventories is HK\$72,554,000 (2022: HK\$97,097,000), after netting of allowance of HK\$8,317,000 (2022: HK\$8,081,000). During the year ended 31 December 2023, HK\$351,000 allowance for inventories is recognised (2022: HK\$915,000).

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## 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

### (i) Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers and segment information

|  | Construction<br>contracts of<br>casing and<br>flavouring system<br><i>HK\$</i> '000 | 2023<br>Sales of other<br>products<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | Total<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|---|---|--------------------------|
| Type of products                             |   |   |                          |
| Construction works                           | 102,897   | _   | 102,897                  |
| Sales of other products                      |   |   |                          |
| <ul> <li>pneumatic feeding system</li> </ul> | -   | 18,803  | 18,803                   |
| – water treatment system                     | -   | 271   | 271                      |
| – other goods                                | -   | 2,452   | 2,452                    |
|  | -   | 21,526  | 21,526                   |
|  | 102,897   | 21,526  | 124,423                  |

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### 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

### (i) Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers and segment information (Continued)

|                            | Construction<br>contracts of<br>casing and<br>flavouring system<br>HK\$'000 | 2022<br>Sales of other<br>products<br>HK\$'000 | Total<br>HK\$'000 |
|----------------------------|---|--|-------------------|
| Type of products           |   |  |                   |
| Construction works         | 55,551  | -  | 55,551            |
| Sales of other products    |   |  |                   |
| – pneumatic feeding system | -   | 9,932  | 9,932             |
| – water treatment system   | -   | 709  | 709               |
| – other goods              |   | 2,891  | 2,891             |
|                            |   | 13,532   | 13,532            |
|                            | 55,551  | 13,532   | 69,083            |

All of the Group's revenue are derived in the PRC, which are determined by the location where the systems or products being installed or delivered. The revenue from construction contracts of casing and flavouring system and sales of other products are recognised at point in time.

### (ii) Performance obligations for contracts with customers and revenue recognition policies

### Construction contracts of casing and flavouring system

The Group provides construction services of casing and flavouring system to its customers which are cigarette manufacturers in the PRC. For the contracts entered into with customers, the contract prices are fixed and the relevant casing and flavouring system specified in the contracts are based on customer's specifications with no alternative use. Taking into consideration of the relevant contract terms, the legal environment and relevant legal precedent, the Group concluded that the Group does not have an enforceable right to payment prior to transfer of the relevant casing and flavouring system to customers. Revenue from construction contracts of casing and flavouring system is therefore recognised at a point in time when the completed casing and flavouring system is transferred to customers, being at the point that the customer obtains the control of the consideration is probable.

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### 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

### (ii) Performance obligations for contracts with customers and revenue recognition policies (Continued)

### Construction contracts of casing and flavouring system (Continued)

The Group receives 10% to 30% of the contract value as deposits from customers when they sign the construction agreement. Such advance payment schemes result in contract liabilities being recognised throughout the construction period for the full amount of the contract price.

The defect liability period, ranging from one to three years from the date of the practical completion of the construction, serves as an assurance that the construction services performed comply with agreed upon specifications and such assurance cannot be purchased separately.

### Sales of other products

The Group sells pneumatic feeding system, water treatment system and other goods directly to the customers which are cigarette manufacturers and tobacco redrying factories in the PRC. For the sales of other products to the customers, revenue is recognised at a point in time when control of the goods has transferred, being the point the goods has delivered to the customers. The normal credit term is 90 days upon delivery.

# (iii) Transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligation for contracts with customers

The transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations (unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied) as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022 and the expected timing of recognising revenue are as follows:

|  | 2023<br><i>HK\$′000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Construction contracts of casing and flavouring system |                         |                         |
| – Within one year                                      | 95,680                  | 107,052                 |
| – More than one year but not more than two years       | 71,007                  | 74,898                  |
| – More than two years but not more than three years    | -                       | 12,130                  |
|  | 166,687                 | 194,080                 |
|  |                         |                         |
| Sales of other products                                |                         |                         |
| – Within one year                                      | 20,563                  | 31,534                  |
| - More than one year but not more than two years       | 11,188                  | 2,791                   |
| – More than two years but not more than three years    | -                       | 2,538                   |
|  | 31,751                  | 36,863                  |
|  | 198,438                 | 230.943                 |

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### 5. **REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION** (Continued)

### (iv) Segment information

The Group's operating activities are attributable to a single operating segment focusing on manufacture and sale of tobacco machinery products. This operating segment has been identified on the basis of internal management reports prepared in accordance with accounting policies conform to HKFRSs, that are regularly reviewed by the chief executive officer of the Company, being the chief operating decision maker ("CODM") of the Company. The CODM regularly reviews revenue analysis by products, including casing and flavouring system, pneumatic feeding system, water treatment system and other products. However, other than revenue analysis, no operating results and other discrete financial information is available for the assessment of performance of the respective goods. The CODM reviews the revenue and the profit for the year of the Group as a whole to make decision about resources allocation. No analysis of segment assets or segment liabilities is presented as they are not regularly provided to the CODM. Accordingly, only entity-wide disclosures, major customers and geographic information are presented.

The details of revenue by products is same as those disclosed in Note 5(i). The revenue from customers of the corresponding years contributing over 10% of the total sales of the Group are as follows:.

|                         | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Customer A <sup>1</sup> | 52,862                  | 27,881                  |
| Customer B <sup>1</sup> | 29,556                  | N/A                     |
| Customer C <sup>1</sup> | N/A                     | 12,722                  |

<sup>1</sup> Revenue from sales of other products and construction contracts of casing and flavouring system.

All of the Group's revenue are derived in the PRC, which are determined by the location where the systems or products being installed or delivered. The Group's non-current assets are substantially all located in the PRC (excluding Hong Kong).

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### 6. OTHER INCOME

|  | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Subsidy income <i>(Note)</i><br>Bank interest income | 574<br>971              | 628<br>1,230            |
|  | 1,545                   | 1,858                   |

Note:

These government grants were for immediate and unconditional financial support with no future related costs nor related to any assets, therefore, the Group recognised the income upon receipts.

## 7. REVERSAL OF IMPAIRMENT LOSSES UNDER EXPECTED CREDIT LOSS MODEL, NET

|   | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Reversal of impairment losses on<br>Trade-related Receivables | (322)                   | (42)                    |

### 8. OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES

|   | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i>   |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sales of scrap materials, parts and components, net gain<br>Net foreign exchange loss<br>Loss on fair value change of investment properties, unrealised | 2,076<br>(289)<br>–     | 1,960<br>(1,123)<br>(116) |
|   | 1,787                   | 721                       |

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## 9. PROFIT (LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION

|   | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Profit (loss) before taxation has been arriving at after charging:    |                         |                         |
| Directors' emoluments (Note 10)                                       | 2,021                   | 1,917                   |
| Other staff costs:  |                         |                         |
| Salaries, bonuses and allowances                                      | 16,083                  | 15,234                  |
| Retirement benefits scheme contributions                              | 1,877                   | 1,890                   |
| Total staff costs   | 19,981                  | 19,041                  |
| Capitalised in inventories  | (3,764)                 | (3,703)                 |
|   | 16,217                  | 15,338                  |
| Auditor's remuneration  | 1,164                   | 1,159                   |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment                         | 2,151                   | 1,597                   |
| Depreciation of right-of-use assets                                   | 373                     | 388                     |
| Finance costs of lease liabilities                                    | 125                     | -                       |
| Cost of inventories recognised as an expense (including write-down of |                         |                         |
| inventories amounting to HK\$351,000 (2022: HK\$915,000))             | 63,236                  | 32,844                  |

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### 10. DIRECTORS' AND EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS

Directors' remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the applicable Listing Rules and CO, is as follows:

|                                      | <b>Fees</b><br><i>HK\$'000</i> | Salaries and<br>allowances<br>HK\$'000 | Retirement<br>benefits scheme<br>contributions<br>HK\$'000 | Total<br>emoluments<br>HK\$'000 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------|
| 2023                                 |                                |  |  |                                 |
| Executive directors:                 |                                |  |  |                                 |
| Ms. Liu Li (Chief Executive)         | -                              | 1,216                                  | 18   | 1,234                           |
| Mr. Xu Jiagui                        | -                              | 410                                    | 17   | 427                             |
| Independent non-executive directors: |                                |  |  |                                 |
| Mr. Lam Chi Wing <i>(Note i)</i>     | 50                             | -                                      | -  | 50                              |
| Dr. Lam Lee G.                       | 120                            | -                                      | -  | 120                             |
| Mr. Kong Hing Ki <i>(Note ii)</i>    | 70                             | -                                      | -  | 70                              |
| Mr. Wu Wei                           | 120                            | -                                      | _  | 120                             |
| _                                    | 360                            | 1,626                                  | 35   | 2,021                           |
| 2022                                 |                                |  |  |                                 |
| Executive directors:                 |                                |  |  |                                 |
| Ms. Liu Li (Chief Executive)         | -                              | 1,216                                  | 18   | 1,234                           |
| Mr. Xu Jiagui                        | -                              | 302                                    | 18   | 320                             |
| Independent non-executive directors: |                                |  |  |                                 |
| Dr. Lam Lee G.                       | 60                             | -                                      | -  | 60                              |
| Mr. Wong Yiu Kit, Ernest             | 63                             | -                                      | -  | 63                              |
| Mr. Kong Hing Ki                     | 120                            | -                                      | -  | 120                             |
| Mr. Wu Wei —                         | 120                            | -                                      | -  | 120                             |
|                                      | 363                            | 1,518                                  | 36   | 1,917                           |

Notes:

(i) Mr. Lam Chi Wing was appointed as an independent non-executive director of the Company on 19 July 2023.

(ii) Mr. Kong Hing Ki was resigned as independent non-executive director of the Company on 19 July 2023.

No performance related incentive payments were paid to the directors of the Company for both years.

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### 10. DIRECTORS' AND EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS (Continued)

The emoluments of executive directors shown above were paid for their services in connection with the management of the affairs of the Company and the Group and for serving as directors of the Company or its subsidiaries and those paid to independent non-executive directors were for serving as directors of the Company.

There was no arrangement under which a director or the chief executive waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during both years.

The five highest paid employees of the Group included two (2022: two) directors, details of whose emoluments are set out above. The emoluments of the remaining three (2022: three) highest paid employees of the Group are as follows:

|  | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Employees<br>– salaries and allowances<br>– retirement benefits scheme contributions | 1,170<br>53             | 1,093<br>47             |
|  | 1,223                   | 1,140                   |

The emoluments of each of the five highest paid individuals who are not directors of the Company during both years are below HK\$1,000,000.

During both years, no remuneration was paid by the Group to the directors of the Company or the five highest paid individuals as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office.

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## **11. TAXATION**

|   | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| The charge comprises:                           |                         |                         |
| Current tax                                     |                         |                         |
| PRC EIT<br>PRC withholding tax <i>(Note 21)</i> | 5,284<br>(880)          | 1,052 –                 |
|   | 4,404                   | 1,052                   |
|   |                         |                         |
| Overprovision in prior year:<br>PRC EIT         | (244)                   |                         |
|   | 4,160                   | 1,052                   |
| Deferred taxation (Note 21)                     | 200                     | 723                     |
|   | 4,360                   | 1,775                   |

No provision for taxation in Hong Kong has been made as the Group has no assessable profit arisen in, or was derived from Hong Kong.

The provision for EIT is based on the estimated taxable income for PRC taxation purposes at 25% for the current period (2022: 25%) under the Law of the PRC on Enterprise Income Tax (the "EIT Law") and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law.

Under the EIT Law, a qualified High and New-Tech Enterprise ("HNTE") can enjoy a reduced tax rate at 15%. A PRC subsidiary of the Company had been recognised and approved as a HNTE during the year ended 31 December 2021 and renewed in 2023. The HNTE qualification is effective since 2020 and the PRC subsidiary renewed in 2023, therefore the PRC subsidiary entitled to a reduced tax rate at 15% for the years ended 31 December 2023 and 2022.

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### 11. TAXATION (Continued)

The tax charge for the year can be reconciled to the profit (loss) before taxation per the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as follows:

|   | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i>                                | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i>                    |
|---|--|--|
| Profit (loss) before taxation   | 17,918   | (588)                                      |
| Tax charge (credit) at the applicable tax rate of 25% (2022: 25%)<br>Tax effect of expenses not deductible for tax purposes<br>Effect of different tax rate of a subsidiary in other jurisdiction ( <i>Note a</i> )<br>PRC withholding tax on undistributed profit of a PRC subsidiary ( <i>Note b</i> )<br>Over provision in prior years<br>Income tax at concessionary rate | 4,480<br>4,083<br>(1,090)<br>(232)<br>(244)<br>(2,637) | (147)<br>1,211<br>414<br>888<br>–<br>(591) |
| Tax charge for the year   | 4,360  | 1,775                                      |

Notes:

a. The tax rate of a subsidiary used in other jurisdiction is the Hong Kong Profits Tax rate 16.5% (2022: 16.5%).

b. Under the EIT Law, withholding tax is imposed on dividends declared in respect of profits earned by the PRC established subsidiaries that are received by non-PRC resident entities from 1 January 2008 onwards. At 31 December 2023, deferred taxation had been provided in the consolidated financial statements in respect of temporary differences attributable to undistributed profits of relevant PRC established entities at a tax rate of 5% (2022: 10%).

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## **12. DIVIDENDS**

No dividend was paid or proposed for shareholders of the Company during 2023 (2022: Nil), nor was any dividend been proposed by the Company since the end of the reporting period.

### 13. EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share attributable to owners of the Company for both years is based on the following data:

|  | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Profit (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Company for the purposes of basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share | 13,558                  | (2,363)                 |

|  | Number of shares |             |
|--|------------------|-------------|
|  | 2023             | 2022        |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purposes of calculating basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share | 804,000,000      | 804,000,000 |

No diluted earnings (loss) per share is presented for both 2023 and 2022 as there was no potential ordinary share in issue for both years.

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## 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

|                          | Buildings<br>HK\$'000 | Furniture,<br>fixtures<br>and office<br>equipment<br>HK\$'000 | Computer<br>equipment<br>HK\$'000 | Motor<br>vehicles<br>HK\$'000 | Plant and<br>machinery<br>HK\$'000 | <b>Total</b><br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| COST                     |                       |   |                                   |                               |                                    |                                 |
| At 1 January 2022        | 16,799                | 1,282   | 516                               | 1,902                         | 11,202                             | 31,701                          |
| Currency realignment     | (1,215)               | (109)   | (43)                              | (161)                         | (949)                              | (2,477)                         |
| Transfer from investment |                       |   |                                   |                               |                                    |                                 |
| properties*              | 16,695                | -   | -                                 | -                             | -                                  | 16,695                          |
| Additions                | -                     | 17  | 60                                | -                             | 591                                | 668                             |
| At 31 December 2022      | 32,279                | 1,190   | 533                               | 1,741                         | 10,844                             | 46,587                          |
| Currency realignment     | (460)                 | (17)  | (7)                               | (25)                          | (154)                              | (663)                           |
| Additions                |                       | _   | 57                                | 351                           | 164                                | 572                             |
| At 31 December 2023      | 31,819                | 1,173   | 583                               | 2,067                         | 10,854                             | 46,496                          |
| DEPRECIATION             |                       |   |                                   |                               |                                    |                                 |
| At 1 January 2022        | 12,730                | 1,091   | 427                               | 1,636                         | 8,177                              | 24,061                          |
| Currency realignment     | (1,079)               | (92)  | (35)                              | (139)                         | (693)                              | (2,038)                         |
| Provided for the year    | 877                   | 49  | 33                                |                               | 638                                | 1,597                           |
| At 31 December 2022      | 12,528                | 1,048   | 425                               | 1,497                         | 8,122                              | 23,620                          |
| Currency realignment     | (177)                 | (15)  | (7)                               | (21)                          | (116)                              | (336)                           |
| Provided for the year    | 1,452                 | 35  | 66                                | 51                            | 547                                | 2,151                           |
| At 31 December 2023      | 13,803                | 1,068   | 484                               | 1,527                         | 8,553                              | 25,435                          |
| CARRYING VALUES          |                       |   |                                   |                               |                                    |                                 |
| At 31 December 2023      | 18,016                | 105   | 99                                | 540                           | 2,301                              | 8 21,061                        |
| At 31 December 2022      | 19,751                | 142   | 108                               | 244                           | 2,722                              | 22,967                          |

\* The deemed cost of the property transferred from investment properties for subsequent accounting is HK\$16,695,000 and depreciated in accordance with the rates disclosed below, and the subsequent depreciation amounted to HK\$198,000 was recognised in profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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## 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

The above items of property, plant and equipment are depreciated at the following rates per annum, after taking into account of their estimated residual values, on a straight-line basis:

| Buildings                                | 5%        |
|--|-----------|
| Furniture, fixtures and office equipment | 20% - 33% |
| Computer equipment                       | 33%       |
| Motor vehicles                           | 10% - 20% |
| Plant and machinery                      | 20%       |

## 15. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS/LEASE LIABILITIES

### 15a. Right-of-use assets

|  | Leasehold lands<br>HK\$'000 | Leased properties<br>HK\$'000 | <b>Total</b><br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| СОЅТ                                     |                             |                               |                                 |
| At 1 January 2022                        | 2,602                       | 1,396                         | 3,998                           |
| Currency realignment                     | (178)                       | (33)                          | (211)                           |
| Transfer from investment properties      | 2,985                       | -                             | 2,985                           |
| At 31 December 2022                      | 5,409                       | 1,363                         | 6,772                           |
| Currency realignment                     | (77)                        | (5)                           | (82)                            |
| Additions                                |                             | 351                           | 351                             |
| At 31 December 2023                      | 5,332                       | 1,709                         | 7,041                           |
| DEPRECIATION                             |                             |                               |                                 |
| At 1 January 2022                        | 221                         | 1,097                         | 1,318                           |
| Currency realignment                     | (22)                        | (27)                          | (49)                            |
| Charge to profit or loss during the year | 95                          | 293                           | 388                             |
| At 31 December 2022                      | 294                         | 1,363                         | 1,657                           |
| Currency realignment                     | (5)                         | (5)                           | (10)                            |
| Charge to profit or loss during the year | 161                         | 212                           | 373                             |
| At 31 December 2023                      | 450                         | 1,570                         | 2,020                           |
| CARRYING AMOUNT                          |                             |                               |                                 |
| At 31 December 2023                      | 4,882                       | 139                           | 5,021                           |
| At 31 December 2022                      | 5,115                       | -                             | 5,115                           |

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## 15. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS/LEASE LIABILITIES (Continued)

### 15a. Right-of-use assets (Continued)

|                               | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Total cash outflow for leases | 264                     | 310                     |

For both years, the Group leases various offices for its operations. Lease contracts are entered into for fixed term of one to two years.

The right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis at 2% per annum for leasehold lands and over the lease terms for leased properties.

In addition, the Group owns several industrial buildings where its manufacturing facilities are primarily located and office buildings. The Group is the registered owner of these property interests, including the underlying leasehold lands. Lump sum payments were made upfront to acquire these property interests. The leasehold land components of these owned properties are presented separately only if the payments made can be allocated reliably.

### 15b. Lease liabilities

|  | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Lease liabilities payables:                    |                         |                         |
| Within one year                                | 212                     |                         |
|  |                         |                         |
| Amount due for settlement with 12 months shown |                         |                         |
| under current liabilities                      | 212                     | -                       |

### **16. INVENTORIES**

|                                   | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Raw materials<br>Work in progress | 8,650<br>63,904         | 10,238<br>86,859        |
|                                   | 72,554                  | 97,097                  |

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## 17. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

|   | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Trade receivables                           | 24,787                  | 13,075                  |
| Less: allowance for credit losses           | (3,215)                 | (3,862)                 |
|   | 21,572                  | 9,213                   |
| Retention money receivables                 | 7,271                   | 8,475                   |
| Less: allowance for credit losses           | (931)                   | (668)                   |
|   | 6,340                   | 7,807                   |
|   | 27,912                  | 17,020                  |
| Prepayments and deposits (Note i)           | 5,161                   | 1,598                   |
| Other receivables from third parties        | 5,802                   | 3,777                   |
| Less: allowance for credit losses (Note ii) | (462)                   | (470)                   |
| Value-added tax recoverable                 | -                       | 8,242                   |
| Cash advance to staff                       | 367                     | 820                     |
|   | 38,780                  | 30,987                  |

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### 17. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (Continued)

Notes:

- i. The accumulated impairment loss on prepayments and deposits amounted to HK\$359,000 as at 31 December 2023 (2022: HK\$365,000).
- ii. No addition or reversal of impairment loss was recognised except currency realignment on other receivables during the years ended 31 December 2023 and 2022.

The Group normally allows a credit period of three months to its trade customers. Before accepting any new customer, the Group will internally assess the credit quality of the potential customer and define appropriate credit limits.

At 1 January 2022, Trade-related Receivables from contracts with customers amounted to HK\$19,338,000.

The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables (net of allowance for credit losses) presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting periods.

|               | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 0 – 90 days   | 20,048                  | 6,542                   |
| 91 – 365 days | 1,524                   | 959                     |
| 1 – 2 years   | -                       | 1,712                   |
|               |                         |                         |
|               | 21,572                  | 9,213                   |

As at 31 December 2023, included in the Group's trade receivables balance are debtors with aggregate carrying amount of HK\$1,524,000 (2022: HK\$2,671,000) which are past due as at the reporting date. The past due balances are not considered as in default as the Group considered such balances could be recovered based on historical experience. The Group does not hold any collateral over these balances.

Retention money receivables refer to the sum retained by customers after the delivery and completion of the contracts (including construction contracts of casing and flavouring system and sales of other products) but before the expiry of the warranty period given by the Group, which in general, a period of one to two years and presented as current assets as the receivables are within the normal operating cycle. Included in retention money receivables with carrying amount of HK\$3,244,000 (2022: HK\$3,598,000) which is past due but not credit-impaired by considering the continuing business relationship with the debtors. The Group has not hold any collateral over these balances.

Details of impairment assessment of trade and other receivables are set out in Note 27(b).

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## 18. RESTRICTED BANK DEPOSITS/CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include demand deposits and short term deposits for the purpose of meeting the Group's short term cash commitments, which carry interest at market rates range from 0.15% to 2.69% (2022: 0.001% to 2.01%).

Restricted bank deposits carry effective interest rate range from 0.2% to 1.35% (2022: 2.85%) per annum and represent deposits to banks for the settlement of bill payables and to secure certain construction contracts.

Details of impairment assessment of restricted bank deposits and bank balances are set out in Note 27(b).

## **19. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES**

|                                     | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Trade payables                      | 16,622                  | 31,297                  |
| Bills payables                      | 9,176                   | 5,086                   |
|                                     |                         |                         |
|                                     | 25,798                  | 36,383                  |
|                                     |                         |                         |
| Accrued warranty provision (Note a) | 5,406                   | 3,273                   |
| Accrued welfare expenses            | 2,687                   | 1,607                   |
| Other payables                      | 5,274                   | 5,840                   |
| Other tax payables                  | 2,859                   | 487                     |
|                                     | 42,024                  | 47,590                  |

Notes:

- a. The balance of accrued warranty provision represents management's best estimate of the Group's liability under the relevant contracts with customers for the construction contracts of casing and flavouring system and sales of other products, based on prior experience and industry averages for defective products at the end of each reporting period.
- b. The following is a movement of accrued warranty provision at the end of each reporting periods:

|   | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| At the beginning of the year<br>Additions | 3,273<br>3,884          | 3,289<br>1,819          |
| Utilisations                              | (1,751)                 | (1,835)                 |
| At the end of the year                    | 5,406                   | 3,273                   |

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## 19. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES (Continued)

The following is an aged analysis of trade and bills payables presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting period:

|               | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 0 – 90 days   | 14,587                  | 23,561                  |
| 91 – 365 days | 9,164                   | 11,127                  |
| 1 – 2 years   | 1,443                   | 1,421                   |
| Over 2 years  | 604                     | 274                     |
|               |                         |                         |
|               | 25,798                  | 36,383                  |

The average credit period on purchase of goods is 90 days.

## **20. CONTRACT LIABILITIES**

|   | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Construction contracts of casing and flavouring system<br>Sales of other products | 45,113<br>12,715        | 68,304<br>21,849        |
|   | 57,828                  | 90,153                  |

As at 1 January 2022, contract liabilities amounted to HK\$80,100,000.

For the revenue recognised during the year ended 31 December 2023, HK\$54,173,000 and HK\$7,989,000 (2022: HK\$30,617,000 and HK\$622,000) were included in the contract liabilities balance at the beginning of the year for the construction contracts of casing and flavouring system and sales of other products, respectively. There is no revenue recognised during the year which related to performance obligation that has satisfied in prior periods.

The Group receives 10% to 30% of the contract value as deposits from customers when they sign the sale and purchase agreement, this will give rise to contract liabilities at the start of a contract. The deposits result in contract liabilities being recognised throughout the construction period until the performance obligation has been satisfied.

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### **21. DEFERRED TAXATION**

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of financial position, certain deferred tax assets and liabilities have been offset. The followings are the major deferred tax assets (liabilities) recognised and movements thereon during the current and prior years:

|  | Provision for<br>trade and other<br>receivables<br>and other<br>payables<br><i>HK\$*000</i> | Provision for<br>inventories<br>HK\$'000 | Revaluation<br>of a property*<br>HK\$'000 | Withholding<br>tax on<br>undistributed<br>profit<br>HK\$'000 | <b>Total</b><br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--|---|--|---|--|---------------------------------|
| At 1 January 2022                                    | 1,474   | 1,968                                    | (4,209)                                   | (1,085)  | (1,852)                         |
| Currency realignment<br>(Charge) credit to profit or | (121)   | (178)                                    | 358                                       | 127  | 186                             |
| loss for the year                                    | (12)  | 230                                      | (53)                                      | (888)  | (723)                           |
| At 31 December 2022                                  | 1,341   | 2,020                                    | (3,904)                                   | (1,846)  | (2,389)                         |
| Currency realignment<br>Credit (charge) to profit or | (21)  | (24)                                     | 55  | 19   | 29                              |
| loss for the year                                    | 236   | (749)                                    | 81  | 232  | (200)                           |
| Reallocated to current tax                           |   | -  | -   | 880  | 880                             |
| At 31 December 2023                                  | 1,556   | 1,247                                    | (3,768)                                   | (715)  | (1,680)                         |

\* The property became an owner-occupied property and transferred from investment properties under fair value model since 30 September 2022.

At 31 December 2023 and 2022, the Group has no other material unrecognised deductible temporary differences.

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## 22. SHARE CAPITAL

|   | Number of shares | <b>Amount</b><br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---|------------------|----------------------------------|
| Authorised:   |                  |                                  |
| Ordinary shares of HK\$0.0025 each at 1 January 2022, |                  |                                  |
| 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2023                 | 4,000,000,000    | 10,000                           |
| Issued and fully paid:                                |                  |                                  |
| Ordinary shares of HK\$0.0025 each at 1 January 2022, |                  |                                  |
| 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2023                 | 804,000,000      | 2,010                            |

## 23. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES

### (a) Share option scheme

Pursuant to a share option scheme approved by a written resolution passed by the shareholders of the Company on 20 October 2011 (the "Share Option Scheme"), the Company may grant options to eligible directors of the Company, eligible employees of the Group and other selected participants, for the recognition of their contributions, to subscribe for shares in the Company with a payment of HK\$10 upon each grant of options offered.

The exercise price of the share option will be determined at the highest of:

- (i) the closing price of the Company's shares on the Stock Exchange on the date of grant;
- (ii) the average of closing prices of the Company's shares on the Stock Exchange on the five trading days immediately preceding the date of grant of the option; and
- (iii) the nominal value of the Company's shares.

The share options are exercisable at any time during a period of not more than 10 years from the date of grant, subject to the terms and conditions of the Share Option Scheme, or any conditions stipulated by the board of directors.

The maximum number of shares in respect of which options may be granted shall not exceed 10% of the number of shares of Company in issue from time to time. Unless further shareholders' approval has been obtained pursuant to the conditions set out in the Share Option Scheme, no person shall be granted an option which, if all the options granted to the person (including both exercised and outstanding options) in any 12 month period up to the date of grant are exercised in full, would result in such person's maximum entitlement exceeding 1% of the number of issued shares of Company.

Up to the date of issuance of the consolidated financial statements, no options have been granted or agreed to be granted pursuant to the Share Option Scheme.

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### 23. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (Continued)

#### (b) Pre-IPO share option scheme

The principal terms of the Pre-IPO share option scheme, approved by a written resolution of the shareholders of the Company dated 20 October 2011, are substantially the same as the terms of the Share Option Scheme except that:

- (i) the exercise price of the share option is 80% of HK\$1.20; and
- (ii) the option shall only be exercisable on or after 1 January 2013 and expire not later than 10 years from the date of grant.

During the years ended 31 December 2023 and 2022, no share options has been granted nor exercised and there is no outstanding share options of the Company as at 31 December 2023 and 2022.

### 24. RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME

The Group operates a Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme for all qualifying employees in Hong Kong. Under the scheme, the employer and its employees are each required to make contributions to the plan at 5% of the employees' relevant income, subject to a cap of monthly relevant income of HK\$30,000. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the Group, in funds under the control of trustees.

The employees of the Group's PRC subsidiary are members of the state-managed retirement benefits scheme operated by the PRC government. The PRC subsidiary is required to contribute a certain percentage of its payroll cost to the retirement benefits scheme to fund the benefits. The only obligation of the Group with respect to the retirement benefits scheme is to make the required contributions under the scheme.

The amounts incurred for retirement benefits scheme contributions are disclosed in Notes 9 and 10. According to the respective schemes, those contributions are not refundable nor forfeitable.

The total expense recognised in profit or loss of HK\$1,912,000 (2022: HK\$1,926,000) represents contributions payable to these plans by the Group at rates specified in the rules of the plans. As at 31 December 2023, contributions of nil (2022: nil) due in respect of the year ended 31 December 2023 had not been paid over to the plans.

### 25. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Other than as disclosed elsewhere in these consolidated financial statements, the Group has following transactions with related parties:

| Relationships                   | Natures of transactions                | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Entity controlled by Ms. Liu Li | Expenses relating to short-term leases | 198,000                 | -                       |

#### **Compensation of key management personnel**

Details of the remuneration of key management personnel, which are the directors and five highest paid employees, during the year, were set out in Note 10.

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### 26. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to shareholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balance. The Group's overall strategy remains unchanged from prior year.

The capital structure consists of equity attributable to owners of the Company, comprising issued share capital and reserves.

The management of the Company reviews the capital structure on a regular basis. As part of this review, the management considers the cost of capital and the risks associated with each class of capital. Based on recommendations of the management, the Group will balance its overall capital structure through the payment of dividends and raising of new capital.

## **27. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

### (a) Categories of financial instruments

|                       | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Financial assets      |                         |                         |
| At amortised cost*    | 131,353                 | 122,609                 |
|                       |                         |                         |
| Financial liabilities |                         |                         |
| Amortised cost**      | 31,072                  | 42,223                  |

\* Prepayments and deposits, cash advance to staff and value-added tax recoverable are excluded

Accrued welfare expenses, other tax payables and accrued warranty provision are excluded

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### 27. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

#### (b) Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Group's major financial instruments include certain trade and other receivables, restricted bank deposits, cash and cash equivalents and certain trade and other payables.

Details of these financial instruments are disclosed in respective notes. The risks associated with these financial instruments and lease liabilities include market risk (currency risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The policies on how to mitigate these risks are set out below. The management manages and monitors these exposures to ensure appropriate measures are implemented on a timely and effective manner. There has been no material change to the Group's exposure to market risks or the manner in which it manages and measures the risk from prior year.

#### **Currency risk**

A subsidiary of the Company has foreign currency bank balances against the functional currency of the relevant entity which expose the Group to foreign currency risk.

The carrying amounts of the foreign currencies (other than the functional currency) denominated monetary assets of the Group, representing cash and cash equivalents, at the end of reporting period are as follows:

|                                | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| RMB                            | 21,688                  | 9,587                   |
| HK\$                           | 1,424                   | 1,379                   |
| United States dollars ("US\$") | 101                     | 101                     |

The Group currently does not have a foreign currency hedging policy. However, the management of the Group monitors foreign exchange exposure and will consider hedging significant foreign currency exposure should the need arise.

#### Sensitivity analysis

The Group's sensitivity to a 5% increase in its functional currency against RMB and HK\$ will lead to a decrease in loss for the year of HK\$922,000 and HK\$61,000 (2022: decrease in loss for the year of HK\$360,000 and HK\$52,000). For a 5% weakening of its functional currency against HK\$, there would be an equal but opposite impact on the profit/loss for the year. The management of the Group considers the Group's exposure for US\$ is not significant and no sensitivity analysis on US\$ is presented.

5% is the sensitivity rate represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rate. The sensitivity analysis includes only outstanding foreign currency denominated monetary item and adjusts its translation at the year end for a 5% change in foreign currency rate.

In the management's opinion, the sensitivity analysis is unrepresentative for the foreign exchange risk as the exposure at the end of reporting period does not reflect the exposure during the year.

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### 27. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

#### (b) **Financial risk management objectives and policies** (Continued)

#### Interest rate risk

The Group's bank balances have exposure to cash flow interest rate risk due to the fluctuation of the prevailing market interest rate on restricted bank deposits and bank balances (see Note 18 for details) at the end of the reporting period. The management considers the Group's exposure of the short-term bank deposits and balances to interest rate risk is not significant and no sensitivity analysis is presented.

#### Credit risk and impairment assessment

Credit risk refers to the risk the Group's counterparties default on their contractual obligations resulting in financial losses to the Group. The Group's credit risk is primarily attributable to Trade-related Receivables, other receivables, restricted bank deposits and bank balances. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements to cover its credit risks associated with its financial assets.

#### Trade-related Receivables arising from contracts with customers

Before accepting any new customer, the Group will internally assess the credit quality of the potential customer and define appropriate credit limits. Other monitoring procedures are in place to ensure that follow-up action is taken to recover overdue debts. In this regard, the directors of the Company consider that the Group's credit risk is significantly reduced.

At 31 December 2023, the Group has concentration of credit risk as 5% and 66% (2022: 26% and 65%) of the aggregated amount of Trade-related Receivables was due from the Group's largest customer and five largest customers respectively, which operate in the tobacco industry in the PRC. In order to minimise the credit risk, management continuously monitors the level of exposure to ensure that follow-up actions and/or corrective actions are taken promptly to lower the risk exposure or to recover overdue balances. In this regard, the directors of the Company consider that the Group's credit risk is significantly reduced.

The Group had concentration of credit risk by geographical location as Trade-related Receivables comprise various debtors which are all located in the PRC during the years ended 31 December 2023 and 2022.

In addition, the Group performs impairment assessment under ECL model on trade related balances collectively. The reversal of impairment loss recognised on Trade-related Receivables (net) amounted to HK\$322,000 was recognised during the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: reversal of impairment loss HK\$42,000). Details of the quantitative disclosures are set out below in this note.

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## 27. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

#### (b) **Financial risk management objectives and policies** (Continued)

### Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

*Trade-related Receivables arising from contracts with customers (Continued)* The Group's internal credit risk grading assessment comprises the following categories:

| Internal<br>credit rating | Description   | Trade-related<br>Receivables          | Other financial<br>assets/other items |
|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Low risk                  | The counterparty controlled by a large state-<br>owned enterprise with good credit standing,<br>have very strong solvency and has a low risk of<br>default. | Lifetime ECL – not<br>credit-impaired | 12m ECL                               |
| Watch list                | Debtor has strong solvency and may repay after due but usually settle in full.  | Lifetime ECL – not<br>credit-impaired | 12m ECL                               |
| Doubtful                  | Debtor has poor solvency with long aging, and have a high risk of default.  | Lifetime ECL – not<br>credit-impaired | Lifetime ECL – not<br>credit-impaired |
| Loss                      | There is evidence indicating the asset is credit-<br>impaired and the Group has no realistic prospect<br>of recovery.                                       | Lifetime ECL –<br>credit-impaired     | Lifetime ECL – credit-<br>impaired    |

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### 27. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

#### (b) **Financial risk management objectives and policies** (Continued)

### Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

*Trade-related Receivables arising from contracts with customers (Continued)* 

As part of the Group's credit risk management, the Group applies internal credit rating for its customers in relation to its tobacco machinery manufacturing operation. The following table provides information about the exposure to credit risk for Trade-related receivables which are assessed on a collective basis within lifetime ECL.

#### As at 31 December 2023

|                        | Loss rate | Gross carrying<br>amount<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | Impaired loss<br>allowance<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| Internal credit rating |           |   |   |
| Low risk               | 1.15%     | 18,795                                      | 216   |
| Watch list             | 6.25%     | 8,365                                       | 523   |
| Doubtful               | 24.20%    | 1,967                                       | 476   |
| Loss                   | 100.00% _ | 2,931                                       | 2,931   |
|                        |           | 32,058                                      | 4,146   |

#### As at 31 December 2022

|                        | Loss rate | Gross carrying<br>amount<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | Impaired loss<br>allowance<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| Internal credit rating |           |   |   |
| Low risk               | 1.27%     | 8,874                                       | 113   |
| Watch list             | 3.38%     | 8,402                                       | 284   |
| Doubtful               | 20.79%    | 178   | 37  |
| Loss                   | 100.00%   | 4,096                                       | 4,096   |
|                        |           | 21,550                                      | 4,530   |

The estimated loss rates are estimated based on historical observed default rates over the expected life of the debtors and are adjusted for forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort. The grouping is regularly reviewed by management to ensure relevant information about specific debtors is updated.

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### 27. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

### (b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

#### Credit risk and impairment assessment (Continued)

*Trade-related Receivables arising from contracts with customers (Continued)* The following table shows the movements in lifetime ECL that has been recognised for Trade-related Receivables under the simplified approach.

|                               | Lifetime ECL<br>(not credit-<br>impaired)<br>HK\$'000 | Lifetime ECL<br>(credit-<br>impaired)<br>HK\$'000 | <b>Total</b><br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| As at 1 January 2022          | 759   | 4,235   | 4,994                           |
| Currency realignment          | 268   | (690)   | (422)                           |
| Transfer to credit impairment | (68)  | 68  | -                               |
| Impairment loss recognised    | 195   | 494   | 689                             |
| Impairment loss reversed      | (720)   | (11)  | (731)                           |
| As at 31 December 2022        | 434   | 4,096   | 4,530                           |
| Currency realignment          | (3)   | (59)  | (62)                            |
| Transfer to credit impairment | 1,137   | (1,137)   | -                               |
| Impairment loss recognised    | 962   | 31  | 993                             |
| Impairment loss reversed      | (1,315)   |   | (1,315)                         |
| As at 31 December 2023        | 1,215   | 2,931   | 4,146                           |

#### Restricted bank deposits/bank balances

Credit risk on restricted bank deposits/bank balances is limited because the counterparties are reputable banks with high credit ratings assigned by international credit agencies. The Group assessed 12m ECL for restricted bank deposits/ bank balances by reference to information relating to probability of default and loss given default of the respective credit rating grades published by external credit rating agencies. Based on the average loss rates, the 12m ECL on restricted bank deposits/bank balances is considered to be insignificant and thus no loss allowance was recognised.

#### Other receivables

For other receivables, the directors of the Company assessed the ECL individually based on internal credit rating which, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, have no significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. ECL is estimated based on historical observed default rates over the expected life of debtors and forward looking information that is available without undue cost or effort. The directors of the Company believe that there are no significant increase in credit risk of these amounts since initial recognition and the Group provided impairment based on 12m ECL. For the years ended 31 December 2023 and 2022, the Group assessed the ECL for other receivables and deposits were insignificant and thus no loss allowance was recognised.

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### 27. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

#### (b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued)

#### Liquidity risk

In the management of the liquidity risk, the Group monitors and maintains a level of cash and cash equivalents deemed adequate by the management to finance the Group's operations and mitigate the effects of fluctuation in cash flows.

The following table details the Group's remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities and lease liabilities based on the agreed repayment terms. The table has been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay. The table represented both principal and interest cash flows, where applicable.

|                                  | Weighted<br>average<br>interest rate<br>per annum | Repayable<br>on demand<br>or less than<br>3 months<br>HK\$'000 | 3 months<br>to 1 year<br>HK\$'000 | Undiscounted<br>cash flows<br>HK\$'000 | Carrying<br>amounts<br>HK\$'000 |
|----------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| 2023                             |   |  |                                   |  |                                 |
| Trade and other payables         | N/A   | 31,072   | -                                 | 31,072                                 | 31,072                          |
| Lease liabilities                | 3.58%   | 66   | 198                               | 264                                    | 212                             |
|                                  |   | 31,138   | 198                               | 31,336                                 | 31,284                          |
|                                  |   |  |                                   |  |                                 |
| 2022<br>Trade and other payables | N/A   | 42,223   | -                                 | 42,223                                 | 42,223                          |

#### (c) Fair value measurements of financial instruments

# Fair value of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value on recurring basis

The management considers that the carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities recognised in the consolidated financial statements approximate their fair values.

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## 28. RECONCILIATION OF LIABILITIES ARISING FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES

The table below details changes in the Group's liabilities arising from financing activities, including both cash and non-cash changes. Liabilities arising from financing activities are those for which cash flows were, or future cash flows will be, classified in the Group's consolidated statement of cash flows as cash flows from financing activities.

|                               | Lease liabilities<br>HK\$'000 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| At 1 January 2022             | 300                           |
| Rental concession             | (11)                          |
| Financing cash flow           | (310)                         |
| Exchange realignment          | 21                            |
| At 31 December 2022           | -                             |
| New lease entered             | 351                           |
| Financing cash flow           | (264)                         |
| Interest on lease liabilities | 125                           |
| At 31 December 2023           | 212                           |

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## 29. PARTICULARS OF SUBSIDIARIES

Details of the Company's subsidiaries as at 31 December 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

| Place of incorp<br>establishment<br>Name of subsidiaries operations |                                   | share c           | sued and fully paid<br>share capital/<br>registered capital o |      | ble to the<br>1e Company | Principal activities  |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---|------|--------------------------|---|
|   |                                   | 2023              | 2022  | 2023 | 2022                     |   |
| <i>Directly owned subsidiaries:</i><br>RENHENG Global               | British Virgin<br>Islands ("BVI") | US\$50,000        | US\$50,000  | 100% | 100%                     | Investment holding  |
| RENHENG Future Holdings Limited                                     | BVI                               | US\$100           | US\$100   | 100% | 100%                     | Investment holding  |
| Indirectly owned subsidiaries:<br>RENHENG Tech Limited              | Hong Kong                         | HK\$1             | HK\$1   | 100% |                          | Investment holding  |
| RENHENG Future Limited  | Hong Kong                         | HK\$100           | HK\$100   | 100% | 100%                     | Investment holding  |
| Baoying Renheng*<br>寶應仁恒實業有限公司                                      | PRC                               | RMB<br>73,857,143 | RMB<br>73,857,143   | 100% | 100%                     | Manufacture and<br>sale of tobacco<br>machinery<br>products |

\* The subsidiary is wholly foreign-owned enterprise.

None of the subsidiaries had issued any debt securities during the year or at the end of the year.

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## 30. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESERVES OF THE COMPANY

|                                     | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Non-current assets                  |                         |                         |
| Investment in a subsidiary          | 378                     | 378                     |
| Amount due from a subsidiary (Note) | 2,961                   | 4,643                   |
|                                     | 3,339                   | 5,021                   |
| Current assets                      |                         |                         |
| Amount due from a subsidiary        | 58                      | 43                      |
| Cash and cash equivalents           | 451                     | 504                     |
|                                     | 509                     | 547                     |
| Current liabilities                 |                         |                         |
| Amount due to a subsidiary          | 795                     | 795                     |
| Amount due to directors             | 1,313                   | 1,193                   |
| Other payables                      | 178                     | 185                     |
|                                     | 2,286                   | 2,173                   |
| Net current liabilities             | (1,777)                 | (1,626)                 |
| Net assets                          | 1,562                   | 3,395                   |
| Capital and reserves                |                         |                         |
| Share capital                       | 2,010                   | 2,010                   |
| Reserves                            | (448)                   | 1,385                   |
| Total equity                        | 1,562                   | 3,395                   |

*Note:* The amounts are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. The advance which are not expected to be settled within one year from the end of the year is classified under non-current assets.

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## 30. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESERVES OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

Movement in Company's reserves is set out below:

|               |  | Accumulated   |  |
|---------------|--|---|--|
| Share premium | Other reserve                                      | losses  | Total  |
| HK\$'000      | HK\$'000   | HK\$'000  | HK\$'000   |
| (Note a)      | (Note b)   |   |  |
| 41,818        | 378  | (39,147)  | 3,049  |
|               |  |   |  |
| -             |  | (1,664)   | (1,664)  |
| 41,818        | 378  | (40,811)  | 1,385  |
|               |  |   |  |
| -             | -  | (1,833)   | (1,833)  |
| 41,818        | 378  | (42,644)  | (448)  |
|               | HK\$'000<br>(Note a)<br>41,818<br>-<br>41,818<br>- | HK\$'000     HK\$'000       (Note a)     (Note b)       41,818     378       -     -       41,818     378       -     - | Share premium         Other reserve         Iosses           HK\$'000         HK\$'000         HK\$'000           (Note a)         (Note b)         (Note b)           41,818         378         (39,147)           -         -         (1,664)           41,818         378         (40,811)           -         -         (1,833) |

Notes:

- (a) Under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, the share premium of the Company is available for distribution or paying dividends to shareholders subject to the provisions of its memorandum or articles of association and provided that immediately following the distribution of dividends, the Company is able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business. At the end of the reporting period, the Company has no reserve available for distribution (2022: HK\$1,007,000).
- (b) Other reserve represented the share capital of RENHENG Global which was acquired by the Company at nil consideration pursuant to the group reorganisation underwent in prior years.

# **FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

|                               | Year ended 31 December  |                         |                         |                         |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                               | 2019<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2020<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2021<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
| RESULTS                       |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |
| Revenue                       | 71,507                  | 76,279                  | 73,731                  | 69,083                  | 124,423                 |
|                               |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |
| Profit (loss) before taxation | 4,379                   | 2,491                   | 3,368                   | (588)                   | 17,918                  |
| Taxation                      | (3,676)                 | (3,274)                 | (2,647)                 | (1,775)                 | (4,360)                 |
| Profit (loss) for the year    | 703                     | (783)                   | 721                     | (2,363)                 | 13,558                  |
|                               | HK cents                |
| Earnings (loss) per share     |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |
| – Basic and diluted           | 0.09                    | (0.10)                  | 0.09                    | (0.29)                  | 1.69                    |

|                        | As at 31 December       |                         |                         |                         |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                        | 2019<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2020<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2021<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2022<br><i>HK\$'000</i> | 2023<br><i>HK\$'000</i> |
| ASSETS AND LIABILITIES |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |
| Total assets           | 189,233                 | 218,927                 | 267,998                 | 258,448                 | 235,517                 |
| Total liabilities      | (76,114)                | (99,471)                | (144,800)               | (147,127)               | (112,131)               |
|                        |                         |                         |                         |                         |                         |
| Net assets             | 113,119                 | 119,456                 | 123,198                 | 111,321                 | 123,386                 |