

GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS

This glossary contains explanations of certain terms used in this prospectus. These terms and their meanings may or may not correspond to standard industry meaning or usage of these terms.

“ASD”	the Architectural Services Department of Hong Kong
“bell-out”	the enlarged base of a bored pile
“bored piling” or “bored pile”	a type of pile formed by excavating or boring a hole in the ground and subsequently filling it with plain or reinforced concrete
“Buildings Department”	the Buildings Department of Hong Kong
“Development Bureau”	the Development Bureau of the Government of Hong Kong
“GDP”	Gross Domestic Product
“HKCAS”	the Hong Kong Certification Body Accreditation Scheme
“Housing Authority”	the Hong Kong Housing Authority, a statutory body established by the Hong Kong government to take charge of developing and implementing a public housing programme in Hong Kong
“H-piling” or “H-pile”	a type of pile which consists of steel column with a cross section which resembles the letter “H”
“IMF”	the International Monetary Fund
“ISO”	an acronym for a series of quality management and quality assurance standards published by International Organisation for Standardisation, a non-government organisation based in Geneva, Switzerland, for assessing the quality systems of business organisations
“ISO 9001”	quality management systems model published by ISO for quality assurance in design, development, production, installation and servicing
“ISO 14001”	Environmental management system requirements published by ISO
“large diameter bored piling” or “large diameter bored pile”	a type of larger size of pile formed by excavating or boring a hole in the ground and subsequently filling it with plain or reinforced concrete

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“List of Approved Contractors”	the list of approved contractors for public works maintained by the Works Branch
“OHSAS 18001”	the requirements for occupational health and safety management system developed for managing health and safety risks associated with a business
“percussive piling” or “driven piling” or “steel H-pile”	a type of pile formed by driving
“pile cap”	a reinforced concrete structure constructed on top of the pile, which is used to transfer the superstructure load to the pile
“pre-bid”	an agreement, between the main contractor and a subcontractor before the main contractor submits its main tender to customer, in which a main contractor undertakes to subcontract and the subcontractor undertakes to execute certain works in the event the main contract is awarded to the main contractor
“socketed H-piles” or “rock-socketed steel H-pile in pre-bored hole”	a type of pile formed by installing a steel H-pile into a pre-bored hole in the bedrock
“Specialist List”	the List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works maintained by the Works Branch which comprises suppliers or specialist contractors who are approved for carrying out works in one or more of the 49 categories of specialist works
“superstructures”	the structure which is above the ground
“Works Branch”	the Works Branch of the Development Bureau, or where the context refers to any time prior to its establishment, the relevant predeceasing secretariat or department or agent of the Hong Kong government which undertook such public function. The immediate preceding secretariat of the Works Branch is the Works Bureau