



**CNT GROUP LIMITED**

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*Annual Report*

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## CORPORATE INFORMATION

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Executive Directors**

Lam Ting Ball, Paul (Chairman)

Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip

(Executive Deputy Chairman and Managing Director)

Chong Chi Kwan (Finance Director)

#### **Non-executive Directors**

Chan Wa Shek

Zhang Yulin

Ko Sheung Chi

#### **Independent Non-executive Directors**

Sir David Akers-Jones (Deputy Chairman)

Danny T Wong

Steven Chow

Zhang Xiaojing

### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Ma Lai King

### **AUDITORS**

Ernst & Young

22nd Floor, CITIC Tower, 1 Tim Mei Avenue,

Central, Hong Kong

### **SHARE REGISTRARS**

#### **Hong Kong**

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183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong

#### **Bermuda**

Codan Services Limited

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Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda

### **PRINCIPAL BANKERS**

The Hongkong and Shanghai

Banking Corporation Limited

DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited

### **REGISTERED OFFICE**

Clarendon House, 2 Church Street,

Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda

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In 2013, Mainland China maintained stable economic growth. Export demand from overseas market was weak in the first half of 2013. In the second half of the year, the Chinese Government implemented prudent monetary policies and proactive fiscal policies to stimulate domestic consumption. Mainland China continued to switch to domestic-demand growth formula, but such structural adjustment will not be accomplished quickly. In the ever-changing market environment, the Group actively responded to the market changes and adopted appropriate sales strategies and marketing activities to promote our paint products. The Group's core paint operation continued to have improvement in revenue as well as segment profit.

### **RESULTS**

The Group recorded a profit attributable to the shareholders of the Company for the year of approximately HK\$163.30 million, representing an increase of approximately 172.7% when compared with that of last year.

Revenue for the year amounted to approximately HK\$1,452.62 million, representing an increase of approximately HK\$137.02 million when compared with that of last year. Gross profit was increased by approximately 26.4% when compared with that of last year to approximately HK\$384.56 million. The growth was mainly due to the increase in revenue and the improvement in the gross profit margin of our paint products.

### **OPERATIONS**

#### **Paint Products**

Revenue for the year amounted to approximately HK\$1,100.70 million, representing an increase of approximately 13.8% when compared with that of last year. The Group focused its market on Mainland China and achieved an increase of approximately 14.1% growth in revenue in respect of Mainland China market over that of 2012. The Group will continue to focus on Mainland China market. The segment profit for the year amounted to approximately HK\$132.19 million represented an increase of approximately HK\$54.93 million when compared with that of last year. The significant increase in the segment profit was mainly due to the increase in revenue and the improvement in the gross profit margin.

## CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT (continued)

### OPERATIONS (continued)

#### Property Investment

Revenue for the year amounted to approximately HK\$8.56 million, representing an increase of approximately 23.8% when compared with that of last year. Segment profit for the year amounted to approximately HK\$67.40 million when compared with that of approximately HK\$34.66 million last year. The improvement in segment profit for the year was mainly due to the increase in the fair value gains on the investment properties.

In order to broaden the portfolio of the Group's property investment to increase the rental income as well as the future capital appreciation, the Group acquired certain office premises in Nanshan, Shenzhen, the PRC at consideration of approximately HK\$21.28 million for long term investment purposes to earn rental income. In addition, the Group had entered into agreements with an independent property developer for the acquisition of certain residential premises in Shajing, Shenzhen, the PRC at a consideration of approximately HK\$19.48 million which was financed by internal resources of the Group and these properties are expected to be handed over to the Group in September 2015. The Group intends to earn rental income for long term investment purposes.

The application under Section 16 of Town Planning Ordinance to seek Town Planning Board's ("TPB") approval for a proposed columbarium on the Group's existing land located in Au Tau, Yuen Long, Hong Kong was refused. The Group had submitted a letter to the TPB to review the application under Section 17 of Town Planning Ordinance. It is expected that the Group will receive a reply from TPB in 2014.

#### Iron and Steel Trading and Related Investments

Revenue for the year amounted to approximately HK\$343.35 million, representing an increase of approximately 0.7% when compared with that of last year. Segment profit for the year amounted to approximately HK\$17.94 million when compared with that of approximately HK\$10.96 million last year. The improvement in segment profit for the year was mainly due to the increase in share of profit from an associate and the recovery of amounts due from an associate previously written off.

#### Available-for-sale Investments

The Group has an effective interest of 11.9% in the cemetery project situated in Sihui, Guangdong Province, the PRC. The principal activities of which are the development, construction, management and operation of a cemetery. The main types of products for the cemetery are outdoor grave lots, ordinary columbarium niches and luxury columbarium niches. Sales offices are established in Hong Kong and South China region for marketing purpose. Promotion campaigns have been launched to build up awareness among target elderly.

### OUTLOOK

Looking ahead, the recovery of the global economy is anticipated to maintain stable growth. The Chinese Government will continue to focus on the stability of the economy. In November 2013, the Third Plenary Session of 18th Communist Party of China Central Committee proposed a comprehensive reform in economic, political, cultural and social aspects. The reform includes the improvement of an open economic system, a modernised market system and an urban and rural development mechanism. The Chinese Government will promote the urban-rural integration drive so as to ensure that rural residents equally share the benefits of modernisation. Policies should be improved to ensure urban development facilitate rural progress, and agriculture and industry benefit each other according to a decision on major issues concerning comprehensively deepening reforms. The Chinese Government also mentioned the related policies in 2014 Government Work Report. Also, the Chinese Government will begin to build more than 7 million units of government-subsidised housing. It is expected that the economy and property markets of Mainland China will grow healthily and stable. It is believed that the Group will benefit from the increasing demand of paint products according to the mid to long term policies in Mainland China. The Group will seize this opportunity of the reform by strengthening sales channels and enhancing the brand image.

In order to enhance competitiveness and become a leading manufacturer of high quality green and safe paint products, the Group will continue to manufacture and sell high-quality paint products. The Group will continue focus on green production, technological innovation and development. For improvement of the production efficiency, the Group will continue to invest in research and development to strengthen the technological innovation and streamline process flow. The Group will continue to pay attention on cost control and technological innovation to improve the material utilisation.

While maintaining its existing core business of paint operation, the Group continues to invest in iron and steel trading business as well as property investment in order to diversify and broaden the investment portfolio of the Group. Nevertheless, the Group will continue to focus on its paint operation and is committed to becoming a leading manufacturer of high quality green and safe paint products.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### RESULTS

The Group recorded a profit attributable to the shareholders of the Company of approximately HK\$163.30 million for the year when compared with that of approximately HK\$59.89 million (as restated) last year. Revenue for the year amounted to approximately HK\$1,452.62 million, representing an increase of approximately 10.4% when compared with that of last year. Gross profit for the year amounted to approximately HK\$384.56 million, representing an increase of approximately 26.4% when compared with that of last year.

### SEGMENT INFORMATION

#### Business Segments

Paint operation continued to be the principal business of the Group with a revenue of approximately HK\$1,100.70 million accounting for approximately 75.8% of the Group's total revenue. It also represented an increase of approximately 13.8% when compared with that of last year. In addition to the increase in revenue, the improvement in gross profit for the year rendered segment profit for the year amounted to approximately HK\$132.19 million representing an increase of approximately 71.1% when compared with that of last year.

Property investment operation reported a revenue of approximately HK\$8.56 million, accounting for approximately 0.6% of the Group's total revenue. Segment profit for the year was increased to approximately HK\$67.40 million when compared with that of approximately HK\$34.66 million last year. The improvement in segment profit was mainly due to the increase in the fair value gains on the investment properties.

Iron and steel operation reported a revenue of approximately HK\$343.35 million, accounting for approximately 23.6% of the Group's total revenue. Segment profit for the year amounted to approximately HK\$17.94 million when compared with that of approximately HK\$10.96 million last year. The improvement in segment profit was mainly due to the increase in share of profit from an associate and the recovery of amounts due from an associate previously written off.

#### Geographical Segments

All of the Group's business is mainly in Mainland China and Hong Kong. Revenue from operations in Mainland China and Hong Kong amounted to approximately HK\$1,351.20 million (2012: HK\$1,223.80 million) and approximately HK\$101.07 million (2012: HK\$91.26 million) respectively.

### LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Group's business operation was generally financed by its internal funding and bank borrowings. The cash and cash equivalents amounted to approximately HK\$276.66 million as at 31 December 2013 when compared with approximately HK\$328.73 million as at 31 December 2012. The total cash and bank balances, including structured deposits and restricted cash, amounted to approximately HK\$495.27 million as at 31 December 2013 when compared with approximately HK\$403.76 million as at 31 December 2012. Bank and other borrowings amounted to approximately HK\$209.23 million as at 31 December 2013 when compared with approximately HK\$154.52 million as at 31 December 2012. The Group's bank and other borrowings mainly carried interest at floating rates. Of the Group's total bank and other borrowings as at 31 December 2013, approximately HK\$181.32 million (86.7%) was payable within one year, approximately HK\$5.95 million (2.8%) was payable in the second year, approximately HK\$17.68 million (8.5%) was payable in the third to fifth years and the remaining balance of HK\$4.28 million (2.0%) was payable beyond the fifth year.

The Group's cash, bank balances and bank and other borrowings were mainly denominated in Hong Kong Dollars and Renminbi. The Group's results can be affected by movements in the exchange rate between Hong Kong Dollars and Renminbi. However, in view of the strong and supportive treasury policy in Mainland China, the Renminbi exchange rate is expected to remain relatively stable and hence the Group's currency exposure is not significant. The Group considers that no hedging measures are necessary.

Gearing ratio of the Group which expressed as a percentage of total bank and other borrowings to adjusted capital (as defined below) was 19.7% as at 31 December 2013 compared with 17.3% (as restated) as at 31 December 2012. Liquidity ratio of the Group which expressed as a percentage of current assets to current liabilities was 1.76 times as at 31 December 2013 compared with 1.71 times (as restated) as at 31 December 2012.

### Equity and Net Asset Value

Shareholders' funds of the Group as at 31 December 2013 was approximately HK\$1,155.79 million compared with approximately HK\$955.24 million (as restated) as at 31 December 2012. Adjusted capital of the Group, being shareholders' funds less the leasehold land and building revaluation reserve and investment property revaluation reserve, as at 31 December 2013 was approximately HK\$1,064.14 million compared with approximately HK\$895.18 million (as restated) as at 31 December 2012. Net assets value per share as at 31 December 2013 was HK\$0.61 compared with HK\$0.51 (as restated) as at 31 December 2012.



## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

### LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION (continued)

#### Contingent Liabilities

At 31 December 2013, the banking facilities granted to various subsidiaries subject to guarantees given to banks by the Company were utilised to the extent of approximately HK\$203.38 million compared with HK\$148.76 million as at 31 December 2012.

#### Pledge of Assets

Certain land and buildings, investment properties, restricted cash and trade receivables with aggregate net book value of HK\$419.05 million as at 31 December 2013 (31 December 2012: HK\$473.92 million) were pledged as collaterals or restricted as to use for bank and other borrowings. At 31 December 2013, total outstanding secured bank and other borrowings amounted to HK\$209.23 million compared with HK\$154.52 million as at 31 December 2012.

#### STAFF

Headcount as at 31 December 2013 was 1,144 (31 December 2012: 1,097). Staff costs (excluding directors' emoluments) amounted to HK\$152.84 million for the year as compared with HK\$142.14 million (as restated) last year. The Group has a comprehensive and competitive staff remuneration and benefits system which is formulated on the performance of individual employees. In addition, the Group also provides an attractive staff option scheme.

### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES**

The board of directors of the Company recognises the importance of and benefit from good corporate governance practices and has devoted considerable efforts to develop the best corporate governance practices appropriate to the businesses of the Group. During the year ended 31 December 2013, the Company has complied with the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code (the “CG Code”) as set out in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the “Listing Rules”) on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”), except the following:

- (1) The non-executive directors are not appointed for a specific term. According to the Company’s bye-laws, the non-executive directors are subject to re-election at least once every three years.
- (2) The Company does not have a nomination committee as the role and the function of such committee are performed by the full board. The board collectively reviews the structure, size and composition (including the skills, knowledge and experience) of the board and the appointment of any new director. Also, the board as a whole is responsible for approving the succession plan for the directors, including the chairman and the managing director.

### **THE BOARD**

During the year and up to the date of this report, the board comprises the following members:

#### **Executive Directors**

Lam Ting Ball, Paul (Chairman)

Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip (Executive Deputy Chairman and Managing Director)

*(Managing Director appointed on 9 January 2013)*

Tsui Yam Tong, Terry (Managing Director) *(retired on 9 January 2013)*

Chong Chi Kwan (Finance Director)

#### **Non-executive Directors**

Chan Wa Shek

Hung Ting Ho, Richard *(retired on 5 June 2013)*

Zhang Yulin

Ko Sheung Chi

### THE BOARD (continued)

#### Independent Non-executive Directors

Sir David Akers-Jones (Deputy Chairman)

Danny T Wong

Steven Chow

Zhang Xiaojing

#### Alternate Director

Chong Shaw Swee, Alan (*ceased to be an alternate to Hung Ting Ho, Richard on 5 June 2013*)

The biographical details of the directors and the relationships among them are set out in the “Biographies of directors and senior management” on pages 23 to 24.

The role of the chairman is separate from that of the managing director. Their respective responsibilities are clearly established and set out in writing. The chairman is responsible for the management of the board and ensuring that the board is functioning effectively with good corporate governance practices and procedures; whilst the managing director is responsible for managing the Group’s businesses including implementation of major strategies and initiatives set by the board.

The non-executive directors have diversified expertise and experiences. They provide invaluable contribution and independent judgement on issues of strategic development, performance and accountability. The Company currently has four independent non-executive directors and one of the independent non-executive directors possesses appropriate professional accounting qualifications or financial management expertise. 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 and the Company considers that all independent non-executive directors are independent.

The board has reserved for its decision or consideration matters covering the Group’s overall strategy, annual budgets, annual and interim results, major acquisitions and disposals, recommendations on directors’ appointment or re-appointment, corporate governance duties and other significant operational and financial matters. The board has delegated the day-to-day operations of the Group to management under the leadership of the managing director.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (continued)

### THE BOARD (continued)

The board meets regularly to discuss and review the Group's overall strategy as well as the operation and financial performance of the Group and other duties of the board. During the year, the board held sixteen board meetings (of which four were regular meetings) and approved resolutions in writing. The attendance record of each director at the board meetings/resolutions and general meetings is set out below:

Directors	Number of board meetings attended/held		Number of resolutions in writing in lieu of meeting consented/ passed	Number of general meetings attended/held
	Regular	Other		
<b>Executive Directors</b>				
Lam Ting Ball, Paul	4/4	12/12	4/4	1/1
Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip	4/4	12/12	4/4	1/1
Tsui Yam Tong, Terry ( <i>Note 1</i> )	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0
Chong Chi Kwan	4/4	7/12	4/4	1/1
<b>Non-executive Directors</b>				
Chan Wa Shek	4/4	0/12	4/4	0/1
Hung Ting Ho, Richard ( <i>Note 2</i> )	1/1	0/7	2/2	1/1
Zhang Yulin	2/4	0/12	4/4	0/1
Ko Sheung Chi	4/4	0/12	4/4	0/1
<b>Independent Non-executive Directors</b>				
Sir David Akers-Jones	3/4	0/12	4/4	1/1
Danny T Wong	3/4	0/12	4/4	1/1
Steven Chow	1/4	0/12	4/4	1/1
Zhang Xiaojing	1/4	0/12	4/4	0/1

Note 1: Mr. Tsui Yam Tong, Terry retired from the position of managing director and executive director with effect from 9 January 2013.

Note 2: Mr. Hung Ting Ho, Richard retired by rotation as a non-executive director at the conclusion of the annual general meeting of the Company held on 5 June 2013.

### **THE BOARD** (continued)

Board meetings are scheduled to be held at approximately quarterly intervals and as required by business needs. At least 14 days' notice of a regular board meeting is given to all directors who are given an opportunity to include matters for discussion in the agenda. Agenda and accompanying board papers are sent to all directors at least 3 days before the date of a regular board meeting. Draft and final versions of minutes of regular board meetings are circulated to all directors for their comment and records respectively. All directors are kept informed in a timely manner of major changes that may affect the Group's businesses, including relevant rules and regulations. Written procedures are also in place for the directors to obtain independent professional advice in performing their duties at the expense of the Company in appropriate circumstances.

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

The board is responsible for the appointment of directors and will take into consideration criteria such as expertise, experience, integrity and commitment of the candidates as recommended by the executive directors when considering new director appointments. A set of procedures and criteria for selecting candidates for directorship of the Company has been in place.

All directors appointed by the board are subject to re-election at the first general meeting after their appointment. Every director (including the non-executive directors) is required to be re-elected at least once every three years at annual general meeting pursuant to the Company's bye-laws.

During the year, the board adopted a board diversity policy setting out the approach to achieve diversity on the board of the Company. The Company recognises and embraces the benefits of having a diverse board to enhance the effectiveness of the board. Selection of candidates will be based on a range of diversity perspectives, including but not limited to gender, age, cultural and educational background, professional experience, skills, knowledge and length of service. All board appointments will continue to be made on merit, in the context of the skills and experience the board as a whole requires to be effective. The board is of the view that the current board has a balance of skills, experience and diversity of perspectives appropriate to the requirements of the Company's businesses.

### **DIRECTORS' TRAININGS**

Every director must always know his responsibilities as a director of the Company and of the conduct, business activities and development of the Company. Every newly appointed director would receive an induction package covering the Group's businesses, the statutory and regulatory obligations and duties of a director of a listed company. The Company continuously updates the directors on the Group's businesses and the latest developments regarding the Listing Rules and other applicable regulatory requirements, to ensure compliance and enhance their awareness of good corporate governance practices. During the year, the directors participated the following trainings:

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (continued)

### DIRECTORS' TRAININGS (continued)

Directors	Type of trainings
<b>Executive Directors</b>	
Lam Ting Ball, Paul	A,C
Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip	A,C
Chong Chi Kwan	A,B,C
<b>Non-executive Directors</b>	
Chan Wa Shek	A,C
Zhang Yulin	A,C
Ko Sheung Chi	A,B,C
<b>Independent Non-executive Directors</b>	
Sir David Akers-Jones	A,C
Danny T Wong	A,C
Steven Chow	A,B,C
Zhang Xiaojing	A,C

A: Reading materials given by the Company relating to the Company's businesses and the regular updates on the Listing Rules and other applicable regulatory requirements relevant to the director's duties and responsibilities

B: Attending briefings/seminars/conferences relevant to the director's duties and responsibilities

C: Reading newspapers, journals and updates relating to the economy, environment and social issues or the director's duties and responsibilities

### BOARD COMMITTEES

The board has established the following committees with defined terms of reference (available on the website of the Company [www.cntgroup.com.hk](http://www.cntgroup.com.hk)), which are of no less exacting terms than those set out in the code provisions of the CG Code: the audit committee and the remuneration committee.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (continued)

### BOARD COMMITTEES (continued)

#### Audit Committee

During the year, the audit committee consisted of three non-executive directors (the majority of whom are independent): Sir David Akers-Jones (Chairman), Messrs. Danny T Wong and Chan Wa Shek.

The audit committee met twice during the year to review with the external auditors the reporting of financial and other information to the shareholders (including the 2012 annual results and the 2013 interim results before recommending them to the board for approval), the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group, the effectiveness and objectivity of the audit process and the internal control system of the Group. The audit committee also keeps under review the independence and objectivity of the external auditors and the non-audit services provided by the external auditors to the Group. The attendance record of each committee member is set out below:

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Number of committee meetings attended/held</b>
Sir David Akers-Jones (Chairman)	2/2
Danny T Wong	2/2
Chan Wa Shek	2/2

#### Remuneration Committee

During the year, the remuneration committee comprised two independent non-executive directors and one executive director: Sir David Akers-Jones (Chairman), Messrs. Lam Ting Ball, Paul and Danny T Wong.

The remuneration of the executive directors are determined by the remuneration committee and the remuneration of the non-executive directors are determined by the board on the recommendation of the remuneration committee, by reference to their duties and responsibilities, performance, experiences, time commitment, market conditions and the corporate goals and objectives as set by the board. No director is involved in deciding his own remuneration. During the year, the remuneration committee held one meeting and resolved by resolutions in writing to review and approve the remuneration policy and the remuneration packages of the directors. The attendance record of each committee member is set out below:

<b>Directors</b>	<b>Number of committee meetings attended/held</b>	<b>Number of resolutions in writing in lieu of meeting consented/passed</b>
Sir David Akers-Jones (Chairman)	1/1	1/1
Lam Ting Ball, Paul	1/1	1/1
Danny T Wong	1/1	1/1

### **INTERNAL CONTROL**

The board has overall responsibility for maintaining a sound and effective internal control system of the Group. The internal control system is designed to facilitate the effectiveness and efficiency of operations, safeguard assets against unauthorised use and disposition, ensure the maintenance of proper accounting records and the truth and fairness of the financial statements, and ensure compliance with relevant legislation and regulations. The board has conducted a review of the effectiveness of the Group's internal control system during the year with a view to enhance its internal control system.

### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FUNCTIONS**

The board is responsible for performing the corporate governance duties with defined terms of reference as follows: (a) to develop and review the Company's policies and practices on corporate governance; (b) to review and monitor the training and continuous professional development of directors and senior management; (c) to review and monitor the Company's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements; (d) to develop, review and monitor the code of conduct and compliance manual (if any) applicable to the employees and directors; and (e) to review the Company's compliance with the CG Code and disclosure in the corporate governance report.

During the year and up to the date of the report, the board has performed the corporate governance functions of the Group in accordance with its terms of reference.

### **CODES FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS AND RELEVANT EMPLOYEES**

The Company has a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by directors on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules (the "Model Code"). After specific enquiry by the Company, all directors confirmed that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code and the Company's own code during the year ended 31 December 2013.

The Company also adopted the Model Code to regulate dealings in the securities of the Company by certain employees of the Group who are considered to be likely in possession of inside information in relation to the Company or its securities.



## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (continued)

### EXTERNAL AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

In 2013, the remuneration of the Company's external auditors, Ernst & Young, is set out below:

<b>Services rendered to the Group</b>	<b>Remuneration</b>
	HK\$
Audit services	2,910,000
Non-audit services	<u>242,000</u>
	<u><u>3,152,000</u></u>

The non-audit services rendered by the external auditors included: performance of agreed-upon procedures on the Group's 2013 interim financial statements and the audit examination of the statement on details of contributions of the Group's occupational retirement schemes.

### RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENTS

The directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements which give a true and fair view. In preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013, the directors have selected appropriate accounting policies and applied them consistently, made judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable, and have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

The statement of the external auditors of the Company about their reporting responsibilities on the financial statements is set out in the "Independent auditors' report" on pages 32 to 33.

### COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

The Company endeavors to maintain a high level of transparency in communicating with the shareholders. Information in relation to the Group is disseminated to the shareholders in a timely manner through a number of communication channels including interim and annual reports, announcements and circulars.

### **COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS (continued)**

The 2013 annual general meeting of the Company provided an opportunity for communication between the shareholders and the board, at which the chairmen of the board, the audit committee and the remuneration committee had attended to answer questions from the shareholders. Details of the procedures for conducting a poll were explained at the commencement of the meeting. In accordance with the Listing Rules, the votes of shareholders at the meeting were taken by poll and the poll results were announced at the meeting and published on the Company's website after the meeting. A separate resolution was proposed at the meeting on each substantial issue, including the re-election of directors.

### **SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS**

#### **Convening a special general meeting**

Pursuant to bye-law 58 of the Company's bye-laws, a special general meeting may be convened by the board upon requisition by any shareholder(s) holding not less than one-tenth (10%) of the paid up capital of the Company carrying the right of voting at general meetings of the Company, by written requisition to the board or the company secretary of the Company, to require a special general meeting to be called by the board for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition. The board shall arrange to hold such general meeting within two months after the deposit of such written requisition. If within twenty-one days of the deposit of such written requisition, the board fails to proceed to convene such special general meeting, the shareholder(s) may do so in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (the "Companies Act").

#### **Putting forward proposals at general meetings**

Shareholders may submit a requisition to move a resolution at a general meeting pursuant to the Companies Act. The number of shareholders necessary for a requisition shall be: (a) any number of shareholders representing not less than one-twentieth (5%) of the total voting rights of all shareholders having at the date of the requisition a right to vote at the meeting; or (b) not less than one hundred (100) shareholders holding the Company's shares.

The requisition specifying the proposal, duly signed by the shareholders concerned, together with a statement of not more than one thousand (1,000) words with respect to the matter referred to in the proposal must be deposited at the registered office of the Company. The Company would take appropriate actions and make necessary arrangements, and the shareholders concerned would be responsible for the expenses incurred in giving effect thereto in accordance with the Companies Act.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (continued)

### SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS (continued)

#### Making enquiries to the board

Shareholders may send their enquiries to the board in writing for the attention of the company secretary of the Company to the Company's office in Hong Kong at 31st Floor, CNT Tower, 338 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong or by fax at (852) 2792 7341.

### CONSTITUTIONAL DOCUMENTS

There was no change in the Company's constitutional documents during the year.

On behalf of the board of

**CNT GROUP LIMITED**

**Lam Ting Ball, Paul**

*Chairman*

19 March 2014

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Company and the Group for the year ended 31 December 2013.

### **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The Group is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of paint products, property investment (including the investment in properties for rental income potential or for sale, and the proposed columbarium/residential property development in Hong Kong) and iron and steel trading. The subsidiaries of the Company are also engaged in the provision of advertising services, and other trading and investment holding activities. Details of the activities of the principal subsidiaries and associates are set out in notes 18 and 19, respectively, to the financial statements.

### **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The Group's profit for the year ended 31 December 2013 and the state of affairs of the Company and the Group at that date are set out in the financial statements on pages 34 to 165.

The directors have resolved to recommend the payment of a final dividend of HK1.2 cents per share to the shareholders by way of distribution out of the contributed surplus. The final dividend, if approved by the shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting, will be paid on Thursday, 26 June 2014 to the shareholders whose names appear on the Company's register of members on Thursday, 12 June 2014.

### **MAJOR SUPPLIERS AND CUSTOMERS**

In the year under review, purchases from the Group's five largest suppliers accounted for approximately 44% of the total purchases for the year and purchases from the largest supplier included therein amounted to 14%. Sales to the Group's five largest customers accounted for less than 30% of the total sales for the year.

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

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

### SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following table summarises the published results, assets, liabilities and non-controlling interests of the Group for the last five financial years, as extracted from the audited financial statements and reclassified as appropriate. This summary does not form part of the audited financial statements.

	Year ended 31 December				
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)	2011 HK\$'000 (Restated)	2010 HK\$'000 (Restated)	2009 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>RESULTS</b>					
Revenue	<u>1,452,616</u>	<u>1,315,597</u>	<u>1,309,221</u>	<u>1,246,634</u>	<u>1,026,560</u>
Operating profit	180,576	92,268	83,499	41,159	53,396
Share of profits and losses of associates	<u>7,188</u>	<u>1,508</u>	<u>2,506</u>	<u>3,572</u>	<u>864</u>
Profit before tax	187,764	93,776	86,005	44,731	54,260
Income tax expenses	<u>(24,442)</u>	<u>(33,935)</u>	<u>(23,475)</u>	<u>(10,483)</u>	<u>(21,826)</u>
Profit for the year	<u>163,322</u>	<u>59,841</u>	<u>62,530</u>	<u>34,248</u>	<u>32,434</u>
PROFIT/(LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO:					
Owners of the parent	163,302	59,885	62,852	34,624	32,572
Non-controlling interests	<u>20</u>	<u>(44)</u>	<u>(322)</u>	<u>(376)</u>	<u>(138)</u>
	<u>163,322</u>	<u>59,841</u>	<u>62,530</u>	<u>34,248</u>	<u>32,434</u>
<b>ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS</b>					
Total assets	1,769,942	1,494,107	1,370,304	1,302,757	1,100,911
Total liabilities	(610,283)	(535,167)	(472,249)	(478,260)	(440,636)
Non-controlling interests	<u>(3,867)</u>	<u>(3,704)</u>	<u>(3,710)</u>	<u>(3,832)</u>	<u>(4,056)</u>
	<u>1,155,792</u>	<u>955,236</u>	<u>894,345</u>	<u>820,665</u>	<u>656,219</u>

**PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Company and the Group during the year are set out in note 14 to the financial statements.

**INVESTMENT PROPERTIES**

Details of movements in the investment properties of the Group during the year are set out in note 15 to the financial statements. Further details of the Group's investment properties are set out on pages 166 to 167.

**PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT**

Details of movements in the properties under development of the Group during the year are set out in note 16 to the financial statements. Further details of the Group's properties under development are set out on page 168.

**SHARE CAPITAL**

Details of movements in the Company's share capital during the year, together with the reasons therefor, are set out in note 36 to the financial statements.

**PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS**

There is no provision for pre-emptive rights under the Company's bye-laws or the laws of Bermuda, being the jurisdiction in which the Company was incorporated, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro rata basis to existing shareholders.

**PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S SHARES**

Neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares during the year.

**RESERVES**

Details of movements in the reserves of the Company and the Group during the year are set out in note 38(b) to the financial statements and in the consolidated statement of changes in equity, respectively.

**DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES**

At 31 December 2013, the Company had no reserves available for distribution. Under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda, the contributed surplus of the Company is distributable to shareholders in certain circumstances, prescribed by Section 54 thereof. In addition, the Company's share premium account may be distributed in the form of fully paid bonus shares.

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

### CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

During the year, the Group made charitable contributions totalling HK\$52,000.

### DIRECTORS

The directors of the Company during the year and up to the date of this report are as follows:

#### Executive Directors

Lam Ting Ball, Paul

Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip

Tsui Yam Tong, Terry (*retired on 9 January 2013*)

Chong Chi Kwan

#### Non-executive Directors

Chan Wa Shek

Hung Ting Ho, Richard (*retired on 5 June 2013*)

Zhang Yulin

Ko Sheung Chi

#### Independent Non-executive Directors

Sir David Akers-Jones

Danny T Wong

Steven Chow

Zhang Xiaojing

#### Alternate Director

Chong Shaw Swee, Alan (*ceased to be an alternate to Hung Ting Ho, Richard on 5 June 2013*)

In accordance with the Company's bye-laws, Mr. Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip, having held office for three years since his last re-election, will offer himself for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting. Mr. Chong Chi Kwan, Mr. Ko Sheung Chi and Sir David Akers-Jones will retire from office at the forthcoming annual general meeting and, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election.

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

### BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

#### Directors

Name	Age	Position held	Number of years of service	Business experience
<b>Executive Directors</b>				
Lam Ting Ball, Paul	72	Chairman	41	More than 41 years' experience in the paint industry
Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip	50	Executive Deputy Chairman and Managing Director	29	Qualified solicitor
Chong Chi Kwan	46	Finance Director	8	More than 22 years' experience in auditing, finance and accounting
<b>Non-executive Directors</b>				
Chan Wa Shek CBE, ISO	83	Non-executive Director	7	Former Commissioner of Correctional Services of Hong Kong
Zhang Yulin	50	Non-executive Director	7	More than 17 years' experience in finance and management
Ko Sheung Chi	57	Non-executive Director	7	More than 33 years' experience in general management



## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

### BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT (continued)

#### Directors (continued)

Name	Age	Position held	Number of years of service	Business experience
<b>Independent Non-executive Directors</b>				
Sir David Akers-Jones GBM, KBE, CMG, JP	87	Deputy Chairman and Independent Non-executive Director	23	Former Chief Secretary specialising in land planning and housing development
Danny T Wong	68	Independent Non-executive Director	10	More than 39 years' experience in finance, accounting and management
Steven Chow	69	Independent Non-executive Director	7	More than 37 years' experience in finance and management
Zhang Xiaojing	59	Independent Non-executive Director	1	More than 31 years' experience in engineering and management

#### Senior management

The businesses of the Group are under the direct responsibility of three executive directors, namely, Messrs. Lam Ting Ball, Paul, Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip and Chong Chi Kwan.

#### Notes:

- (1) Mr. Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip is the sole director and shareholder of Prime Surplus Limited ("Prime Surplus"), a substantial shareholder of the Company.
- (2) Mr. Zhang Yulin is a director and an employee of Broadsino Investment Company Limited ("Broadsino"), which is interested in 5.18% of the issued share capital of the Company.
- (3) Mr. Ko Sheung Chi is the managing director of Chuang's Consortium International Limited ("Chuang's Consortium") and a director of Profit Stability Investments Limited ("Profit Stability"), all being the shareholders of the Company discloseable under Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO").

### **CHANGE IN DIRECTORS' INFORMATION**

Pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"), the changes in the directors' remuneration are set out in note 8 to the financial statements.

### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS**

None of the directors had a material interest, either direct or indirect, in any contract of significance to the businesses of the Group to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party during the year.

### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN COMPETING BUSINESSES**

Mr. Ko Sheung Chi holds directorships in Chuang's Consortium (a company listed on the Stock Exchange) and certain private companies (the "Private Companies") which engage in the businesses of property development and investment in Hong Kong and the PRC. As the above-mentioned businesses are managed by separate publicly listed company with independent management and the properties owned by the Private Companies are of different types and/or in different locations from those of the Group, the Group operates its businesses independently of the businesses of the above-mentioned companies. Save as disclosed above, none of the directors of the Company have any interests in any businesses which compete or are likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the businesses of the Group that are required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 8.10 of the Listing Rules.

### **DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS**

No director has a service contract with the Company which is not determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation other than statutory compensation.

The remuneration of the executive directors are determined by the remuneration committee and the remuneration of the non-executive directors are determined by the board on the recommendation of the remuneration committee, by reference to their duties and responsibilities, performance, experiences, time commitment, market conditions and the corporate goals and objectives as set by the board.

### **DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES**

Save as disclosed in the section "Share options" below, at no time during the year were rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any director or their respective spouses or minor children, or were any such rights exercised by them; or was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the Company's directors to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

### DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

As at 31 December 2013, the interests of the directors of the Company in the shares and underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO were as follows:

Name	Capacity	Number of shares				Total	Percentage of issued share capital
		Personal interests	Family interests	Corporate interests	Other interests		
Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip	Interest of controlled corporation	—	—	498,053,620 (Note)	—	498,053,620	26.37%

Note: The 498,053,620 shares were beneficially owned by Prime Surplus. Mr. Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip is the sole director and shareholder of Prime Surplus.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2013, none of the directors or chief executives of the Company had any interest or short position in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Part XV of the SFO or pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 352 of the SFO. Nor any of the directors and the chief executives had any interest in, or had been granted any right to subscribe for the securities of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) or had exercised any such right during the year under review.

## SHARE OPTIONS

The Company's existing share option scheme (the "Scheme") was adopted on 28 June 2012. The key terms of the Scheme are summarised below:

- (i) The purpose of the Scheme is to provide the Company with a flexible and effective means to recognise and acknowledge the contributions which the participants of the Scheme have made or will make to the Group and to provide the participants with an opportunity to have a personal stake in the Company and a direct economic interest with a view to providing rewards, motivations or incentives to the participants for recognition of their contributions to the Group and to utilise their performance and efficiency and to make contributions for the benefit of the Group, retaining the existing employees and recruiting additional human resources that are valuable to the Group for attaining the long-term development and growth of the Group, and building of common objectives of the Group and the participants for the betterment of business and profitability of the Group.
- (ii) The participants of the Scheme include any employee, proposed employee, director, supplier, customer and securities holder of the Company, its subsidiaries or any entity in which the Group holds an equity interest; any person or entity that provides research, development or other technological support to such companies; any adviser or consultant to any area of business or business development of such companies; and any other group or classes of participants who have contributed or may contribute by way of joint venture, business alliance or other business arrangement to the development and growth of the Group.
- (iii) The total number of shares available for issue under the Scheme is 188,840,569 which represents 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this report.
- (iv) The total number of shares issued and which may fall to be issued upon exercise of the options granted under the Scheme and any other schemes of the Company (including the exercised, cancelled and outstanding options) to each participant in any 12-month period must not exceed 1% of the total number of shares in issue for the time being unless it is separately approved by the shareholders in general meeting.
- (v) An option may be exercised in accordance with the terms of the Scheme at any time during the period for the exercise of an option to be notified by the board to the grantee and such period shall be determined by the board in its discretion, but in any event such period shall not be more than 10 years from the date of grant.

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

### SHARE OPTIONS (continued)

- (vi) The subscription price of a share in respect of any option granted shall be determined by the board at its absolute discretion provided that it shall not be less than the highest of: (a) the closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of grant; (b) the average of the closing prices of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the 5 business days immediately preceding the date of grant; and (c) the nominal value of the Company's shares.
- (vii) The Scheme remains in force until 27 June 2022.

No share option has so far been granted under the Scheme since its adoption.

Details of the movement in the share options of the Company pursuant to the Company's expired share option scheme (adopted on 28 June 2002 and expired on 27 June 2012) during the year are as follows:

Category of eligible participants	Date of grant	Exercise period	Exercise price per share	Balance at 1.1.2013	Number of shares under options			Balance at 31.12.2013
					Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Cancelled/lapsed during the year	
Continuous contract employees	27.5.2010	27.5.2010 to 26.5.2015	0.44	152,800,000	—	—	—	152,800,000

Note:

The vesting periods of the options granted are as follows:

- 10% : 27 May 2010 to 26 May 2011  
 10% : 27 May 2010 to 26 May 2012  
 10% : 27 May 2010 to 26 May 2013  
 20% : 27 May 2010 to 26 May 2014

50% of the options granted is exercisable on the date of grant.

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

### INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS OF SHAREHOLDERS DISCLOSEABLE UNDER THE SFO

As at 31 December 2013, the register maintained by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO showed that the following persons (other than the directors of the Company) had interests and short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company:

Name	Note	Capacity	Number of shares	Number of underlying shares (unlisted and physically settled equity derivative)	Percentage of issued share capital
<b>10% or more of issued share capital</b>					
Prime Surplus	1	Beneficial owner	498,053,620	—	26.37%
Ho Mei Po, Mabel	2	Interest of spouse	498,053,620	—	26.37%
Chinaculture.com Limited	3	Beneficial owner	307,013,655	—	16.25%
Chuang's China Investments Limited	3	Interest of controlled corporation	307,013,655	—	16.25%
Profit Stability	3	Interest of controlled corporations	307,013,655	—	16.25%
Chuang's Consortium	3	Interest of controlled corporations	307,013,655	—	16.25%
Evergain Holdings Limited	3	Interest of controlled corporations	307,013,655	—	16.25%
Chong Shaw Swee, Alan	3	Interest of controlled corporations	307,013,655	—	16.25%
Chong Ho Pik Yu	3	Interest of spouse	307,013,655	—	16.25%

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

### INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS OF SHAREHOLDERS DISCLOSEABLE UNDER THE SFO (continued)

Name	Note	Capacity	Number of shares	Number of underlying shares (unlisted and physically settled equity derivative)	Percentage of issued share capital
<b>Below 10% of issued share capital</b>					
Broadsino	4	Beneficial owner	98,000,000	—	5.18%
Rapid Growth Ltd.	5	Trustee	—	98,000,000	5.18%
Polygold Holdings Limited	5	Interest of controlled corporation	—	98,000,000	5.18%
Xie Jian Ming	5	Interest of controlled corporations	—	98,000,000	5.18%

Notes:

- (1) The 498,053,620 shares were beneficially owned by Prime Surplus. This interest is duplicated in the interests of Mr. Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip as disclosed under the heading “Directors’ interests and short positions in shares, underlying shares and debentures” above.
- (2) Ms. Ho Mei Po, Mabel is the wife of Mr. Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip and was taken to be interested in 498,053,620 shares in which her spouse was interested under the SFO.
- (3) The references to the 307,013,655 shares relate to the same block of 307,013,655 shares beneficially interested by Chinaculture.com Limited (“Chinaculture”).

Chinaculture was a wholly-owned subsidiary of Chuang’s China Investments Limited (“Chuang’s China”), which in turn was a 56.90% owned subsidiary of Profit Stability. Chuang’s Consortium held 100% equity interest in Profit Stability. Evergain Holdings Limited (“Evergain”) was interested in 41.65% of the issued share capital of Chuang’s Consortium. Mr. Chong Shaw Swee, Alan (“Mr. Alan Chong”) was interested in 100% of the issued share capital of Evergain. Ms. Chong Ho Pik Yu (“Mrs. Chong”) is the wife of Mr. Alan Chong.

Chuang’s China, Profit Stability, Chuang’s Consortium, Evergain, Mr. Alan Chong and Mrs. Chong were all deemed under the SFO to be interested in these 307,013,655 shares which were owned by Chinaculture.

- (4) These shares were beneficially owned by Broadsino. Pursuant to an option granted by Rapid Growth Ltd. (“RGL”), Broadsino has a right to sell all or part of these shares to RGL exercisable at any time during the term of the option.
- (5) The references to the interests in 98,000,000 underlying shares relate to the same block of 98,000,000 underlying shares interested by RGL by virtue of an option granted by RGL to Broadsino as disclosed in note (4) above.

RGL was a wholly-owned subsidiary of Polygold Holdings Limited (“Polygold”), which in turn was wholly owned by Mr. Xie Jian Ming (“Mr. Xie”).

Polygold and Mr. Xie were all deemed under the SFO to be interested in these 98,000,000 underlying shares which were taken to be interested by RGL.

**INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS OF SHAREHOLDERS DISCLOSEABLE UNDER THE SFO**  
(continued)

Save as disclosed above, the Company has not been notified by any person (other than the directors of the Company) who had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company as at 31 December 2013 which were required to be disclosed to the Company under Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO.

**SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT**

Based on publicly available information and within the directors' knowledge, the Company has maintained a sufficient public float as at the date of this report.

**AUDITORS**

Ernst & Young retire and a resolution for their reappointment as auditors of the Company will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

On behalf of the board of  
**CNT GROUP LIMITED**

**Lam Ting Ball, Paul**

*Chairman*

19 March 2014



## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



### To the shareholders of CNT Group Limited

*(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of CNT Group Limited (the “Company”) and its subsidiaries (together, the “Group”) set out on pages 34 to 165, which comprise the consolidated and company statements of financial position as at 31 December 2013, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants 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.

### **AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITY**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. Our report is made solely to you, as a body, in accordance with Section 90 of the Bermuda Companies Act 1981, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (continued)

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **OPINION**

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2013, and of the Group's profit and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards and have been properly prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

### **Ernst & Young**

*Certified Public Accountants*

22/F, CITIC Tower

1 Tim Mei Avenue

Central

Hong Kong

19 March 2014

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

Year ended 31 December 2013

	Notes	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)
REVENUE	5	1,452,616	1,315,597
Cost of sales		<u>(1,068,057)</u>	<u>(1,011,329)</u>
Gross profit		384,559	304,268
Other income and gains	5	23,298	29,075
Selling and distribution expenses		(133,238)	(119,859)
Administrative expenses		(117,201)	(110,770)
Other expenses, net		(13,890)	(3,003)
Equity-settled share option expense	37	(2,758)	(4,278)
Fair value gains on investment properties, net	15	48,616	24,767
Impairment of an available-for-sale investment	20	(5,000)	(24,700)
Finance costs	7	(3,810)	(3,232)
Share of profits and losses of associates		<u>7,188</u>	<u>1,508</u>
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	6	187,764	93,776
Income tax expenses	10	<u>(24,442)</u>	<u>(33,935)</u>
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		<u><u>163,322</u></u>	<u><u>59,841</u></u>
PROFIT/(LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO:			
Owners of the parent	11	163,302	59,885
Non-controlling interests		<u>20</u>	<u>(44)</u>
		<u><u>163,322</u></u>	<u><u>59,841</u></u>
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO			
ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT	13		(Restated)
Basic and diluted		<u><u>HK8.65 cents</u></u>	<u><u>HK3.17 cents</u></u>

Details of the proposed dividend for the year are disclosed in note 12 to these financial statements.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year ended 31 December 2013

	Notes	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		<u>163,322</u>	<u>59,841</u>
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
Other comprehensive income to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:			
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		<u>19,818</u>	<u>5,097</u>
Other comprehensive income not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:			
Remeasurement of net pension scheme assets	22	2,054	696
Share of other comprehensive income of an associate		59	415
Gain on property revaluation	14	<u>31,592</u>	<u>—</u>
Total other comprehensive income not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods		<u>33,705</u>	<u>1,111</u>
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR		<u>53,523</u>	<u>6,208</u>
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR		<u>216,845</u>	<u>66,049</u>
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO:			
Owners of the parent		216,682	66,055
Non-controlling interests		<u>163</u>	<u>(6)</u>
		<u>216,845</u>	<u>66,049</u>

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 December 2013

	Notes	<b>31 December 2013 HK\$'000</b>	31 December 2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)	1 January 2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Property, plant and equipment	14	<b>321,764</b>	331,824	311,821
Investment properties	15	<b>293,794</b>	166,451	141,825
Properties under development	16	<b>28,000</b>	28,000	28,000
Prepaid land lease payments	17	<b>22,800</b>	22,672	23,034
Interests in associates	19	<b>16,277</b>	11,511	10,734
Available-for-sale investments	20	<b>96,083</b>	101,083	125,783
Deposits for purchases of properties, and plant and equipment	21	<b>28,406</b>	21,635	9,384
Net pension scheme assets	22	<b>3,297</b>	1,459	995
Deferred tax assets	34	<b>3,572</b>	4,485	1,845
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>813,993</b>	689,120	653,421
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Inventories	23	<b>88,543</b>	95,828	81,160
Trade and bills receivables	24	<b>328,869</b>	252,448	292,287
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	25	<b>42,954</b>	31,771	23,660
Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss	26	<b>312</b>	21,183	300
Structured deposits	27	<b>167,377</b>	75,029	—
Restricted cash	28	<b>51,232</b>	—	—
Cash and cash equivalents	28	<b>276,662</b>	328,728	319,476
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>955,949</b>	804,987	716,883

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (continued)

31 December 2013

	Notes	<b>31 December 2013 HK\$'000</b>	31 December 2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)	1 January 2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Trade and bills payables	29	176,471	170,258	167,822
Other payables and accruals	30	168,756	151,562	127,708
Derivative financial instrument	31	15	146	—
Due to associates	19	2,550	4,260	2,200
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	32	181,316	121,113	100,186
Tax payable		14,902	23,725	9,466
Total current liabilities		<u>544,010</u>	<u>471,064</u>	<u>407,382</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>411,939</u>	<u>333,923</u>	<u>309,501</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>1,225,932</u>	<u>1,023,043</u>	<u>962,922</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	32	27,909	33,402	38,990
Deferred tax liabilities	34	34,688	26,816	21,709
Deferred income	35	3,676	3,885	4,168
Total non-current liabilities		<u>66,273</u>	<u>64,103</u>	<u>64,867</u>
Net assets		<u><u>1,159,659</u></u>	<u><u>958,940</u></u>	<u><u>898,055</u></u>

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (continued)

31 December 2013

	Notes	<b>31 December 2013 HK\$'000</b>	31 December 2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)	1 January 2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>EQUITY</b>				
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the parent</b>				
Issued capital	36	188,841	188,841	188,841
Reserves	38(a)	966,951	766,395	705,504
		<u>1,155,792</u>	<u>955,236</u>	<u>894,345</u>
<b>Non-controlling interests</b>		<b>3,867</b>	<b>3,704</b>	<b>3,710</b>
Total equity		<u><u>1,159,659</u></u>	<u><u>958,940</u></u>	<u><u>898,055</u></u>

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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year ended 31 December 2013

		Attributable to owners of the parent										Total equity HK\$'000		
		Issued share capital HK\$'000 (note 36)	Share premium account HK\$'000	Share option reserve HK\$'000 (note 38(b))	Share contributed surplus HK\$'000 (note 38(a))	Leasehold land and building revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Investment property revaluation reserve* HK\$'000	General reserve HK\$'000 (note 38(a))	Exchange fluctuation reserve HK\$'000	Reserve funds** HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000		Total HK\$'000	Non-controlling interests HK\$'000
	At 1 January 2012	188,841	81,145	18,349	358,793	46,499	13,557	10,144	42,721	30,102	84,681	874,832	3,710	878,542
	As previously reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19,513	19,513	—	19,513
	Prior year adjustments	188,841	81,145	18,349	358,793	46,499	13,557	10,144	42,721	30,102	104,194	894,345	3,710	898,055
	As restated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	59,885	59,885	(44)	59,841
	Profit/(loss) for the year (as restated)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	696	696	—	696
	Other comprehensive income for the year (as restated):	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Remeasurement of net pension scheme assets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Share of other comprehensive income of an associate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	415	—	415	—	415
	Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,059	—	—	5,059	38	5,097
	Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year (as restated)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,059	415	60,581	66,055	(6)	66,049
	Final 2011 dividend declared and paid	—	—	—	(9,442)	—	—	—	—	—	—	(9,442)	—	(9,442)
	Equity-settled share option arrangement	—	—	4,278	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,278
	At 31 December 2012 (as restated)	188,841	81,145#	22,627#	349,351#	46,499#	13,557#	10,144#	47,780#	30,517#	164,775#	955,236	3,704	958,940



# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2013

	Attributable to owners of the parent										Total equity HK\$'000		
	Issued share capital HK\$'000 (note 36)	Share premium account HK\$'000	Share option reserve HK\$'000 (note 38(b))	Share contributed surplus HK\$'000 (note 38(a))	Leasehold land and building revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Investment property revaluation reserve <sup>e</sup> HK\$'000	General reserve HK\$'000 (note 38(a))	Exchange fluctuation reserve HK\$'000	Reserve funds** HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000		Total HK\$'000	Non-controlling interests HK\$'000
At 1 January 2013	188,841	81,145	22,627	349,351	46,499	13,557	10,144	47,811	30,517	144,075	934,567	3,704	938,271
As previously reported	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(31)	—	20,700	20,669	—	20,669
Prior year adjustments	188,841	81,145	22,627	349,351	46,499	13,557	10,144	47,780	30,517	164,775	955,236	3,704	958,940
As restated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	163,302	163,302	20	163,322
Profit for the year	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,054	2,054	—	2,054
Other comprehensive income for the year:													
Remeasurement of net pension scheme assets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Share of other comprehensive income of an associate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(29)	88	—	59	—	59
Gain on property revaluation	—	—	—	—	31,592	—	—	—	—	—	31,592	—	31,592
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19,675	—	—	19,675	143	19,818
Total comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	—	31,592	—	—	19,646	88	165,356	216,682	163	216,845
Final 2012 dividend declared and paid	—	—	—	(18,884)	—	—	—	—	—	—	(18,884)	—	(18,884)
Equity-settled share option arrangement	—	—	2,758	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,758	—	2,758
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>	<b>188,841</b>	<b>81,145</b>	<b>25,385</b>	<b>330,467</b>	<b>78,091</b>	<b>13,557</b>	<b>10,144</b>	<b>67,426</b>	<b>30,605</b>	<b>330,131</b>	<b>1,155,792</b>	<b>3,867</b>	<b>1,159,659</b>

\* The investment property revaluation reserve represents the attributable revaluation surplus in respect of the leasehold land and buildings which were reclassified as investment properties. This revaluation reserve arose when the properties were classified as land and buildings, and therefore is not available to offset subsequent revaluation deficits arising on the investment properties. The revaluation reserve is transferred to retained profits only upon the disposal or retirement of the relevant assets and such transfer is not made in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

\*\* Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations for foreign investment enterprises, a portion of the profit of certain subsidiaries and an associate of the Group in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") is required to be transferred to the PRC reserve funds which are restricted as to use. These PRC entities are not required to effect any further transfer when the amounts of the PRC reserve funds reach 50% of their registered capital. The PRC reserve funds can be used to make good the future losses of these PRC entities or to increase their registered capital.

# These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of HK\$966,951,000 (2012: HK\$766,395,000 (as restated)) in the consolidated statement of financial position.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended 31 December 2013

	Notes	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Profit before tax		187,764	93,776
Adjustments for:			
Finance costs	7	3,810	3,232
Share of profits and losses of associates		(7,188)	(1,508)
Bank interest income	5	(3,301)	(2,755)
Depreciation	6	20,116	20,927
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	6	562	548
Recognition of deferred income	5	(323)	(315)
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary	5	(494)	(60)
Loss/(gain) on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment, net	6	16	(141)
Loss/(gain) on disposal of an equity investment at fair value through profit or loss - held for trading	6	8	(82)
Write-off of items of property, plant and equipment	6	341	1,361
Fair value gains on investment properties, net	15	(48,616)	(24,767)
Fair value losses/(gains), net:			
Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss			
- held for trading	6	13,520	(11,122)
Structured deposits	5	(4,863)	(479)
Derivative instrument			
- transaction not qualifying as hedge	6	(131)	146
Impairment of an available-for-sale investment	20	5,000	24,700
Impairment of an other receivable	6	—	1,366
Write-back of an amount due to an associate	5	(1,710)	—
Write-back of inventories to net realisable value	6	(2,288)	(4,615)
Provision for/(reversal of) impairment of trade receivables	6	2,507	(1,534)
Net pension benefit expenses	22	216	232
Equity-settled share option expense	37	2,758	4,278
		<b>167,704</b>	<b>103,188</b>
Decrease/(increase) in inventories		12,256	(9,431)
Decrease/(increase) in trade and bills receivables		(73,212)	43,334
Increase in prepayments, deposits and other receivables		(4,880)	(12,366)
Increase in trade and bills payables		1,646	1,055
Increase in other payables and accruals		13,415	23,010
Exchange realignment		348	991
Cash generated from operations		<b>117,277</b>	<b>149,781</b>

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2013

	Notes	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Cash generated from operations		117,277	149,781
Interest paid		(3,792)	(3,166)
Interest element of finance lease rental payments		(16)	(5)
Overseas taxes paid		(23,084)	(17,193)
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(1,905)	(62)
Net cash flows from operating activities		<u>88,480</u>	<u>129,355</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Purchases of items of property, plant and equipment		(13,428)	(39,651)
Purchases of an equity investment at fair value through profit or loss		—	(6,653)
Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment		118	627
Proceeds from sale of an equity investment at fair value through profit or loss		34	143
Additions to investment properties	15	(21,411)	(294)
Investment in structured deposits		(585,449)	(74,550)
Proceeds from structured deposits		499,921	—
Interest received		3,301	2,755
Dividend received from an associate		2,480	1,150
Proceeds from disposal of a subsidiary	39	2,372	60
Deposits paid for purchases of property, and plant and equipment	21	(20,763)	(13,613)
Decrease/(increase) in time deposits with original maturity of more than three months when acquired		(47,143)	7,950
Net cash flows used in investing activities		<u>(179,968)</u>	<u>(122,076)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
New bank loans		385,605	315,637
Repayment of bank loans		(331,478)	(300,166)
Dividend paid		(18,884)	(9,442)
Advance from associates		—	2,060
Capital element of finance lease rental payments		(254)	(234)
Net cash flows from financing activities		<u>34,989</u>	<u>7,855</u>

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2013

	Notes	<b>2013</b>	2012
		<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
			(Restated)
<b>NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		<b>324,639</b>	307,437
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net		<b>8,522</b>	2,068
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR</b>		<b>276,662</b>	324,639
<b>ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash and bank balances	28	<b>258,885</b>	246,558
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of less than three months when acquired	28	<b>17,777</b>	78,081
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the consolidated statement of cash flows		<b>276,662</b>	324,639
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of more than three months when acquired	28	—	4,089
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the consolidated statement of financial position		<b>276,662</b>	328,728

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 December 2013

	Notes	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	14	166	258
Interests in subsidiaries	18	575,282	528,421
Total non-current assets		575,448	528,679
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	25	230	310
Cash and cash equivalents	28	17,252	15,019
Total current assets		17,482	15,329
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Other payables and accruals	30	4,029	4,767
Interest-bearing other borrowings	32	16	16
Total current liabilities		4,045	4,783
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>13,437</b>	<b>10,546</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>588,885</b>	<b>539,225</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Interest-bearing other borrowings	32	8	24
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>588,877</b>	<b>539,201</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Issued capital	36	188,841	188,841
Reserves	38(b)	400,036	350,360
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>588,877</b>	<b>539,201</b>

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## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

CNT Group Limited is a limited liability company incorporated in Bermuda. The principal place of business of the Company is located at 31st Floor, CNT Tower, 338 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

During the year, the Group was involved in the following principal activities:

- manufacture and sale of paint products and related services
- trading of iron and steel products and related investments
- property investment (including the investment in properties for rental income potential or for sale, and the proposed columbarium/residential property development in Hong Kong)

The subsidiaries of the Company were also involved in the provision of advertising services, and other trading and investment holding activities.

## 2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (“HKFRSs”) (which include all Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards (“HKASs”) and Interpretations) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“HKICPA”), accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investment properties, certain buildings classified as property, plant and equipment, structured deposits, a derivative financial instrument, equity investments at fair value through profit or loss and net pension scheme assets, which have been measured at fair value. These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars (“HK\$”) and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (“HK\$’000”) except when otherwise indicated.

### **Basis of consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the “Group”) for the year ended 31 December 2013. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as the Company, using consistent accounting policies. The results of subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the parent of the Group and to the non-controlling interests, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance. All intra-group assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

31 December 2013

### 2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)

#### Basis of consolidation (continued)

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 described in the accounting policy for subsidiaries below. A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises (i) the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary, (ii) the carrying amount of any non-controlling interest and (iii) the cumulative translation differences recorded in equity; and recognises (i) the fair value of the consideration received, (ii) the fair value of any investment retained and (iii) any resulting surplus or deficit in profit or loss. The Group's share of components previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to profit or loss or retained profits, as appropriate, on the same basis as would be required if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities.

### 2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

The Group has adopted the following new and revised HKFRSs for the first time for the current year's financial statements.

HKFRS 1 Amendments	Amendments to HKFRS 1 <i>First-time Adoption of Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards – Government Loans</i>
HKFRS 7 Amendments	Amendments to HKFRS 7 <i>Financial Instruments: Disclosures – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities</i>
HKFRS 10	<i>Consolidated Financial Statements</i>
HKFRS 11	<i>Joint Arrangements</i>
HKFRS 12	<i>Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities</i>
HKFRS 10, HKFRS 11 and HKFRS 12 Amendments	Amendments to HKFRS 10, HKFRS 11 and HKFRS 12 – <i>Transition Guidance</i>
HKFRS 13	<i>Fair Value Measurement</i>
HKAS 1 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 1 <i>Presentation of Financial Statements – Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income</i>
HKAS 19 (2011)	<i>Employee Benefits</i>
HKAS 27 (2011)	<i>Separate Financial Statements</i>
HKAS 28 (2011)	<i>Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures</i>
HK(IFRIC)-Int 20 <i>Annual Improvements 2009-2011 Cycle</i>	<i>Stripping Costs in the Production Phase of a Surface Mine</i> Amendments to a number of HKFRSs issued in June 2012

Other than as further explained below regarding the impact of HKFRS 13, HKAS 1 Amendments and HKAS 19 (2011), and certain amendments included in *Annual Improvements 2009-2011 Cycle*, the adoption of the new and revised HKFRSs has had no significant financial effect on these financial statements.

**2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES** (continued)

The principal effects of adopting these new and revised HKFRSs are as follows:

- (a) HKFRS 13 provides a precise definition of fair value and a single source of fair value measurement and disclosure requirements for use across HKFRSs. The standard does not change the circumstances in which the Group is required to use fair value, but rather provides guidance on how fair value should be applied where its use is already required or permitted under other HKFRSs. HKFRS 13 is applied prospectively and the adoption has had no material impact on the Group's fair value measurements. As a result of the guidance in HKFRS 13, the policies for measuring fair value have been amended. Additional disclosures required by HKFRS 13 for the fair value measurements of investment properties and financial instruments are included in notes 15 and 47 to the financial statements.
- (b) The HKAS 1 Amendments change the grouping of items presented in other comprehensive income ("OCI"). Items that could be reclassified (or recycled) to profit or loss at a future point in time (for example, exchange differences on translation of foreign operations, net movement on cash flow hedges and net loss or gain on available-for-sale financial assets) are presented separately from items which will never be reclassified (for example, the revaluation of land and buildings). The amendments have affected the presentation only and have had no impact on the financial position or performance of the Group. The consolidated statement of comprehensive income has been restated to reflect the changes. In addition, the Group has chosen to use the new title "statement of profit or loss" as introduced by the amendments in these financial statements.
- (c) HKAS 19 (2011) changes the accounting for defined benefit schemes. The revised standard removes the choice to defer the recognition of actuarial gains and losses. All actuarial gains and losses are required to be recognised immediately in OCI. The interest cost and expected return on scheme assets used in the previous version of HKAS 19 are replaced with a net interest amount under HKAS 19 (2011), which is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net defined benefit liability or asset at the start of each annual reporting period.



## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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### 2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES (continued)

The principal effects of adopting these new and revised HKFRSs are as follows: (continued)

(c) (continued)

Prior to the adoption of HKAS 19 (2011), the Group elected to recognise actuarial gains or losses as income or expense over the expected average remaining service periods of the employees participating in the defined benefit schemes when the net cumulative unrecognised actuarial gains or losses for the schemes at the end of the previous period exceeded 10% of the higher of the present value of the defined benefit obligation and the fair value of scheme assets at that date. Upon the adoption of HKAS 19 (2011), all actuarial gains and losses are recognised in OCI immediately. As a result, all deferred actuarial gains and losses as at 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2012 were recognised in OCI and the actuarial gains and losses recognised in the statement of profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2012 was adjusted to OCI. In addition, the interest cost and expected return on scheme assets recorded in 2012 has been replaced by a net interest amount.

Furthermore, upon the adoption of HKAS 19 (2011), all past service costs are recognised at the earlier of when an amendment/curtailment occurs and when the related restructuring or termination costs are recognised. As a result, unvested past service costs can no longer be deferred and recognised over the future vesting period. HKAS 19 (2011) also requires more extensive disclosures which are included in note 22 to the financial statements.

HKAS 19 (2011) further introduces changes in the timing of the recognition of termination benefits, along with a clarified definition of termination benefits. Under HKAS 19 (2011), it will no longer be sufficient for an entity to be only demonstrably committed to providing termination benefits, which is the previous HKAS 19 requirement. Instead, the termination benefits should be recognised at the earlier of (a) when the Group can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits; and (b) when the Group recognises costs for a restructuring that is within the scope of HKAS 37 *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets* and involves the payment of termination benefits.

Other than the changes to the accounting for defined benefit schemes, HKAS 19 (2011) also changes the classification of short term employee benefits. Under the revised standard, the distinction between short term and other long term employee benefits is now based on the expected timing of settlement rather than employee entitlement. As the Group does not have any significant employee benefits that are expected to be settled for more than twelve months after the reporting period, the changes to the accounting for these benefits have had no effect on the financial position or performance of the Group.

**2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES** (continued)

The principal effects of adopting these new and revised HKFRSs are as follows: (continued)

(c) (continued)

The effects of the changes to the accounting for the Group's defined benefit scheme and termination benefits are summarised below:

*Impact on the consolidated statement of profit or loss for the year ended 31 December:*

	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Decrease in cost of sales (staff costs)	<b>1,093</b>	655
Decrease in selling and distribution expenses (staff costs)	<b>753</b>	1,120
Decrease in administrative expenses (staff costs)	<b>652</b>	2,048
Decrease in finance costs	<b>2,191</b>	183
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Increase in profit before tax	<b>4,689</b>	4,006
Decrease/(increase) in income tax expenses	<b>2,225</b>	(3,515)
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Increase in profit for the year attributable to owners of the parent	<b>6,914</b>	491
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Increase in basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent	<b>HK0.37 cents</b>	HK0.02 cents

*Impact on the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December:*

	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Increase in profit for the year	<b>6,914</b>	491
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Increase in remeasurement gain on defined benefit scheme	<b>2,054</b>	696
Increase/(decrease) in exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	<b>671</b>	(31)
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Increase in other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	<b>2,725</b>	665
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Increase in total comprehensive income for the year attributable to owners of the parent	<b>9,639</b>	1,156
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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

31 December 2013

### 2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES (continued)

The principal effects of adopting these new and revised HKFRSs are as follows: (continued)

(c) (continued)

The effects of the changes to the accounting for the Group's defined benefit scheme and termination benefits are summarised below: (continued)

*Impact on the consolidated statement of financial position at 31 December:*

	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Increase/(decrease) in net pension scheme assets	<b>500</b>	(1,115)
Decrease in deferred tax assets	<b>(5,260)</b>	(7,261)
Decrease in total non-current assets	<b>(4,760)</b>	(8,376)
Decrease in provision		
– Current	<b>1,149</b>	1,175
– Non-current	<b>33,919</b>	27,870
Decrease in total current and non-current liabilities	<b>35,068</b>	29,045
Increase in net assets and total equity	<b>30,308</b>	20,669

*Impact on the consolidated statement of financial position at 1 January:*

	2012
	HK\$'000
Decrease in net pension scheme assets	(1,536)
Decrease in deferred tax assets	(3,715)
Decrease in total non-current assets	(5,251)
Decrease in provision (non-current)	24,764
Decrease in total non-current liabilities	24,764
Increase in net assets and total equity	19,513

**2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES** (continued)

The principal effects of adopting these new and revised HKFRSs are as follows: (continued)

(d) *Annual Improvements 2009-2011 Cycle* issued in June 2012 sets out amendments to a number of standards. There are separate transitional provisions for each standard. While the adoption of some of the amendments may result in changes in accounting policies, none of these amendments have had a significant financial impact on the Group. Details of the key amendments most applicable to the Group are as follows:

- *HKAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements*: Clarifies the difference between voluntary additional comparative information and the minimum required comparative information. Generally, the minimum required comparative period is the previous period. An entity must include comparative information in the related notes to the financial statements when it voluntarily provides comparative information beyond the previous period. The additional comparative information does not need to contain a complete set of financial statements.

In addition, the amendment clarifies that the opening statement of financial position as at the beginning of the preceding period must be presented when an entity changes its accounting policies; makes retrospective restatements or makes reclassifications, and that change has a material effect on the statement of financial position. However, the related notes to the opening statement of financial position as at the beginning of the preceding period are not required to be presented.

- *HKAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation*: Clarifies that income taxes arising from distributions to equity holders are accounted for in accordance with *HKAS 12 Income Taxes*. The amendment removes existing income tax requirements from *HKAS 32* and requires entities to apply the requirements in *HKAS 12* to any income tax arising from distributions to equity holders.

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### 2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Group has not applied the following new and revised HKFRSs, that have been issued but are not yet effective, in these financial statements.

HKFRS 9	<i>Financial Instruments</i> <sup>5</sup>
HKFRS 9, HKFRS 7 and HKAS 39 Amendments	<i>Hedge Accounting and amendments to HKFRS 9, HKFRS 7 and HKAS 39</i> <sup>5</sup>
HKFRS 10, HKFRS 12 and HKAS 27 (2011) Amendments	Amendments to HKFRS 10, HKFRS 12 and HKAS 27 (2011) – <i>Investment Entities</i> <sup>1</sup>
HKFRS 14	<i>Regulatory Deferral Accounts</i> <sup>3</sup>
HKAS 19 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 19 <i>Employee Benefits – Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions</i> <sup>2</sup>
HKAS 32 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 32 <i>Financial Instruments: Presentation – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities</i> <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 36 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 36 <i>Impairment of Assets – Recoverable Amount Disclosures for Non-Financial Assets</i> <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 39 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 39 <i>Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement – Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting</i> <sup>1</sup>
HK(IFRIC)-Int 21 <i>Annual improvements 2010-2012 Cycle</i>	<i>Levies</i> <sup>1</sup> Amendments to a number of HKFRSs issued in January 2014 <sup>4</sup>
<i>Annual improvements 2011-2013 Cycle</i>	Amendments to a number of HKFRSs issued in January 2014 <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014

<sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2014

<sup>3</sup> Effective for first annual HKFRS financial statements beginning on or after 1 January 2016 and not applicable to the Group

<sup>4</sup> Generally effective for annual periods beginning, or transactions occurring, on or after 1 July 2014

<sup>5</sup> No mandatory effective date yet determined but is available for adoption

### 2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (continued)

Further information about those HKFRSs that are expected to be applicable to the Group is as follows:

HKFRS 9 issued in November 2009 is the first part of phase 1 of a comprehensive project to entirely replace HKAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*. This phase focuses on the classification and measurement of financial assets. Instead of classifying financial assets into four categories, an entity shall classify financial assets as subsequently measured at either amortised cost or fair value, on the basis of both the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. This aims to improve and simplify the approach for the classification and measurement of financial assets compared with the requirements of HKAS 39.

In November 2010, the HKICPA issued additions to HKFRS 9 to address financial liabilities (the "Additions") and incorporated in HKFRS 9 the current derecognition principles of financial instruments of HKAS 39. Most of the Additions were carried forward unchanged from HKAS 39, while changes were made to the measurement of financial liabilities designated as at fair value through profit or loss using the fair value option ("FVO"). For these FVO liabilities, the amount of change in the fair value of a liability that is attributable to changes in credit risk must be presented in OCI. The remainder of the change in fair value is presented in profit or loss, unless presentation of the fair value change in respect of the liability's credit risk in OCI would create or enlarge an accounting mismatch in profit or loss. However, loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts which have been designated under the FVO are scoped out of the Additions.

In December 2013, the HKICPA added to HKFRS 9 the requirements related to hedge accounting and made some related changes to HKAS 39 and HKFRS 7 which include the corresponding disclosures about risk management activity for applying hedge accounting. The amendments to HKFRS 9 relax the requirements for assessing hedge effectiveness which result in more risk management strategies being eligible for hedge accounting. The amendments also allow greater flexibility on the hedged items and relax the rules on using purchased options and non-derivative financial instruments as hedging instruments. In addition, the amendments to HKFRS 9 allow an entity to apply only the improved accounting for own credit risk-related fair value gains and losses arising on FVO liabilities as introduced in 2010 without applying the other HKFRS 9 requirements at the same time.

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### **2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS** (continued)

Further information about those HKFRSs that are expected to be applicable to the Group is as follows:  
(continued)

HKAS 39 is aimed to be replaced by HKFRS 9 in its entirety. Before this entire replacement, the guidance in HKAS 39 on impairment of financial assets continues to apply. The previous mandatory effective date of HKFRS 9 was removed by the HKICPA in December 2013 and a mandatory effective date will be determined after the entire replacement of HKAS 39 is completed. However, the standard is available for application now. The Group will quantify the effect in conjunction with other phases, when the final standard including all phases is issued.

Amendments to HKFRS 10 include a definition of an investment entity and provide an exception to the consolidation requirement for entities that meet the definition of an investment entity. Investment entities are required to account for subsidiaries at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with HKFRS 9 rather than consolidate them. Consequential amendments were made to HKFRS 12 and HKAS 27 (2011). The amendments to HKFRS 12 also set out the disclosure requirements for investment entities. The Group expects that these amendments will not have any impact on the Group as the Company is not an investment entity as defined in HKFRS 10.

The HKAS 32 Amendments clarify the meaning of “currently has a legally enforceable right to setoff” for offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities. The amendments also clarify the application of the offsetting criteria in HKAS 32 to settlement systems (such as central clearing house systems) which apply gross settlement mechanisms that are not simultaneous. The amendments are not expected to have any impact on the financial position or performance of the Group upon adoption on 1 January 2014.

The HKAS 36 Amendments remove the unintended disclosure requirement made by HKFRS 13 on the recoverable amount of a cash-generating unit which is not impaired. In addition, the amendments require the disclosure of the recoverable amounts for the assets or cash-generating units for which an impairment loss has been recognised or reversed during the reporting period, and expand the disclosure requirements regarding the fair value measurement for these assets or units if their recoverable amounts are based on fair value less costs of disposal. The amendments are not expected to have any impact on the financial position or performance of the Group, except for certain additional disclosures required for any impaired non-financial assets, upon adoption on 1 January 2014.

## 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Subsidiaries

A subsidiary is an entity (including a structured entity), directly or indirectly, controlled by the Company. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee (i.e., existing rights that give the Group the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee).

When the Company has, directly or indirectly, less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- (a) the contractual arrangement with the other vote holders of the investee;
- (b) rights arising from other contractual arrangements; and
- (c) the Group's voting rights and potential voting rights.

The results of subsidiaries are included in the Company's statement of profit or loss to the extent of dividends received and receivable. The Company's investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less any impairment losses.

### Investments in associates

An associate is an entity in which the Group has a long term interest of generally not less than 20% of the equity voting rights and over which it is in a position to exercise significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee, but is not control or joint control over those policies.

The Group's interests in associates are stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at the Group's share of net assets under the equity method of accounting, less any impairment losses. Adjustments are made to bring into line any dissimilar accounting policies that may exist.

The Group's share of the post-acquisition results and other comprehensive income of associates is included in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and consolidated other comprehensive income, respectively. In addition, when there has been a change recognised directly in the equity of the associate, the Group recognises its share of any changes, when applicable, in the consolidated statement of changes in equity. Unrealised gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and its associates are eliminated to the extent of the Group's investments in the associates, except where unrealised losses provide evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Goodwill arising from the acquisition of associates is included as part of the Group's investments in associates.



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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Fair value measurement

The Group measures its investment properties, structured deposits, derivative financial instrument and equity investments at fair value through profit or loss, net pension scheme assets and non-financial assets for which recoverable amount is fair value less costs of disposal at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either in the principal market for the asset or liability, or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Group. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Group uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 – based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 – based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is observable, either directly or indirectly
- Level 3 – based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Group determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by reassessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)****Impairment of non-financial assets**

Where an indication of impairment exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required (other than inventories, contracts for services, deferred tax assets, net pension scheme assets, financial assets and investment properties), the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's or cash-generating unit's value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal, and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, in which case the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss is recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. 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. An impairment loss is charged to the statement of profit or loss in the period in which it arises in those expense categories consistent with the function of the impaired asset, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is accounted for in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

An assessment is made at the end of each reporting period as to whether there is an indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognised impairment loss of an asset is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount of that asset, but not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any depreciation/amortisation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of such an impairment loss is credited to the statement of profit or loss in the period in which it arises, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is accounted for in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Related parties

A party is considered to be related to the Group if:

- (a) the party is a person or a close member of that person's family and that person
  - (i) has control or joint control over the Group;
  - (ii) has significant influence over the Group; or
  - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or of a parent of the Group;

or

- (b) the party is an entity where any of the following conditions applies:
  - (i) the entity and the Group are members of the same group;
  - (ii) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or of a parent, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary of the other entity);
  - (iii) the entity and the Group are joint ventures of the same third party;
  - (iv) one entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity;
  - (v) the entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Group or an entity related to the Group;
  - (vi) the entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a); and
  - (vii) a person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity).

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)****Property, plant and equipment and depreciation**

Property, plant and equipment, other than construction in progress, are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use.

Expenditure incurred after items of property, plant and equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance, is normally charged to the statement of profit or loss in the period in which it is incurred. In situations where the recognition criteria are satisfied, the expenditure for a major inspection is capitalised in the carrying amount of the asset as a replacement. Where significant parts of property, plant and equipment are required to be replaced at intervals, the Group recognises such parts as individual assets with specific useful lives and depreciates them accordingly.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis to write off the cost or valuation of each item of property, plant and equipment to its residual value over its estimated useful life. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

Freehold land	Not depreciated
Freehold buildings and leasehold	
land and buildings	2% - 4% or over the lease terms, whichever rate is higher
Leasehold improvements	10% - 33% or over the lease terms, whichever rate is higher
Plant and machinery	9% - 25%
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	10% - 33%
Motor vehicles	18% - 25%

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, the cost or valuation of that item is allocated on a reasonable basis among the parts and each part is depreciated separately. Residual values, useful lives and the depreciation method are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at least at each financial year end.

The transitional provisions set out in paragraph 80A of HKAS 16 *Property, Plant and Equipment* have been adopted for certain of the Group's leasehold land and buildings stated at valuation. As a result, those assets stated at revalued amounts based on revaluations which were reflected in the financial statements for periods ended before 30 September 1995 have not been further revalued after that date.

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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Property, plant and equipment and depreciation (continued)

An item of property, plant and equipment including any significant part initially recognised is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on disposal or retirement recognised in the statement of profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset.

Construction in progress mainly represents buildings and leasehold improvements under construction, which is stated at cost less any impairment losses, and is not depreciated. Cost comprises the direct costs of construction and capitalised borrowing costs on related borrowed funds during the period of construction. Construction in progress is reclassified to the appropriate category of property, plant and equipment when completed and ready for use.

#### Investment properties

Investment properties are interests in land and buildings (including the leasehold interest under an operating lease for a property which would otherwise meet the definition of an investment property) held to earn rental income and/or for capital appreciation, rather than for use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes; or for sale in the ordinary course of business. Such properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are stated at fair value, which reflects market conditions at the end of the reporting period.

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair values of investment properties are included in the statement of profit or loss in the year in which they arise.

Any gains or losses on the retirement or disposal of an investment property are recognised in the statement of profit or loss in the year of the retirement or disposal.

For a transfer from investment properties to owner-occupied properties or inventories, the deemed cost of a property for subsequent accounting is its fair value at the date of change in use. If a property occupied by the Group as an owner-occupied property becomes an investment property, the Group accounts for such property in accordance with the policy stated under "Property, plant and equipment and depreciation" up to the date of change in use, and any difference at that date between the carrying amount and the fair value of the property is accounted for as a revaluation in accordance with the policy stated under "Property, plant and equipment and depreciation" above. For a transfer from inventories to investment properties, any difference between the fair value of the property at that date and its previous carrying amount is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**Properties under development**

Properties under development are stated at cost less impairment losses. Cost includes all development expenditure, capitalised interest and other direct costs attributable to such properties.

**Leases**

Leases that transfer substantially all the rewards and risks of ownership of assets to the Group, other than legal title, are accounted for as finance leases. At the inception of a finance lease, the cost of the leased asset is capitalised at the present value of the minimum lease payments and recorded together with the obligation, excluding the interest element, to reflect the purchase and financing. Assets held under capitalised finance leases, including prepaid land lease payments under finance leases, are included in property, plant and equipment, and depreciated over the shorter of the lease terms and the estimated useful lives of the assets. The finance costs of such leases are charged to the statement of profit or loss so as to provide a constant periodic rate of charge over the lease terms.

Assets acquired through hire purchase contracts of a financing nature are accounted for as finance leases, but are depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Leases** (continued)

Leases where substantially all the rewards and risks of ownership of assets remain with the lessor are accounted for as operating leases. Where the Group is the lessor, assets leased by the Group under operating leases are included in non-current assets, and rentals receivable under the operating leases are credited to the statement of profit or loss on the straight-line basis over the lease terms. Where the Group is the lessee, rentals payable under operating leases net of any incentives received from the lessor are charged to the statement of profit or loss on the straight-line basis over the lease terms.

Prepaid land lease payments under operating leases are initially stated at cost and subsequently recognised on the straight-line basis over the lease terms. When the lease payments cannot be allocated reliably between the land and buildings elements, the entire lease payments are included in the cost of the land and buildings as a finance lease in property, plant and equipment.

#### **Investments and other financial assets**

##### *Initial recognition and measurement*

Financial assets of the Group are classified, at initial recognition, as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, and available-for-sale financial investments, as appropriate. When financial assets are recognised initially, they are measured at fair value plus transaction costs that are attributable to the acquisition of the financial assets, except in the case of financial assets recorded at fair value through profit or loss.

All regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, that is, the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the period generally established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)**Investments and other financial assets** (continued)*Subsequent measurement*

The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

*Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include financial assets held for trading and financial assets designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of sale in the near term. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments as defined by HKAS 39.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with positive net changes in fair value presented as other income and gains and negative net changes in fair value presented as other expenses in the statement of profit or loss. These net fair value changes do not include any dividends or interest earned on these financial assets, which are recognised in accordance with the policies set out for “Revenue recognition” below.

Financial assets designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss are designated at the date of initial recognition and only if the criteria in HKAS 39 are satisfied.

Derivatives embedded in host contracts are accounted for as separate derivatives and recorded at fair value if their economic characteristics and risks are not closely related to those of the host contracts and the host contracts are not held for trading or designated as at fair value through profit or loss. These embedded derivatives are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in the statement of profit or loss. Reassessment only occurs if there is either a change in the terms of the contract that significantly modifies the cash flows that would otherwise be required or a reclassification of a financial asset out of the fair value through profit or loss category.

*Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. After initial measurement, such assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less any allowance for impairment. Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and includes fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The effective interest rate amortisation is included in other income and gains in the statement of profit or loss. The loss arising from impairment is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.



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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Investments and other financial assets (continued)

##### *Subsequent measurement (continued)*

##### *Available-for-sale financial investments*

Available-for-sale financial investments of the Group are non-derivative financial assets in unlisted equity investments. Equity investments classified as available for sale are those which are neither classified as held for trading nor designated as at fair value through profit or loss.

After initial recognition, available-for-sale financial investments are subsequently measured at fair value, with unrealised gains or losses recognised as other comprehensive income in a separate component of equity until the investment is derecognised, at which time the cumulative gain or loss is recognised in the statement of profit or loss, or until the investment is determined to be impaired, when the cumulative gain or loss is reclassified from the separate component of equity to the statement of profit or loss. Interest and dividends earned whilst holding the available-for-sale financial investments are reported as interest income and dividend income, respectively and are recognised in the statement of profit or loss in accordance with the policies set out for “Revenue recognition” below.

When the fair value of unlisted equity investments cannot be reliably measured because (a) the variability in the range of reasonable fair value estimates is significant for that investment or (b) the probabilities of the various estimates within the range cannot be reasonably assessed and used in estimating fair value, such investments are stated at cost less any impairment losses.

The Group evaluates whether the ability and intention to sell its available-for-sale financial assets in the near term are still appropriate. When, in rare circumstances, the Group is unable to trade these financial assets due to inactive markets, the Group may elect to reclassify these financial assets if management has the ability and intention to hold the assets for the foreseeable future or until maturity.

For a financial asset reclassified from the available-for-sale category, the fair value carrying amount at the date of reclassification becomes its new amortised cost and any previous gain or loss on that asset that has been recognised in equity is amortised to profit or loss over the remaining life of the investment using the effective interest rate. Any difference between the new amortised cost and the maturity amount is also amortised over the remaining life of the asset using the effective interest rate. If the asset is subsequently determined to be impaired, then the amount recorded in equity is reclassified to the statement of profit or loss.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)****Derecognition of financial assets**

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is primarily derecognised (i.e., removed from the Group's consolidated statement of financial position) when:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement; and either (a) the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) the Group has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if and to what extent it has retained the risk and rewards of ownership of the asset. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the Group continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement. In that case, the Group also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Group has retained.

**Impairment of financial assets**

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired. An impairment exists if one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset have an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or the group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated. Evidence of impairment may include indications that a debtor or a group of debtors is experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments, the probability that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation and observable data indicating that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows, such as changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Impairment of financial assets (continued)

##### *Financial assets carried at amortised cost*

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the Group first assesses whether impairment exists individually for financial assets that are individually significant, or collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. If the Group determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, whether significant or not, it includes the asset in a group of financial assets with similar credit risk characteristics and collectively assesses them for impairment. Assets that are individually assessed for impairment and for which an impairment loss is, or continues to be, recognised are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

The amount of any impairment loss identified is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not yet been incurred). The present value of the estimated future cash flows is discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate (i.e., the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition).

The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the loss is recognised in the statement of profit or loss. Interest income continues to be accrued on the reduced carrying amount and is accrued using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss. Loans and receivables together with any associated allowance are written off when there is no realistic prospect of future recovery and all collateral has been realised or has been transferred to the Group.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the estimated impairment loss increases or decreases because of an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is increased or reduced by adjusting the allowance account. If a write-off is later recovered, the recovery is credited to the statement of profit or loss.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)****Impairment of financial assets (continued)***Assets carried at cost*

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss has been incurred on an unquoted equity instrument that is not carried at fair value because its fair value cannot be reliably measured, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Impairment losses on these assets are not reversed.

*Available-for-sale financial investments*

For available-for-sale financial investments, the Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that an investment or a group of investments is impaired.

If an available-for-sale asset is impaired, an amount comprising the difference between its cost (net of any principal payment and amortisation) and its current fair value, less any impairment loss previously recognised in the statement of profit or loss, is removed from other comprehensive income and recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

In the case of the equity investments classified as available for sale, objective evidence would include a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of an investment below its cost. "Significant" is evaluated against the original cost of the investment and "prolonged" against the period in which the fair value has been below its original cost. Where there is evidence of impairment, the cumulative loss – measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that investment previously recognised in the statement of profit or loss – is removed from other comprehensive income and recognised in the statement of profit or loss. Impairment losses on equity instruments classified as available for sale are not reversed through the statement of profit or loss. Increases in their fair value after impairment are recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Financial liabilities**

##### *Initial recognition and measurement*

Financial liabilities of the Group are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss and loans and borrowings, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

##### *Subsequent measurement*

The subsequent measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification as follows:

##### *Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss include financial liabilities held for trading and financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial liabilities are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of repurchasing in the near term. This category includes derivative financial instruments entered into by the Group that are not designated as hedging instruments in hedge relationships as defined by HKAS 39. Separated embedded derivatives are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments. Gains or losses on liabilities held for trading are recognised in the statement of profit or loss. The net fair value gain or loss recognised in the statement of profit or loss does not include any interest charged on these financial liabilities.

Financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition at fair value through profit or loss are designated at the date of initial recognition and only if the criteria in HKAS 39 are satisfied.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)**Financial liabilities** (continued)*Subsequent measurement* (continued)*Loans and borrowings*

After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost. Gains and losses are recognised in the statement of profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate amortisation process.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The effective interest rate amortisation is included in finance costs in the statement of profit or loss.

*Financial guarantee contracts*

Financial guarantee contracts issued by the Group are those contracts that require a payment to be made to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because the specified debtor fails to make a payment when due in accordance with the terms of a debt instrument. A financial guarantee contract is recognised initially as a liability at its fair value, adjusted for transaction costs that are directly attributable to the issuance of the guarantee. Subsequent to initial recognition, the Group measures the financial guarantee contract at the higher of: (a) the amount of the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period; and (b) the amount initially recognised less, when appropriate, cumulative amortisation.

**Derecognition of financial liabilities**

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled, or expires.

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and a recognition of a new liability, and the difference between the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Offsetting of financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

#### **Derivative financial instruments**

##### *Initial recognition and subsequent measurement*

The Group uses derivative financial instruments, such as interest rate swaps, to hedge its interest rate risk. These derivative financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and is subsequently remeasured at fair value. Derivatives are carried as assets when the fair value is positive and as liabilities when the fair value is negative.

Any gains or losses arising from changes in fair value of derivatives are taken directly to the statement of profit or loss.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on the weighted average basis and, in the case of work in progress and finished goods, comprises direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of manufacturing overheads. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling prices less any estimated costs to be incurred to completion and disposal.

#### **Cash and cash equivalents**

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, and short term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash, are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and have a short maturity of generally within three months when acquired, less bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

For the purpose of the statement of financial position, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and at banks, including term deposits, which are not restricted as to use.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)****Provisions**

A provision is recognised when a present obligation (legal or constructive) has arisen as a result of a past event and it is probable that a future outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, provided that a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

When the effect of discounting is material, the amount recognised for a provision is the present value at the end of the reporting period of the future expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation. The increase in the discounted present value amount arising from the passage of time is included in finance costs in the statement of profit or loss.

**Income tax**

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised outside profit or loss, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period, taking into consideration interpretations and practices prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

Deferred tax is provided, using the liability method, on all temporary differences at the end of the reporting period between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences, except:

- when the deferred tax liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries and associates, when the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.



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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Income tax (continued)

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, the carryforward of unused tax credits and any unused tax losses. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, the carryforward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised, except:

- when the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary differences arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries and associates, deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

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 profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised. Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period and are recognised to the extent that it has become probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

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

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)****Government grants**

Government grants are recognised at their fair value where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attaching conditions will be complied with. When the grant relates to an asset, the fair value is credited to a deferred income account and is released to the statement of profit or loss over the expected useful life of the relevant asset by equal annual instalments.

**Revenue recognition**

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and when the revenue can be measured reliably, on the following bases:

- (a) from the sale of goods, when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, provided that the Group maintains neither managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership, nor effective control over the goods sold;
- (b) from the rendering of services, in the period in which such services are rendered;
- (c) rental income, on a time proportion basis over the lease terms;
- (d) interest income, on an accrual basis using the effective interest method by applying the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, when appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset; and
- (e) commission income and service fee income, in the period in which the related services are rendered.

**Share-based payments**

The Company operates share option schemes for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. Employees of the Group receive remuneration in the form of share-based payments, whereby employees render services as consideration for equity instruments ("equity-settled transactions").

The cost of equity-settled transactions with employees for grants after 7 November 2002, if any, is measured by reference to the fair value at the date at which they are granted. The fair value is determined by an external valuer using the binomial option pricing model or other appropriate pricing models, further details of which are given in note 37 to the financial statements.

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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Share-based payments (continued)

The cost of equity-settled transactions is recognised, together with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled in employee benefit expense. The cumulative expense recognised for equity-settled transactions at the end of each reporting period until the vesting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has expired and the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The charge or credit to the statement of profit or loss for a period represents the movement in the cumulative expense recognised as at the beginning and end of that period.

No expense is recognised for awards that do not ultimately vest, except for equity-settled transactions where vesting is conditional upon a market or non-vesting condition, which are treated as vesting irrespective of whether or not the market or non-vesting condition is satisfied, provided that all other performance and/or service conditions are satisfied.

Where the terms of an equity-settled award are modified, as a minimum an expense is recognised as if the terms had not been modified, if the original terms of the award are met. In addition, an expense is recognised for any modification that increases the total fair value of the share-based payments, or is otherwise beneficial to the employee as measured at the date of modification.

Where an equity-settled award is cancelled, it is treated as if it had vested on the date of cancellation, and any expense not yet recognised for the award is recognised immediately. This includes any award where non-vesting conditions within the control of either the Group or the employee are not met. However, if a new award is substituted for the cancelled award, and is designated as a replacement award on the date that it is granted, the cancelled and new awards are treated as if they were a modification of the original award, as described in the previous paragraph.

The dilutive effect of outstanding options, if any, is reflected as additional share dilution in the computation of earnings per share.

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)****Other employee benefits***Pension schemes and other retirement benefits*

The Group operates a funded final salary defined benefit pension scheme registered under the Occupational Retirement Schemes Ordinance for those employees who are eligible to participate in the Scheme.

Remeasurements arising from defined benefit pension schemes, comprising actuarial gains and losses, the effect of the asset ceiling (excluding net interest) and the return on scheme assets (excluding net interest), are recognised immediately in the consolidated statement of financial position with a corresponding debit or credit to retained profits through other comprehensive income in the period in which they occur. Remeasurements are not reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods.

Past service costs are recognised in profit or loss at the earlier of:

- the date of the scheme amendment or curtailment; and
- the date that the Group recognises restructuring-related costs

Net interest is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net defined benefit liability or asset. The Group recognises the following changes in the net defined benefit obligation under “administrative expenses” in the consolidated statement of profit or loss:

- service costs comprising current service costs, past-service costs, gains and losses on curtailments and non-routine settlements
- net interest expense or income

The Group also operates defined contribution schemes under the Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance for those employees who are eligible to participate in the schemes. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employees’ basic salaries and are charged to the statement of profit or loss as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the schemes. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the Group in independently administered funds. When an employee leaves the employment prior to his/her interest in the Group’s employer contributions vesting fully, the relevant amount of forfeited benefits may be refunded to the Group or used to reduce the ongoing contributions payable by the Group. In respect of the Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefit schemes, the Group’s employer contributions vest fully with the employees when contributed into the schemes.

The employees of the Group’s subsidiaries which operate in Mainland China are required to participate in a central pension scheme operated by the local municipal government. These subsidiaries are required to contribute certain specific percentage of their payroll costs to the central pension scheme. The contributions are charged to the statement of profit or loss as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the central pension scheme.

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### 2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, i.e., assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. The capitalisation of such borrowing costs ceases when the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. All other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. Borrowing costs consist of interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds.

#### **Dividends**

Final dividend distribution to the Company's shareholders is recognised as a liability in the statement of financial position when the dividends are declared and approved by the shareholders in a general meeting.

#### **Foreign currencies**

These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars, which is the Company's functional and presentation currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. Foreign currency transactions recorded by the entities in the Group are initially recorded using their respective functional currency rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency rates of exchange ruling at the end of the reporting period. Differences arising on settlement or translation of monetary items are recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was measured. The gain or loss arising on translation of a non-monetary item measured at fair value is treated in line with the recognition of the gain or loss on change in fair value of the item (i.e., translation difference on the item whose fair value gain or loss is recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss is also recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss, respectively).

**2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)**Foreign currencies** (continued)

The functional currencies of certain overseas subsidiaries and associates are currencies other than the Hong Kong dollar. As at the end of the reporting period, the assets and liabilities of these entities are translated into the presentation currency of the Company at the exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period and their statements of profit or loss are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the weighted average exchange rates for the year. The resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the exchange fluctuation reserve. On disposal of a foreign operation, the component of other comprehensive income relating to that particular foreign operation is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, the cash flows of overseas subsidiaries are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the exchange rates ruling at the dates of the cash flows. Frequently recurring cash flows of overseas subsidiaries which arise throughout the year are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the weighted average exchange rates for the year.

**3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES**

The preparation of the Group's financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and their accompanying disclosures, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets or liabilities affected in the future.

**Judgements**

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, management has made the following judgements, apart from those involving estimations, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements:

*Operating lease commitments – Group as lessor*

The Group has entered into commercial property leases on its investment property portfolio. The Group has determined, based on an evaluation of the terms and conditions of the arrangements, that it retains all the significant risks and rewards of ownership of these properties which are leased out on operating leases.

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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (continued)

#### Judgements (continued)

##### *Classification between investment properties and owner-occupied properties*

The Group determines whether a property qualifies as an investment property and has developed criteria in making that judgement. Investment property is a property held to earn rentals or for capital appreciation or both. Therefore, the Group considers whether a property generates cash flows largely independently of the other assets held by the Group.

Some properties comprise a portion that is held to earn rentals or for capital appreciation and another portion that is held for use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes. If these portions could be sold separately (or leased out separately under a finance lease), the Group accounts for the portions separately. If the portions could not be sold separately, the property is an investment property only if an insignificant portion is held for use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes.

Judgement is made on an individual property basis to determine whether ancillary services are so significant that a property does not qualify as an investment property.

##### *Deferred tax liabilities*

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for withholding tax in respect of the unremitted earnings of certain subsidiaries of the Group established in Mainland China to the extent that the directors are of the opinion that they would be probable for distribution in foreseeable future. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax liabilities that should be recognised. Further details are contained in note 34 to the financial statements.

**3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES** (continued)**Estimation uncertainty**

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

*Estimation of fair value of investment properties*

In the absence of current prices in an active market for similar properties, the Group considers information from a variety of sources, including:

- (a) current prices in an active market for properties of a different nature, condition or location (or subject to different leases or other contracts), adjusted to reflect those differences;
- (b) recent prices of similar properties on less active markets, with adjustments to reflect any changes in economic conditions since the date of the transactions that occurred at those prices;
- (c) the new replacement cost of the buildings and other site works, from which deductions are made to allow for the age, condition, economic or functional obsolescence and environmental factors, etc.; and
- (d) the development potential of the properties by deducting development costs and profit element from the estimated gross development value of the properties.

The carrying amount of investment properties at 31 December 2013 was HK\$293,794,000 (2012: HK\$166,451,000). Further details, including the key assumptions used for fair value measurement, are given in note 15 to the financial statements.

*Impairment of available-for-sale investments*

In the absence of current prices in an active market for similar investments, the Group considers the discounted cash flow projections based on reliable estimates of future cash flows, supported by the terms of existing contracts, planned capacity and unit sale revenue, and by using discount rates that reflect current market assessments of the uncertainty in the amount and timing of the cash flows.

The carrying amount of the available-for-sale investments at 31 December 2013 was HK\$96,083,000 (2012: HK\$101,083,000), net of impairment of HK\$138,783,000 (2012: HK\$133,783,000).

For the year ended 31 December 2013, an impairment loss of HK\$5,000,000 (2012: HK\$24,700,000) was recognised for an available-for-sale investment.



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### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (continued)

#### Estimation uncertainty (continued)

##### *Impairment of properties under development*

The Group assesses whether there are any indicators of impairment for its properties under development situated in Hong Kong at each reporting date. The Group considers the discounted cash flow projections based on reliable estimates of future cash flows, assuming that the highest and best use of the land will be to develop the land into buildings with optimal capacity within a reasonable construction period of time. The estimated sales proceeds and associated development cost will be discounted into present value as at the date of valuation.

##### *Provision and write-down of inventories to net realisable value*

The Group's management reviews the condition of inventories of the Group and makes provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventory items. The Group carries out an inventory review on a product-by-product basis at the end of each reporting period and makes provision for obsolete items. Net realisable value of inventories is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and selling expenses. These estimates are based on the current market condition and the historical experience of manufacturing and selling products of similar nature. The Group's management reassesses the estimation at the end of each reporting period.

##### *Provision for income taxes*

Provision for income tax is made based on the taxable income for the period as determined by the Group. The determination of taxable income involves the exercise of judgement on interpretation of the relevant tax rules and regulations. The amounts of income tax and hence profit or loss could be affected by any interpretations and clarifications which the tax authority may issue from time to time.

##### *Impairment of trade and bills receivables*

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is any objective evidence that a receivable is impaired. To determine whether there is objective evidence of impairment, the Group considers factors such as the probability of insolvency or significant financial difficulties of the debtor and default or significant delay in payments.

The Group maintains an allowance for estimated loss arising from the inability of its debtors to make the required payments. The Group makes its estimates based on the aging of its receivable balances, debtors' creditworthiness, past payment history and historical write-off experience. If the financial condition of its debtors was to deteriorate so that the actual impairment loss might be higher than expected, the Group would be required to revise the basis of making the allowance.

#### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group is organised into business units based on their products and services and has four reportable operating segments as follows:

- (a) the paint products segment engages in the manufacture and sale of paint products and related services;
- (b) the property investment segment comprises:
  - (i) the investment in residential and commercial premises for their rental income potential; and
  - (ii) the development and sale of properties;
- (c) the iron and steel trading segment comprises the trading of iron and steel products and related investments; and
- (d) the “others” segment comprises, principally, other trading and investment holding.

The chief operating decision maker regularly reviews the operating results of its operating segments separately for the purpose of resources allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on reportable segment profit/(loss), which is a measure of adjusted profit/(loss) before tax. The adjusted profit/(loss) before tax is measured consistently with the Group’s profit before tax except that interest income, finance costs, as well as head office and corporate expenses are excluded from such measurement.

Segment assets exclude cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, structured deposits, deferred tax assets, net pension scheme assets and other unallocated head office and corporate assets as these assets are managed on a group basis.

Segment liabilities exclude derivative financial instrument, interest-bearing bank and other borrowings, tax payable, deferred tax liabilities and other unallocated head office and corporate liabilities as these liabilities are managed on a group basis.

Intersegment sales and transfers are transacted on mutually agreed terms.

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### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2013	Paint products HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Iron and steel trading HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Segment revenue:</b>					
Sales to external customers	1,100,700	8,563	343,353	—	1,452,616
Intersegment sales	—	14,435	—	6,983	21,418
Other revenue and gains	5,684	51,492	5,855	719	63,750
	<u>1,106,384</u>	<u>74,490</u>	<u>349,208</u>	<u>7,702</u>	<u>1,537,784</u>
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment sales					<u>(21,418)</u>
Total					<u>1,516,366</u>
<b>Segment results</b>	<b>132,186</b>	<b>67,402</b>	<b>17,939</b>	<b>(18,880)</b>	<b>198,647</b>
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment results					<b>(1,018)</b>
Interest income					<b>3,301</b>
Fair value gains on structured deposits					<b>4,863</b>
Finance costs					<b>(3,810)</b>
Equity-settled share option expense					<b>(2,758)</b>
Corporate and other unallocated expenses					<u><b>(11,461)</b></u>
Profit before tax					<u><b>187,764</b></u>

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### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2013	Paint products HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Iron and steel trading HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Segment assets</b>	626,409	465,040	76,355	103,395	1,271,199
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment receivables					(3,792)
Corporate and other unallocated assets					<u>502,535</u>
Total assets					<u><u>1,769,942</u></u>
<b>Segment liabilities</b>	338,645	9,996	805	1,742	351,188
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment payables					(3,792)
Corporate and other unallocated liabilities					<u>262,887</u>
Total liabilities					<u><u>610,283</u></u>

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### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2013	Paint products HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Iron and steel trading HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Other segment information:</b>					
Share of profits and losses of associates	—	(1,338)	(5,850)	—	(7,188)
Interests in associates	—	979	15,298	—	16,277
Depreciation	16,035	3,976	7	—	20,018
Corporate and other unallocated					98
					20,116
Capital expenditure	34,824	21,411	21	—	56,256
Corporate and other unallocated					7
					56,263*
Fair value gains on investment properties, net	—	(48,616)	—	—	(48,616)
Fair value losses on equity investments at fair value through profit or loss - held for trading, net	—	—	—	13,520	13,520
Impairment of an available-for-sale investment	—	—	—	5,000	5,000
Recovery of amounts due from an associate previously written off	—	—	(4,859)	—	(4,859)
Write-back of an amount due to an associate	—	(1,710)	—	—	(1,710)
Provision for impairment of trade receivables	2,507	—	—	—	2,507
Write-back of inventories to net realisable value	(2,288)	—	—	—	(2,288)

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### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2012	Paint products HK\$'000 (Restated)	Property investment HK\$'000	Iron and steel trading HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000 (Restated)	Total HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>Segment revenue:</b>					
Sales to external customers	967,647	6,915	341,035	—	1,315,597
Intersegment sales	—	8,500	—	4,979	13,479
Other revenue and gains	<u>7,667</u>	<u>26,889</u>	<u>4,926</u>	<u>11,605</u>	<u>51,087</u>
	975,314	42,304	345,961	16,584	1,380,163
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment sales					<u>(13,479)</u>
Total					<u><u>1,366,684</u></u>
<b>Segment results</b>	77,261	34,659	10,959	(16,140)	106,739
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment results					6,419
Interest income					2,755
Finance costs					(3,232)
Equity-settled share option expense					(4,278)
Corporate and other unallocated expenses					<u>(14,627)</u>
Profit before tax					<u><u>93,776</u></u>

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### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2012	Paint products HK\$'000 (Restated)	Property investment HK\$'000	Iron and steel trading HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000 (Restated)
<b>Segment assets</b>	566,897	333,728	61,767	123,328	1,085,720
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment receivables					(1,882)
Corporate and other unallocated assets					<u>410,269</u>
Total assets					<u><u>1,494,107</u></u>
<b>Segment liabilities</b>	297,600	8,375	20,495	582	327,052
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment payables					(1,882)
Corporate and other unallocated liabilities					<u>209,997</u>
Total liabilities					<u><u>535,167</u></u>

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### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2012	Paint products HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Iron and steel trading HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Other segment information:</b>					
Share of profits and losses of associates	—	(1,167)	(345)	4	(1,508)
Interests in associates	—	2,121	9,390	—	11,511
Depreciation	16,742	4,073	3	4	20,822
Corporate and other unallocated					105
					20,927
Capital expenditure	53,162	300	76	—	53,538
Corporate and other unallocated					20
					53,558*
Fair value gains on investment properties	—	(24,767)	—	—	(24,767)
Fair value gains on equity investments at fair value through profit or loss – held for trading, net	—	—	—	(11,122)	(11,122)
Impairment of an available-for-sale investment	—	—	—	24,700	24,700
Impairment of an other receivable	—	—	—	1,366	1,366
Reversal/recovery of amounts due from associates previously impaired/written off	—	(1,819)	(3,806)	—	(5,625)
Reversal of impairment of trade receivables	(1,534)	—	—	—	(1,534)
Write-back of inventories to net realisable value	(4,615)	—	—	—	(4,615)

\* Capital expenditure consists of additions to property, plant and equipment, investment properties and deposits for purchases of properties, and plant and equipment.



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### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

#### Geographical information

(a) Revenue from external customers

	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Hong Kong	<b>101,070</b>	91,255
Mainland China	<b>1,351,201</b>	1,223,800
Other countries	<b>345</b>	542
	<b><u>1,452,616</u></b>	<u>1,315,597</u>

The revenue information above is based on the locations of the customers.

(b) Non-current assets

	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Hong Kong	<b>400,431</b>	309,876
Mainland China	<b>310,578</b>	272,153
Other countries	<b>32</b>	64
	<b><u>711,041</u></b>	<u>582,093</u>

The non-current asset information above is based on the locations of the assets and excludes deferred tax assets, financial instruments and post-employment benefit assets.

During the year ended 31 December 2013, revenue generated from one (2012: one) of the Group's customers in the iron and steel trading segment amounting to approximately HK\$203,829,000 (2012: HK\$205,483,000) individually accounted for over 10% of the Group's revenue.

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### 5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

Revenue, which is also the Group's turnover, represents the net invoiced value of goods sold, after allowances for returns and trade discounts; an appropriate proportion of value of services rendered; and gross rental income received and receivable from investment properties during the year.

An analysis of revenue, other income and gains is as follows:

	Notes	<b>2013</b> HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
<b>Revenue</b>			
Sale of paint products and related services		1,100,700	967,647
Sale of iron and steel products		343,353	341,035
Gross rental income from investment properties		<u>8,563</u>	<u>6,915</u>
		<u><b>1,452,616</b></u>	<u><b>1,315,597</b></u>
<b>Other income</b>			
Bank interest income		3,301	2,755
Government grants received from Mainland China authorities		1,702	2,419
Commission income		570	724
Recognition of deferred income	35	323	315
Foreign exchange differences, net		1,382	771
Others		<u>3,963</u>	<u>4,582</u>
		<u><b>11,241</b></u>	<u><b>11,566</b></u>

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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### 5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS (continued)

An analysis of revenue, other income and gains is as follows: (continued)

	Notes	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
<b>Gains</b>			
Fair value gains, net:			
Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss			
– held for trading		—	11,122
Structured deposits		4,863	479
Derivative instrument – transaction not qualifying as hedge		131	—
Reversal/recovery of amounts due from associates			
previously impaired/written off		4,859	5,625
Write-back of an amount due to an associate		1,710	—
Gain on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment		—	141
Gain on disposal of an equity investment at fair value through			
profit or loss – held for trading		—	82
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary	39	494	60
		<b>12,057</b>	<b>17,509</b>
Total other income and gains		<b>23,298</b>	<b>29,075</b>

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### 6. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	Notes	<b>2013</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2012 HK\$'000
Cost of inventories sold (as restated)		<b>1,068,057</b>	1,011,329
Depreciation	14	<b>20,116</b>	20,927
Minimum lease payments under operating leases in respect of land and buildings		<b>6,410</b>	6,578
Direct operating expenses (including repairs and maintenance) arising on rental-earning investment properties		<b>722</b>	828
Auditors' remuneration:			
Audit related services		<b>3,021</b>	2,552
Other services		<b>242</b>	225
Employee benefit expense (excluding directors' remuneration (note 8)):			
Wages and salaries		<b>143,670</b>	131,616
Pension scheme contributions (defined contribution schemes)*		<b>8,955</b>	10,289
Net pension benefit expenses recognised (defined benefit schemes) (as restated)	22	<b>216</b>	232
		<b>152,841</b>	142,137

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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### 6. PROFIT BEFORE TAX (continued)

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting): (continued)

	Notes	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Write-back of inventories to net realisable value		(2,288)	(4,615)
Provision for/(reversal of) impairment of trade receivables	24	2,507	(1,534)
Fair value losses/(gains), net:			
Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss			
– held for trading*		13,520	(11,122)
Derivative instrument			
– transaction not qualifying as hedge*		(131)	146
Loss/(gain) on disposal of an equity investment at fair value			
through profit or loss – held for trading*		8	(82)
Loss/(gain) on disposal of items of property, plant and			
equipment, net*		16	(141)
Write-off of items of property, plant and equipment*	14	341	1,361
Impairment of an other receivable*		—	1,366
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	17	562	548

\* These balances are included in “Other income and gains” for gains and “Other expenses, net” for losses in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

# At 31 December 2013 and 2012, the Group had no material forfeited contributions available to reduce its contributions to the retirement benefit scheme in future years.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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### 7. FINANCE COSTS

An analysis of finance costs is as follows:

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
Interest on:		
Bank loans wholly repayable within five years	3,747	3,446
Bank loans not wholly repayable within five years	486	667
Finance leases	16	5
	4,249	4,118
Total interest expense on financial liabilities		
Less: Interest capitalised	(439)	(886)
	3,810	3,232

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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### 8. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

Directors' remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the Listing Rules and Section 161 of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, is as follows:

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Fees:		
Executive directors	2,100	2,100
Non-executive directors	300	400
Independent non-executive directors	600	500
	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>
Other emoluments:		
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	8,807	14,964
Discretionary bonuses	1,485	2,249
Pension scheme contributions	380	450
Consultancy fee	340	300
	<u>11,012</u>	<u>17,963</u>
	<u><u>14,012</u></u>	<u><u>20,963</u></u>

#### (a) Independent non-executive directors

The fees paid/payable to independent non-executive directors during the year were as follows:

	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Sir David Akers-Jones	200	200
Steven Chow	100	100
Danny T Wong	200	200
Zhang Xiaojing*	100	—
	<u>600</u>	<u>500</u>

\* Mr. Zhang Xiaojing was appointed on 19 December 2012

There were no other emoluments payable to the independent non-executive directors during the year (2012: Nil).

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8. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION (continued)

(b) Executive directors and non-executive directors

	Fees HK\$'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind HK\$'000	Discretionary bonuses HK\$'000	Pension scheme contributions HK\$'000	Other emolument HK\$'000	Total remuneration HK\$'000
<b>2013</b>						
Executive directors:						
Lam Ting Ball, Paul	860	2,199	200	15	—	3,274
Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip	880	5,504	1,004	350	—	7,738
Tsui Yam Tong, Terry*	—	129	—	—	—	129
Chong Chi Kwan	360	975	281	15	—	1,631
	<u>2,100</u>	<u>8,807</u>	<u>1,485</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>12,772</u>
Non-executive directors:						
Chan Wa Shek	100	—	—	—	340#	440
Hung Ting Ho, Richard^	—	—	—	—	—	—
Zhang Yulin	100	—	—	—	—	100
Ko Sheung Chi	100	—	—	—	—	100
	<u>300</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>340</u>	<u>640</u>
	<u>2,400</u>	<u>8,807</u>	<u>1,485</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>340</u>	<u>13,412</u>



## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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### 8. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION (continued)

#### (b) Executive directors and non-executive directors (continued)

	Fees HK\$'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind HK\$'000	Discretionary bonuses HK\$'000	Pension scheme contributions HK\$'000	Other emolument HK\$'000	Total remuneration HK\$'000
2012						
Executive directors:						
Lam Ting Ball, Paul	860	2,117	175	14	—	3,166
Tsui Ho Chuen, Philip	880	5,480	821	350	—	7,531
Tsui Yam Tong, Terry*	—	6,445	1,009	72	—	7,526
Chong Chi Kwan	360	922	244	14	—	1,540
	<u>2,100</u>	<u>14,964</u>	<u>2,249</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>19,763</u>
Non-executive directors:						
Chan Wa Shek	100	—	—	—	300#	400
Hung Ting Ho, Richard^	100	—	—	—	—	100
Zhang Yulin	100	—	—	—	—	100
Ko Sheung Chi	100	—	—	—	—	100
	<u>400</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>700</u>
	<u>2,500</u>	<u>14,964</u>	<u>2,249</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>20,463</u>

There was no arrangement under which a director waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year (2012: Nil).

\* Mr. Tsui Yam Tong, Terry retired on 9 January 2013.

^ Mr. Hung Ting Ho, Richard retired on 5 June 2013.

# For consultancy services provided to the Company related to project development and related matters in Hong Kong and the PRC.

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### 9. FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES

The five highest paid employees during the year included two directors (2012: four), details of whose remuneration are set out in note 8 above. Details of the remuneration for the year of three (2012: one) non-director and highest paid employees for the year are as follows:

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	<b>6,879</b>	1,824
Discretionary bonus	<b>1,953</b>	418
Pension scheme contributions	<b>110</b>	74
	<u><b>8,942</b></u>	<u>2,316</u>

The number of non-director and non-chief executive highest paid employees whose remuneration fell within the following bands is as follows:

	<b>Number of employees</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
HK\$2,000,001 to HK\$2,500,000	<b>1</b>	1
HK\$2,500,001 to HK\$3,000,000	<b>1</b>	—
HK\$3,000,001 to HK\$3,500,000	<b>—</b>	—
HK\$3,500,001 to HK\$4,000,000	<b>1</b>	—
	<u><b>3</b></u>	<u>1</u>

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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### 10. INCOME TAX

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2012: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the year. Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the jurisdictions in which the Group operates.

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
Current – Hong Kong		
Charge for the year	<b>1,135</b>	985
Overprovision in prior years	<b>(10)</b>	(36)
Current – Elsewhere		
Charge for the year	<b>29,472</b>	30,633
Overprovision in prior years	<b>(15,021)</b>	(130)
Deferred (note 34)	<b>8,866</b>	2,483
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Total tax charge for the year	<b>24,442</b>	33,935
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### 10. INCOME TAX (continued)

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to profit before tax at the statutory rate for the jurisdictions in which the Company and the majority of its subsidiaries are domiciled to the tax expense at the effective tax rate, and a reconciliation of the applicable rate (i.e., the statutory tax rate) to the effective tax rate, are as follows:

	Group			
	2013		2012	
	HK\$'000	%	HK\$'000 (Restated)	%
Profit before tax	<u>187,764</u>		<u>93,776</u>	
Tax at the statutory tax rate	30,981	16.5	15,473	16.5
Different tax rates for specific provinces in the PRC, net	(2,335)	(1.3)	8,709	9.3
Adjustments in respect of current tax of previous periods	(15,031)	(8.0)	(166)	(0.2)
Profits attributable to associates	(1,186)	(0.6)	(249)	(0.3)
Depreciation adjustment	(328)	(0.2)	150	0.2
Income not subject to tax	(10,609)	(5.7)	(8,244)	(8.8)
Expenses not deductible for tax	10,655	5.7	10,263	10.9
Effect of withholding tax at 5% on the distributable profits of the Group's PRC subsidiaries	8,033	4.3	5,070	5.4
Tax losses utilised from previous periods	(2,639)	(1.4)	(3,033)	(3.2)
Tax losses not recognised	<u>6,901</u>	<u>3.7</u>	<u>5,962</u>	<u>6.4</u>
Tax charge at the Group's effective rate	<u>24,442</u>	<u>13.0</u>	<u>33,935</u>	<u>36.2</u>

The share of tax attributable to associates amounting to HK\$264,000 (2012: HK\$226,000) is included in "Share of profits and losses of associates" in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

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### 11. PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT

Of the Group's profit attributable to owners of the parent of HK\$163,302,000 (2012: HK\$59,885,000 (as restated)), a profit of HK\$65,802,000 (2012: HK\$13,761,000) has been dealt with in the financial statements of the Company (note 38(b)).

### 12. DIVIDEND

	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Proposed final – HK1.2 cents (2012: HK1 cent) per ordinary share	<u>22,661</u>	<u>18,884</u>

The proposed final dividend for the year is subject to the approval of the Company's shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting. The actual amount will be accounted for as an appropriation of the distributable reserves in the year ending 31 December 2014.

At the annual general meeting held on 5 June 2013, the Company's shareholders approved the distribution of the final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2012 of HK1 cent per share which amounted to approximately HK\$18,884,000.

### 13. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT

The calculation of the basic earnings per share amount is based on the profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent of HK\$163,302,000 (2012: HK\$59,885,000 (as restated)), and the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 1,888,405,690 (2012: 1,888,405,690) in issue during the year.

No adjustment has been made to the basic earnings per share amount presented for the years ended 31 December 2013 and 2012 in respect of a potential dilution as the exercise prices of the outstanding share options granted by the Company were higher than the average market price of the shares of the Company during these years, and accordingly, the share options had no dilutive effect on the basic earnings per share amounts presented.

No other diluting events existed during the years ended 31 December 2013 and 2012.

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Group

	Leasehold land and buildings HK\$'000	Construction in progress HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Plant and machinery HK\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>31 December 2013</b>							
At 31 December 2012 and at 1 January 2013:							
Cost or valuation	307,855	131,307	20,740	125,885	35,526	19,034	640,347
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(131,019)	—	(18,459)	(115,715)	(27,348)	(15,982)	(308,523)
Net carrying amount	<u>176,836</u>	<u>131,307</u>	<u>2,281</u>	<u>10,170</u>	<u>8,178</u>	<u>3,052</u>	<u>331,824</u>
At 1 January 2013, net of accumulated depreciation and impairment	176,836	131,307	2,281	10,170	8,178	3,052	331,824
Additions	—	5,929	965	434	3,823	2,938	14,089
Disposals	—	—	—	(95)	(28)	(11)	(134)
Write-off (note 6)	—	—	(44)	(94)	(202)	(1)	(341)
Transfer from deposits for purchases of properties, and plant and equipment (note 21)	—	—	—	1,218	—	320	1,538
Gain on revaluation on transfer to investment properties	31,592	—	—	—	—	—	31,592
Transfer to investment properties (note 15)	(42,720)	—	—	—	—	—	(42,720)
Depreciation provided during the year	(10,587)	—	(1,385)	(3,052)	(3,354)	(1,738)	(20,116)
Exchange realignment	1,133	4,111	41	355	349	43	6,032
At 31 December 2013, net of accumulated depreciation and impairment	<u>156,254</u>	<u>141,347</u>	<u>1,858</u>	<u>8,936</u>	<u>8,766</u>	<u>4,603</u>	<u>321,764</u>

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

Group (continued)

	Leasehold land and buildings HK\$'000	Construction in progress HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Plant and machinery HK\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 31 December 2013:							
Cost or valuation	294,146	141,347	20,608	129,658	38,341	22,402	646,502
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(137,892)	—	(18,750)	(120,722)	(29,575)	(17,799)	(324,738)
Net carrying amount	<u>156,254</u>	<u>141,347</u>	<u>1,858</u>	<u>8,936</u>	<u>8,766</u>	<u>4,603</u>	<u>321,764</u>
Analysis of cost or valuation:							
At cost	105,748	141,347	20,608	129,658	38,341	22,402	458,104
At 31 December 1994 valuation	184,663	—	—	—	—	—	184,663
At 30 June 2005 valuation (transferred from investment properties)	3,135	—	—	—	—	—	3,135
At 31 December 2012 valuation (transferred from investment properties)	600	—	—	—	—	—	600
	<u>294,146</u>	<u>141,347</u>	<u>20,608</u>	<u>129,658</u>	<u>38,341</u>	<u>22,402</u>	<u>646,502</u>

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

Group (continued)

	Leasehold land and buildings HK\$'000	Construction in progress HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Plant and machinery HK\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>31 December 2012</b>							
At 1 January 2012:							
Cost or valuation	306,280	92,650	25,706	125,167	35,804	21,469	607,076
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(119,904)	—	(21,175)	(112,326)	(24,717)	(17,133)	(295,255)
Net carrying amount	<u>186,376</u>	<u>92,650</u>	<u>4,531</u>	<u>12,841</u>	<u>11,087</u>	<u>4,336</u>	<u>311,821</u>
At 1 January 2012, net of accumulated depreciation and impairment							
	186,376	92,650	4,531	12,841	11,087	4,336	311,821
Additions	—	37,053	90	778	826	904	39,651
Disposals	—	—	—	(48)	(66)	(372)	(486)
Write-off (note 6)	—	—	(839)	(376)	(146)	—	(1,361)
Transfer from deposits for purchases of properties, and plant and equipment (note 21)	—	1,031	382	26	—	—	1,439
Transfer from investment properties (note 15)	600	—	—	—	—	—	600
Depreciation provided during the year	(10,473)	—	(1,899)	(3,158)	(3,573)	(1,824)	(20,927)
Exchange realignment	333	573	16	107	50	8	1,087
At 31 December 2012, net of accumulated depreciation and impairment	<u>176,836</u>	<u>131,307</u>	<u>2,281</u>	<u>10,170</u>	<u>8,178</u>	<u>3,052</u>	<u>331,824</u>



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

#### Group (continued)

	Leasehold land and buildings HK\$'000	Construction in progress HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Plant and machinery HK\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 31 December 2012:							
Cost or valuation	307,855	131,307	20,740	125,885	35,526	19,034	640,347
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(131,019)	—	(18,459)	(115,715)	(27,348)	(15,982)	(308,523)
Net carrying amount	<u>176,836</u>	<u>131,307</u>	<u>2,281</u>	<u>10,170</u>	<u>8,178</u>	<u>3,052</u>	<u>331,824</u>
Analysis of cost or valuation:							
At cost	102,120	131,307	20,740	125,885	35,526	19,034	434,612
At 31 December 1994 valuation	202,000	—	—	—	—	—	202,000
At 30 June 2005 valuation (transferred from investment properties)	3,135	—	—	—	—	—	3,135
At 31 December 2012 valuation (transferred from investment properties)	<u>600</u>	—	—	—	—	—	<u>600</u>
	<u>307,855</u>	<u>131,307</u>	<u>20,740</u>	<u>125,885</u>	<u>35,526</u>	<u>19,034</u>	<u>640,347</u>

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

Company

	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>31 December 2013</b>				
At 31 December 2012 and at 1 January 2013:				
Cost	1,134	2,239	490	3,863
Accumulated depreciation	(1,130)	(2,061)	(414)	(3,605)
Net carrying amount	<u>4</u>	<u>178</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>258</u>
At 1 January 2013, net of accumulated depreciation				
	4	178	76	258
Additions	—	6	—	6
Depreciation provided during the year				
	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(57)</u>	<u>(38)</u>	<u>(98)</u>
At 31 December 2013, net of accumulated depreciation				
	<u>1</u>	<u>127</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>166</u>
At 31 December 2013:				
Cost	1,134	2,242	490	3,866
Accumulated depreciation	(1,133)	(2,115)	(452)	(3,700)
Net carrying amount	<u>1</u>	<u>127</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>166</u>

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

#### Company (continued)

	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>31 December 2012</b>				
At 1 January 2012:				
Cost	1,134	2,220	490	3,844
Accumulated depreciation	(1,127)	(1,997)	(376)	(3,500)
Net carrying amount	<u>7</u>	<u>223</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>344</u>
At 1 January 2012, net of				
accumulated depreciation	7	223	114	344
Additions	—	20	—	20
Depreciation provided				
during the year	(3)	(65)	(38)	(106)
At 31 December 2012, net of				
accumulated depreciation	<u>4</u>	<u>178</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>258</u>
At 31 December 2012:				
Cost	1,134	2,239	490	3,863
Accumulated depreciation	(1,130)	(2,061)	(414)	(3,605)
Net carrying amount	<u>4</u>	<u>178</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>258</u>

**14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT** (continued)

The net carrying amounts of items of property, plant and equipment held under finance leases included in the total amounts of furniture, fixtures and equipment and motor vehicles at the end of the reporting period were as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	81	61	36	47
Motor vehicles	489	—	—	—
	<u>570</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>47</u>

Certain of the Group's leasehold land and buildings situated in Hong Kong and Mainland China were revalued at 31 December 1994 by Vigers Appraisal & Consulting Limited, independent professionally qualified valuers. The leasehold land and buildings situated in Hong Kong were revalued at open market value, based on their existing use. The leasehold land and buildings situated in Mainland China were revalued based on a combination of the market and the depreciated replacement costs. Since 31 December 1994, no further revaluations of the Group's leasehold land and buildings have been carried out, as the Group has relied upon the exemption granted under the transitional provisions in paragraph 80A of HKAS 16 from the requirement to carry out future revaluations of its property, plant and equipment which were stated at valuation at that time. Certain leasehold land and buildings of the Group which had been revalued in 1994 were classified as finance leases under paragraph 16 of HKAS 17 as the lease payments could not be allocated reliably between the land and building elements. Accordingly, the entire lease has been classified as a finance lease of the Group's property, plant and equipment.

Had the Group's leasehold land and buildings been carried at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment, their total carrying amount at 31 December 2013 would have been HK\$105,956,000 (2012: HK\$115,967,000).

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

The Group's land and buildings were included in property, plant and equipment at their net carrying amounts as at 31 December 2013 and held under the following lease terms:

	Hong Kong HK\$'000	Elsewhere HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Long term leases	37,910	—	37,910
Medium term leases	80,089	38,255	118,344
	<u>117,999</u>	<u>38,255</u>	<u>156,254</u>

At 31 December 2013, certain of the above land and buildings with an aggregate net carrying amount of HK\$131,693,000 (2012: HK\$150,676,000) were pledged to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group (note 32).

### 15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

		Group	
	Notes	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January		166,451	141,825
Additions		21,411	294
Fair value gains, net		48,616	24,767
Transfer from/(to) owner-occupied property	14	42,720	(600)
Transfer from deposits for purchases of properties, and plant and equipment	21	13,019	—
Exchange realignment		1,577	165
Carrying amount at 31 December		<u>293,794</u>	<u>166,451</u>

**15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES** (continued)

The Group's investment properties are held under the following lease terms:

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Long term leases in Hong Kong	<u>125,200</u>	<u>107,400</u>
Medium term leases in:		
Hong Kong	<u>110,920</u>	38,550
Elsewhere	<u>57,674</u>	<u>20,501</u>
	<u>168,594</u>	<u>59,051</u>
	<u><u>293,794</u></u>	<u><u>166,451</u></u>

The Group's investment properties consist of commercial and industrial properties in Hong Kong and the PRC. The directors of the Company have determined that the investment properties consist of four classes of asset, i.e., commercial and industrial in Hong Kong and the PRC, based on the nature, characteristics and risks of each property. The Group's investment properties were revalued on 31 December 2013 based on valuations performed by BMI Appraisals Limited, independent professionally qualified valuers. The Group's finance director selects external valuer to be responsible for the external valuation of the Group's properties based on market knowledge, reputation and independence of the external valuer, and whether professional standards are maintained by the external valuers. Fair values of the Group's investment properties are generally derived from using the income capitalisation method or depreciated replacement cost method. The Group's finance director has discussion with the external valuer on the valuation assumptions and valuation results when the valuation is performed for annual financial reporting.

Income capitalisation method is based on the capitalisation of the net income and reversionary income potential by adopting appropriate capitalisation rates, which are derived from analysis of sales transactions and valuers' interpretation of prevailing investor requirements or expectations. The prevailing market rents adopted in the valuation have been assessed with reference to recent lettings, within the subject properties and other comparable properties. Capitalisation rates are estimated by valuer based on the risk profile of the properties being valued.

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### 15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

Depreciated replacement cost method was adopted for an industrial property in the PRC due to the lack of an established market upon which to base comparable transactions, which generally furnishes the most reliable indication of value for assets without a known used market. Under this method, the value is calculated as the aggregate amount of the value of the land for the existing use or a notional replacement site in the same locality and the new replacement cost of the buildings and other site works, from which appropriate deductions may then be made to allow for the age, condition, economic or functional obsolescence and environmental factors, etc.

#### Fair value hierarchy

The following table illustrates how the fair values of the Group's investment properties are determined (in particular, the valuation techniques and inputs used), as well as the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurements are categorised (Levels 1 to 3) based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements is observable.

*As at 31 December 2013*

Investment properties held by the Group	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation techniques	Significant unobservable inputs	Range
Commercial properties in Hong Kong	Level 3	Income capitalisation	Prevailing market rents (per sq.ft. and per month) Capitalisation rates	HK\$24 2.4% to 2.9%
Commercial properties in the PRC	Level 3	Income capitalisation	Prevailing market rents (per sq.m. and per month) Capitalisation rates	RMB115 to RMB170 4.0% to 4.5%
Industrial properties in Hong Kong	Level 3	Income capitalisation	Prevailing market rents (per sq.ft. and per month) Capitalisation rates	HK\$6 to HK\$20 3.5% to 8.6%
Industrial property in the PRC	Level 3	Depreciated replacement cost	Market unit rate of land (per sq.m.)  Current construction cost for building (per sq.m.) Depreciation rate (p.a.)	RMB550  RMB675 to RMB1,350 2.5%

**15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES** (continued)

**Fair value hierarchy** (continued)

During the year, there were no transfers of fair value measurements between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3.

Under income capitalisation method, a significant increase (decrease) in the prevailing market rents in isolation would result in a significant increase (decrease) in the fair value of the investment properties. A significant increase (decrease) in the capitalisation rate in isolation would result in a significant decrease (increase) in the fair value of the investment properties.

Under depreciated replacement cost method, a significant increase (decrease) in the market unit of rate of land or current construction cost for building in isolation would result in a significant increase (decrease) in the fair value of the investment properties. A significant increase (decrease) in depreciation rate in isolation would result in a significant decrease (increase) in the fair value of the investment properties.

The reconciliation of fair value measurements categorised within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy of each classes of asset is follows:

	Commercial properties in Hong Kong HK\$'000	Commercial properties in the PRC HK\$'000	Industrial properties in Hong Kong HK\$'000	Industrial property in the PRC HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January	107,400	—	38,550	20,501
Additions	—	21,411	—	—
Fair value gains/(losses)	17,800	(243)	29,650	1,409
Transfer from owner-occupied property	—	—	42,720	—
Transfer from deposits for purchases of properties, and plant and equipment	—	13,019	—	—
Exchange realignment	—	945	—	632
Carrying amount at 31 December	<u>125,200</u>	<u>35,132</u>	<u>110,920</u>	<u>22,542</u>



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### 15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

The investment properties are leased to third parties under operating leases, further summary details of which are included in note 43(a).

At 31 December 2013, certain of the Group's investment properties with an aggregate carrying value of HK\$236,120,000 (2012: HK\$145,950,000) were pledged to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group (note 32).

Further particulars of the Group's investment properties are included on pages 166 to 167.

### 16. PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January and at 31 December	<b>28,000</b>	28,000

The recoverable amount of the Group's properties under development at the end of the reporting period has been determined by the residual valuation method under the comparison approach based on the development potential of the respective land lots.

The properties under development are situated in Hong Kong and are either held under medium term leases or held under the Tai Po New Grant with their lease terms being unable to be ascertained from their respective new grants. As at 31 December 2013 and up to the approval date of these financial statements, two new planning applications for the change of the use of land from agricultural and house lots to comprehensive residential development and to columbarium development are under the consideration of the Town Planning Board of Hong Kong.

Further particulars of the Group's properties under development are included on page 168.

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### 17. PREPAID LAND LEASE PAYMENTS

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January	22,672	23,034
Recognised during the year (note 6)	(562)	(548)
Exchange realignment	690	186
	22,800	22,672
Carrying amount at 31 December	22,800	22,672

At the end of the reporting period, the Group's parcels of leasehold land are situated in Mainland China and are held under medium term leases.

### 18. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	<b>Company</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Unlisted shares/investments, at cost	218,366	218,366
Loans to subsidiaries	1,705,929	1,720,590
Due to subsidiaries	(2,009)	(597)
	1,922,286	1,938,359
Impairment <sup>#</sup>	(1,347,004)	(1,409,938)
	575,282	528,421

<sup>#</sup> As at 31 December 2013, an impairment was recognised for certain unlisted investments in and loans to subsidiaries with a total carrying amount of HK\$1,817,715,000 (before deducting the impairment loss) (2012:HK\$1,829,462,000) because the Company's directors considered these subsidiaries have insufficient assets to be realised to recover the Company's interests therein.

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### 18. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Except for the amounts due from subsidiaries of HK\$532,067,000 (2012: HK\$530,454,000), which bear interest at the Hong Kong dollars best lending rate quoted by The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (the “Prime Rate”) per annum and are not repayable within one year from the end of the reporting period, the amounts due from subsidiaries are unsecured and interest-free, have no fixed terms of repayment, and are considered as quasi-equity loans to the subsidiaries in the opinion of the Company’s directors. The amounts due to subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and not repayable within one year from the end of the reporting period. The carrying amounts of the amounts due from/to subsidiaries approximate to their fair values.

The movements in provision for impairment of amounts due from subsidiaries are as follows:

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$’000</b>	HK\$’000
At 1 January	<b>326,409</b>	336,352
Impairment losses recognised	<b>(8,277)</b>	(9,943)
At 31 December	<b><u>318,132</u></b>	<u>326,409</u>

A provision for impairment of HK\$318,132,000 (2012: HK\$326,409,000) was recognised for individually impaired amounts due from subsidiaries with a total carrying amount before provision of HK\$532,067,000 (2012: HK\$530,454,000) because the recoverable amounts thereof, based on their estimated future cash flows, reflecting changes in economic and business conditions, were lower than their carrying amounts.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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### 18. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Particulars of the principal subsidiaries as at 31 December 2013 are as follows:

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Nominal value	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company		Principal activities
		of issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Direct	Indirect	
The China Paint Manufacturing Company (1932) Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary HK\$200,000 Non-voting deferred HK\$1,761,300	—	100	Manufacture and sale of paint products and investment holding
The China Paint Manufacturing (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd.* *	PRC/ Mainland China	HK\$70,000,000	—	100	Manufacture and sale of paint products
The China Paint Mfg. Co., (Xinfeng) Ltd.* *	PRC/ Mainland China	US\$8,000,000	—	100	Not yet commenced operations
China Paint Property Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100,000	—	100	Property investment
China Utilities Limited*	British Virgin Islands ("BVI")	US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
CNT Finance Company Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	100	—	Fund management
CNT Industries (BVI) Limited*	BVI	US\$1,635,512	100	—	Investment holding
CNT Investments (BVI) Limited*	BVI	US\$159,705	100	—	Investment holding
CNT Iron And Steel Limited*	BVI	US\$1,566,804	—	100	Investment holding
CNT Iron And Steel Trading Company Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	—	100	Trading of iron and steel products
CNT-Jialing Investments Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000,000	100	—	Property investment

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### 18. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Particulars of the principal subsidiaries as at 31 December 2013 are as follows: (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Nominal value	Percentage of		Principal activities
		of issued ordinary/ registered share capital	equity attributable to the Company		
			Direct	Indirect	
CNT Management and Secretaries Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	100	—	Management and secretarial services
Conley Investment Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	—	100	Property investment
Dongola Holdings Limited*	BVI	US\$1	100	—	Investment holding
Fan Ball Development Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000	—	100	Property investment
Full Pool Limited (changed to AVANZAR Media Limited with effect from 7 January 2014)	Hong Kong	HK\$2	—	100	Provision of advertising services and investment holding
Giraffe Paint Mfg. Co., (Shanghai) Ltd.* *	PRC/ Mainland China	US\$4,000,000	—	100	Not yet commenced operations
Giraffe Paint Mfg. Co., (Xuzhou) Ltd.* *	PRC/ Mainland China	US\$2,000,000	—	100	Manufacture and sale of solvents and paint products
Guangzhou City Wilfred Marble Company Limited* *	PRC/ Mainland China	HK\$50,975,000	—	100	Property investment
Hubei Giraffe Paint Mfg. Co., Ltd.** *	PRC/ Mainland China	RMB40,000,000	—	90.5	Manufacture and sale of paint products

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### 18. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Particulars of the principal subsidiaries as at 31 December 2013 are as follows: (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Nominal value of issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
Joyous Cheer Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$1	—	100	Proposed columbarium/ residential property development
Majority Faith Corporation*	BVI	US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
Profit Source Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	—	100	Securities investment and investment holding
Rainbow Path Enterprises Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$1,000	—	100	Investment holding
R, J & Thomas Secretaries Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$30,000	—	100	Investment holding
Tatpo Corporation Limited*	Liberia	US\$20,872	100	—	Investment holding
Venture Decade Limited*	BVI	US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
海諾威特種塗料(新豐) 有限公司**	PRC/ Mainland China	RMB5,000,000	—	100	Property investment
北海鋼鐵(深圳)有限公司**	PRC/ Mainland China	RMB10,000,000 (Note 44(c))	—	100	Trading of iron and steel products

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# Wholly-foreign-owned enterprises registered under PRC law

## Sino-foreign equity joint venture registered under PRC law

The above table lists the subsidiaries of the Company which, in the opinion of the directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

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### 19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES

	Group	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Share of net assets	16,277	15,020
Impairment	—	( 3,509)
	<u>16,277</u>	<u>11,511</u>

The amounts due to associates included in the Group's current liabilities as at 31 December 2013 of HK\$2,550,000 (2012: HK\$4,260,000) are unsecured and interest-free, and are either repayable with not less than 30 days' prior written notice or have no fixed terms of repayment.

Particulars of the principal associates are as follows:

Name	Particulars of issued shares held	Place of incorporation and business	Percentage of ownership interest attributable to the Group	Principal activities
Arran Investment Company, Limited <sup>#</sup>	Ordinary shares of HK\$100 each	Hong Kong	50	Property investment
CNT Tin Plate Limited <sup>#</sup>	Ordinary shares of HK\$1 each	Hong Kong	50	Investment holding

<sup>#</sup> Not audited by Ernst & Young, Hong Kong or another member firm of the Ernst & Young global network

Arran Investment Company, Limited and CNT Tin Plate Limited were corporate associates indirectly held by the Company as at 31 December 2013. The financial year of CNT Tin Plate Limited is coterminous with that of the Group, while Arran Investment Company, Limited uses a financial year end date of 31 October. The consolidated financial statements are adjusted for material transactions between this associate and the Group between the financial year end date of this associate and that of the Group.

The above table lists the associates of the Group which, in the opinion of the Company's directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other associates would, in the opinion of the Company's directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

All the above associates have been accounted for using the equity method in these financial statements.

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### 19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (continued)

CNT Tin Plate Limited, which is considered a material associate of the Group principally engaged in the investment holding, is accounted for using the equity method.

The following table illustrates the summarised financial information of CNT Tin Plate Limited adjusted for any differences in accounting policies and reconciled to the carrying amount in the consolidated financial statements:

	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Current assets	49	5,651
Non-current assets	80,085	69,769
Current liabilities	(321)	(335)
Non-current liabilities	(49,217)	(56,306)
Net assets	<u>30,596</u>	<u>18,779</u>
Reconciliation to the Group's interest in the associate:		
Proportion of Group's ownership	50%	50%
Group's share of net assets of the associate	15,298	9,390
Carrying amount of the investment	<u>15,298</u>	<u>9,390</u>
Revenue	—	—
Profit for the year	11,700	689
Other comprehensive income	117	830
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>11,817</u>	<u>1,519</u>

The following table illustrates the aggregate financial information of the Group's associates that are not individually material:

	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Share of the associates' profit for the year	1,338	1,163
Share of the associates' total comprehensive income	1,338	1,163
Dividends declared by the associates during the year	2,480	1,150
Aggregate carrying amount of the Group's investments in the associates	<u>979</u>	<u>2,121</u>



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### 20. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENTS

	Group	
	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Unlisted equity investments, at cost	234,866	234,866
Impairment	(138,783)	(133,783)
	<u>96,083</u>	<u>101,083</u>

Included in the above provision for impairment of available-for-sale investments as at the end of the reporting period is a provision for individually impaired investments of HK\$138,783,000 (2012: HK\$133,783,000) with aggregate carrying amount before provision of HK\$234,866,000 (2012: HK\$229,866,000). The individually impaired investments relate to companies that either had been loss-making for some time or invested in development projects with reduced estimated future cash flows due to changes in development plans and market conditions. The directors are of the opinion that the individually impaired investments are not expected to be fully recoverable.

During the year ended 31 December 2013, an impairment loss of HK\$5,000,000 was recognised for an available-for-sale investment with a carrying amount (before provision) of HK\$5,000,000. During the year ended 31 December 2012, a further impairment loss of HK\$24,700,000 was recognised for an available-for-sale investment with a carrying amount (before the provision made during the year ended 31 December 2012) of HK\$117,200,000.

The available-for-sale investments consist of investments in equity securities which were designated as available-for-sale financial assets and have no fixed maturity date or coupon rate. These unlisted equity investments were stated at cost less impairment because the range of reasonable fair value estimates is so significant that the Company's directors are of the opinion that their fair value cannot be measured reliably. At the end of the reporting period, the Group did not intend to dispose of them in the near future.

**21. DEPOSITS FOR PURCHASES OF PROPERTIES, AND PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

	Group	
	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January	21,635	9,384
Transfer to property, plant and equipment (note 14)	(1,538)	(1,439)
Transfer to investment properties (note 15)	(13,019)	—
Additions	20,763	13,613
Exchange realignment	565	77
	28,406	21,635
Carrying amount at 31 December	28,406	21,635

As at 31 December 2013, the carrying amount represented deposits paid for the purchases of a parcel of land in Xinfeng, Guangdong Province, the PRC, residential properties in Shenzhen, the PRC, machinery and equipment and office premises for the Group's paint operation.

**22. NET PENSION SCHEME ASSETS**

The Group operates a funded defined benefit scheme for all its qualifying employees in the Hong Kong. Under the scheme, the employees are entitled to retirement benefits at 70% of their final monthly salaries multiplied by their respective number of past service years plus 70% of the final monthly salaries multiplied by their respective number of past scheme service years on attainment of a retirement age of 65.

The Group's defined benefit scheme is a final salary plan, which requires contributions to be made to a separately administered fund. The scheme has the legal form of a foundation and it is administered by an independent trustee with the assets held separately from those of the Group. The trustee is responsible for the determination of the investment strategy of the scheme.

The trustee reviews the level of funding in the scheme by the end of each reporting period. Such a review includes the asset-liability matching strategy and investment risk management policy. The trustee decides the contribution based on the results of the annual review. The investment portfolio targets a mix of 55% to 85% global equities and 15% to 45% in global bonds and deposits.

The scheme is exposed to interest rate risk, the risk of changes in the life expectancy for pensioners and equity market risk.

The most recent actuarial valuations of the scheme assets and the present value of the defined benefit obligations were carried out at 31 December 2013 by Grant Sherman Appraisal Limited, independent professional actuarial advisor, using the projected unit credit actuarial valuation method.

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### 22. NET PENSION SCHEME ASSETS (continued)

The principal actuarial assumptions used as at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	2013	2012
Discount rate	2.3%	0.6%
Expected rate of salary increases	2.5%	2.5%

The actuarial valuation showed that the market value of scheme assets was HK\$9,915,000 (2012: HK\$8,939,000) and that the actuarial value of these assets represented 150% (2012: 120%) of the benefits that had accrued to qualifying employees.

A quantitative sensitivity analysis for significant assumptions as at 31 December 2013 is shown below:

	Increase/ (decrease) in Increase in rate %	Increase/ (decrease) in net pension scheme assets HK\$'000	Decrease in rate %	Increase/ (decrease) in net pension scheme assets HK\$'000
Discount rate	5	73	(5)	(75)
Future salary increase	5	(84)	(5)	81

The sensitivity analyses above have been determined based on a method that extrapolates the impact on net pension scheme assets as a result of reasonable changes in key assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period. It is based on the assumption that changes in actuarial assumptions are not correlated and therefore it does not take into account the correlations between the actual assumptions.

The total expenses recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss in respect of the scheme are as follows:

	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Current service cost	227	246
Interest cost	(11)	(14)
Net pension benefit expenses recognised in administrative expenses	<u>216</u>	<u>232</u>

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### 22. NET PENSION SCHEME ASSETS (continued)

The movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligations are as follows:

	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
At 1 January	7,480	6,942
Current service cost	227	246
Interest cost	49	103
Remeasurements:		
– Actuarial (gains)/losses arising from changes in demographic assumptions	(13)	5
– Actuarial (gains)/losses arising from changes in financial assumptions	(1,198)	320
– Experience adjustments	73	94
Benefit paid	—	(230)
At 31 December	<b>6,618</b>	<b>7,480</b>

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### 22. NET PENSION SCHEME ASSETS (continued)

The movements in the defined benefit obligations and the fair value of plan assets are as follows:

2013

	Pension cost credited/(charged) to profit or loss				Remeasurement gains/(losses) in other comprehensive income						31 December 2013 HK\$'000
	1 January 2013 HK\$'000 (Restated)	Service cost HK\$'000	Net interest HK\$'000	Sub-total included in profit or loss HK\$'000	Benefit paid HK\$'000	Return on scheme assets (excluding amounts included in net interest expense) HK\$'000	Actuarial changes arising from changes in demographic assumptions HK\$'000	Actuarial changes arising from changes in financial assumptions HK\$'000	Experience adjustments HK\$'000	Sub-total included in other comprehensive income HK\$'000	
Fair value of scheme assets	8,939	—	60	60	—	916	—	—	—	916	9,915
Defined benefit obligations	(7,480)	(227)	(49)	(276)	—	—	13	1,198	(73)	1,138	(6,618)
Net pension scheme assets	1,459	(227)	11	(216)	—	916	13	1,198	(73)	2,054	3,297

2012

	Pension cost credited/(charged) to profit or loss				Remeasurement gains/(losses) in other comprehensive income						31 December 2012 HK\$'000
	1 January 2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)	Service cost HK\$'000	Net interest HK\$'000 (Restated)	Sub-total included in profit or loss HK\$'000 (Restated)	Benefit paid HK\$'000	Return on scheme assets (excluding amounts included in net interest expense) HK\$'000 (Restated)	Actuarial changes arising from changes in demographic assumptions HK\$'000 (Restated)	Actuarial changes arising from changes in financial assumptions HK\$'000 (Restated)	Experience adjustments HK\$'000 (Restated)	Sub-total included in other comprehensive income HK\$'000 (Restated)	
Fair value of scheme assets	7,937	—	117	117	(230)	1,115	—	—	—	1,115	8,939
Defined benefit obligations	(6,942)	(246)	(103)	(349)	230	—	(5)	(320)	(94)	(419)	(7,480)
Net pension scheme assets	995	(246)	14	(232)	—	1,115	(5)	(320)	(94)	696	1,459

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### 22. NET PENSION SCHEME ASSETS (continued)

The actual return in scheme assets for 2013 amounted to HK\$976,000 (2012: HK\$1,232,000).

The Group did not pay any contribution to the defined benefit pension scheme during the years ended 31 December 2012 and 2013, and does not expect to pay any contribution during the year ending 31 December 2014.

The major categories of the fair value of the total scheme assets are as follows:

	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Equities	7,724	6,883
Bonds	1,973	1,967
Money market instruments	218	89
	<b>9,915</b>	8,939
	<b>9,915</b>	8,939

The weighted average duration of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting period is 11 years (2012: 12 years).

### 23. INVENTORIES

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Raw materials and spare parts	56,487	47,349
Work in progress	6,204	5,354
Finished goods	25,852	43,125
	<b>88,543</b>	95,828
	<b>88,543</b>	95,828

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### 24. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES

	Group	
	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade and bills receivables	341,308	262,267
Impairment	(12,439)	(9,819)
	<u>328,869</u>	<u>252,448</u>

The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on credit, except for new customers, where payment in advance is normally required. The Group maintains a defined credit policy and credit periods are usually granted ranging from one to three months to normal customers. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its receivables to minimise credit risk. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management. In view of the aforementioned and the fact that the Group's trade and bills receivables relate to a large number of diversified customers and reputable banks, there is no significant concentration of credit risk. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements over its trade receivable balances. Trade and bills receivables are non-interest-bearing.

An aged analysis of the trade and bills receivables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date and net of provisions, is as follows:

	Group	
	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within three months	298,456	226,538
Over three months and within six months	22,944	22,696
Over six months	7,469	3,214
	<u>328,869</u>	<u>252,448</u>

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### 24. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES (continued)

The movements in provision for impairment of trade and bills receivables are as follows:

		<b>Group</b>	
	Note	<b>2013</b>	2012
		<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
At 1 January		9,819	11,258
Impairment losses recognised/(reversed)	6	2,507	(1,534)
Write-off		(189)	—
Exchange realignment		302	95
At 31 December		12,439	9,819

Included in the above provision for impairment of trade and bills receivables is a provision for individually impaired trade receivables of HK\$12,439,000 (2012: HK\$9,819,000) with aggregate carrying amount before provision of HK\$18,956,000 (2012: HK\$10,595,000).

The individually impaired trade receivables are related to customers that have been in default in payment or in financial difficulties for prolonged periods and are not expected to be recovered.

The aged analysis of the trade and bills receivables that are not individually nor collectively considered to be impaired is as follows:

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Neither past due nor impaired	251,630	172,112
Within three months past due	59,747	72,799
Over three months and within six months past due	7,701	5,867
Over six months past due	3,274	894
	322,352	251,672

Receivables that were neither past due nor impaired relate to a large number of diversified customers for whom there was no recent history of default.



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### 24. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES (continued)

Receivables that were past due but not impaired relate to a number of independent customers that have a good track record with the Group. Based on past experience, the directors of the Company are of the opinion that no provision for impairment is necessary in respect of these balances as there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the balances are still considered fully recoverable.

At 31 December 2012, certain of the trade receivables with an aggregate carrying value of HK\$177,293,000 were secured by a floating charge for general banking facilities granted to the Group (note 32), and were subsequently released during the year ended 31 December 2013.

### 25. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	Group		Company	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Prepayments	3,420	2,169	35	55
Services contract costs incurred plus recognised profits	1,088	1,180	—	—
Deposits and other receivables	39,490	29,432	195	255
Deferred expenses	322	356	—	—
	<u>44,320</u>	<u>33,137</u>	<u>230</u>	<u>310</u>
Impairment	(1,366)	(1,366)	—	—
	<u>42,954</u>	<u>31,771</u>	<u>230</u>	<u>310</u>

Included in the above provision for impairment is a provision for an individually impaired other receivable of HK\$1,366,000 (2012: HK\$1,366,000), with a carrying amount before provision of HK\$1,366,000 (2012: HK\$1,366,000). The Company's directors considered that the individual impaired balance had been outstanding for some time and was not expected to be recoverable. None of the remaining assets above are past due nor impaired. Except for the individually impaired other receivable of HK\$1,366,000, the remaining financial assets included in the above balances related to receivables for which there was no recent history of default.

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### 26. EQUITY INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Listed equity investments, at market value:		
Hong Kong	312	252
Elsewhere	—	20,931
	<b>312</b>	<b>21,183</b>

The above equity investments at 31 December 2013 and 2012 were classified as held for trading by the Group.

### 27. STRUCTURED DEPOSITS

Structured deposits were stated at fair value and represented several deposits placed in banks. As at 31 December 2013, the aggregate principal of deposits was fully guaranteed by the banks while the rates of return were not guaranteed and the maximum expected rates of return ranged from 4.10% to 6.75% per annum (2012: 3.7% to 3.8% per annum). The Group designated these structured deposits as investments at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition. The Group uses the structured deposits primarily to enhance the return on investment. Except for a structured deposit with a carrying value of HK\$20,336,000 which will be matured on 9 April 2014, all structured deposits were fully redeemed upon their maturities in January 2014.

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### 28. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH

	Note	Group		Company	
		2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Cash and bank balances		258,885	246,558	17,252	15,019
Time deposits:					
– with original maturity of less than three months when acquired		17,777	78,081	—	—
– with original maturity of more than three months when acquired		51,232	4,089	—	—
		<b>327,894</b>	328,728	<b>17,252</b>	15,019
Less: Time deposits restricted for a short term bank facility					
– with original maturity of more than three months when acquired	32(d)	(51,232)	—	—	—
Cash and cash equivalents		<b>276,662</b>	328,728	<b>17,252</b>	15,019

At the end of the reporting period, the cash and bank balances and time deposits of the Group denominated in Renminbi (“RMB”) amounted to HK\$277,473,000 (2012: HK\$276,650,000). The RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies, however, under the PRC’s Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for other currencies through banks authorised to conduct foreign exchange business.

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Short term time deposits are made for periods of between one month and one year depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Group, and earn interest at the respective short term time deposit rates. The bank balances are deposited with creditworthy banks with no recent history of default. The carrying amounts of the cash and cash equivalents approximate to their fair values.

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### 29. TRADE AND BILLS PAYABLES

An aged analysis of the trade and bills payables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Within three months	<b>170,817</b>	166,626
Over three months and within six months	<b>5,654</b>	3,605
Over six months	<b>—</b>	27
	<b><u>176,471</u></b>	<u>170,258</u>

The trade payables are unsecured, non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on 60-day terms.

### 30. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	Note	<b>Group</b>		<b>Company</b>	
		<b>2013</b>	2012	<b>2013</b>	2012
		<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
			(Restated)		
Deferred income	35	<b>341</b>	331	—	—
Other payables		<b>41,616</b>	40,000	<b>219</b>	151
Accruals and receipts in advance		<b><u>126,799</u></b>	<u>111,231</u>	<b><u>3,810</u></b>	<u>4,616</u>
		<b><u>168,756</u></b>	<u>151,562</u>	<b><u>4,029</u></b>	<u>4,767</u>

The other payables are non-interest-bearing and have an average term of three months.

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### 31. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT

	Group	
	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest rate swap contract - liability	<u>15</u>	<u>146</u>

The Group entered into an interest rate swap contract to manage its exposure to movements in interest rates in relation to the Group's floating rate term loans.

The contract is classified as held for trading derivative as it is not designated an effective hedging instrument as defined by HKAS 39, and is measured at fair value through profits of loss. The aggregate fair value gain of the non-hedging derivative amounting to HK\$131,000 (2012: loss of HK\$146,000) was credited to the consolidated statement of profit or loss during the year ended 31 December 2013.

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### 32. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS

	2013			2012		
	Effective interest rate per annum (%)	Maturity	HK\$'000	Effective interest rate per annum (%)	Maturity	HK\$'000
<b>Group</b>						
<b>Current</b>						
Finance lease payables (note 33)	1.6 - 6.2	2014	233	6.2 - 6.9	2013	20
Bank loans – secured	1.2 - 7.4	2014	137,073	1.3 - 8.8	2013	79,286
Import loans – secured	1.3 - 1.9	2014	44,010	1.0 - 2.4	2013	41,807
			<u>181,316</u>			<u>121,113</u>
<b>Non-current</b>						
Finance lease payables (note 33)	1.6	2015 - 2018	218	6.2	2014 - 2016	24
Bank loans – secured	1.2 - 1.7	2015 - 2020	27,691	1.3 - 1.8	2014 - 2020	33,378
			<u>27,909</u>			<u>33,402</u>
			<u>209,225</u>			<u>154,515</u>
<b>Company</b>						
<b>Current</b>						
Finance lease payables (note 33)	6.2	2014	16	6.2	2013	16
<b>Non-current</b>						
Finance lease payables (note 33)	6.2	2016	8	6.2	2014 - 2016	24
			<u>24</u>			<u>40</u>

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### 32. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS (continued)

	Group		Company	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Analysed into:				
Bank loans and import loans repayable:				
Within one year or on demand	181,083	121,093	—	—
In the second year	5,761	5,663	—	—
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	17,651	17,538	—	—
Beyond five years	4,279	10,177	—	—
	<u>208,774</u>	<u>154,471</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Other borrowings repayable:				
Within one year or on demand	233	20	16	16
In the second year	193	16	5	16
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	25	8	3	8
	<u>451</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>40</u>
	<u>209,225</u>	<u>154,515</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>40</u>

Notes:

- (a) The Group's bank loans and import loans are secured by:
- the Group's land and buildings with an aggregate net book value at the end of the reporting period of HK\$131,693,000 (2012: HK\$150,676,000) (note 14); and
  - the Group's investment properties with an aggregate carrying value at the end of the reporting period of HK\$236,120,000 (2012: HK\$145,950,000) (note 15).
- (b) As at 31 December 2012, the Group's bank loans were also secured by the Group's trade receivables with an aggregate carrying value of HK\$177,293,000 (note 24).
- (c) Included in the Group's interest-bearing bank and other borrowings as at 31 December 2013 are borrowings with carrying amounts of HK\$5,397,000 and HK\$40,972,000 (2012: HK\$5,712,000; HK\$38,470,000; and HK\$208,000) which are denominated in RMB and United States dollars ("US\$") (2012: RMB; US\$; and Euros), respectively. All other borrowings of the Group are denominated in Hong Kong dollars.
- (d) At the end of the reporting period, the Group had approximately HK\$51,232,000 (2012: Nil) of time deposits maintained at a bank to cover a bank facility which were restricted as to use (note 28).

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### 33. FINANCE LEASE PAYABLES

The Group leases certain of its motor vehicles and office equipment for its operations. These leases are classified as finance leases and have remaining lease terms ranging from one to five years. All leases are on a fixed repayment basis and no arrangements have been entered into for contingent rental payments.

The total future minimum lease payments under finance leases and their present values were as follows:

	Minimum lease payments		Present value of minimum lease payments	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
<b>Group</b>				
Amounts payable:				
Within one year	244	21	233	20
In the second year	196	17	193	16
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	25	8	25	8
Total minimum finance lease payments	465	46	451	44
Future finance charges	(14)	(2)		
Total net finance lease payables	451	44		
Portion classified as current liabilities (note 32)	(233)	(20)		
Non-current portion (note 32)	218	24		



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### 33. FINANCE LEASE PAYABLES (continued)

The total future minimum lease payments under finance leases and their present values were as follows: (continued)

Company	Minimum lease payments		Present value of minimum lease payments	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Amounts payable:				
Within one year	16	17	16	16
In the second year	5	16	5	16
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	3	8	3	8
Total minimum finance lease payments	24	41	24	40
Future finance charges	—	(1)		
Total net finance lease payables	24	40		
Portion classified as current liabilities (note 32)	(16)	(16)		
Non-current portion (note 32)	8	24		

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### 34. DEFERRED TAX

The movements in deferred tax liabilities and assets during the year are as follows:

#### Deferred tax liabilities

##### Group

	Depreciation allowance		Revaluation		Withholding taxes		Total	
	in excess of related		of properties					
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January	4,299	4,262	6,247	6,247	16,270	11,200	26,816	21,709
Deferred tax charged/(credited) to the statement of profit or loss during the year (note 10)	(161)	37	—	—	8,033	5,070	7,872	5,107
Gross deferred tax liabilities recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at 31 December	<u>4,138</u>	<u>4,299</u>	<u>6,247</u>	<u>6,247</u>	<u>24,303</u>	<u>16,270</u>	<u>34,688</u>	<u>26,816</u>

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### 34. DEFERRED TAX (continued)

The movements in deferred tax liabilities and assets during the year are as follows: (continued)

#### Deferred tax assets

#### Group

	Losses		Depreciation		Provision		Total	
	available for		in excess of related					
	future taxable profits	offsetting against	depreciation allowance	depreciation allowance	2013	2012	2013	2012
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
					(Restated)	(Restated)		(Restated)
At 1 January	—	—	3,483	1,845	8,263	3,715	11,746	5,560
Prior year adjustment (note 2.2)	—	—	—	—	(7,261)	(3,715)	(7,261)	(3,715)
At 1 January (as restated)	—	—	3,483	1,845	1,002	—	4,485	1,845
Deferred tax credited/(charged) to the statement of profit or loss during the year (note 10)	246	—	(1,057)	1,622	(183)	1,002	(994)	2,624
Exchange realignment	—	—	64	16	17	—	81	16
Gross deferred tax assets recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at 31 December	<u>246</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>2,490</u>	<u>3,483</u>	<u>836</u>	<u>1,002</u>	<u>3,572</u>	<u>4,485</u>

**34. DEFERRED TAX** (continued)

The Group has estimated tax losses arising in Hong Kong of HK\$996,605,000 (2012: HK\$970,775,000), subject to the agreement by the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Department, that are available indefinitely for offsetting against future taxable profits of the companies in which the losses arose. The Group has no estimated tax losses arising in Mainland China (2012: Nil) for offsetting against future taxable profits. Deferred tax assets had not been recognised in respect of these losses as they had arisen in subsidiaries that had been loss-making for some time and it was uncertain that taxable profits would be available against which the tax losses can be utilised.

Pursuant to the PRC Corporate Income Tax Law, a 10% withholding tax is levied on dividends declared to foreign investors from the foreign investment enterprises established in Mainland China. The requirement is effective from 1 January 2008 and applies to earnings after 31 December 2007. A lower withholding tax rate may be applied if there is a tax treaty between Mainland China and the jurisdiction of the foreign investors. For the Group, the applicable rate is 5%. The Group is therefore liable for withholding taxes on dividends distributed by those subsidiaries established in Mainland China in respect of earnings generated from 1 January 2008.

There are no income tax consequences attaching to the payment of dividends by the Company to its shareholders.

**35. DEFERRED INCOME**

		<b>Group</b>	
		<b>2013</b>	2012
		<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
	Notes		
At 1 January		4,216	4,496
Recognised during the year	5	(323)	(315)
Exchange realignment		124	35
At 31 December		4,017	4,216
Portion classified as current liabilities	30	(341)	(331)
Non-current portion		<u>3,676</u>	<u>3,885</u>

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### 35. DEFERRED INCOME (continued)

As an arrangement of attracting foreign investments in Xuzhou, the PRC, the Group entered into certain agreements (the “Xuzhou Agreements”) with the Xuzhou Economic Development Zone Committee (「徐州經濟開發區管委會」) (the “Xuzhou Authority”, under the municipal government of Xuzhou) on 10 April 2004. Pursuant to the Xuzhou Agreements, the Xuzhou Authority arranged the construction of the plant and office buildings for a solvent manufacturing subsidiary in Xuzhou (the “Xuzhou Subsidiary”) and also provided the required funding to the Xuzhou Subsidiary for the construction in the form of a loan to the Xuzhou Subsidiary (the “Construction Loan”). The construction of the plant and office buildings was completed, and the plant and office buildings were handed over to the Group for the solvent operation in July 2005. On 25 June 2007, the Group entered into certain revised agreements with the Xuzhou Authority to finalise the land premium payable at RMB4,793,000 for the parcel of land on which the plant and office buildings were constructed (the “Xuzhou Land”) and waived the same amount of the Construction Loan due to it, which was recorded as deferred income by the Group and is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss over the weighted average useful life of the buildings and plant and machinery of the Xuzhou Subsidiary whose construction was financed by the Construction Loan.

### 36. SHARE CAPITAL

#### Shares

	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Authorised:		
2,880,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each	<u>288,000</u>	<u>288,000</u>
Issued and fully paid:		
1,888,405,690 (2012: 1,888,405,690) ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each	<u>188,841</u>	<u>188,841</u>

There was no movement of the Company’s share capital during the years ended 31 December 2013 and 2012.

#### Share options

Details of the Company’s share option schemes and the share options issued under the schemes are included in note 37 to the financial statements.

**37. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES****The 2002 Scheme**

On 28 June 2002, the Company adopted a share option scheme (the “2002 Scheme”), which was approved by the shareholders of the Company at the special general meeting held on the same date. The 2002 Scheme was adopted by the Company for the purpose of providing incentives to attract and retain employees of the Group, as well as other eligible persons, who made contributions to the Group.

152,800,000 share options were granted on 27 May 2010 under the 2002 Scheme to employees of the Group to subscribe for a total of 152,800,000 new shares of the Company of HK\$0.10 each, vest over a period of four years from the grant date, of which 50% of the share options vested immediately on the grant date, 10% of the share options vested on 27 May 2011, 10% of the share options vested on 27 May 2012, 10% of the share options vesting on 27 May 2013 and 20% of the share options vesting on 27 May 2014. These share options are exercisable at HK\$0.44 per share and must be exercised within five years from the grant date, and if not so exercised, the share options shall lapse. These share options do not confer rights on the holders to dividends or to vote at shareholders’ meetings.

None of the share options granted on 27 May 2010 under the 2002 Scheme were exercised, cancelled or lapsed.

The fair value of the share options granted on 27 May 2010 was HK\$26,302,000, of which the Group recognised an equity-settled share option expense of HK\$2,758,000 during the year ended 31 December 2013 (2012: HK\$4,278,000).

At the end of the reporting period, the Company had 152,800,000 share options outstanding under the 2002 Scheme. The exercise in full of the outstanding share options would, under the present capital structure of the Company, result in the issue of 152,800,000 additional ordinary shares of the Company and additional share capital of HK\$15,280,000 and share premium of HK\$51,952,000 (before issue expenses).

The 2002 Scheme expired on 27 June 2012 and no further options shall be issued thereafter but, in all other respects, the 2002 Scheme shall remain in force to the extent necessary to give effect to the exercise of the outstanding options granted. All outstanding share options under 2002 Scheme will continue to be valid and exercisable in accordance with the terms of the 2002 Scheme.

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### 37. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (continued)

#### The 2012 Scheme

The 2012 Scheme was adopted by the Company on 28 June 2012, pursuant to a resolution passed at the annual general meeting held on the same date. Unless terminated by resolution in general meeting or by the board of directors, the 2012 Scheme remains valid and effective for a period of 10 years commencing on 28 June 2012, after which period no further options will be issued but, in all other aspects, the provision of the 2012 Scheme shall remain in full force and effect. Further details are set out in the circular of the Company dated 30 April 2012.

The 2012 Scheme will expire on 27 June 2022. During the years ended 31 December 2013 and 2012, no share options were granted under the 2012 Scheme.

### 38. RESERVES

#### (a) Group

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein for the years ended 31 December 2012 and 2013 are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity on pages 39 and 40 of the financial statements.

The Group applied the transitional provisions of HKFRS 3 that permitted goodwill in respect of business combinations which occurred prior to 2001 to remain eliminated against consolidated reserves.

The amount of goodwill remaining in consolidated reserves, arising from the acquisition of subsidiaries and associates prior to the adoption of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 30 in 2001, was HK\$46,050,000 as at 31 December 2013 and 2012. The amount of goodwill was stated at its cost, less cumulative impairment which arose in years prior to 1 January 2005.

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38 . RESERVES (continued)

(b) Company

	Share premium account HK\$'000	Share option reserve <sup>#</sup> HK\$'000	Contributed surplus* HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2012	81,145	18,349	399,098	(156,829)	341,763
Total comprehensive income for the year (note 11)	—	—	—	13,761	13,761
Equity-settled share option arrangement (note 37)	—	4,278	—	—	4,278
Final 2011 dividend declared and paid	—	—	(9,442)	—	(9,442)
At 31 December 2012 and 1 January 2013	81,145	22,627	389,656	(143,068)	350,360
Total comprehensive income for the year (note 11)	—	—	—	65,802	65,802
Equity-settled share option arrangement (note 37)	—	2,758	—	—	2,758
Final 2012 dividend declared and paid	—	—	(18,884)	—	(18,884)
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>	<b>81,145</b>	<b>25,385</b>	<b>370,772</b>	<b>(77,266)</b>	<b>400,036</b>

\* A portion of the contributed surplus arose as a result of the transfer from the share premium account pursuant to a court approval obtained in 1992 for the purpose of writing off goodwill arising on the acquisition of subsidiaries. The remaining portion of the contributed surplus arose in 1991 as a result of a group reorganisation and originally represented the difference between the nominal value of the Company's shares allotted under the reorganisation scheme and the consolidated net asset value of the acquired subsidiaries.

Under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended), the contributed surplus is distributable to shareholders under certain circumstances.

# The share option reserve comprises the fair value of share options granted which are yet to be exercised, as further explained in the accounting policy for share-based payment transactions in note 2.4 to the financial statements. The amount will either be transferred to the share premium account when the related options are exercised, or be transferred to retained profits or accumulated losses should the related options expire or be forfeited.



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### 39. DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES

During the year ended 31 December 2013, the Group disposed of its entire equity interest in a subsidiary, which was principally engaged in securities investment, to an independent third party for a total consideration of HK\$7,907,000.

During the year ended 31 December 2012, the Group disposed of its entire equity interest in a subsidiary, which owned a vehicle licence, to an independent third party for a cash consideration of HK\$60,000.

	Note	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Net assets disposed of:			
An equity investment at fair value through profit or loss		7,413	—
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary recognised in other income and gains	5	494	60
		<u>7,907</u>	<u>60</u>
Satisfied by:			
Cash		2,372	60
Other receivable*		5,535	—
		<u>7,907</u>	<u>60</u>

\* The consideration receivable from the acquirer of HK\$5,535,000 was fully settled by cash on 3 March 2014.

An analysis of the net inflow of cash and cash equivalents in respect of the disposal of subsidiaries is as follows:

	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Cash consideration received and net inflow of cash and cash equivalents in respect of the disposal of a subsidiary	<u>2,372</u>	<u>60</u>

**40. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

**Major non-cash transactions**

- (a) During the year ended 31 December 2013, the Group entered into finance lease arrangements in respect of property, plant and equipment which a total capital value at the inception of the leases of HK\$661,000 (2012: Nil).
- (b) During the year ended 31 December 2013, the Group completed the acquisition of certain items of property, plant and equipment, the consideration of which was partially settled by deposits previously paid with an aggregate carrying amount of HK\$1,538,000 (2012: 1,439,000).
- (c) During the year ended 31 December 2013, the Group completed the acquisition of certain investment properties. The consideration of which was partially settled by deposits previously paid with an aggregate carrying amount of HK\$13,019,000 (2012: Nil).

**41. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

At the end of the reporting period, contingent liabilities not provided for in the financial statements were as follows:

	<b>Company</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Guarantees given to banks in connection with facilities granted to subsidiaries	<b><u>381,160</u></b>	<u>351,160</u>

As at 31 December 2013, the banking facilities granted to subsidiaries subject to guarantees given to banks by the Company were utilised to the extent of approximately HK\$203,377,000 (2012: HK\$148,759,000).

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had no significant contingent liabilities.

**42. PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

Details of the Group's bank loans and other borrowings secured by certain assets of the Group are included in note 32.

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### 43. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

#### (a) As lessor

The Group leases its investment properties (note 15) under operating lease arrangements, with leases negotiated for terms ranging from one to ten years. The terms of the leases generally also require the tenants to pay security deposits and provide for periodic rent adjustments according to the prevailing market conditions.

At 31 December 2013, the Group had total future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable operating leases with its tenants falling due as follows:

	Group	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Within one year	8,735	3,728
In the second to fifth years, inclusive	<u>10,826</u>	<u>2,032</u>
	<u><u>19,561</u></u>	<u><u>5,760</u></u>

#### (b) As lessee

The Group leases certain of its properties under operating lease arrangements. Leases for properties are negotiated for terms ranging from one to five years.

At 31 December 2013, the Group and the Company had total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Within one year	3,771	2,471	—	56
In the second to fifth years, inclusive	<u>2,228</u>	<u>1,569</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
	<u><u>5,999</u></u>	<u><u>4,040</u></u>	<u><u>—</u></u>	<u><u>56</u></u>

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### 44. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

In addition to the operating lease commitments detailed in note 43(b) above, the Group had the following capital commitments at the end of the reporting period:

	Notes	Group	
		2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Contracted, but not provided for:			
Purchases of land use rights	(a)	2,000	1,941
Capital contribution to subsidiaries	(b), (c)	25,755	15,502
Construction and purchases of items of property, plant and equipment		11,944	17,457
		39,699	34,900

Notes:

- (a) On 21 January 2008, the Group entered into an agreement with the government of Xinfeng, Guangdong Province, the PRC to purchase a parcel of land located in Xinfeng, at a consideration of RMB8,220,000, of which RMB6,658,000 had been paid by the Group as at 31 December 2013 (2012: RMB6,658,000).
- (b) On 25 June 2007, the Group entered into an agreement with the Xuzhou Authority to increase the registered share capital of the Xuzhou Subsidiary by US\$2,000,000. The Group had not yet made such additional capital contribution to the Xuzhou Subsidiary as at 31 December 2013 and 2012.
- (c) On 3 June 2013, the Group newly registered a wholly-foreign-owned subsidiary under PRC law with a registered share capital of RMB10,000,000, of which RMB1,999,987 had been paid up by the Group as at 31 December 2013.

At the end of the reporting period, the Company had no significant capital commitments.

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### 45. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to the transactions and balances detailed elsewhere in these financial statements, the Group had the following significant transactions with related parties during the year:

#### (a) Transactions with a related party

	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Rental expenses paid to a company controlled by a director of the Company	—	103
Advertising expenses paid to a company controlled by a director of the Company	—	496
	<u>—</u>	<u>496</u>

Note: The Group leased certain properties and advertising site from the Group's related party at rates and conditions similar to those offered by independent third parties.

The above related party transactions also constituted continuing connected transactions as defined in Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. These transactions were exempted from relevant disclosures and other requirements, pursuant to Rule 14A.33 of the Listing Rules.

#### (b) Outstanding balances with related parties

Details of the Group's balances with its associates as at the end of the reporting period are disclosed in note 19 to the financial statements.

#### (c) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group

	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
Short term employee benefits	12,392	19,313
Post-employment benefits	380	450
Total compensation paid/payable to key management personnel	<u>12,772</u>	<u>19,763</u>

Further details of directors' emoluments are included in note 8 to the financial statements.

**46. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY**

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

**Group**

**2013**

**Financial assets**

	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss			Available-for-sale financial assets	Total
	Designated as such upon initial recognition	Held for trading	Loans and receivables		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Available-for-sale investments	—	—	—	96,083	96,083
Trade and bills receivables	—	—	328,869	—	328,869
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	—	—	38,124	—	38,124
Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss	—	312	—	—	312
Structured deposits	167,377	—	—	—	167,377
Restricted cash	—	—	51,232	—	51,232
Cash and cash equivalents	—	—	276,662	—	276,662
	<u>167,377</u>	<u>312</u>	<u>694,887</u>	<u>96,083</u>	<u>958,659</u>

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### 46. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the end of the reporting period are as follows: (continued)

**Group** (continued)

**2013** (continued)

#### Financial liabilities

	Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss – held for trading HK\$'000	Financial liabilities at amortised cost HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Due to an associate	—	2,550	2,550
Trade and bills payables	—	176,471	176,471
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	—	41,616	41,616
Derivative financial instrument	15	—	15
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	—	209,225	209,225
	<u>15</u>	<u>429,862</u>	<u>429,877</u>

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### 46. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the end of the reporting period are as follows: (continued)

#### Group (continued)

2012

#### Financial assets

	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss			Available- for-sale financial assets	Total
	Designated as such upon initial recognition HK\$'000	Held for trading HK\$'000	Loans and receivables HK\$'000		
Available-for-sale investments	—	—	—	101,083	101,083
Trade and bills receivables	—	—	252,448	—	252,448
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	—	—	28,066	—	28,066
Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss	—	21,183	—	—	21,183
Structured deposits	75,029	—	—	—	75,029
Cash and cash equivalents	—	—	328,728	—	328,728
	<u>75,029</u>	<u>21,183</u>	<u>609,242</u>	<u>101,083</u>	<u>806,537</u>



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### 46. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the end of the reporting period are as follows: (continued)

**Group** (continued)

**2012** (continued)

#### Financial liabilities

	Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss – held for trading HK\$'000	Financial liabilities at amortised cost HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Due to associates	—	4,260	4,260
Trade and bills payables	—	170,258	170,258
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	—	40,000	40,000
Derivative financial instrument	146	—	146
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	—	154,515	154,515
	<u>146</u>	<u>369,033</u>	<u>369,179</u>

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### 46. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the end of the reporting period are as follows: (continued)

#### Company

##### Financial assets

	<b>Loans and receivables</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Due from subsidiaries, net of impairment	213,935	204,045
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	195	255
Cash and cash equivalents	17,252	15,019
	<b>231,382</b>	<b>219,319</b>

##### Financial liabilities

	<b>Financial liabilities at amortised cost</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	2012
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	HK\$'000
Due to subsidiaries (note 18)	2,009	597
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	219	151
Interest-bearing other borrowings	24	40
	<b>2,252</b>	<b>788</b>

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### 47. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The carrying amounts and fair values of the Group's and the Company's financial instruments, other than those with carrying amounts that reasonably approximate to fair values and available-for-sale investments (further details of which are set out in note 20 of the financial statements), are as follows:

#### Group

	Carrying amounts		Fair values	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
<b>Financial assets</b>				
Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss	312	21,183	312	21,183
Structured deposits	167,377	75,029	167,377	75,029
	<u>167,689</u>	<u>96,212</u>	<u>167,689</u>	<u>96,212</u>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>				
Derivative financial instrument	15	146	15	146
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	209,225	154,515	209,031	154,279
	<u>209,240</u>	<u>154,661</u>	<u>209,046</u>	<u>154,425</u>

#### Company

	Carrying amounts		Fair values	
	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000
<b>Financial liabilities</b>				
Interest-bearing other borrowings	24	40	24	40
	<u>24</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>40</u>

**47. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)**

Management has assessed that the fair values of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, trade and bills receivables, trade and bills payables, financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables, financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals, and amounts due to associates approximate to their carrying amounts largely due to the short term maturities of these instruments.

The Group's finance director is responsible for determining the policies and procedures for the fair value measurement of financial instruments. At each reporting date, the finance director analyses the movements in the values of financial instruments and determines the major inputs applied in the valuation. The audit committee reviews the results of the fair value measurement of financial instruments periodically for interim and annual financial reporting.

The fair values of the financial assets and liabilities are included at the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale. The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

The fair values of the non-current portion of interest-bearing bank and other borrowings have been calculated by discounting the expected future cash flows using rates currently available for instruments with similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities. The Group's own non-performance risk for interest-bearing bank and other borrowings as at 31 December 2013 was assessed to be insignificant.

The fair values of the listed equity investments at fair value through profit or loss are based on quoted market prices.

The fair value of the structured deposits are determined in accordance with discounted cash flow analysis or other generally accepted pricing models using observable market data.

The Group enters into a derivative financial instrument with a financial institution with high credit ratings. Derivative financial instruments are measured using valuation techniques similar to swap model, using present value calculations. The model incorporate various market observable inputs including the credit quality of counterparty and interest rate curves. The carrying amounts of interest rate swaps are the same as their fair values.

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities carried at amortised cost approximate their carrying amounts.

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### 47. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

#### Fair value hierarchy

The following tables illustrate the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group and the Company's financial instruments:

	Fair value measurement using			Total HK\$'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) HK\$'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) HK\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) HK\$'000	
<i>Assets measured at fair value:</i>				
<b>Group</b>				
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>				
Listed equity investments at fair value through profit or loss	312	—	—	312
Structured deposits	—	167,377	—	167,377
	<u>312</u>	<u>167,377</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>167,689</u>
<b>At 31 December 2012</b>				
Listed equity investment at fair value through profit or loss	21,183	—	—	21,183
Structured deposits	—	75,029	—	75,029
	<u>21,183</u>	<u>75,029</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>96,212</u>
<i>Liability measured at fair value:</i>				
<b>Group</b>				
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>				
Derivative financial instrument	—	15	—	15
<b>At 31 December 2012</b>				
Derivative financial instrument	—	146	—	146

47. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Fair value hierarchy (continued)

The following tables illustrate the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group and the Company's financial instruments: (continued)

During the year, there were no transfers of fair value measurements between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3 for both financial assets and financial liabilities (2012: Nil).

The Company did not have any financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value as at 31 December 2012 and 2013.

	Fair value measurement using			Total HK\$'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) HK\$'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) HK\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) HK\$'000	
<i>Liabilities for which fair values are disclosed:</i>				
<b>Group</b>				
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>				
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	—	209,031	—	209,031
<b>At 31 December 2012</b>				
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	—	154,279	—	154,279
<b>Company</b>				
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>				
Interest bearing other-borrowings	—	24	—	24
<b>At 31 December 2012</b>				
Interest bearing other-borrowings	—	40	—	40

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### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's principal financial instruments comprise bank loans, other borrowings and cash and cash equivalents. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to finance the Group's operations. The Group has various other financial assets and liabilities, such as structured deposits, trade and bills receivables, deposits and other receivables, available-for-sale investments, equity investments at fair value through profit or loss, amounts due to associates, trade and bills payables, other payables and a derivative financial instrument, which arise directly from its operations.

The Group also enters into derivative transactions. The purpose is to manage the interest rate risk arising from the Group's operations and its sources of finance.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are interest rate risk, foreign currency risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's policies for managing each of these risks are summarised below. The Group's accounting policies in relation to derivatives are set out in note 2.4 to the financial statements.

#### **Interest rate risk**

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk due to changes in interest rates of interest-bearing financial assets and liabilities. Interest-bearing financial assets are mainly deposits with banks which are mostly short term in nature whereas interest-bearing financing liabilities are mainly bank borrowings with primarily floating interest rates. The Group is therefore exposed to interest rate risk. The Group's policy is to obtain the most favourable interest rates available.

The Company was not exposed to any significant interest rate risk at the end of the reporting period.

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### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

#### Interest rate risk (continued)

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to a reasonably possible change in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, of the Group's profit before tax (through the impact on deposits with banks and floating rate borrowings after taking into account the effect of the interest rate swap). There is no impact on the Group's equity, except on the retained profits.

	<b>Group</b>	
	<b>Increase/ (decrease) in basis points</b>	<b>Increase/ (decrease) in profit before tax HK\$'000</b>
<b>2013</b>		
HK\$	50	(589)
RMB	50	1,011
HK\$	(50)	589
RMB	(50)	(1,011)
	(50)	(1,011)
<b>2012</b>		
HK\$	50	(550)
RMB	50	942
HK\$	(50)	550
RMB	(50)	(942)
	(50)	(942)



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### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

#### Foreign currency risk

The Group has transactional currency exposures. Those exposures arise from sales or purchases by operating units in currencies other than the units' functional currencies. The Group's main operating subsidiaries are located in Hong Kong and Mainland China and the Group's sales and purchases were mainly conducted in HK\$ and RMB. The Group also has significant investments in Mainland China and its statement of financial position, with a portion of its bank loans denominated in RMB included, can be affected by movements in the exchange rate between HK\$ and RMB.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity at the end of the reporting period to a reasonably possible change in the RMB exchange rate, with all other variables held constant, of the Group's profit before tax (due to changes in the fair value of monetary assets and liabilities) and the Group's equity.

	Increase/ (decrease) in RMB rate %	Increase/ (decrease) in profit before tax HK\$'000	Increase/ (decrease) in equity* HK\$'000
<b>2013</b>			
If HK\$ weakens against RMB	5	(297)	37,581
If HK\$ strengthens against RMB	(5)	297	(37,581)
<b>2012</b>			
If HK\$ weakens against RMB	5	(461)	27,779
If HK\$ strengthens against RMB	(5)	461	(27,779)

\* Excluding retained profits

**48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES** (continued)**Credit risk**

The Group trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties. It is the Group's policy that all customers who wish to trade on credit terms are subject to credit verification procedures and cash collateral may be required. In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis and the Group's exposure to bad debts is not significant.

The credit risk of the Group's other financial assets, which comprise cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, structured deposits, and deposits and other receivables, arises from default of the counterparty, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amounts of these instruments. The Company is also exposed to credit risk through the granting of financial guarantees to its subsidiaries, further details of which are disclosed in note 41.

**Liquidity risk**

The Group's objective is to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through the use of bank borrowings. The Group's policy is to regularly monitor the current and expected liquidity requirements, to ensure that it maintains sufficient reserves of cash and available banking facilities to meet its liquidity requirements in the short and longer terms.

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### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

#### Liquidity risk (continued)

The maturity profile of the Group's financial liabilities as at the end of the reporting period, based on the contractual undiscounted payments, is as follows:

#### Group

	On demand				Total HK\$'000
	or no fixed terms HK\$'000	Less than one year HK\$'000	One to five years HK\$'000	Over five years HK\$'000	
<b>2013</b>					
Due to an associate	—	2,550	—	—	2,550
Trade and bills payables	—	176,471	—	—	176,471
Other payables	5,076	36,540	—	—	41,616
Derivative financial instrument	—	15	—	—	15
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	—	181,543	24,371	4,312	210,226
Finance lease payables	—	244	221	—	465
	<u>5,076</u>	<u>397,363</u>	<u>24,592</u>	<u>4,312</u>	<u>431,343</u>
<b>2012</b>					
Due to associates	—	4,260	—	—	4,260
Trade and bills payables	—	170,258	—	—	170,258
Other payables	4,408	35,592	—	—	40,000
Derivative financial instrument	—	146	—	—	146
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	—	121,662	24,574	10,321	156,557
Finance lease payables	—	21	25	—	46
	<u>4,408</u>	<u>331,939</u>	<u>24,599</u>	<u>10,321</u>	<u>371,267</u>

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### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

#### Liquidity risk (continued)

The maturity profile of the Company's financial liabilities as at the end of the reporting period, based on the contractual undiscounted payments, is as follows:

#### Company

	On demand or no fixed terms HK\$'000	Less than one year HK\$'000	One to five years HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>2013</b>				
Due to subsidiaries	2,009	—	—	2,009
Other payables	—	219	—	219
Finance lease payables	—	16	8	24
Guarantees given to banks in connection with facilities granted to subsidiaries (note 41)	203,377	—	—	203,377
	<u>205,386</u>	<u>235</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>205,629</u>
<b>2012</b>				
Due to subsidiaries	597	—	—	597
Other payables	—	151	—	151
Finance lease payables	—	17	24	41
Guarantees given to banks in connection with facilities granted to subsidiaries (note 41)	148,759	—	—	148,759
	<u>149,356</u>	<u>168</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>149,548</u>

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### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

#### Capital management

The primary objectives of the Group's capital management are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and maximise shareholders' value.

The Group manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the dividend payment to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue new shares. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes for managing capital during the years ended 31 December 2013 and 31 December 2012.

The Group monitors capital using a gearing ratio, which is bank and other borrowings divided by the adjusted capital, being equity attributable to owners of the parent less leasehold land and building revaluation reserve and investment property revaluation reserve. The gearing ratios as at the end of the reporting periods were as follows:

#### Group

	2013 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Bank and other borrowings	209,225	154,515
Equity attributable to owners of the parent	1,155,792	955,236
Less: Leasehold land and building revaluation reserve	(78,091)	(46,499)
Investment property revaluation reserve	(13,557)	(13,557)
Adjusted capital	<u>1,064,144</u>	<u>895,180</u>
Gearing ratio	<u>19.7%</u>	<u>17.3%</u>

**49. COMPARATIVE AMOUNTS**

As further explained in note 2.2 to the financial statements, due to the adoption of the new and revised HKFRSs during the current year, the accounting treatment and presentation of certain items and balances in the financial statements have been revised to comply with the new requirements. Accordingly, certain prior year adjustments have been made, certain comparative amounts have been reclassified and restated to conform with the current year's presentation and accounting treatment, and a third consolidated statement of financial position as at 1 January 2012 has been presented.

**50. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 19 March 2014.

## SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL PROPERTIES

31 December 2013

### INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Location	Percentage of interest in property attributable to the Group	Type of existing leasehold	Existing use
Units A, B, C, D and E, 28th Floor CNT Tower No. 338 Hennessy Road Wanchai Hong Kong	100	Long term	Commercial
18th Floor, CNT Tower No. 338 Hennessy Road Wanchai Hong Kong	100	Long term	Commercial
Ground Floor, 1st Floor, 2nd Floor and 3rd Floor China Paint Industrial Building Lot No. 991 in Demarcation District 215 Hong Ting Road Tui Min Hoi Sai Kung New Territories Hong Kong	100	Medium term	Industrial
Parking Spaces on Ground Floor Room No. 11, 14 and 16 on 1st Floor and Room No. 21 on 2nd Floor within an industrial building Lot No. 963 in Demarcation District 215 and the Extension Thereto Hong Ting Road Tui Min Toi Sai Kung New Territories Hong Kong	100	Medium term	Industrial

## SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL PROPERTIES (continued)

31 December 2013

### INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

Location	Percentage of interest in property attributable to the Group	Type of existing leasehold	Existing use
Factory Complex, Ling Dong Road Xin Hua Gangkou Industrial Development Zone Hua Du Guangdong Province PRC	100	Medium term	Industrial
Office Unit 1704, Block A1 Wealth Century Plaza 13 Hai'an Road Tian He District Guangzhou City Guangdong Province PRC	100	Medium term	Commercial
Office Unit 2506-7 Tianxia International Center Taoyuan Road Nanshan District Shenzhen City Guangdong Province PRC	100	Medium term	Commercial



## SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL PROPERTIES (continued)

31 December 2013

### PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT

<b>Location</b>	<b>Percentage of interest in property attributable to the Group</b>	<b>Existing use</b>	<b>Approximate site/gross floor area</b>	<b>Expected completion date</b>	<b>Stage of completion</b>
Lot nos. 879, 880A1, 880B1, 881 to 885, 889RP, 891, 1318, 1326 and 1344 in Demarcation District No. 115 Au Tau Yuen Long New Territories Hong Kong	100	Agricultural and house lots	3,700 sq. m.	N/A	Planning application in progress



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