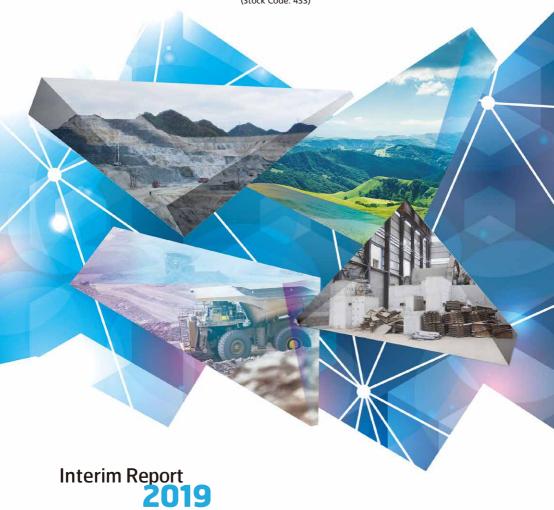


## **North Mining Shares Company Limited**

北方礦業股份有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 433)



### **Corporate Information**

#### **DIRECTORS**

#### **Executive Directors**

Yang Ying Min

(Chairman and Chief Executive Officer) Qian Yi Dong (Deputy Chairman)

Zhang Jia Kun

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

Wong Wai Chun Alex

(Appointed with effect from 29 April 2019) Cheng Chak Ho

Yeung Yat Chuen

(Appointed with effect from 28 July 2019) William Fong

(Resigned with effect from 29 April 2019) Leung Kar Fai

(Resigned with effect from 28 July 2019)

#### COMPANY SECRETARY

Ho Wing Yan

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Wong Wai Chun Alex (Chairman)

(Appointed with effect from 29 April 2019)

Chena Chak Ho

Yeung Yat Chuen

(Appointed with effect from 28 July 2019) William Fong

(Resigned with effect from 29 April 2019) Leung Kar Fai

(Resigned with effect from 28 July 2019)

#### REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Yeung Yat Chuen (Chairman)

(Appointed with effect from 28 July 2019) Wong Wai Chun Alex

(Appointed with effect from 29 April 2019)

Chena Chak Ho Qian Yi Dong

William Fong

(Resigned with effect from 29 April 2019) Leung Kar Fai

(Resigned with effect from 28 July 2019)

#### PRINCIPAL BANKERS

China Citic Bank International Limited China Construction Bank (Asia) Corporation Limited OCBC Wing Hang Bank Limited

#### **AUDITORS**

Flite Partners CPA Limited Certified Public Accountants

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### **Management Discussion and Analysis**

#### **OVERALL FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

For the six months ended 30 June 2019, North Mining Shares Company Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") recorded a revenue of approximately HK\$573,367,000 from continuing operations (30 June 2018: approximately HK\$303,182,000 from continuing operations), representing an increase of 89% over the same period in 2018. Such increase was mainly attributable to the Group's (i) mining operation and (ii) chemical trading operation, which generated approximately HK\$163,795,000 and HK\$406,365,000 respectively during the reporting period.

During the period under review, the loss recorded by the Group was approximately HK\$74,659,000 from continuing operations (30 June 2018: approximately HK\$116,986,000 from continuing operations), representing a decrease in loss of approximately 36% over the same period in 2018, such decrease was mainly attributable to the increase in gross profits of continuing operations and decrease in general and administrative expenses.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The principal activities of the Group are: (i) mining operations – exploitation and trading of mineral resources; (ii) property management operations; and (iii) chemical trading operations – manufacturing and sale of chemical products (Collectively named "continuing operations"). During the period, security technologies operations – research, development and sale of security technologies products was discontinued ("discontinued operations"). An analysis of each of these business segments is presented below:

#### Continuing operations

#### Mining Operations – Exploitation and Exploration and Trading of Mineral Resources

During the period under review, the volume of molybdenum concentrate produced was about 1,977 tonnes (30 June 2018: 1,461 tonnes), whereas the grade of molybdenum concentrate was approximately 45%-50%. The average selling price of molybdenum concentrate was approximately HK\$73,320 per tonne. During the period under review, the mining operation contributed a revenue of approximately HK\$163,795,000 (30 June 2018: approximately HK\$126,315,000) to the Group, of which approximately HK\$147,486,000 was contributed by sales of molybdenum concentrate (30 June 2018: approximately HK\$122,736,000) and approximately HK\$16,309,000 was contributed by sales of sulfuric acid and iron concentrate (30 June 2018: approximately HK\$3,579,000). During the six months ended 30 June 2019, the Group recognised an amortisation of mining rights of approximately HK\$34,483,000 (30 June 2018: approximately HK\$24,726,000).

#### **Property management operations**

During the period under review, the performance of the Group's property management operations was relatively stable. For the six months ended 30 June 2019, the turnover generated from the property management operation was approximately HK\$3,207,000, representing similar to the corresponding period of last year of HK\$3,319,000.

#### **Chemical trading operations**

The Group's chemical trading operations mainly includes manufacturing and sale of chemical products in the People's Republic of China ("PRC"). Our chemical products were produced by Anhui Tongxi Chemical Company Limited, a non-wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. For the six months ended 30 June 2019, revenue generated from this segment to the Group was approximately HK\$406,365,000.

#### **Discontinued operation**

#### Security technologies operations

The Group's security technologies operations mainly includes research and development of face recognition technologies in the PRC. Our security technologies and service were provided by Xinjiang Casiavision Security Technology Company Limited and Xinjiang Xintongxing Telecommunication Engineering Company Limited ("Xinjiang Group"), which were wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company.

#### **Material Transaction**

On 28 March 2019, the Group entered into a sale and purchase agreement with the former shareholders of Xinjiang Group for the disposal of the entire equity interests in Full Empire Investment Holding Limited at the consideration of HK\$430,000,000 ("S&P Agreement").

On 31 May 2019, as additional time is required to prepare and finalise certain information to be included in the circular for the disposal, the Group announced that it expected that the despatch date of the circular will be postponed to a date falling on or before 30 June 2019.

On 2 July 2019 and 1 August 2019, the Group further announced that as additional time is required to prepare and finalise certain information to be included in the circular, it is expected that the despatch date of the circular will be postponed to a date falling on or before 31 July 2019 and 31 August 2019, respectively.

On 7 August 2019, the Group announced that as additional time is required for the fulfilment of the conditions precedent in the S&P Agreement, the parties to the S&P Agreement entered into a supplemental agreement on 7 August 2019 to extend the long stop date for fulfilment or waiver by the Repurchaser of the conditions precedent of the S&P Agreement to 31 October 2019 or such later date as may be agreed by the parties to the S&P Agreement. Save as disclosed above, all other terms and conditions of the S&P Agreement remain unchanged and in full force and effect in all respects.

Details of this disposal are disclosed in the announcements issued by the Company on 28 March 2019, 31 May 2019, 2 July 2019, 1 August 2019 and 7 August 2019.

#### **FUND RAISING EXERCISE**

During the period under review, there was no fund raising exercise carried out by the Group.

#### **PROSPECTS**

Looking forward, the global economy is still facing lots of uncertainties, such as the international financial crisis, slowdown of global economy, Sino-US trade war, all these have posed great challenges to the global economy. However, the Group is still confident that the Chinese government can solve the dispute in an effective way and the Chinese economy can keep on growing smoothly.

#### Molybdenum market

The operation environment of China's steel industry is the key factor that affects the development of the country's molybdenum market. As required by China's environmental protection policy and supply-side reform policy, steel factories have no alternative but to transform and shift to produce high quality special steel. Meanwhile, the normalization of Fall/Winter production restriction will further accelerate the enhancement and reconstruction of the steel industry, there are still ample room to increase the production of stainless steel and high strength steel. All the factors stated above will further drive up the demand for molybdenum, and it is expected that the demand for molybdenum in China will keep increasing. It is expected that the molybdenum market will continue to improve in the second half of 2019.

#### Potassium market

Potassium feldspar can be produced into potash fertilizer, which can enrich the soil and enhance harvest. Over-supply in the potash fertilizer industry still persists, but China's urbanization and agricultural supply-side reform have accelerated the development of a new large scale agricultural industry, and mechanization, automation and intelligent agricultural will be the direction of future development of the industry. Consumption upgrade and the supply-side structural reform have created huge demand for modern agricultural services and quality agricultural products. The aforesaid conditions have provided opportunities for our future development.

#### Security business market

Xinjiang's public security has always been a concern to the Chinese government. The government is gradually enhancing the security control on different aspects and along the boundary line, and has started to manage the urban and rural areas with the help of online systems. As Chinese government will continue to improve the social security system and will demand for more security systems, so we envisage a bright future for our security business. However, due to the uncertainty on the development of the security systems that involve advance technology to fulfill the ever-changing environment, the Group decided to sell back the security business to its former shareholders to avoid the economic risk associated with the security business.

#### **Chemical business market**

China has stringent regulatory requirements for safety and environmental protection, which have inevitably created short-term operation pressure on the chemicals manufacturing industry. However, corporate with competitive advantage on environmental protection will eventually capture the opportunities emerged in an operation environment with sound regulation. The Group will continue to invest on safety and environmental protection, impose stringent control over its costs, enhance its production efficiency, and will formulate effective marketing strategy to meet the challenges of increasing competition in the market.

The Group will make every endeavor to keep abreast of the changing market conditions, proactively identify investment opportunities and expand its mineral resources in order to broaden the revenue base of the Group, enhance its future financial performance and profitability, and fine tune its business strategies when the Directors of the Company think appropriate. Moreover, the Group is seeking for further operating efficiency across the business. We are confident in the future and committed to continuous growth of the Company.

#### **LITIGATION**

As disclosed in the Company's announcements dated 12 July 2019, 25 July 2019, 21 August 2019 and 26 August 2019 respectively, a petition (the "Petition") was filed in the Court of First Instance of the High Court of Hong Kong against the Company for failure to settle an indebted sum of HK\$170,492,494.31. On the hearing before the High Court on 26 August 2019, the Court has ordered the hearing for the Petition be adjourned to 30 September 2019 in order to allow for more time for the parties to file their respective affirmations.

Save as disclosed above, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries was engaged in any litigation or arbitration of material importance, and so far as the Directors were aware, no litigation or claim of material importance was pending or threatened against the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

#### LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The Group generally finances its operations with internally generated cash flow and proceeds from suitable source of funding. During the period under review, the Group recorded a net cash outflow of approximately HK\$95,036,000 (30 June 2018: cash outflow of approximately HK\$29,392,000). The cash outflow was mainly due to the cash outflow of approximately HK\$182,012,000 from the Group's operating activities. The Group also had a net cash inflow from financing activities contributed by borrowing of approximately HK\$88,434,000. The current ratio as at 30 June 2019 was approximately 1.07 as contrasted by 0.86 as at 31 December 2018. As at 30 June 2019, the debt to equity ratio was approximately 1.11 as contrasted by 0.99 as at 31 December 2018. The Board of Directors (the "Board") considered that the Group had a healthy financial position and had enough resources to satisfy its working capital requirement.

#### CAPITAL COMMITMENT

As at 30 June 2019, the Group did not have material capital commitment.

#### **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Board does not recommend the payment of interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2019 (2018: Nil).

#### **CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

The capital structure of the Group as at 30 June 2019 has been summarised below:

	30 June 2019 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2018 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Total current assets	1,750,500	1,256,594
Total current liabilities	1,649,646	1,466,482
Shareholders' equity	3,796,834	3,895,305

#### TREASURY POLICIES

During the six months ended 30 June 2019, the major currencies on which principal business activities of the Group used were mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars and Renminbi. The Board does not consider the Group is significantly exposed to any foreign currency exchange risks. It is the Group's treasury policy to manage its foreign currency exposure whenever such financial impact is material to the Group. For the six months ended 30 June 2019, the Group did not employ any financial instrument for hedging purpose and was not engage in foreign currency speculative activities.

#### **BORROWINGS AND BANKING FACILITIES**

As at 30 June 2019, the Group had borrowings of approximately HK\$1,427,971,000 (31 December 2018: approximately HK\$1,347,920,000).

#### **CONTINGENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

As at 30 June 2019, the Group had no significant contingent assets and liabilities.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES AND REMUNERATION POLICY**

As at 30 June 2019, the Group employed 576 (31 December 2018: 688) full time employees in Hong Kong and the PRC. Employee remuneration packages are structured and reviewed with reference to the nature of jobs, market condition and individual merits. The Group also provides other employees benefits which include year-end double pay, mandatory provident fund and medical insurance. Total staff costs for the six months ended 30 June 2019 were approximately HK\$11,263,000.

# **Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss**

For the six months ended 30 June 2019

		Six months e	nded 30 June
	Notes	2019 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2018 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
			(Re-presented)
Continuing operations			
Revenue	3	573,367	303,182
Cost of sales		(482,458)	(239,068)
Gross profit		90,909	64,114
Other income and gains	4	47,883	1,174
Research and development costs		(11,975)	(12,416)
General and administrative expenses		(67,599)	(98,030)
Other operating expenses		(41,065)	(27,673)
Profit/(loss) from operations	6	18,153	(72,831)
Finance costs	7	(101,433)	(48,231)
Loss before taxation		(83,280)	(121,062)
Taxation	8	8,621	4,076
Loss for the period from			
continuing operations		(74,659)	(116,986)
Discontinued operation			
Loss for the period from discontinued			
operation		(37,427)	(8,380)
Loss for the period		(112,086)	(125,366)
Attributable to:			
Owners of the Company			
- from continuing operations		(51,060)	(83,962)
- from discontinued operations		(37,427)	(8,380)
		(88,487)	(92,342)
Non controlling interests		(23 500)	(33 004)
Non-controlling interests		(23,599)	(33,024)
Loss for the period		(112,086)	(125,366)

# **Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss** (Cont'd) For the six months ended 30 June 2019

		Six months e	nded 30 June
	Notes	2019 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2018 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
		(Griddentod)	(Re-presented)
Other comprehensive loss (Net of tax effect):  Items that are or may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:  Exchange differences arising from			
translation of foreign subsidiaries		13,615	(110,024)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		13,615	(110,024)
Total comprehensive loss for the period		(98,471)	(235,390)
Attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests		(80,063) (18,408)	(184,004) (51,386)
		(98,471)	(235,390)
Loss per share From continuing and discontinued operations - Basic and diluted, HK cents	10	(0.41)	(0.43)
From continuing operations  - Basic and diluted, HK cents		(0.23)	(0.39)

# **Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

As at 30 June 2019

	Notes	30 June 2019 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2018 HK\$'000 (Audited)
ASSETS  Non-Current Assets  Property, plant and equipment  Prepaid lease payments  Mining rights  Goodwill  Intangible assets  Finance lease receivables  Right-of-use assets  Long-term receivables	11	860,379 - 3,264,794 13,403 - - 90,288 470,021	894,155 63,076 3,296,318 56,192 337,625 3,706 – 466,664
Long-term receivables		4,698,885	5,117,736
Current Assets Finance lease receivables Inventories Trade and bills receivables Prepayments, deposits and other receivables Tax recoverables Cash and cash equivalents	12	- 481,632 12,027 587,570 2,003 27,497	1,091 520,772 23,435 586,765 1,998 122,533
Assets classified as disposal group held for sale		667,379	_
Total Current Assets		1,778,108	1,256,594
Total Assets		6,476,993	6,374,330
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Share capital Reserves		343,926 2,073,626	343,926 2,153,689
Equity attributable to owners of the Company Non-controlling interests		2,417,552 1,379,282	2,497,615 1,397,690
Total Equity		3,796,834	3,895,305

# **Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position** (Cont'd)

As at 30 June 2019

Notes	30 June 2019 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2018 HK\$'000 (Audited)
LIABILITIES  Non-Current Liabilities  Bank loans and other borrowing  Lease liabilities  Other payables  Deferred tax liabilities	692,778 27,101 65,916 244,718	637,396 - 38,204 336,943
	1,030,513	1,012,543
Current Liabilities Trade and bill payables Other payables and accruals Bank loans and other borrowings Provision for environmental and resources tax Corporate bond Contract liabilities Lease liabilities	177,423 295,152 735,193 55,053 270,000 28,371 3,901	135,313 188,649 710,524 124,123 275,000 32,873
	1,565,093	1,466,482
Liabilities associated with disposal group held for sale	84,553	
Total Current Liabilities	1,649,646	1,466,482
Total Liabilities	2,680,159	2,479,025
Total Equity and Liabilities	6,476,993	6,374,330
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)	128,462	(209,888)
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	4,827,347	4,907,848
Net Assets	3,796,834	3,895,305

## **Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity**

				Attr	Attributable to owners of the Company	s of the Compan	,						or
											Attributable		th
				Capital		Convertible					to non-		e s
	Share	Share	Contributed	redemption	Capital	note	Statutory	Exchange	Accumulated		controlling	Total	ix
	capital	premium	surplus	reserve	reserve	reserves	reserve	eserve	losses	Subtotal	interests	ednity	m
	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	HK\$,000	onti
At 1 January 2019	343,926	3,761,932	31,350	982	(894)	1	16,654	(289,602)	(1,366,746)	2,497,615	1,397,690	3,895,305	hs en
Loss and total comprehensive loss for the period	•	•	•	•		,	,	8,424	(88,487)	(80,063)	(18,408)	(98,471)	ded
At 30 June 2019	343,926	3,761,932	31,350	986	(894)	,	16,654	(281,178)	(1,455,233)	2,417,552	1,379,282	3,796,834	30 Ju
At 1 January 2018	343,926	3.761.932	31,350	966	(894)	8,902	16.654	(171,998)	(888,551)	3,102,316	1,504,726	4,607,042	ne 20
, Loss and total comprehensive loss for the period				1	1			(91,662)	(92,342)	(184,004)	(51,386)	(235,390)	)19
At 30 June 2018	343,926	3,761,932	31,350	966	(894)	8,902	16,654	(263,660)	(868)	2,918,312	1,453,340	4,371,652	-qu

# **Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

For the six months ended 30 June 2019

	Six Months e	nded 30 June
	2019 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2018 HK\$'000 (Unaudited) (Re-presented)
Net cash used in operating activities	(182,012)	(137,400)
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities	(7,942)	19,798
Net cash generated from financing activities	88,434	88,210
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(101,520)	(29,392)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	121,478	56,097
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	8,516	(222)
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	28,474	26,483
Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash and bank balance Cash and cash equivalents included in disposal group held for sale	27,497 977	19,587 6,896
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#### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated in Bermuda on 10 April 1995 under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended) as an exempted company with limited liability. The shares of the Company are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). The registered office of the Company is located at Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM11, Bermuda. The principal place of business of the Company is located at Rooms 2009-18, 20/F., Shui On Centre, 6-8 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

The principal activities of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") are (i) investment holdings; (ii) mining operations - exploitation and exploration and trading of mineral resources; (iii) property management operations, and (iv) chemical trading operations.

During the period, the security technologies operations was discontinued.

In the opinion of the directors of the Company (the "Directors"), the Company's ultimate holding company is China Wan Tai Group Limited, which was incorporated in Hong Kong.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA"). In addition, the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on the Stock Exchange.

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the annual consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2018 which were prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which include all HKFRSs, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations) issued by the HKICPA. The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2019 are the same as those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018.

#### **Changes in HKFRSs**

The HKICPA has issued a number of new or amended HKFRSs that are first effective for the current accounting period of the Group:

HKFRS 16	Leases
HK(IFRIC)-Int 23	Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments
Amendments to HKFRS 9	Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation
Amendments to HKAS 19	Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement
Amendments to HKAS 28	Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures
Annual Improvements to	Amendments to HKFRS 3, Business Combinations
HKFRSs 2015-2017 Cycle	
Annual Improvements to	Amendments to HKFRS 11, Joint Arrangements
HKFRSs 2015-2017 Cycle	
Annual Improvements to	Amendments to HKAS 12, Income Taxes
HKFRSs 2015-2017 Cycle	
Annual Improvements to	Amendments to HKAS 23, Borrowing Costs
HKFRSs 2015-2017 Cycle	

The impact of the adoption of HKFRS 16 Leases have been summarised in below. The other new or amended HKFRSs that are effective from 1 January 2019 did not have any material impact on the Group's accounting policies.

#### 2.1 Impacts and changes in accounting policies of application on HKFRS 16 Leases

HKFRS 16 supersedes HKAS 17 Leases ("HKAS 17"), IFRIC 4 Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease, SIC-15 Operating Leases-Incentives and SIC-27 Evaluating the Substance of Transactions Involving the Legal Form of a Lease. The standard sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases, and requires lessees to account for all leases under a single on-balance sheet model.

Lessor accounting under HKFRS 16 is substantially unchanged under HKAS 17. Lessors will continue to classify leases as either operating or finance leases using similar principles as in HKAS 17. Therefore, HKFRS 16 did not have an impact for leases where the Group is the lessor.

The Group adopted HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective method of adoption with the date of initial application of 1 January 2019. Under this method, the standard is applied retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initially applying the standard recognised at the date of initial application.

#### Impacts for the period

As a result of initially applying HKFRS 16, in relation to the leases that were previously classified as operating leases, the Group recognised of approximately HK\$90,288,000 of right-of-use assets and of approximately HK\$31,002,000 of lease liabilities as at 30 June 2019. Also in relation to those leases under HKFRS 16, the Group has recognised depreciation, instead of operating lease expense. During the six months ended 30 June 2019, the Group recognised of approximately HK\$6,582,000 of depreciation charges from these leases.

The Group has lease contracts for various items of property, plant and equipment. Before the adoption of HKFRS 16, the Group classified each of its leases (as lessee) at the inception date as an operating lease. A lease was classified as a finance lease if it transferred substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the leased asset to the Group; otherwise it was classified as an operating lease. In an operating lease, the leased property was not capitalised and the lease payments were recognised as rent expense in profit or loss on a straightline basis over the lease term. Any prepaid rent and accrued rent were recognised under trade and other receivables and trade and other payables, respectively. Upon adoption of HKFRS 16, the Group applied a single recognition and measurement approach for all leases, except for lease contracts with a lease term of 12 months or less and do not contain a purchase option ("short-term leases") and lease contracts for which the underlying asset is of low value ("low-value assets"). The standard provides specific transition requirements and practical expedients, which have been applied by the Group.

#### Leases previously accounted for as operating leases

The Group recognised right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for those leases previously classified as operating leases, except for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. The right-of-use assets were recognised based on the amount equal to the lease liabilities, adjusted for any related prepaid and accrued lease payments previously recognised.

The following table reconciles the operating lease commitments as at 31 December 2018 to the opening balance for lease liabilities recognised as at 1 January 2019:

	At 1 January 2019 HK\$'000
Operating lease commitments disclosed as at 31 December 2018	32,506
Lease liabilities relating to operating lease recognised upon application of HKFRS 16	31,002

Set out below are the new accounting policies of the Group upon adoption of HKFRS 16, which have been applied from the date of initial application:

#### Right-of-use assets

The Group recognises right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease (i.e. the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognised, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received. Unless the Group is reasonably certain to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the recognised right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its estimated useful life and the lease term. Right-of-use assets are subject to impairment.

#### Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of the lease, the Group recognises lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The lease payments include fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, and amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Group and payments of penalties for terminating a lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising the option to terminate.

In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses the incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable. After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made.

In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in the in-substance fixed lease payments or a change in the assessment to purchase the underlying asset.

#### Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group has applied the lease of low-value assets recognition exemption to leases of assets that are considered of low value. Lease payments on short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are recognised as expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Amounts recognised in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial position and unaudited condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

The movements of the carrying amounts of the Group's right-of-use assets and lease liabilities during the period are set out below:

	Right of use assets HK\$'000	Lease liabilities HK\$'000
As at 1 January 2019	96,870	32,506
Depreciation expenses	(6,582)	_
Payment of principal and interest	-	(1,055)
As at 30 June 2019	90,288	31,002

#### 3. REVENUE

	Six months e	nded 30 June
	2019	2018
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
		(Re-presented)
Continuing operations		
Sales of molybdenum concentrate	163,795	126,315
Property management fee income	3,208	3,319
Sales of chemical products	406,364	173,548
	573,367	303,182

#### 4. OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

	Six months e	nded 30 June
	2019	2018
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
		(Re-presented)
Continuing operations		
Bank interest income	94	301
Loan interest income	43,703	_
Government grant	3,834	-
Sundry income	252	873
	47,883	1,174

#### 5. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by operating segment for the period under review:

	For the six months ended 30 June 2019 (Unaudited) Continuing operations					
	Property management HK\$'000	Mining exploitation HK\$'000	Trading of mineral resources HK\$'000	Trading of chemical products HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	
Segment revenue	3,207	161,667	2,128	406,365	573,367	
Segment results	(13)	55,557	43	(24,018)	31,569	
Unallocated income Finance cost Other operating expenses Unallocated expenses				_	47,794 (101,433) (41,065) (20,145)	
Loss before taxation Taxation					(83,280) 8,621	
Loss for the period from continuing operations					(74,659)	

#### Other segment information:

	Property management HK\$'000	Mining exploitation HK\$'000	Trading of mineral resources HK\$'000	Trading of chemical products HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Depreciation and amortisation	1	44,942	13	18,393	5,574	68,923

For the six months ended 30 June 2018 (Unaudited)	
Continuing operations	

	Continuing operations					
	Property management	Mining exploitation	Trading of mineral resources	Trading of chemical products	Total	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Segment revenue	3,319	121,403	4,912	173,548	303,182	
Segment results	(24)	37,942	(406)	(57,385)	(19,873)	
Unallocated income Unallocated expenses				_	1,176 (102,365)	
Loss before taxation Taxation				_	(121,062) 4,076	
Loss for the period from continuing operations					(116,986)	

#### Other segment information:

		Continuing operations					
	Property management HK\$'000	Mining exploitation HK\$'000	Trading of mineral resources HK\$'000	Trading of chemical products HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	
Depreciation and amortisation	1	27,904	4	7,281	3,156	38,346	

The following is an analysis of the Group's segment assets, liabilities and other segment information:

## As at 30 June 2019 (Unaudited)

	Continuing operations					Discontinued operation		d operation
	Trading Trading of						Sale of security	
	Property	Mining	of mineral resources	products	Unallocated	Sub Total	products	Total
Segment assets	HK\$'000 567,788	HK\$'000 4,374,834	HK\$'000 1,902	HK\$'000 497,525	HK\$'000 336,601	HK\$'000 5,809,614	HK\$'000 667,379	HK\$'000 6,476,993
Segment liabilities	1,545	803,179	975	674,229	1,115,678	2,595,606	84,553	2,680,159

As at 31 December 2018 (Audited)

#### 6. LOSS FROM OPERATIONS

The Group's loss from operations is arrived at after charges:

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2019	2018	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
		(Re-presented)	
Continuing operations			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	27,858	10,403	
Depreciation of right-of-use assets*	6,582	6,023	
Director's emoluments	1,698	691	
Staff costs (including directors' remuneration)			
- Wages and salaries	11,263	11,059	
- Retirement benefits contributions	778	994	
Amortisation of mining rights*	34,483	24,726	

<sup>\*</sup> Included in other operating expenses.

#### 7. FINANCE COSTS

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2019	2018	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Continuing operations			
Imputed interest on convertible bonds	-	19,118	
Interest on bank loans and other borrowings wholly			
repayable within five years	101,433	29,113	
	101,433	48,231	

#### 8. TAXATION

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2019	2018	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Continuing operations			
Current tax:			
People's Republic of China ("PRC")			
corporate income tax	-	_	
Deferred tax	(8,621)	(4,076)	
	(8,621)	(4,076)	

- (i) The provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 8.25% on assessable profits up to HK\$2,000,000; and 16.5% on any part of assessable profits over HK\$2,000,000 (2018: 16.5% of the estimated assessable profits) for the period. No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made in the interim financial statements as at Group's operations in Hong Kong incurred a tax loss for the period (30 June 2018: Nil).
- (ii) PRC income tax charge represents the PRC Enterprise Income Tax paid or payable during the period. Enterprise Income Tax in the PRC has been provided at the prevailing rate.

#### 9. DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2019 (six months ended 30 June 2018: Nil).

#### 10. LOSS PER SHARE

#### (a) Basic loss per share

#### For continuing and discontinued operations

The calculation of the basic loss per share from continuing and discontinued operations attributable to owners of the Company of approximately HK\$88,487,000 for six months ended 30 June 2019 (six months ended 30 June 2018: HK\$92,342,000) and the weighted average number of 21,495,386,286 shares in issue during the period (six months ended 30 June 2018: 21,495,386,286).

#### For continuing operations

Basic loss per share for continuing operations is HK\$0.23 cents per share (2018: loss per share of HK\$0.39 cents per share). which was based on the loss for the period from continuing operations of approximately HK\$51,060,000 (2018: loss of approximately HK\$83.962.000).

#### For discontinued operation

Basic loss per share for the discontinued operation is HK\$0.18 cents per share (2018: loss per share of HK\$0.04 cents per share), which was based on the loss for the period from the discontinued operations of approximately HK\$37,427,000 (2018: loss of approximately HK\$8,380,000).

#### (b) Diluted loss per share

The computation of diluted loss per share does not assume the conversion of the company's outstanding convertible bonds since their assumed exercise would result in a decrease in loss per share during the periods ended 30 June 2019 and 30 June 2018.

#### 11. MINING RIGHTS

As at 30 June 2019, the Group has two mining exploitation rights in respect of a molybdenum mine and a potassium Feldspar Mine in the PRC.

The Potassium Feldspar Mine is located at Shangluo City, Luonan County, Shaanxi Province, the PRC. The in-pit indicated and inferred mineral resource estimates for the Potassium Feldspar Mine were approximately 63.2 million tonnes and approximately 40.5 million tonnes respectively according to a technical report from an international mining technical advisory firm.

#### 12. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES

	30 June	31 December
	2019	2018
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Trade and bills receivables	12,027	44,864
Less: Allowance for credit losses	-	(21,429)
	12,027	23,435

Trade and bills receivables with the following aging analysis presented based on invoice date as at the end of reporting period:

	30 June	31 December
	2019	2018
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
0-30 days	2,657	11,780
31-60 days	8,240	_
61-90 days	1,066	1,182
91–180 days	-	272
Over 180 days but within one year	64	10,201
	12,027	23,435

#### 13. TRADE AND BILLS PAYABLES

	30 June	31 December
	2019	2018
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
0-30 days	38,492	28,889
31-60 days	39,095	9,715
61-90 days	48,517	4,858
91–180 days	41,731	43,097
Over 180 days but within one year	9,588	48,754
	177,423	135,313

### **Additional Information**

#### **DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS IN SHARES**

As at 30 June 2019, none of the Directors or chief executives of the Company, or any of their respective associates, had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")), as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 352 of the SFO, or as notified to the Company or the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as contained in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules.

#### SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS IN SHARES

As at 30 June 2019, according to the register kept by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO, and so far as was known to the Directors or chief executive of the Company, the following persons had, or was deemed or taken to have, an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company:

Name of shareholders	Capacity	Number of shares/ underlying shares held	Approximate percentage interest in the issued voting shares of the Company
Qian Yong Wei	Beneficial owner	11,500,000	0.05%
("Mr. Qian") (Note 1)	Held by controlled corporation	3,380,408,552	15.73%
		3,391,908,552	15.78%
Xu Zhe Cheng ("Ms. Xu") (Note 2)	Held by spouse	3,391,908,552	15.78%
China Wan Tai Group Limited ("China Wan Tai") (Note 3)	Beneficial owner  Held by controlled corporation	234,240,000 3,146,168,552	1.09% 14.64%
		3,380,408,552	15.73%
Universal Union Limited ("Universal Union")	Beneficial owner	3,146,168,552	14.64%
China Huarong Asset Managemer Company Limited ("China Huarong Asset") (Note	,	4,888,000,000	22.74%

			Approximate
Name of shareholders	Capacity	Number of shares/ underlying shares held	percentage interest in the issued voting shares of the Company
Huarong Real Estate Company Limited ("Huarong Real Estate") (Note 4)	Held by controlled corporations	4,888,000,000	22.74%
China Huarong International Holdings Limited ("China Huarong International") (Note 4)	Held by controlled corporations	4,888,000,000	22.74%
Oceanic Merchant Limited ("Oceanic") (Note 4)	Person having a security interest in shares	1,870,000,000	8.70%
Driven Innovation Limited ("Driven Innovation") (Note 4)	Held by controlled corporation	3,018,000,000	14.04%
Zhong Ling ("Mr. Zhong") (Note 5)	Held by controlled corporation	3,018,000,000	14.04%
China Gem Group Limited ("China Gem Group") (Note 5)	Held by controlled corporation	3,018,000,000	14.04%
China Gem Investment Management Limited ("China Gem Investment") (Note 5)	Held by controlled corporation	3,018,000,000	14.04%
China Gem Fund IX L.P ("China Gem Fund") (Note 4)	Beneficial owner	3,018,000,000	14.04%
Gu Jie ("Mr. Gu") (Note 6)	Beneficial owner	1,876,580,000	8.73%

Name of shareholders	Capacity	Number of shares/ underlying shares held	Approximate percentage interest in the issued voting shares of the Company
Shanghai Mint Investment Advisory Company Limited ("Shanghai Mint") (Note 7)	Held by controlled corporation	1,324,929,577	6.16%
Mint International Group Limited (Note 7)	Held by controlled corporation	1,324,929,577	6.16%
Pleasant Journey Global Limited (Note 7)	Beneficial owner	1,324,929,577	6.16%

#### Notes:

- Mr. Qian personally held 11,500,000 shares in the Company, and held 95% interest in China Wan Tai. China Wan Tai held 100% interest in Universal Union. Universal Union held 3,146,168,552 shares in the Company.
- 2. Ms. Xu is the spouse of Mr. Qian. The interest of Mr. Qian was deemed to be Ms. Xu's interest.
- These shares are held by Universal Union, a wholly owned subsidiary of China Wan Tai which is in turn beneficially owned by Mr. Qian and Ms. Xu as to 95% and 5% respectively.
- 4. (i) Driven Innovation is the limited partner of China Gem Fund contributing approximately 83.75% of the total capital commitment including its 3,018,000,000 ordinary shares of the Company to China Gem Fund. Driven Innovation is wholly owned by China Huarong International which in turn is owned as to 11.90% by Huarong Zhiyuan Investment & Management Company Limited ("Huarong Zhiyuan") and as to 88.10% by Huarong Real Estate. Huarong Zhiyuan and Huarong Real Estate both are wholly owned by China Huarong Asset. (ii) Oceanic is wholly owned by China Huarong International. Mr. Gu charged 1,870,000,000 of the Shares he is interested to Oceanic on 11 December 2014. Accordingly, China Gem Fund is interested in 3,018,000,000 Shares, Driven Innovation is deemed to be interested in 3,018,000,000 Shares, each of China Huarong Asset, Huarong Real Estate, China Huarong International is deemed to be interested in 4,888,000,000 Shares and Oceanic is interested in 1,870,000,000 Shares for the purpose of Part XV of the SFO.

- 5. China Gem Investment, the general partner of China Gem Fund is directly wholly-owned by China Gem Financial Group Limited which is, in turn, directly wholly-owned by China Gem Group which is, in turn, directly wholly owned by Mr. Zhong. Accordingly, each of China Gem Investment, China Gem Financial Group Limited, China Gem Group and Mr. Zhong is deemed to be interested in 3,018,000,000 Shares held by China Gem Fund for the purpose of Part XV of the SFO.
- The Company issued and allotted a total of 1,870,000,000 conversion shares to Mr. Gu on 29 August 2014 and Mr. Gu subsequently charged these shares to Oceanic on 11 December 2014.
- 7. These shares were held by Pleasant Journey Global Limited ("Pleasant Journey"). Pleasant Journey is wholly owned by Mint International Group Limited which is wholly owned by Shanghai Mint. Shanghai Mint is deemed to be interested in the shares held by Pleasant Journey for the purpose of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, the Directors and chief executive of the Company were not aware of any persons who, as at 30 June 2019, had an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO and/or, who was, directly or indirectly, interested in 5% or more of the nominal value of the issued share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of the Company.

#### SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company has adopted a share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") on 25 May 2011, which shall be valid and effective for a period of ten years commencing from the date of its adoption. The principal purposes of the Share Option Scheme are to enable the Group and its invested entities to recruit and retain high calibre eligible participants and attract human resources that are valuable to the Group or invested entities, to recognise the contributions of the eligible participants to the growth of the Group or invested entities by aligning their interests with that of the Company and to motivate and give incentives to these eligible participants to continue to contribute to the long term success and prosperity of the Group or invested entities. The amount payable by a participant upon acceptance of a grant of share option is HK\$1.00.

The exercise price in respect of any option granted under the Share Option Scheme shall be such price as determined by the Board and notified to an option-holder and which shall not be less than the highest of:

- The closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheets on the date of offer of the option;
- (ii) The average of the closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheets for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of offer of the option; and
- (iii) The nominal value of the shares.

On 26 July 2011, the Company granted 500,000 share options to a consultant of the Company with 3 years of exercisable period from 26 July 2011 to 25 July 2013. Upon the expiry of exercise period, no share option was exercised, all outstanding share options granted under the Share Option Scheme had been lapsed accordingly. During the year ended 31 December 2018, 100,000,000 share options was granted to a director, then lapsed in the same year due to his resignation. No share option remained outstanding and exercisable under the Share Option Scheme as at 30 June 2019.

During the period of the six months ended 30 June 2019, no share option had been granted, exercised, lapsed, or was cancelled under the Share Option Scheme.

As at 30 June 2019, total number of share available for issue under the Share Option Scheme was 1,199,761,670, representing 5.58% of the issued share capital of the Company as at 30 June 2019.

#### CHANGES IN THE INFORMATION OF DIRECTORS

Pursuant to Rule 13.51(B)(1) of the Listing Rules, the change in the information of Directors during the period of the six months ended 30 June 2019 is set out below:

Mr. Wong Wai Chun Alex has been appointed as an independent non-executive director, the Chairman of the Audit Committee, a member of the Remuneration Committee and Financial Reporting Committee with effect from 29 April 2019;

Mr. William Fong has resigned as an independent non-executive director, the Chairman of the Audit Committee, a member of the Remuneration Committee and Financial Reporting Committee with effect from 29 April 2019;

Mr. Yeung Yat Chuen has been appointed as an independent non-executive director, the Chairman of the Remuneration Committee and a member of the Audit Committee with effect from 28 July 2019;

Mr. Leung Kar Fai has resigned as an independent non-executive director, the Chairman of the Remuneration Committee and a member of the Audit Committee with effect from 28 July 2019.

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

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the period of the six months ended 30 June 2019.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE**

Throughout the six months ended 30 June 2019, the Company has applied the principles of the Corporate Governance Code ("the Code") as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules and complied with all the applicable code provisions of the Code, except the following code provisions:

 Under the code provision A.2.1 of the Code, the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual.

Mr. Yang Ying Min ("Mr. Yang"), being the Chairman and Chief Executive of the Company. Mr. Yang has in-depth knowledge and considerable experience of the Group's business who is responsible for the overall strategic planning and general management of the Group. The Board considers that vesting the roles of chairman and chief executive officer in the same person leading to consistent leadership of the Group and enabling the Group to make and implement decisions promptly and thus achieving the Group's objectives efficiently and effectively in response to the changing environment.

The Board shall nevertheless review the structure from time to time and shall consider the appropriate adjustment should suitable circumstance arise.

2. Under the code provision A.5.1 of the Code, company should establish a nomination committee which is chaired by the chairman of the board or an independent non-executive director and comprises a majority of independent non-executive directors.

However, the Board considers that the setting up of such a nomination committee may not be necessary at the current scale of the Board and the Company. The Board is responsible for considering and approving the appointment of its members and making recommendations to shareholders on directors standing for re-election, providing sufficient biographical details of directors to enable shareholders to make an informed decision on the re-election, and where necessary, nominate and appoint directors to fill casual vacancies.

The Company has set out a board diversity policy (the "Policy") for achieving diversity on board of directors of the Company. The Policy provide a sustainable and balanced development in Company's strategic objectives. The Board review the Policy annually and ensure the effectiveness of the Policy.

3. Under the code provision A.6.7 of the Code, independent non-executive directors should, inter alia, attend general meetings.

Due to personal and other important engagement at the relevant time, Mr. Wong Wai Chun Alex and Dato Dr. Cheng Chak Ho were absent from the 2019 annual general meeting of the Company.

The Company considers that sufficient measures have been taken to ensure that the Company's corporate governance practices are no less exacting than the Code.

The Company will periodically review and improve its corporate governance practices with reference to the latest development of corporate governance.

#### MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company had adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. Having made specific enquiry of all directors, the Company confirmed that all Directors had fully complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code for the six months ended 30 June 2019.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee comprises three independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Wong Wai Chun Alex, Dato Dr. Cheng Chak Ho and Mr. Yeung Yat Chuen. The audit committee shall review the interim and annual financial statement of the Group before their submission to the Board of the Company for approval, and review the effectiveness of the financial reporting system, risk management and internal control system of the Group. The audit committee has reviewed the Group's interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2019.

On behalf of the Board

Yang Ying Min

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong 28 August 2019