# 金奧國際股份有限公司 KEYNE LTD

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(formerly known as Nine Express Limited) (Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) Stock Code: 00009



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## CORPORATE INFORMATION

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Executive Directors: Ms. Qian Ling Ling (Chairman) Mr. Zhang Li (Chief Executive Officer) Mr. Xiang Junjie

Independent Non-executive Directors: Mr. Tsui Pui Hung Mr. Tang Ping Sum Mr. Neil Kai Gu (appointed on 1 July 2022) Mr. Chiu Sin Nang, Kenny (resigned on 1 July 2022)

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Mr. Chen Kenneth

#### **AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVES**

Ms. Qian Ling Ling Mr. Zhang Li

#### AUDITOR

CL Partners CPA Limited Certified Public Accountants Registered Public Interest Entity Auditors

#### **PRINCIPAL BANKERS**

Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Limited Dongguan Rural Commercial Bank Company Limited Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Mr. Tang Ping Sum (Chairman)Mr. Tsui Pui HungMr. Neil Kai Gu (appointed on 1 July 2022)Mr. Chiu Sin Nang, Kenny(resigned on 1 July 2022)

#### **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

Mr. Neil Kai Gu (*Chairman*) (appointed on 1 July 2022) Mr. Chiu Sin Nang, Kenny (*Chairman*) (resigned on 1 July 2022) Mr. Tang Ping Sum Mr. Tsui Pui Hung

#### NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Tsui Pui Hung (*Chairman*)Mr. Tang Ping SumMr. Neil Kai Gu (appointed on 1 July 2022)Mr. Chiu Sin Nang, Kenny (resigned on 1 July 2022)

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The board (the "**Board**") of directors (the "**Directors**") of KEYNE LTD (the "**Company**") announces the unaudited condensed consolidated interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "**Group**") for the six months ended 30 June 2022 with the comparative figures as follows:

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

For the six months ended 30 June 2022

		Six months ended 30 June				
		2022	2021			
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000			
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)			
Revenue	5	9,973	9,811			
Cost of sales	5	(1,308)	(1,159)			
Gross profit		8,665	8,652			
Other income		330	212			
Administrative expenses		(13,117)	(19,337)			
Selling and marketing expenses		(9,169)	(4,292)			
Operating loss	8	(13,291)	(14,765)			
Finance income	7	56	564			
Finance costs	7	(101,815)	(139,236)			
Finance costs – net	7	(101,759)	(138,672)			
Share of results of associates		(250)	633			
Loss before income tax		(115,300)	(152,804)			
Income tax expense	9	(372)	(555)			
Loss for the period attributable to owners of the						
Company		(115,672)	(153,359)			
Loss per share	11					
Basic		HK(3.24) cents	HK(4.30) cents			
Diluted		HK(3.24) cents	HK(4.30) cents			

Details of the dividend are disclosed in note 10 to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2022

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2022	2021	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Loss for the period attributable to owners of the Company	(115,672)	(153,359)	
Other comprehensive (expense) income:			
Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss			
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign			
operations	(1,742)	10,727	
Share of other comprehensive (expense) income of associates			
accounted for using the equity method	(366)	11	
Other comprehensive (expense) income for the period,			
net of tax	(2,108)	10,738	
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the period			
attributable to owners of the Company	(117,780)	(142,621)	

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION *As at 30 June 2022*

	Notes	30 June 2022 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31 December 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		309,184	329,865
Right-of-use assets	12	39,596	38,105
Investment properties	13	190,114	198,727
Investments in associates	14	253,559	254,175
Prepayments and other receivables		1,131	1,501
Total non-current assets		793,584	822,373
Current assets			
Properties for sale or under development and			
other contract costs		2,134,470	2,447,299
Rental receivables	15	7,744	7,355
Deposits, prepayments and other receivables		387,939	413,289
Restricted bank deposits		10,986	33,648
Tax recoverable		7,138	6,661
Cash and cash equivalents		7,596	12,437
Total current assets		2,555,873	2,920,689
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade payables	16	100,353	338,366
Other payables, accruals and deposits received		758,435	712,669
Lease liabilities	17	3,307	1,096
Contract liabilities		1,095,543	1,132,026
Amount due to an associate	10	8,585	8,603
Borrowings	18	1,692,414	1,744,180
Total current liabilities		3,658,637	3,936,940
Net current liabilities		(1,102,764)	(1,016,251)
Total assets less current liabilities		(309,180)	(193,878)

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (continued) As at 30 June 2022

	Notes	30 June 2022 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31 December 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	17	5,051	_
Deposits received		2,810	3,171
Borrowings	18	23,566	19,431
Deferred tax liabilities		150,566	156,913
Total non-current liabilities		181,993	179,515
Net liabilities		(491,173)	(373,393)
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to owners of the Company			
Issued share capital	19	35,688	35,688
Reserves		(526,861)	(409,081)
Capital deficiency		(491,173)	(373,393)

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 June 2022

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	Issued share capital HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Contributed surplus <sup>1</sup> HK\$'000	Exchange reserve HK\$'000	<b>Special</b> reserve <sup>2</sup> HK\$'000	Share options reserve HK\$'000	Other reserve HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
Balance at 1 January 2021 Loss for the period Other comprehensive income	35,688	2,174,200	459,047 _ _	(19,522) 10,727	17,926	4,362	349 11	(2,545,521) (153,359) _	126,529 (153,359) 10,738
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period		_	-	10,727	-	-	11	(153,359)	(142,621)
Change in equity for the period		-		10,727	-	_	11	(153,359)	(142,621)
Balance at 30 June 2021 (unaudited)	35,688	2,174,200	459,047	(8,795)	17,926	4,362	360	(2,698,880)	(16,092)
Balance at 1 January 2022	35,688	2,174,200	459,047	17,728	17,926	4,362	539	(3,082,883)	(373,393)
Loss for the period Other comprehensive expense	-	-	-	(1,742)	-	-	- (366)	(115,672)	(115,672) (2,108)
Total comprehensive expense for the period		_	-	(1,742)	_	_	(366)	(115,672)	(117,780)
Change in equity for the period		-	-	(1,742)	-	-	(366)	(115,672)	(117,780)
Balance at 30 June 2022 (unaudited)	35,688	2,174,200	459,047	15,986	17,926	4,362	173	(3,198,555)	(491,173)

Contributed surplus of the Group arose from the Company's capital reorganisation on 6 September 2010 and 24 May 2012.

<sup>2</sup> Special reserve of the Group mainly represents the sum of the difference between the nominal value of shares of the acquired subsidiaries and the nominal value of the shares of the Company issued for the acquisition at the time of the group reorganisation in 2001 of HK\$10,420,000 and the consideration for the acquisition of additional interests in jointly-controlled entities which became wholly-owned subsidiaries by the substantial shareholder of the Company prior to the group reorganisation of HK\$7,506,000.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 June 2022

	Six months ended 30 Ju		
	2022	2021	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Net cash from operating activities	138,529	261,358	
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(67,744)	(68,072)	
Advance from an associate	_	16,489	
Increase in pledged bank deposits	-	(198)	
Decrease in restricted bank deposits	22,216	7,706	
Interest received	199	3,489	
Net cash used in investing activities	(45,329)	(40,586)	
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings	4,960	72,548	
Repayment of borrowings	-	(126,583)	
Payment of lease liabilities	(1,549)	(2,838)	
Interest paid on lease liabilities	(343)	(224)	
Interest paid on borrowings and commitment fees	(154,436)	(163,686)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(151,368)	(220,783)	
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(58,168)	(11)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	12,437	9,687	
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	53,327	(86)	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	7,596	9,590	
Analysis of the balance of cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position	7,596	9,590	

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **1 CORPORATE INFORMATION**

KEYNE LTD (the "**Company**") was incorporated in Bermuda on 9 May 2001 as an exempted company with limited liability and its issued shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**").

The Company's registered office address is Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM11, Bermuda and the head office and principal place of business in Hong Kong of the Company is located at Room 4101, 41st Floor, Lee Garden One, 33 Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong.

The Company's ultimate holding company is KEYNE HOLDINGS LTD ("**KEYNE HOLDINGS**"), a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands.

The Company acts as an investment holding company. The principal activities of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "**Group**") consist of rental of property, property and hotel development, and investment in centralized heat supply.

### **2** BASIS OF PREPARATION

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2022 have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on the Stock Exchange and with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA"). The condensed consolidated interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021, which have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs").

#### 2.1 Going concern basis

As at 30 June 2022, the Group had accumulated losses of HK3,198,555,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$3,082,883,000) and net cash inflow from operating activities of HK\$138,529,000 (six months ended 30 June 2021: net cash inflow from operating activities of HK\$261,358,000 (unaudited)). As at the same date, the Group's total borrowings amounted to HK\$1,715,980,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$1,763,611,000), of which current borrowings amounted to HK\$1,692,414,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$1,744,180,000), while its cash and cash equivalents amounted to HK\$7,596,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$12,437,000), and restricted bank deposits amounted to HK\$10,986,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$33,648,000).

As at 30 June 2022, certain borrowings whose principal amount of approximately HK\$1,159,683,000 and interest payable of HK\$200,085,000, relating to certain borrowings with a total principal amount of HK\$1,271,172,000 ("**Overdue Borrowings**") were overdue.

### 2 **BASIS OF PREPARATION** (continued)

#### 2.1 Going concern basis (continued)

The Group have been undertaking a number of measures to improve the Group's liquidity and financial position, and to remediate certain delayed prepayments to financial institution, which include:

- Subsequent to 30 June 2022, the Group and the Connected Guarantors, being the parties to the Listco Facility Agreement entered into the Listco Facility Agreement;
- (ii) The properties of Xiantan Project is expected to give further substantial sales for second half of 2022. Overall, the Group expects to gradually launch a major project upon obtaining the pre-sales permits already;
- (iii) In light of the COVID-19 outbreak, the Group is closely monitoring the latest development and will continue to assess the impact of the epidemic; as well as any government's stimulus in response, on the Group's operations from time to time and adjust its sales and marketing strategy for its properties sales to generate sufficient cashflows from its operation.

The directors, including members of the audit committee, have reviewed the Group's cash flow projections prepared by management. The cash flow projections cover a period of twelve months from 30 June 2022. They are of the opinion that, taking into account the abovementioned plans and measures, the Group will have sufficient working capital to finance its operations and to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due within twelve months from 30 June 2022. Accordingly, the directors are satisfied that it is appropriate to prepare the consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis.

Because of aforementioned actions taken, management is confident that lenders of the borrowings in respect of which there are delays in principal and interest payments will not enforce their rights of requesting for immediate payment.

Notwithstanding the above, significant uncertainties exist as to whether management of the Company will be able to achieve its plans and measures as described above. Whether the Group will be able to continue as a going concern would depend upon the Group's ability to generate adequate financing and operating cash flows through the following:

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### 2 **BASIS OF PREPARATION** (continued)

#### 2.1 Going concern basis (continued)

- (i) Successful negotiations with the lenders for the renewal of or extension for repayments beyond 31 December 2021 for those borrowings that (a) are scheduled for repayment (either based on the original agreements or the existing arrangements) in the year subsequent to 30 June 2021; (b) were overdue as at 30 June 2022 because of the Group's failure to repay either the loan principal or the interests on or before the scheduled repayment dates; and (c) became or might become overdue in year subsequent to 30 June 2023;
- Successful maintenance of relationship with the Group's existing lenders such that no action will be taken by the relevant lenders to demand immediate repayment of the borrowings in default, include those with cross-default terms;
- (iii) Successful obtaining of additional new sources of financing as and when needed;
- (iv) Successful accelerating of the pre-sales and sales of properties under development and completed properties; and controlling costs and containing capital expenditures so as to generate adequate net cash inflows; and
- (v) Successfully managing the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak, as well as any government's stimulus in response, on the Group's operations from time to time and adjusting its sales and marketing strategy for its property sales to generate sufficient cash flows from its operations.

Should the Group fail to achieve the above-mentioned plans and measures, it might not be able to continue to operate as a going concern, and adjustments would have to be made to write down the carrying values of the Group's assets to their recoverable amounts, to provide for any further liabilities which might arise, and to reclassify non-current assets and non-current liabilities as current assets and current liabilities, respectively. The effects of these adjustments have not been reflected in these consolidated financial statements.

## **3** ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In the current period, the Group has applied, for the first time, the following amendments to HKAS and HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA that are relevant for the preparation of the Group's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements:

Amendments to HKFRS 3	Reference to the Conceptual Framework
Amendments to HKFRS 16	COVID-19-Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021
Amendments to HKAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment – Proceed before Intended use
Amendments to HKAS 37	Onerous Contracts - Cost of Fulfilling a Contract
Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018-2020

The adoption of the new and amended HKFRSs had no material impact on how the results and financial position for the current and prior periods have been prepared and presented.

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

HKFRS 17	Insurance Contracts and the related Amendments <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to HKAS 1	Classification of Liabilities as Current and Non-current or
	related amendments to Hong Kong Interpretation 5 (2020) <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to HKAS 1	Disclosure of Accounting Policies <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to HKAS 8	Definition of Accounting Estimates <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to HKFRS 10	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an
and HKAS 28	Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023

Effective date not yet determined

The Directors anticipate that all of the pronouncements will be adopted in the Group's accounting policy for the first period beginning on or after the effective date of the pronouncements. The new and amended HKFRSs are not expected to have a material impact on the Group's condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

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# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### 4 ESTIMATES

When preparing the condensed consolidated interim financial statements, management undertakes a number of judgments, estimates and assumptions about recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expense. The actual results may differ from the judgments, estimates and assumptions made by management, and will seldom equal the estimated results.

The judgments, estimates and assumptions applied in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements, including the key sources of estimation uncertainty, were the same as those applied in the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021. The only exceptions are the estimate of income tax liabilities which is determined in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements using the estimated average annual effective income tax rate applied to the pre-tax income of the interim period.

### 5 **REVENUE**

The Group's operations and main revenue streams are those described in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

In the following table, revenue is disaggregated by timing of revenue recognition.

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2022	2021	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
External revenue from contracts with customers by timing of revenue recognition-Point in time External revenue from other sources	- 9,973	9,811	
Total	9,973	9,811	

A contract asset is recognised when the Group recognises revenue before being unconditionally entitled to the consideration under the payment terms set out in the contract. A contract liabilities if recognised when the customer pays consideration before the Group recognises the related revenue.

### 6 SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group is organised into three business units – property rental, property and hotel development and centralised heat supply.

These business units are the basis on which the Group reports its segment information. Segment information about the revenue and the results of these business units is presented below.

## For the six months ended 30 June 2022 (unaudited)

	Property rental <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property and hotel development <i>HK\$'000</i>	Centralised heat supply <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment revenue:				
External revenue from contracts with customers by timing of revenue recognition				
– Point in time	-	-	_	-
External revenue from other				
sources	9,973			9,973
Total revenue	9,973	_	_	9,973
Segment results	6,556	(11,643)	(257)	(5,344)
Unallocated corporate expenses				(8,197)
Finance income				56
Finance costs			-	(101,815)
Loss before income tax				(115,300)
Income tax expense			-	(372)
Loss for the period				(115,672)

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

# 6 SEGMENTAL INFORMATION (continued)

For the six months ended 30 June 2021 (unaudited)

	Property rental <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property and hotel development <i>HK\$'000</i>	Centralised heat supply <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment revenue:				
External revenue from contracts with customers by timing of revenue recognition				
– Point in time	-	_	_	_
External revenue from other sources	9,811	_	_	9,811
Total revenue	9,811	_	_	9,811
Segment results	5,034	(8,159)	623	(2,502)
Unallocated corporate expenses				(11,630)
Finance income				564
Finance costs			_	(139,236)
Loss before income tax				(152,804)
Income tax expense			-	(555)
Loss for the period			_	(153,359)

## 6 **SEGMENTAL INFORMATION** (continued)

The following table presents segment assets of the Group's reportable segments as at 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021:

## As at 30 June 2022 (unaudited)

	Property rental HK\$'000	Property and hotel development <i>HK\$</i> '000	Centralised heat supply <i>HK\$'000</i>	Unallocated HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment assets Investments in associates	199,463	2,860,836	- 253,559	35,599	3,095,898 253,559
Total assets	_	-	233,339		3,349,457

As at 31 December 2021 (audited)

		Property			
	Property	and hotel	Centralised		
	rental	development	heat supply	Unallocated	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment assets	207,819	3,224,541	_	56,527	3,488,887
Investments in associates	_	_	254,175	_	254,175
				-	
Total assets					3,743,062

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

## 7 FINANCE COSTS – NET

An analysis of finance costs and income is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Finance costs:		
Interest on bank borrowings wholly repayable within		
five years	16,965	24,782
Interest on other borrowings	81,037	132,850
Significant financing component of contract liabilities	1,515	_
Finance charges on lease liabilities	284	234
Foreign exchange difference, net	7,487	990
	107,288	158,856
Less: amounts capitalised on qualifying assets	(5,473)	(19,620)
Total finance costs	101,815	139,236
Finance income:		
Interest income on short-term bank deposits	-	(309)
Interest income from financial assets measured at		
amortised cost	(56)	(255)
m + 1 m		
Total finance income	(56)	(564)
Finance costs – net	101,759	138,672

### 8 OPERATING LOSS

The Group's operating loss has been arrived at after charging:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Auditors' remuneration	949	870
Cost of properties sold*	-	_
Direct operating expense of investment property that		
generate rental income*	1,308	1,159
Lease charges – short-term leases with lease term shorter		
than 12 months	22	303
Depreciation – owned assets	103	622
Depreciation – right-of-use assets^	1,368	2,358
Professional fees	1,577	1,686

\* The cost of properties sold and direct operating expense of investment property that generate rental income for the period are included in "cost of sales" on the condensed consolidated statement of profit and loss.

^ The depreciation of a right-of-use asset of approximately HK\$249,000 is included in "wages and salaries" as the right-of-use asset is a staff quarter provided by the Group to its employees.

### 9 INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2021: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the period. The applicable tax rate for the Group's operation in the Mainland China is 25%. Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the jurisdictions in which the Group operates.

Six months en	Six months ended 30 June		
2022	2021		
HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
(unaudited)	(unaudited)		
224	149		
148	406		
372	555		
	2022 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited) 224 148		

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

#### 10 **DIVIDENDS**

No dividend was paid or proposed during the period, nor has any dividend been proposed since the end of the reporting period (2021: Nil).

#### 11 LOSS PER SHARE

#### (a) Basic

The calculation of the basic loss per share attributable to owners of the Company is based on the following data:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Loss figures are calculated as follows: Loss for the period attributable to owners of the Company	(115,672)	(153,359)

	Six months ended 30 June		
Number of shares (in thousand)	2022	2021	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic loss per share	3,568,791	3,568,791	

### (b) Diluted

Diluted loss per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company had one (2021: one) category of dilutive potential ordinary shares, share options (2021: share options), for the periods ended 30 June 2022 and 2021.

For the share options, calculation is done to determine the number of shares that could have been acquired at fair value (determined as the average annual market share price of the Company's shares) based on the monetary value of the subscription rights attached to the outstanding share options. As the exercise price of the share options granted by the Company was higher than the average annual market price of the Company's shares for the six months ended 30 June 2022 and 2021, the outstanding share options had no dilutive effect on loss per share. Therefore, diluted loss per share for the six months ended 30 June 2021 equals basic loss per share.

## 12 RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

	Leasehold lands HK\$'000	Leased properties HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
As at 30 June 2022	21.002	0.510	20 50 6
Carrying amount	31,083	8,513	39,596
As at 31 December 2021			
Carrying amount	37,075	1,030	38,105
		30 June 2022 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31 December 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
Buildings carried at cost:			
At 1 January		1,030	5,263
Additions		9,315	_
Depreciation		(1,807)	(5,177)
Exchange realignment		(25)	944
At 30 June/31 December		8,513	1,030

### **13 INVESTMENT PROPERTIES**

As at 30 June 2022 the Group's investment properties with a net carrying amount of approximately HK\$190,114,000 (2021: HK\$198,727,000) were pledged to secure borrowings granted to a related party.

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# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### 14 INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES

<b>30 June</b>	31 December
2022	2021
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
(unaudited)	(audited)
226,411	226,561
1,040,373	1,040,373
1,176	1,176
(1,024,076)	(1,024,076)
9,675	10,141
253,559	254,175
	2022 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited) 226,411 1,040,373 1,176 (1,024,076) 9,675

The loan to an associate is unsecured, interest-free and has no fixed terms of repayment. In the opinion of the Directors, the loan is considered as quasi-equity investment in an associate.

### **15 RENTAL RECEIVABLES**

The aging analysis of the rental receivables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date and net of expected credit loss allowance, is as follows:

	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
0 – 90 days	7,744	7,355

The Group has a policy of allowing its trade customers credit periods normally ranging from 90 to 120 days. Before accepting any new customers, the Group uses an internal credit assessment process to assess the potential customers' credit quality and defines credit limits by customers. Credit limits attributed to customers are reviewed regularly.

### **16 TRADE PAYABLES**

The aging analysis of the trade payables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	30 June 2022 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31 December 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
0 – 90 days 91 – 180 days 181 – 365 days Over 1 year	7,774 26,878 4,395 61,306 100,353	275,534 57,855 2,113 2,864 338,366

### 17 LEASE LIABILITIES

The following table shows the remaining contractual maturities of the Group's lease liabilities:

	30 June 2022 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31 December 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
Total minimum lease payments: Due within one year Due in the second to fifth years	3,972 5,440	1,124
Future finance charges on lease liabilities	9,412 (1,054)	1,124 (28)
Present value of minimum lassa payments:	8,358	1,096
Present value of minimum lease payments: Due within one year Due in the second to fifth years	3,307 5,051	1,096
Less: Portion due within one year included under current liabilities	8,358 (3,307)	1,096 (1,096)
Portion due after one year included under current liabilities	5,051	

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# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### 17 **LEASE LIABILITIES** (continued)

During the six months ended 30 June 2022, the total cash outflows for the leases are HK\$1,914,000 (2021: HK\$6,086,000).

As at 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021, the Group has entered into leases for one office and one staff quarter. The Group considered that no extension option or termination option would be exercised at the lease commencement date.

### **18 BORROWINGS**

	Maturity	30 June 2022 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31 December 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
Connect			
<b>Current</b> Bank borrowings – secured ( <i>note i</i> )	On demand	64,414	67,332
Bank borrowings – secured ( <i>note i</i> ) Bank borrowings – secured ( <i>note ii</i> )	June 2023	292,843	306,110
Other borrowings – secured ( <i>note iii</i> )	On demand	286,493	284,704
Other borrowings – secured ( <i>note itt</i> ) Other borrowings – secured ( <i>note iv</i> )	On demand	144,385	143,483
Other borrowings – secured ( <i>note iv</i> ) Other borrowings – secured ( <i>note v</i> )	On demand	775,881	811,032
Other borrowings – unsecured ( <i>note v</i> ) Other borrowings – unsecured ( <i>note vi</i> )	On demand	109,982	113,103
Other borrowings – unsecured ( <i>note vi</i> ) Other borrowings – unsecured ( <i>note vii</i> )	December 2022	3,841	3,841
Other borrowings – unsecured ( <i>note viii</i> )	June 2023	1,075	1,075
Borrowings from a related party – unsecured ( <i>note ix</i> )	December 2022	13,500	13,500
		1,692,414	1,744,180
N			
Non-current	A	(55	(55
Other borrowings – unsecured ( <i>note viii</i> )	August 2023	655	655
Borrowings from a director – unsecured (note x)	July, December 2023, January, March, April, May and June 2024	6,431	2,280
Other borrowings – unsecured (note xi)	February, April, May	16,480	16,496
other borrowings – unsecured ( <i>note xi</i> )	and June 2024	10,400	10,470
		23,566	19,431
		1,715,980	1,763,611

#### **18 BORROWINGS** (continued)

Notes:

(i) At 30 June 2022, the Group's bank borrowings of approximately HK\$64,414,000 (2021: HK\$67,332,000) were secured by the Group's land use rights and construction in progress with a net carrying amount of HK\$31,083,000 (2021: HK37,075,000) and HK\$308,518,000 (2021: HK\$329,044,000) respectively. According to the repayment terms, the details of bank borrowing are under negotiated. The bank borrowings were interest-bearing per annum at the benchmark interest rate determined by the People's Bank of China for loans over 5 years granted by financial institutions (2021: same).

At 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021, the bank borrowings were secured and guaranteed by:

- (a) personal guarantees executed by Ms. Qin Ling Ling (a director of the Company), Mr.
   Peter Zhu (the spouse of Ms. Qian Ling Ling) and Mr. Zhu Boheng (the controlling shareholder of the Company);
- (b) a corporate guarantee executed by a subsidiary of the Group including Hunan Jiuhua International City Development Construction Company Limited ("Hunan Jiuhua"); and
- (c) a corporate guarantee executed by Shanghai Jin Da Di investment Company Limited\* (上海金大地投資有限公司) ("Shanghai Jin Da Di"). The controlling shareholder of this company is Mr. Zhu Boheng (the controlling shareholder of the Company).
- (ii) At 30 June 2022, the Group/s bank borrowings of HK\$292,843,000 (2021: HK\$306,110,000) with maturity date in June 2023 (2021: June 2023), were interest bearing at 9.5% per annum (2021: 9.5% per annum) and will be payable by instalments.

Management estimates that after taking the measures and with its endeavours to ensure that there will be no further delay in repayment of interest, the repayment dates of these reclassified bank borrowings could be reverted to their respective original repayment dates with are all beyond 31 December 2022.

At 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021, the bank borrowings were secured and guaranteed by:

- (a) the Group's investment properties with a net carrying amount of HK\$190,114,000 (2021: HK\$198,727,000);
- (b) a property owned by Ms. Qian Ling Ling (a director of the Company);
- (c) corporate guarantees executed by Shanghai Jin Da Di, Nanjing Jin Gao Real Estate Company Limited\* (南京金高房地產開發有限公司) ("Nanjian Jin Gao") and Yangzhou Ya Tai Zhi Ye Company Limited\* (揚州亞太置業有限公司) ("Yangzhou Ya Tai"). The controlling shareholder of these companies is Mr. Zhu Boheng (the controlling shareholder of the Company);

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#### **18 BORROWINGS** (continued)

*Notes: (continued)* 

- (ii) (d) personal guarantees executed by Ms. Qin Ling Ling (a director of the Company), Mr. Peter Zhu (the spouse of Ms. Qian Ling Ling) and Mr. Zhu Boheng (the controlling shareholder of the Company); and
  - (e) corporate guarantees executed by the Company and a subsidiary of the Group including Hunan Jiuhua.
- (iii) At 30 June 2022, the Group's other borrowings of HK\$286,493,000 (2021: HK\$284,704,000) were interest bearing at 9% per annum (2021: 9% per annum) and repayable by installments from March 2022 to December 2022 (2021: same). As at 30 June 2022, the negotiation about the loan agreement for further restructure is still in progress.

At 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021, the other borrowings were secured and guaranteed by:

- (a) equity interests in subsidiaries of the Group under Brilliant Field and Profit Source;
- (b) first fixed charge over 2,010,501,197 shares (2021: 2,010,501,197 shares) of the Company owned by KEYNE HOLDINGS, the substantial shareholder of the Company. The controlling shareholder of this company is Mr. Zhu Boheng (the controlling shareholder of the Company);
- (c) a fixed charge over a bank account;
- (d) corporate guarantees executed by three related companies, Ever Harmony Enterprises Limited, Yangzhou Ya Tai and Nanjing Jin Gao. The ultimate controlling shareholder of these companies is Mr. Zhu Boheng (the controlling shareholder of the Company); and
- (e) personal guarantees executed by Ms. Qian Ling Ling (a director of the Company), Mr. Peter Zhu (the spouse of Ms. Qian Ling Ling) and Mr. Zhu Boheng (the controlling shareholder of the Company).

#### **18 BORROWINGS** (continued)

*Notes: (continued)* 

(iv) At 30 June 2022, the Group's other borrowings of HK\$144,385,000 (2021: HK\$143,483,000) were secured and guaranteed, interest bearing at 15% per annum (2021: 15% per annum) and were repayable in November and December 2020 (2021: repayable in November and December 2020).

Management estimates that after taking the measures and with its endeavours to ensure that there will be no further delay in repayment of interest, the repayment dates of these reclassified other borrowings could be reverted to their respective original repayment dates which are all beyond 31 December 2022.

(v) At 30 June 2022, the Group's other borrowings of HK\$755,881,000 (2021: HK\$811,032,000) in total with original maturity dates in January, May, June 2022 and January 2023 (2021: January, May, June 2022 and January 2023), were interest bearing at 12% per annum (2021: 12% per annum) and will be repayable by instalments.

Management estimates that after taking the measures and with its endeavours to ensure that there will be no further delay in repayment of interest, the repayment dates of these reclassified other borrowings could be reverted to their respective original repayment dates which are all beyond 30 June 2023.

The other borrowings were secured and guaranteed by:

- (a) certain properties under development, with a net carrying amount of approximately HK\$2,114,010,000 (2021: HK\$1,724,651,000);
- (b) corporate guarantees executed by related companies, Yangzhou Ya Tai and Shanghai Jin Da Di. The ultimate controlling shareholder of these companies is Mr. Zhu Boheng (the controlling shareholder of the Company);
- (c) personal guarantees executed by Ms. Qian Ling Ling (a director of the Company), Mr. Peter Zhu (the spouse of Ms. Qian Ling Ling) and Mr. Zhu Boheng (the controlling shareholder of the Company);
- (d) the Group's leasehold lands (second priority charge) and construction in progress (second priority charge) with a net carrying amount of HK\$31,083,000 (2021: HK\$37,075,000) and HK\$308,518,000 (2021:HK\$329,044,000) respectively; and
- (e) pledged deposits with carrying amount of nil (2021: HK\$nil).

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# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

#### **18 BORROWINGS** (continued)

Notes: (continued)

- (vi) At 30 June 2022 and 2021, the Group's other borrowings from related parties were interestfree, unsecured and repayable on demand.
- (vii) At 30 June 2022 and 2021, the Group's other borrowings from a related party were interestfree, unsecured and repayable on or before 31 December 2022 (2021: 31 December 2022).
- (viii) At 30 June 2022 and 2021, the Group's other borrowings from a related party were interest bearing at 5% per annum (2021: 5% per annum), unsecured and repayable by instalments in June 2023 and August 2023 (2021: June 2022 and August 2023).
- (ix) At 30 June 2022 and 2021, the Group's borrowings from a related party were repayable in December 2022 (2021: December 2022), unsecured and interest-free, and was assigned from a former shareholder, executed by a deed of loan assignment.
- (x) At 30 June 2022, the Group's borrowings from a director were interest bearing at 5% per annum, unsecured and repayable by instalments in July, December 2023, January, March, April, May and June 2024.
- (xi) At 30 June 2022, the Group's other borrowings for a related party were interest-free, unsecured and payable by instalments in February, April, May and June 2024.
- \* For identification purpose only

#### **19 ISSUED SHARE CAPITAL**

	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Authorised: 100,000,000,000 (2021: same) ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 (2021: same) each	1,000,000	1,000,000
<b>Issued and fully paid:</b> 3,568,790,629 (2021: same) ordinary shares of		
HK\$0.01 (2021: same) each	35,688	35,688

There were no movements in the Company's share capital during the six months ended 30 June 2022.

### 20 SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS

Share options are granted to Directors, employees and certain eligible persons. The options are exercisable in ten years starting from the grant date. The Group has no legal or constructive obligation to repurchase or settle the options in cash. All the outstanding options were exercisable as at 30 June 2022. The fair value of options granted was determined using the binomial valuation model. The significant inputs into the model were stated as follows:

	23 January	29 March	
Grant date	2018	2018	
Share price at date of grant	0.345	0.285	
Exercise price	0.362	0.292	
Number of options granted			
– Directors	24,711,625	_	
- employees and eligible persons	74,134,875	49,423,250	
Risk free rate	2.021%	1.902%	
Expected dividend yield	Nil	Nil	
Expected volatility	85.64%	85.32%	
Post-vesting exit rate	3.36%	3.36%	
Expected exercise multiple			
– Directors	2.80x	_	
- employees and eligible persons	2.20x	2.20x	
Fair value per option			
– Directors	0.211	N/A	
- employees and eligible persons	0.176	0.148	

There were no options granted or exercised during the six months ended 30 June 2022.

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# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### 21 COMMITMENTS

#### (a) Lease commitments

(i) As lessor

The Group leases its investment property under non-cancellable lease arrangements, with leases negotiated for terms ranging from 2 to 14 years. The terms of the leases generally require the tenants to pay security deposits and provide for periodic rent adjustments according to the prevailing market conditions.

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had total future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable leases with its tenants falling due as follows:

	30 June 2022 <i>HK\$'000</i>	31 December 2021 <i>HK</i> \$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Within 1 year	21,015	20,069
After 1 year but within 2 years	21,214	19,106
After 2 years but within 3 years	21,748	19,242
After 3 years but within 4 years	21,964	19,902
After 4 years but within 5 years	18,222	20,277
After 5 years	830	9,393
	104,993	107,989

(ii) As lessee

At the end of the reporting period, the lease commitments for short-term leases are as follows:

	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Within one year	22	21

### 21 COMMITMENTS (continued)

#### (b) Capital commitments

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had capital commitments for the following expenditures in respect of:

	30 June 2022	31 December 2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Contracted but not provided for: Property and hotel development	2,056,280	2,149,438

### 22 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

#### (i) Related party transactions

- a) During the period ended 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021, a loan was assigned to Mr. Cheng Keung Fai, the beneficial owner of Full Dragon Group Limited and a former shareholder of the Company, executed by a deed of loan assignment. Further details are already disclosed in previous Company's announcement.
- b) During the interim period 30 June 2022, the Group entered into a director loan agreement with Ms. Qian Ling Ling, a director of the Company for an unsecured and bears interest at 5% per annum. As at 30 June 2022, HK\$6,431,000 in total had been drawn down by the Company. The interest expenses to Ms. Qian Ling Ling was HK\$118,000 during the period ended 30 June 2022.

#### (ii) Compensation of key management personnel

The remunerations of the Directors during six months ended 30 June 2022 included short-term benefits of HK\$1,924,000 (2021: HK\$1,792,000). It is determined by reference to market terms, individual responsibilities and performance.

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

#### 23 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

#### (i) Provision of contingent withholding EIT

According to Tax Circular 698 and Public Notice [2015] No. 7 ("**Public Notice 7**") of the State Administration of Taxation (the "**SAT**"), the Group's acquisition of 49% equity interest in Ever-Grand Development Limited ("**Ever-Grand**") during the year ended 31 December 2016 had led to an indirect acquisition of subsidiaries of Ever-Grand in the PRC, including 東莞市德晉能源科技有限公司 (Dongguan City Dejin Energy Technology Company Limited) and 東莞市德晉熱力有限公司 (Dongguan City Dejin Thermal Power Company Limited). Such arrangement shall be re-characterised as a direct transfer by the PRC tax authorities and the capital gain derived will be subject to EIT. The Group should act as EIT withholding agent and report the indirect equity transfer (and settle the EIT, if applicable) to the PRC tax authorities within 30 days after the equity transfer agreement is concluded.

In case the Group fails to fulfill its withholding obligation and the Vendor has not paid the EIT, the PRC tax authorities would demand the Vendor for the payment of EIT and impose penalty of 50% to 3 times of the unpaid EIT on the Group. The penalty may be relieved if the indirect transfer has been voluntarily reported to the PRC tax authorities by the Group.

The Company has already held back a sum of HK\$60,000,000 payable to the Vendor to serve as withholding EIT and further made an EIT provision of HK\$28,200,000, but has not yet reported the transaction or paid EIT to the PRC tax authorities. After consulting PRC legal counsel, the Directors are of the opinion that the Group has already substantially fulfilled the withholding obligation, thereby containing the risk of penalty to reasonably low level.

According to sale and purchase agreement dated 16 November 2015 entered into among the Company, the Vendor and the Guarantors, namely Guarantor C and Guarantor L, the Vendor is responsible for the filing and the settlement of the EIT arising from the indirect equity transfer in accordance to the relevant PRC tax laws and regulations. The Vendor shall compensate the Company in case the Vendor fails to report and payment of the EIT on the indirect equity transfer. In addition, such arrangement was further formally executed through a deed of tax indemnity entered into among the Company, the Vendor and the Guarantors on 30 March 2016. Therefore, the Directors believe the Vendor, who still own 51% equity interest in Ever-Grand, would voluntarily report and pay the EIT to the PRC tax authorities, as well as compensating the Group for any penalty to be imposed to the Group, if any. The Directors do not consider it is probable that a claim will be made against the Group regarding the penalty mentioned above.

Except as above, the Group has no material contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021.

# 24 APPROVAL OF THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 30 August 2022.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Since 2022, the Russia-Ukraine conflict has broken out, the impact of the pandemic on the economy has been amplified, and the global economic growth has slowed down. Bottlenecks in the global supply chain continued, commodity prices ran high, and inflation remained upwards, followed by US Federal Reserve's raising interest rate, which drove the world into a policy tightening cycle and intensified the challenges of global economic growth. China's economic growth slowed down due to the pandemic prevention and control measures in some areas from March to May this year. Fortunately, with the improvement of the domestic pandemic situation, the implementation of fiscal and monetary policies has been strengthened, and the economy has begun to recover strongly.

During the first half of 2022, the Group focus on (i) property and hotel development (the "**Xiangtan Project**") in Xiangtan, Hunan Province, (ii) property rentals (the "**Chengdu Project**") in Chengdu, Sichuan Province and (iii) investment in centralised heat supply business.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

For the six months ended 30 June 2022, the Group recorded a revenue of approximately HK\$9,973,000 (2021: HK\$9,811,000). Property rental income increased to approximately HK\$9,973,000 (2021: HK\$9,811,000) to the total revenue. There is no sales of properties (2021: nil) for first half year.

Loss attributable to owners of the Company was approximately HK\$115,672,000 (2021: HK\$153,359,000). Basic loss per share was approximately HK3.24 cents (2021: HK4.30 cents). The Board does not recommend dividend payout for the six months ended 30 June 2022 (2021: Nil). As at 30 June 2022, cash and cash equivalents were approximately HK\$7,596,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$12,437,000).

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

#### (i) Xiangtan Project

The Xiangtan Project currently focuses on the development, construction and sales of high-rise residential buildings. Situated in the Jiuhua Economic Zone of Xiangtan City, Hunan Province, the Xiangtan Project encompasses a land area of 559,696 square meters for the development of a five-star hotel and residential properties with ancillary commercial space, etc.

The Group continued to strengthen its brand influence and competitive edge, expand its market share, and further consolidate its leading position in the Hunan Province. As a semidetached villas provider, the Group focused on deepening the strategic cooperation with its major clients and actively expanded the high-end market while strengthening the intra-group management. The Group carefully organized the internal design, procurement, production and installation procedures, allocate resources and enhance safety control so as to ensure construction period, quality safety and efficiency of the projects.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW** (continued)

#### (i) Xiangtan Project (continued)

In the second half of the year, the construction and sales of high-rise residences will be accelerated, in the hope of launching relevant products into the market by the end of the year. The continual launches and high sell-through rate of high-rise residential products will further improve the financial position of the Group while effectively supplementing the cash flow of the project.

#### (ii) Chengdu Project

For the six months ended 30 June 2022, the Group's five-storey shopping centre located in No. 19 Yongling Road, Jinniu District, Chengdu City, Sichuan Province, the PRC, held for commercial use, remained almost fully leased and occupied, become the main steady income driver for the Group. Revenues of approximately HK\$9,973,000 (2021: HK\$9,811,000) from property rental were recorded for the six months ended 30 June 2022. The increase in rental income was mainly due to the attracting the high quality clients.

#### (iii) Centralised Heat Supply Business

Due to its advantage of greater energy efficiency, centralised heat supply was enthusiastically promoted by the PRC Government. According to 《關於推進我省工業園區和產業集聚區集中 供熱的意見》(the "Opinion Relating to Promoting Centralised Heat Supply for Industrial Parks and Zones in Guangdong Province"\*) published by the National Development and Reform Commission of the Guangdong Provincial Government in December 2013, the Guangdong Provincial Government is actively promoting the development of centralised heat supplies in industrial parks and zones. In addition, the 《2014-2015年節能減排低碳發展行動 方案的通知》("2014-2015 Action Plan on Energy Conservation, Emission Reduction and Low-Carbon Development"), issued by the State Council, stated that old scattered coal-fired boilers should be progressively phased out in lock step with the development of centralised heat supply.

Ever-Grand Development Limited holds 80% equity interests in Dongguan City Dejin Energy Technology Company Limited and Dongguan City Dejin Thermal Power Company Limited (together "**Dejin**"), which are engaged in an energy-saving environmental protection project through the provision of steam and heat produced at a power plant in Donguan City to industrial customers in certain areas of Humen and Changan in Dongguan City, Guangdong Province.

On 30 March 2016, the transaction was completed and the Group officially began its operations in the centralised heat supply business.

### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW** (continued)

### (iii) Centralised Heat Supply Business (continued)

As of 30 June 2022, the Group is supplying steam to around 24 (2021: 32) active customers in Humen Town through steam transmission pipelines of approximately 4.6km (2021: same). During the reporting period, the centralised heat supply business, generating revenue of approximately HK\$6,613,000(2021: HK\$23,338,000) to Ever-Grand, representing an decreasing as compared with the last reporting period. In the ChangAn town, as a result of the continuous delay of the pipeline deployment plan rolled out in ChangAn town, coupled with the sustained delay of the public release from the local and central government of the Changan Binhai New Area's "Guangdong, Hong Kong, and Macau Greater Bay Area Development Plan Outline" and the Dawan District Plan, the business plan of the ChangAn town was further delayed and suspended with uncertainties.

# FINANCING ACTIVITIES AND EVENT AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD CHINA HUARONG PROCEEDINGS

Chengdu Zhongfa Yellow River Industry Co., Ltd\* (成都中發黃河實業有限公司) ("Chengdu Zhongfa"), an wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, has recently received, among other court documents, the enforcement notice numbered (2022) Jing 01 Zhi No.694\* ((2022)京01執694號《執行通知書》) (the "First Enforcement Notice") from the Beijing No. 1 Intermediate People's Court\* (北京市第一中級人民法院) (the "Beijing Court").

Pursuant to the First Enforcement Notice, the Beijing Court has ordered for the mandatory enforcement of the execution certificate numbered (2022) Jing Zhongxin Zhi No.00413\* ((2022) 京中信執字第00413號《執行證書》) issued by the Beijing Zhongxin Notary Public Office\* (北京市中信公證署) (the "Beijing Notary Office") ordering, among other defendants, Chengdu Zhongfa, Hunan Jiuhua Oriental Hotel Co., Ltd\* (湖南九華東方酒店有限公司) ("Hunan Jiuhua Oriental Hotel Co., Ltd\* (湖南九華東方酒店有限公司) ("Hunan Jiuhua Oriental Hotel"), Hunan Jiuhua International New City Development Construction Co., Ltd\* (湖南九華國際新城開發建設有限公司) ("Hunan Jiuhua International"), being indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company, and Ms. Qian Ling Ling ("Ms. Qian"), the chairman of the Board and executive Director, to repay China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd (Beijing Branch)\* (中國華融資產管理股份有限公司北京市分公司) ("China Huarong") the sum of the outstanding loan principal, default compensation, default interests, legal costs and notary fee in the aggregate amount of not less than approximately RMB203 million, pursuant to certain loan assignment agreement, loan agreements, supplemental loan agreements and guarantee agreement entered into among Chengdu Zhongfa, Hunan Jiuhua Oriental Hotel, Hunan Jiuhua International, Ms. Qian and China Huarong (the "First China Huarong Proceedings").

Hunan Jiuhua International has recently received, among other court documents, the enforcement notice numbered (2022) Jing 01 Zhi No.695\* ((2022)京01執695號《執行通知書》) (the "Second Enforcement Notice") from the Beijing Court.

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### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

# **FINANCING ACTIVITIES AND EVENT AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD** (continued) **CHINA HUARONG PROCEEDINGS** (continued)

Hunan Jiuhua International has also recently received, among other court documents, the enforcement notice numbered (2022) Jing 01 Zhi No.697\* ((2022)京01執697號《執行通知書》) (the "**Third Enforcement Notice**") from the Beijing Court.

Pursuant to the Second and Third Enforcement Notice, the Beijing Court has ordered for the mandatory enforcement of the execution certificate numbered (2022) Jing Zhongxin Zhi No.00414\* ((2022) 京中信執字第00414號《執行證書》), and Jing Zhongxin Zhi No.00415\* ((2022) 京中信執字第00415號《執行證書》) issued by the Beijing Notary Office ordering, among other defendants, Hunan Jiuhua International and Ms. Qian, to repay China Huarong the sum of the outstanding loan principal, default compensation, default interests, legal costs and notary fee in the aggregate amount of not less than approximately RMB468 million, and RMB270 million (including the sum of the outstanding loan principal, default compensation, default interests, legal costs and notary fee in the aggregate amount of not agreements and guarantee agreement entered into by, among others, Hunan Jiuhua International, Ms. Qian and China Huarong.

The negotiation of the loan for repaying China Huarong outstanding loan principal with default interests, legal costs and notary fee is still in progress and the restructure of loan is necessary. The final agreement and repayment schedule will be released within few months in Yr2022.

### ZHEJIANG CHOUZHOU COMMERCIAL BANK PROCEEDINGS

The Company has recently received, among other court documents, a writ of summons (傳票), notice of response (應訴通知書) and civil complaint (民事起訴狀) (the "ZCCB Civil Complaint") from the Nanjing Intermediate People's Court of Jiangsu Province\* (江蘇省南京市中級人民法院) (the "Jiangsu Court") in the legal proceedings (2022) Su 01 MinchuNo.2374\* ((2022)蘇01民初2374號) (the "ZCCB Proceedings").

Pursuant to the ZCCB Civil Complaint, the Zhejiang Chouzhou Commercial Bank Co., Ltd (Nanjing Branch)\* (浙江稠州商業銀行股份有限公司南京分行) ("ZCCB") as plaintiff, sought orders from the Jiangsu Court against the Company as defendant, for the repayment to ZCCB all outstanding loan principal, accrued interests, default interests and compound interests up to the date of repayment in respect of the loan agreement dated 17 November 2020 and the settlement agreement dated 17 December 2021 entered into between Chengdu Zhongfa as borrower and ZCCB as lender (collectively, the "ZCCB Loan Agreements") for the loan principal of RMB250,000,000 (the "ZCCB Loan"), on the basis of the Company's alleged joint and several liability to the ZCCB Loan under the guarantee agreement dated 17 November 2020 entered into between the Company as guarantor and ZCCB as lender in respect of the ZCCB Loan.

The ZCCB Civil Complaint was accepted by the Jiangsu Court and the ZCCB Proceedings have been scheduled for hearing on 6 September 2022.

\* For identification purpose only

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

# FINANCING ACTIVITIES AND EVENT AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued) ICBC PROCEEDINGS

Hunan Jiuhua Oriental Hotel and Hunan Jiuhua International have recently received, among other court documents, a writ of summons (傳票), notice of response (應訴通知書) and civil complaint (民 事起訴狀) (the "ICBC Civil Complaint") from the People's Court of Yuhu District, Xiangtan City, Hunan Province\* (湖南省湘潭市雨湖區人民法院) (the "Hunan Court") in the legal proceedings (2022) Xiang 0302 Minchu No.2878\* ((2022)湘0302民初2878號) (the "ICBC Proceedings").

Pursuant to the ICBC Civil Complaint, the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited (Xiangtan Xiangjiang Branch)\* (中國工商銀行股份有限公司湘潭湘江支行) ("ICBC") as plaintiff, sought from the Hunan Court against, among others, Hunan Jiuhua Oriental Hotel and Hunan Jiuhua International as defendants, the following orders:-

- (i) that Hunan Jiuhua Oriental Hotel be ordered to repay to ICBC all outstanding loan principal, accrued interests, default interests and compound interests up to the date of repayment (the"ICBC Liabilities") in respect of the loan agreement dated 11 September 2012 for the loan principal of RMB250,000,000, the first loan extension agreement dated 31 March 2016 for the loan principal of RMB190,000,000, the second loan extension agreement dated 30 December 2019 for the loan principal of RMB68,000,000, the third loan extension agreement dated 11 December 2020 for the loan principal of RMB20,000,000 and the fourth loan extension agreement dated 28 June 2021 for the loan principal of RMB60,000,000 all entered into between Hunan Jiuhua Oriental Hotel as borrower and ICBC as lender (collectively, the ("ICBC Loan Agreements"), and ("ICBC Loan Agreements);
- (ii) that, among other defendants, Hunan Jiuhua International and Ms. Qian be ordered to repay the ICBC Liabilities on the basis of Hunan Jiuhua International's and Ms. Qian's alleged joint and several liability to the ICBC Loans under the guarantee agreement dated 28 June 2021 entered into between Hunan Jiuhua International as guarantor and ICBC as lender in respect of the ICBC Loans, and the guarantee agreement dated 29 June 2021 entered into between Ms. Qian as guarantor and ICBC as lender of the ICBC Loans.

The ICBC Civil Complaint was accepted by the Hunan Court and the ICBC Proceedings have been scheduled for hearing on 6 September 2022.

The Group will continue to negotiate with the related parties about the restructure of ICBC Loans to postpone by the end of year 2023.

The Group adopts a conservative treasury policy in cash and financial management. The Group's financial activities are centralised in order to achieve better risk control and minimise cost of funds. Cash is generally placed in short-term deposits mostly denominated in Hong Kong dollar or Renminbi. The Group's liquidity and financing requirements are frequently reviewed. In anticipating new investments or maturity of bank loans, the Group will consider new financing while maintaining an appropriate level of gearing.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

### PROSPECTS

Looking forward, there are certain risks that the Group will face in further development such as challenges from the uncertainty of economies by reason of, among others, COVID-19 situation, global economy uncertainty, Russia-Ukraine war, the U.S.-China trade dispute, which leads an increase in cast of construction. However, we remain cautiously optimistic of the prospects and believe that the property market will be sustainable in a steady and healthy way, and intend to continue to build the Group's competitive strengths so as to increase market share and profitability.

In light of the breakout of respiratory illness caused by a novel coronavirus ("**COVID-19**") since late-January 2020, the Group has implemented several measures including epidemic prevention and control, cancellation and rescheduling visits of customers in accordance with relevant national and local regulations on epidemic prevention and control, to ensure the health and safety of customers and employees. The Board pays great attention to the development of the COVID-19 and makes every effort on epidemic prevention and control and daily operation management. The Group is cautiously optimistic of the full-year performance in 2022.

### LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

As at 30 June 2022, the Group's net current liabilities were approximately HK1,102,764,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$1,016,251,000), with current assets of approximately HK2,555,873,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$2,920,689,000) and current liabilities of approximately HK3,658,637,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$3,936,940,000), representing a current ratio of approximately 0.70 (31 December 2021: 0.74). As at 30 June 2022, the Group had cash and cash equivalents of approximately HK7,596,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$12,437,000).

### CAPITAL STRUCTURE

As at 30 June 2022, the Group's total capital deficiency amounted to approximately HK491,173,000 (Total capital deficiency for 31 December 2021: HK\$373,393,000).

### BORROWING AND BANKING FACILITIES AND CHARGE ON GROUP ASSETS

As at 30 June 2022, the Group's outstanding borrowings were approximately HK\$1,715,980,000 (2021: HK\$1,763,611,000). The Group's bank borrowings of approximately HK\$64,414,000 (2021: HK\$67,332,000) were secured by the Group's leasehold lands (first priority change) and construction in progress (first priority change) with a net carrying amount of approximately HK\$31,083,000 (2021: HK\$37,075,000) and approximately HK\$308,518,000 (2021: HK\$329,044,000) respectively.

The Group's borrowings from a former shareholder of approximately of HK\$13,500,000 was assigned to a related party upon the execution of a deed of assignment, were unsecured.

The Group's borrowings from a Director of approximately HK\$6,431,000 were unsecured.

The Group's other borrowings of approximately HK\$114,479,000 (2021: HK\$117,614,000) were unsecured. The Group's other borrowings of approximately HK\$144,385,000 (2021: HK\$143,483,000) were secured by share charge over the equity interest in Ever-Grand and certain properties for sales or under development executed by certain related parties. The Group's other borrowings of approximately of HK\$286,493,000 (2021: HK\$284,704,000) were secured by share charges given by KEYNE HOLDINGS, the controlling shareholder of the Company and certain related parties, and equity pledges given by certain subsidiaries of the Company.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

**BORROWING AND BANKING FACILITIES AND CHARGE ON GROUP ASSETS** (*continued*) The Group's other borrowings of approximately of HK\$775,881,000 (2021: HK\$811,032,000) were secured by certain properties under development, with a net carrying amount of approximately HK\$1,715,980,000 (2021: HK\$1,763,610,000). The gearing ratio based on borrowings over total equity as at 31 December 2021 was approximately -3.49 (2021: -4.72).

### GOING CONCERN AND MITIGATION MEASURES

The Group had accumulated losses of HK\$3,198,555,000 at 30 June 2022 and net cash inflows from operating activities of HK\$138,529,000 for the six months ended 30 June 2022. As at the same date, the Group's total borrowings amounted to HK\$1,715,980,000, of which current borrowings amounted to HK\$1,692,414,000, while its cash and cash equivalents amounted to HK\$7,596,000, and restricted bank deposits amounted to HK\$10,986,000. In addition, as at 30 June 2022, loan principal repayments and interest payments of HK\$1,159,682,000 relating to certain borrowings of the Group of principal amount of HK\$200,085,000 were not repaid in accordance with the repayment schedules pursuant to the borrowing agreements. These conditions, together with other matters described in note 2.1 to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements, indicate the existence of material uncertainties which may cast significant doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. However, the Directors of the Company have been undertaking a number of measures to improve the Group's liquidity and financial position, and to remediate certain delayed repayments to financial institutions, which include:

- (i) The Group is negotiating with various financial institutions with different financial restructure plan, identifying various options for financing the Group's working capital and commitments in the foreseeable future.
- (ii) The Group has accelerated the pre-sales and sales of its properties under development and completed properties. The properties from Xiangtan Project is expected to give further substantial sales for 2022.
- (iii) The Group will continue to take active measures to control administrative costs through various channels including human resources optimisation and management remuneration adjustments and containment of capital expenditures.
- (iv) In light of the COVID-19 outbreak, the Group is closely monitoring the latest development and will continue to assess the impact of the epidemic; as well as any government's stimulus in response, on the Group's operations from time to time and adjust its sales and marketing strategy for its property sales to generate sufficient cash flows from its operations.

Accordingly, the Directors are satisfied that it is appropriate to prepare the condensed consolidated interim financial statements on a going concern basis.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

### **EXPOSURE TO FOREIGN EXCHANGE**

The Group's assets and liabilities are mainly denominated in Hong Kong Dollars, United States Dollars and Renminbi. Income and expenses derived from the operations in the PRC were mainly denominated in Renminbi. There is no significant exposure to the fluctuation of foreign exchange rate, however, the Group will closely monitor the market and make appropriate adjustments and measures when necessary.

### **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

Save for those disclosed in note 23 to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements, there were no contingent liabilities that the Group is aware of.

#### **EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES**

Staff costs for the period ended 30 June 2022 was approximately HK\$7,170,000 (2021: HK\$10,586,000). The Group had a workforce of 49 (2021: 73). Salaries of employees were maintained at competitive levels while bonuses were granted on a discretionary basis.

#### **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Board has resolved not to declare any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2022 (2021: Nil).

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION

## DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ANY ASSOCIATED CORPORATION

As at 30 June 2022, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the existing shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")) which are required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions in which they are deemed or taken to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which are required pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register maintained by the Company or which are required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules, were as follows:

#### Long positions

Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each of the Company

Name of Director Capacity		Number of ordinary shares held	percentage of the issued share capital of the Company (Note 2)	
Mr. Zhang Li	Beneficial owner	14,655,625(L)	0.41%(L)	

#### Notes:

1. The letter "L" denotes the person's long position in such shares.

2. The percentage is calculated on the basis of 3,568,790,629 shares in issue as at 30 June 2022.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2022, none of the Directors and chief executive of the Company have any interests or short positions in the existing shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which are required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions in which they are deemed or taken to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which are required pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register maintained by the Company or which are required pursuant to the Model Code contained in the Listing Rules to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION (continued)

### DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

At no time during the period was the Company or any of its subsidiaries, a party to any arrangement to enable the Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debt securities (including debentures) of the Company or any other body corporate, and none of the Directors or their spouses or children under the age of 18, had any right to subscribe for the securities of the Company, or had exercised any such right during the period.

#### **SHARE OPTIONS**

The Company adopted a share option scheme (the "**Scheme**") on 2 September 2013. The purpose of the Scheme is to attract and retain talented personnel for future development of the Group; to provide incentive to encourage eligible participants (the "**Eligible Participants**") to perform their best in achieving the goals of the Group and allow the Participants to enjoy the results of the Group attained through their efforts and contributions.

The Eligible Participants of the Scheme are (i) any employee or officer (whether full time or part time, and including any executive director) of any member of the Group; (ii) or any non-executive director (including independent non-executive director) of any member of the Group; (iii) any supplier of goods or services to any member of the Group; (iv) any customer of any member of the Group; (v) any holder of any securities or securities convertible into any securities issued by any member of the Group; (vi) any person or entity that provides advisory, consultancy or professional services to any member of the Group or any director or employee of any such entity; and (vii) any other group or classes of participants from time to time determined by the Directors as having contributed to the development and growth of the Group.

### **SHARE OPTIONS** (continued)

Details of the share options granted under the Scheme to the Eligible Participants of the Company to subscribe for the shares in the Company are as follows:

				Number of share options					
	Date of grant	Exercisable period	Exercise price per share HK\$	Outstanding as at 01.01.2022	Granted during the review period	Exercised during the review period	Cancelled/ Lapsed during the review period	Outstanding as at 30.06.2022	Approximate percentage of the issued share capital of the Company % <sup>(4)</sup>
Employees	23.01.2018	23.01.2018 to 22.01.2028	0.362	24,711,625(1)	_	_		24,711,625	0.69
				24,711,625	-	-	_	24,711,625	0.69

Notes:

- (1) The closing price of the Company's shares immediately before the date on which the share options were granted was HK\$0.355.
- (2) The total number of the Company's share available for issue under the Scheme was 98,846,500 which represented approximately 2.77% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this report.
- (3) There is no minimum period for which the share options must be held before the share options can be exercised unless otherwise determined by the Board.
- (4) As at 30 June 2022, the number of issued shares of the Company, which is 3,568,790,629 shares, has been used for the calculation of approximate percentage shareholding in the Company.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION (continued)

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSON'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

As at 30 June 2022, the register of substantial shareholders and other person's maintained by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO showed that the following persons notified the Company of the relevant interests in the issued share capital of the Company:

### Long positions

Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each of the Company

Name of Shareholder	Capacity	Number of ordinary shares held/Number of underlying shares held under equity interest	Approximate percentage of the issued share capital of the Company (Note 8)
Zhu Boheng (Note 1)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,073,549,197(L)	58.10%(L)
KEYNE HOLDINGS LTD ( <i>Note 1</i> )	Beneficial owner	2,073,549,197(L)	58.10%(L)
Cheng Cong ( <i>Note</i> 2)	Interest of controlled corporation	221,544,000(L)	6.21%(L)
Asia Glory International Development Limited ( <i>Note 2</i> )	Beneficial owner	221,544,000(L)	6.21%(L)
Cheng Ngok Fai (Note 3)	Interest of controlled corporation	205,175,000(L)	5.75%(L)
Connected-World Group Limited (Note 3)	Beneficial owner	205,175,000(L)	5.75%(L)
Jovial Paradise Limited ("JP") (Notes 4, 5, 6 & 7)	Person having a security interest in shares	5 173,121,000(L)	4.85%(L)
	Beneficial owner	70,796,663(L)	1.98%(L)
	Interest of controlled corporation	2,073,549,197(L)	58.10%(L)
Unicorn Star Properties Limited ("USP") (Note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Soaring Sky Worldwide Limited ("SSW") (Note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
InfraRed NF China Real Estate Fund III L.P. ("INFCREF") ( <i>Note 5</i> )	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
InfraRed NF China Investors III Limited ("INFCI") (Note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
InfraRed NF China Holdings Limited ("INFCH") (Note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
InfraRed Partners LLP ("IP") (Note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Charles II Realisation LLP ("CIIR") (Note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Vervain Consolidated Investments Limited ("VCI") (Note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Vervain China Development Holdings Limited ("VCDH") (Note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSON'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY (continued)

## Long positions (continued)

Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each of the Company (continued)

Name of Shareholder Vervain Enterprises Limited ("VE") (Note 5) Crosby Investment Holdings Inc. ("CIH")	Capacity Interest of controlled corporation Interest of controlled corporation	Number of ordinary shares held/Number of underlying shares held under equity interest 2,317,466,860(L) 2,317,466,860(L)	Approximate percentage of the issued share capital of the Company ( <i>Note 8</i> ) 64.94%(L) 64.94%(L)
(Note 5)	*		
Chen Wai Wai Vivien (Note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Firewave Management Limited ("FM") (Note 6)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Crown Investments Limited ("CI") (Note 6)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Metro China Holdings Pte Ltd ("MCH") (Note 6)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Metro Holdings Limited ("MH") (Note 6)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Ong Jenn (Wang Zhen) (Note 6)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
Ong Sek Hian (Wang Shixian) (Note 6)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,317,466,860(L)	64.94%(L)
China Huarong International Holdings Limited ("CHIH") (Note 7)	Person having a security interest in shares	s 2,010,501,197(L)	56.34%(L)
Huarong Real Estate Co., Ltd ("HREC") (Note 7)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,010,501,197(L)	56.34%(L)
中國華融資產管理股份有限公司 (Note 7)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,010,501,197(L)	56.34%(L)

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION (continued)

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSON'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY (continued)

### Long positions (continued)

Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each of the Company (continued) Notes:

- 1. Mr. Zhu Boheng, being the sole shareholder of KEYNE HOLDINGS, is deemed to be interested in the shares in which KEYNE HOLDINGS is interested.
- 2. Mr. Cheng Cong, being the sole shareholder of Asia Glory International Development Limited, is deemed to be interested in the shares in which Asia Glory International Development Limited is interested.
- 3. Mr. Cheng Ngok Fai, being the sole shareholder of Connected-World Group Limited ("**Connected-World**"), is deemed to be interested in the shares in which Connected-World is interested.
- 4. Based on the forms of disclosure in interest filed by JP dated 4 January 2021, JP beneficially owns 70,796,663 shares and is interested in 173,121,000 shares in the capacity of being a person having a security interest in these shares and is deemed to be interested in 2,073,549,197 shares in which KEYNE HOLDINGS is interested.
- 5. Based on the form of disclosure of interest filed by (a) Chen Wai Wai Vivien dated 4 January 2021 and (b) IP dated 4 January 2021, (i) JP is owned as to 56.23% by USP, which, in turn, is owned as to 78.26% by SSW; (ii) SSW is wholly-owned by INFCREF, which is managed by INFCI as its general partner; (iii) INFCI is wholly-owned by INFCH, which, in turn, is owned as to 50% by IP and 50% by VCI; (iv) the substantial shareholder or directors of IP are accustomed to act in accordance with the directors of CIIR; (v) VCI is wholly-owned by VCDH, which, in turn, is wholly-owned by VE; and (vi) VE is wholly-owned by CIH, which, in turn, is wholly-owned by Chen Wai Wai Vivien. Therefore, each of USP, SSW, INFCREF, INFCI, INFCH, IP, CIIR, VCI, VCDH, VE, CIH and Chen Wai Wai Vivien is interested in the shares in which JP is interested under the SFO.
- 6. Based on the forms of disclosure of interest filed by (a) Ong Jenn (Wang Zhen) dated 4 January 2021 and (b) Ong Sek Hian (Wang Shixian) dated 4 January 2021, (i) JP is owned as to 43.77% by FM, which, in turn, is wholly-owned by CI; (ii) CI is wholly-owned by MCH, which, in turn, is wholly-owned by MH; and (iii) MH is owned as to 35.4% by Ong Jen (Wang Zhen) and 35.4% by Ong Sek Hian (Wang Shixian). Therefore, each of FM, CI, MCH, MH, Ong Jenn (Wang Zhen) and Ong Sek Hian (Wang Shixian) is interested in the shares in which JP is interested under the SFO.

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSON'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY (continued)

#### Long positions (continued)

*Ordinary shares of HK*\$0.01 *each of the Company (continued) Notes: (continued)* 

7. Based on the form of disclosure of interest filed by 中國華融資產管理股份有限公司 (transliterated in English as China Huarong Asset Management Company Limited, "CHAMC") dated 6 December 2018, CHIH is owned as to approximately 88.10% by HREC, which, in turn, is wholly-owned by CHAMC. Each of CHAMC and HREC is therefore deemed to be interested in the shares in which CHIH is interested under the SFO.

8. These percentages are calculated on the basis of 3,568,790,629 shares in issue as of 30 June 2022.

9. The letter "L" denotes the person's long position in such shares and the underlying shares.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2022, the Company has not been notified of any other interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company that were recorded in the register required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO.

### MAJOR AND CONNECTED TRANSACTION AND ADVANCE TO AN ENTITY

On 30 June 2021 (after trading hours), Hunan Jinhua Oriental Hotel Company Limited\* (湖南九 華東方酒店有限公司) ("Hunan Project Company A") and Hunan Jiuhua International New City Development Construction Company Limited\* (湖南九華國際新城開發建設有限公司) ("Hunan Project Company B"), indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company (collectively, the "Hunan Project Companies"), executed the corporate guarantee agreements (collectively, the "Corporate Guarantee Agreements") to provide the corporate guarantees (collectively, the "Corporate Guarantees") and the property mortgage (the "Property Mortgage"), in favour of China Huarong International Holdings Limited (中國 華融國際控股有限公司) (the "Lender") to secure or guarantee all the repayment obligations of Ever Harmony Enterprises Limited (永鴻企業有限公司) ("Yonghong") under the revised loan facility entered into among Yonghong and the Lender (the "Amended YH Facility Agreements").

Pursuant to the Corporate Guarantee Agreements, Hunan Project Companies conditionally agreed to guarantee the repayment obligations of Yonghong under the Amended YH Facility Agreements for the revised loan facility in the principal amount of up to US\$34,900,000, for up to three years after the end of the term (i.e. 24 months from 29 December 2020) or the extended term (i.e. 36 months from 29 December 2020) thereof, including the principal, all interest, penalty interest, compound interest, liquidated damages, damages, handling fees and any costs and expenses arising from realizing the debt and all economic losses.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION (continued)

### MAJOR AND CONNECTED TRANSACTION AND ADVANCE TO AN ENTITY (continued)

Pursuant to the Property Mortgage, Hunan Project Company B conditionally agreed to provide the several pieces and parcels of land owned by Hunan Project Company B in Xiangtan, Hunan Province, the PRC, and the properties thereon (the "**Mortgaged Properties**") were pledged as security to secure all the repayment obligations of Yonghong under the Amended YH Facility Agreements.

The provision of Corporate Guarantees and Mortgaged Properties to secure all the repayment obligations of Yonghong under the respective Corporate Guarantee Agreements and the Property Mortgage (collectively, the "Security Documents") constituted financial assistance provided by the Group to Yonghong. As one of the applicable percentage ratios in respect of the Security Documents is more than 25%, the provision of financial assistance constituted a major transaction on the part of the Company under the Listing Rules. In addition, the asset ratio for the provision of financial assistance constituted advances to an entity under Rule 13.13 of the Listing Rules and is subject to the announcement requirement under the Listing Rules.

As at the date of the Security Documents, Yonghong is a company owned as to 30% by Ms. Qian, and as to 70% by Mr. Zhu Boheng ("**Mr. Zhu**"), son of Ms. Qian and a controlling shareholder of the Company. Being an associate of Ms. Qian and Mr. Zhu, Yonghong is a connected person of the Company. As such, Yonghong is a connected person of the Company and the provision of financial assistance to Yonghong pursuant to the Security Documents constituted a non-exempted connected transaction on the part of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules and the Security Documents are subject to reporting, announcement and independent shareholders' approval requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

As additional time was required for the Company to prepare and finalise the information to be included in the circular containing, among other matters, further details of the Security Documents, the recommendation of the independent board committee to the independent shareholders, the letter of advice from the independent financial adviser to the independent board committee and the independent shareholders, the financial information of the Group and a notice to convene a special general meeting (the "**Circular**"), the Company published announcements on 24 August 2021, 30 September 2021 and 30 November 2021 regarding the delay of despatch of the Circular.

On 28 January 2022, the Company announced that, as agreed and confirmed by the Lender, the Group was no longer required to provide the Corporate Guarantees and Mortgaged Properties to secure all the repayment obligations of Yonghong under the Amended YH Facility Agreements. Other alternative credit enhancement would be further negotiated among the parties. As a result, this transaction has been terminated.

For details, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 30 June 2021, 24 August 2021, 30 September 2021, 30 November 2021 and 28 January 2022.

## **CONTINUING OBLIGATION UNDER CHAPTER 13 OF THE LISTING RULES**

1. As disclosed in the announcement made by the Company on 18 December 2017 (the "2017 Announcement"), the Company as borrower entered into the facility agreement (the "Facility **Agreement**") with China Huarong International Holdings Limited (中國華融國際控股有限) 公司) as lender (the "Lender"), pursuant to which the Lender agreed to make available a loan facility of up to US\$42,000,000 (the "Commitment") to the Company. Pursuant to the Facility Agreement, if KEYNE HOLDINGS, being the substantial shareholder of the Company and the guarantor to the Facility Agreement, ceases to be the single largest shareholder of the Company or Ms. Qian, being the executive Director and Chairman of the Company and one of the guarantors to the Facility Agreement, ceases to be a Director: 1. the Company shall promptly notify the Lender upon becoming aware of the event; 2. the Lender shall not be obliged to fund a utilisation; and 3. If the Lender so requires, the Lender shall, by notice to the Company, cancel the Commitment and declare all outstanding loans under the Facility Agreement, together with accrued interest, and all other amounts accrued under the Finance Documents (as defined in the 2017 Announcement) immediately due and payable, whereupon the Commitment shall be cancelled and all such outstanding loans and amounts shall become immediately due and payable. On 30 June 2021, the parties to the facility agreement entered into the Listco Restructuring and Amendment Deed to restructure and amend the terms of Listco Facility Agreement. On 31 December 2021, the aggregate outstanding loan owned to the Lender amounted to approximately US\$42,196,000 (consisting the principal of approximately US\$31,670,000, interests of US\$3,230,000 and default interests of \$7,296,000) and being extended to 17 December 2022.

According to the Facility Agreement, as security for the obligations of the Company under the Facility Agreement, KEYNE HOLDINGS, as the controlling shareholder of the Company, is required to execute the share charge, pursuant to which KEYNE HOLDINGS has agreed to charge to the Lender by way of first fixed charge as beneficial owner of 2,010,501,197 ordinary shares of the Company owned by it.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION (continued)

## **CONTINUING OBLIGATION UNDER CHAPTER 13 OF THE LISTING RULES** (continued)

2. As disclosed in the announcement made by the Company on 27 November 2018 (the "2018 Announcement"), the Company entered into the subscription agreement (the "Subscription Agreement") with Donghai International Financial Holdings Company Limited (東海國際 金融控股有限公司) ("Donghai Financial") as the subscriber, and Mr. Peter Zhu, Ms. Qian, Mr. Zhu, and Shanghai Jin Da Di Investment Company Limited\* (上海金大地投資有限公司) as guarantors, pursuant to which the Company has agreed to issue the Series 1 Notes and Series 2 Notes (As defined in the 2018 Announcement) in the aggregate principal amount of US\$20,000,000 in favour of Donghai Financial (the "Notes"). The Notes shall mature on the date falling 364 days from the closing date of the Series 1 Notes and Series 2 Notes (the "Note Conditions").

As at the date of the 2018 Announcement, Mr. Zhu owns 100% of the issued share capital of KEYNE HOLDINGS, which in turn holds approximately 60.20% of the total issued share capital of the Company. As such, Mr. Zhu is the controlling shareholder of the Company pursuant to the Listing Rules.

Pursuant to the Subscription Agreement and the conditions to the Notes, the Notes are, and they will become, immediately due and repayable, upon the occurrence of any of the following events, among others: 1. if Mr. Zhu ceases to be the largest shareholder of the Company, directly or indirectly holding not less than 51% of the issued share capital of the Company, at any time; 2. save as previously disclosed, if Mr. Zhu incurs, creates or permits to subsist or has outstanding any Financial Indebtedness (as defined in the 2018 Announcement) or enters into any agreement or arrangement whereby it is entitled to incur, create or permit to subsist any Financial Indebtedness (as defined in the 2018 Announcement) without Donghai Financial's prior written consent; 3. if Mr. Zhu enters into a single transaction or a series of transactions (whether related or not) and whether voluntary or involuntary to sell, lease, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of his material assets or material part of his business without Donghai Financial's prior written consent; 4. save as previously disclosed, if Mr. Zhu creates or permits to subsist any Security Interest (as defined in the 2018 Announcement) over any shares in the Company he legally and/or beneficially holds; or 5. if Mr. Zhu sells, transfers or otherwise disposes of any shares in the Company he legally and/or beneficially holds on terms where it is or may be leased to or re-acquired or acquired by him or any of his related entities, or enters into any other preferential arrangement having a similar effect.

#### PURCHASE, REDEMPTION AND SALE OF SHARES

During the period, the Company has not redeemed any of its shares and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, or sold any of the Company's shares.

### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Company has complied with the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Part 2 of Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules throughout the period under review.

### MODEL CODE FOR DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules as its own code of conduct regarding Directors' securities transactions. Having made specific enquiries to all Directors, all Directors confirmed that they have complied with the requirement set out under the Model Code during the six months ended 30 June 2022.

### SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

The Company has maintained a sufficient public float up to the date of this report.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee, comprises three independent non-executive Directors, has reviewed the accounting policies and practices adopted by the Group with the management and has discussed internal controls and financial reporting matters, including a review of the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2022.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On behalf of the Board, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all our staff for their dedication and contribution to the Group. In addition, I would like to thank all our shareholders and investors for their support and our customers for their patronage.

By Order of the Board **KEYNE LTD Zhang Li** Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 30 August 2022