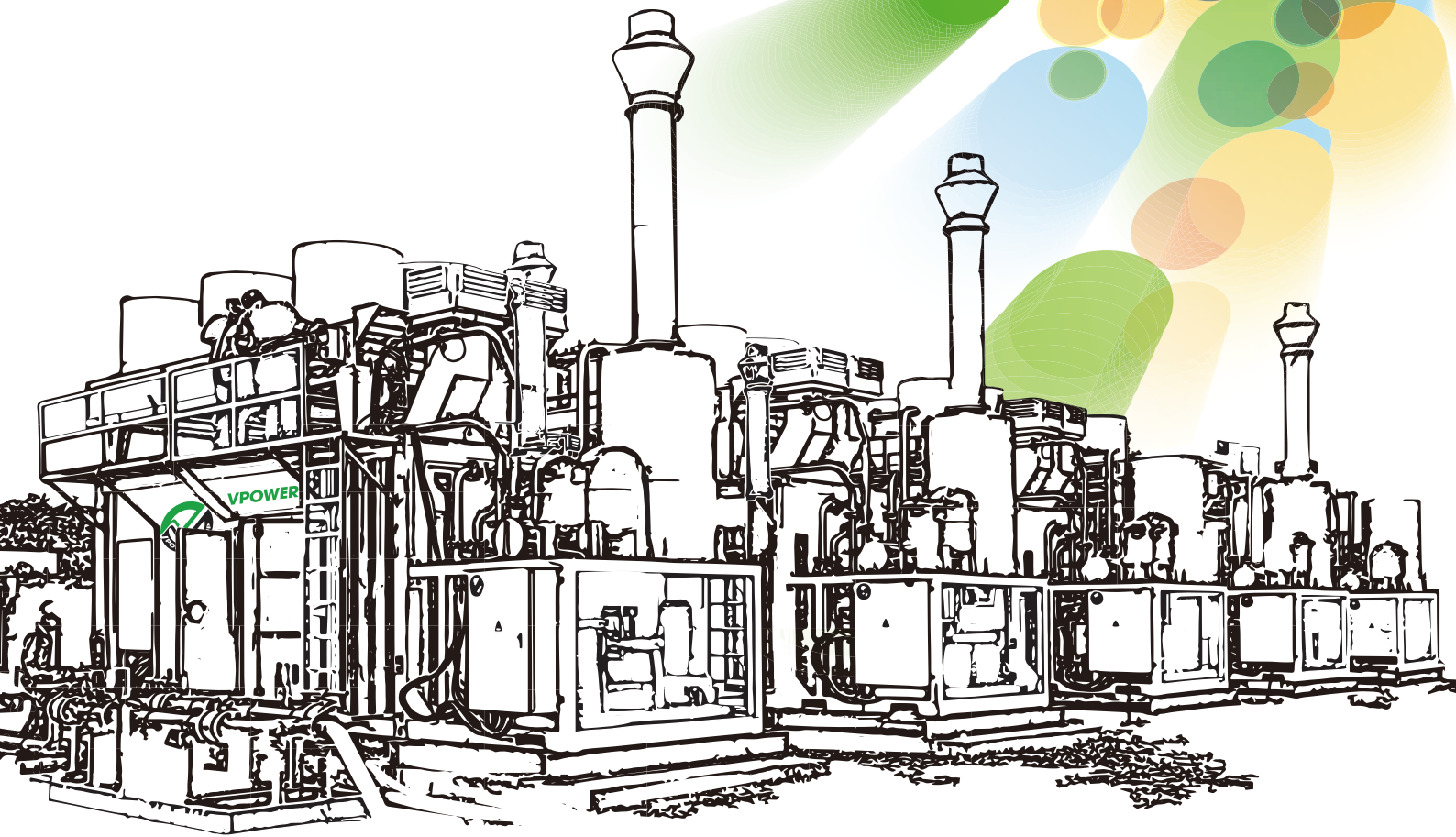




# Lighten Up the World of Possibilities



VPower Group International Holdings Limited  
(Incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

## 2017 Annual Report

Stock Code: 1608

# Company Profile

**VPower Group International Holdings Limited (VPower) (SEHK:1608) is one of the world's leading large gen-set system integration providers and one of Southeast Asia's largest gas-fired engine-based distributed power generation (DPG) station owners and operators, with more than 20 years of proven operational excellence in the energy market.**

We deliver much-in-demand electricity to keep industries running and power the regional economic growth through (1) designing, integrating and selling gen-sets and power generation systems that primarily run on natural gas or diesel, (2) designing, investing in, building, leasing, operating DPG stations for off-takers. Together, they make up our two principal business segments: (1) System Integration (SI) business and (2) Investment, Building and Operating (IBO) business. Our fast-track power solutions generate stable and reliable electricity for our customers in emerging markets to improve their power supply and living standards; as well as provide flexible and efficient electricity to our customers in developed markets to supplement the increasing use of renewable energy due to power reform.

Our core strategy is to build on our successful IBO business in existing markets, and tap into new regions leveraging our multi-country platform and replicable business model; expand into combined heat & power (CHP) and power generation using new forms of fuel; develop a new generation of gen-sets that are more fuel efficient and establish joint ventures to enhance our technological leadership and grow our business.

We seek to build on our proprietary system designs and integration capabilities and the market network developed over the past 20 years to effectively manage the risks and improve the efficiency of our IBO business's expansion into new markets, and to continue to deliver efficient solutions and build long term value for our shareholders, our partners and our customers.

We power the world, and lighten up possibilities.



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# ACHIEVEMENTS



Successful market penetration



We have a strong operational experience in the DPG market in Southeast Asia with 10 projects locating in Indonesia, Myanmar and Bangladesh by the end of 2017. Leveraging on our extensive experience in the region, we are going to further penetrate the markets.

Entering into new markets for IBO business



To maintain sustainable growth and capture the opportunities in different regions in the face of energy transformation, we embarked on an active expansion plan to enlarge our global footprint in potential markets during the year.

We successfully entered into Peru with our partner in Latin America, who has strong local presence and market intelligence. We are entering into Brazil, China and the United Kingdom in the near future. These will together form a global network for our business development.



## ACHIEVEMENTS

### Received BOCHK Corporate Environmental Leadership Awards – EcoPartner

We received BOCHK Corporate Environmental Leadership Awards – EcoPartner in June 2017.

Organised jointly by the Federation of Hong Kong Industries and Bank of China (Hong Kong) since 2015, the Awards aim to encourage and recognize enterprises of manufacturing and services sectors operating in the pan Pearl River Delta region for their improved environmental performance.



### Awarded Bloomberg Businessweek/Chinese Edition Listed Enterprises of the Year 2017



We received the “Listed Enterprises of the Year 2017” from Bloomberg Businessweek/Chinese Edition, winners of which were selected by an independent panel of judges based on the analytics from Bloomberg Terminal and company performance in terms of financial performance, corporate governance, investor relations, innovative strategies, and community engagement.

Mr. AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce, our Co-CEO received the award on behalf of the Group.



### Presented HKMA 2017 Best Annual Report Awards Excellence Award for First-Year Listed Companies

The Best Annual Reports Awards is an annual competition organized by The Hong Kong Management Association. The purpose of the Awards is to encourage the publication of timely, accurate, informative and well-presented annual reports for shareholders, stakeholders, employees and others who may have an interest in the performance and activities of the organizations in question and to recognize and honour the organizations for their exemplary achievement in producing such reports.

As a prestigious and reputable award scheme in the industry, the MTU Top Performer Award was launched by MTU, the world-renowned engine manufacturer, to recognise the remarkable performance of its distributors, vendors and partners. The event takes place once every 2–3 years.

We were presented awards from 3 categories

- G-Drive Engine
- Gas System
- Asia Pacific (in terms of sales performance)



**Received MTU Onsite Energy's 7th Regional Conference-Top Performer Awards**



**Mr. LAM Yee Chun, Executive Chairman of the Group was honoured to receive DHL/SCMP Hong Kong Business Awards 2017 Owner-operator Award**

Established in 1990 by DHL and the South China Morning Post, the Hong Kong Business Awards aims to encourage and sustain the region's entrepreneurial spirit and recognize excellent standards of corporate management and governance. Honouring individuals and companies who are maintaining and expanding the economic viability and international stature of Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta is at the heart of Hong Kong Business Awards' mission.

Owner-operator Award was presented to Mr. LAM Yee Chun, our Executive Chairman, in recognition of his outstanding managerial contribution to the financial success and harmonious operation of VPower Group.

# Chairman's Statement

Delivered strong growth with corporate sustainability









**Mr. LAM Yee Chun**  
Executive Chairman

On behalf of the Board of Directors (the "**Board**") of VPower Group International Holdings Limited ("**VPower Group**" or the "**Company**"), I am pleased to present you our annual results for the year ended 31 December 2017 (the "**Year**" or "**FY2017**").

## TRACK RECORD OF SUSTAINABLE GROWTH

Year 2017 is a record year of VPower Group in terms of revenue, gross profit and net profit since its establishment. For the past five years from 2013 to 2017, our revenue, gross profit and net profit recorded a CAGR of 32.0%, 58.2% and 141.7% respectively.

During the Year, VPower Group continued to deliver growth with revenue of HK\$1,746.0 million (2016: HK\$1,531.0 million), representing a year-on-year uplift of 14.0%. Among which, revenue from SI business increased 11.3% to HK\$1,182.9 million (2016: HK\$1,063.1 million), while revenue from IBO business rose 20.4% to HK\$563.2 million (2016: HK\$467.9 million). The overall gross profit increased 15.9% to HK\$576.8 million (2016: HK\$497.8 million), primarily due to the contribution of higher profit margin from IBO business. Net profit for the Year surged 49.2% to HK\$331.3 million (2016: HK\$222.0 million).

To reward our shareholders for their continuous support, the Board proposed a final dividend of HK1.76 cents per share. Together with the paid interim dividend of HK1.47 cents per share, it will result in a full year dividend of HK3.23 cents per share for 2017 representing an increase of 25.7% as compared with the dividend of HK2.57 cents per share paid by the Company for 2016, which is in line with our dividend policy of distributing up to 25% of net profit.

## DELIVERED CORPORATE EXCELLENCE IN DIFFERENT ASPECTS

As a responsible corporate, we played an active role in advocating environmental performance. Our efforts received recognition from the Federation of Hong Kong Industrials and Bank of China (Hong Kong) by winning the BOCHK Corporate Environmental Leadership Awards in June 2017. Moreover, we were presented the Bloomberg Businessweek/Chinese Edition Listed Enterprises of the Year 2017, the Best Annual Report Awards Excellence Award for First-Year Listed Companies by the Hong Kong Management Association in November 2017, as well as the IR Magazine Awards Greater China 2017 Certificate for Excellence and top ranking in the "industrials" category from IR Magazine for our performance in the capital markets.

On a personal basis, I am honoured to be awarded by DHL and the South China Morning Post the Hong Kong Business Awards 2017 Owner-operator Award. Established in 1990, the awards have been presented to a number of prestigious individuals in recognition of their contribution to the economic viability and international stature of Hong Kong.

## BUILDING GLOBAL NETWORK FOR CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY

The global power market is experiencing a major transition and becoming more dynamic as more emphasis is placed on low-carbon, energy efficient and decentralised power generation solutions, which presents significant opportunities for our SI and IBO business. During the Year, in addition to maintaining our outstanding operational and financial performance, we dedicatedly reviewed the upcoming business opportunities, and deployed substantial resources to build a global network and solidify the foundation of our internal corporate infrastructure to support our corporate growth with sustainability.

A heightened focus was placed on the development of our IBO business with an aim to seizing distributed power generation opportunities in both the emerging markets which are experiencing structural power deficit and the developed markets which are undergoing reform in the power generation mix with a substantial inflow of low carbon footprint renewable power generation.



## CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

In emerging markets, structural power deficit coinciding with escalating power demand has been a long-lasting problem whilst the upcoming infrastructure development opportunities in the countries covered under the Belt and Road Initiative of China have placed further pressure on their existing aging and inadequate power systems. In Myanmar, the power capacity is forecasted to be increased to over 29,000MW by 2031 in order to cope with the low electrification rate and low reliability of power supply problems, which are major considerations for attracting foreign investments. Indonesia's electricity demand is projected to grow at around 8.4% per annum between 2017 and 2026. In Bangladesh, it is forecasted that the generation capacity will add about 11,600MW by 2021, with an aim to provide quality and reliable electricity for economic and social development. Leveraging on our extensive experience in the distributed power generation in Southeast Asia, we added two projects in Indonesia with an aggregate installed capacity of 74.3MW and are confident in strengthening our market leadership by securing more IBO projects in the region.



Replicating the success in Southeast Asia and leveraging our well-established SI global network, we expanded our IBO business into Latin America recently. We added a 79.8MW project in Peru and won the 70.3MW tenders in Brazil. The World Bank expects Latin America's power consumption to be more than double between 2010 and 2030 and estimates that US\$430 billion of investment is needed to meet that demand. Given the rising energy demand associated with economic growth in the region and the enhancing government support to accelerate the development of stable power supply, we expect the potential of the Latin American market to be enormous.



In China, we are expecting the first phase of our first biogas-to-power project with CHP system to commercially operate in 2018. Under China's 13th Five-Year Plan for energy, the power industry will undergo a new era with focus on low carbon footprint power generation, supported by different energy mix and proper treatment of biogas, agricultural and animal waste, and the promotion of using CHP. The government's strong momentum to widely adopt DPG solutions set forth a solid path for our expansion into the China market.

Developed countries are also experiencing an increasing demand for DPG solutions primarily driven by their accelerating power reform to replace the old coal-fired power generation with renewable and clean energy generation and using flexible power reserve (including DPG) to support the shortfall of unstable generation due to natural constraints of the renewable energy and respond to balance systems. The intermittent nature of renewable energy has made the flexible power such as our engine-based DPG solutions an ideal solution to mitigate the erratic power supply. For example, in the United Kingdom, flexible and distributed energy sources will reach 25GW by 2030, almost tripling the current level, according to market research. With the tremendous market potential in these markets, we are preparing and ready to enter into the developed market such as the United Kingdom market.

The Belt and Road Initiative of China has been recognised as the major momentum to fuel the global economic growth for coming decades. To seize the numerous potentials in the regions and maintain a sustainable development, we have established Tamar VPower Energy Fund I (the "Fund") with CITIC Pacific, one of the biggest conglomerates in China, on an equal basis in January 2018. The Fund, with an initial committed capital of US\$160 million, will seek long-term capital appreciation by way of investments in companies or operating projects in the energy sector positioned to benefit from economic growth in China, Central Asia, Southeast Asia and other markets encompassed by the Belt and Road Initiative. The combination of the rich resources of CITIC Pacific and our well-established leadership in the DPG industry enables us to capture attractive business opportunities in the evolving energy sector in countries along the Belt and Road Initiative.

We are seeing good opportunities in acquisition due to some consolidations in the industry and the changing energy mix and power reform in developed countries. We, either by ourselves, through the Fund or collaborating with our strategic partners, will continue to monitor and evaluate the various opportunities from time to time.

We were also active in building a strong internal platform to support our accelerating growth. We expanded our talent pool from business development, corporate financing, internal audit and compliance, operation to legal professionals. To provide a real-time and real-place support to our local operation and project development, we have set up offices in different jurisdictions, such as Singapore, Myanmar, Indonesia and Brazil. New companies were also being set up for purpose of supporting our aim in closing up of upcoming certain market penetration.

## READY FOR THE FUTURE

Striving for the best value for our shareholders and maintaining sustainability are always of top priorities in our agenda. We will also spare no efforts to continuously improve our profitability and returns for the benefits of our shareholders. With the above strategic and substantial business developments, our proven operational excellence and experienced working team, we are ready and confident to achieve our targets and grow into one of the global industry leaders.

In closing, on behalf of the Board, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to all of our shareholders, clients, vendors, investors and business partners for their unconditional trust and continuous support. Last but not least, my deepest appreciation goes to our professional and dynamic team of colleagues, who contribute to release the value of the Company and deliver our services to the world in need of high quality, flexible and reliable distributed power solutions.

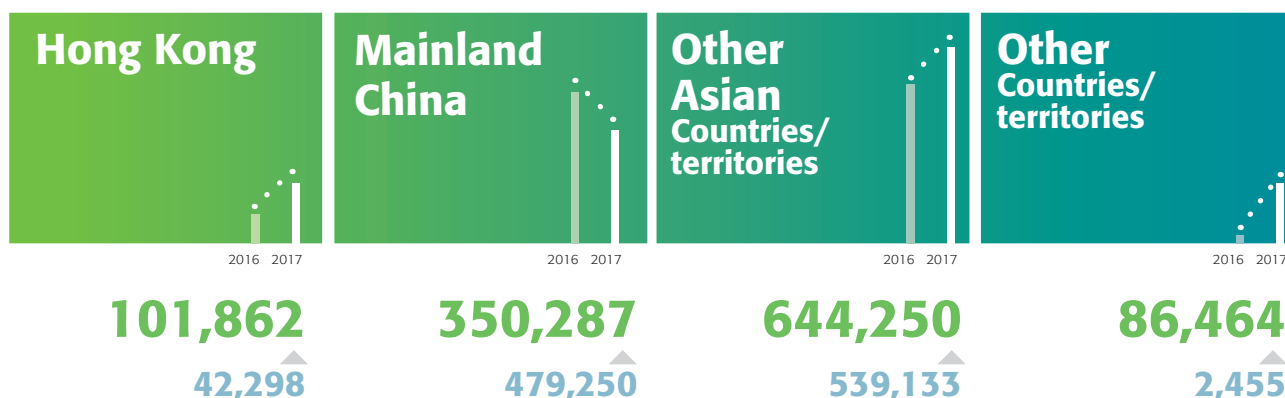
**LAM Yee Chun**

*Executive Chairman*

26 March 2018

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

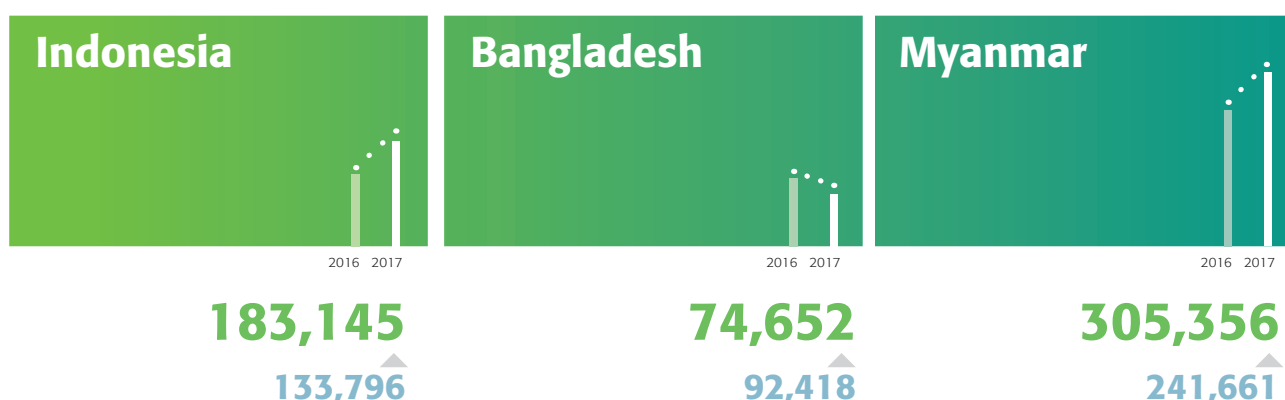
## Revenue by geographical locations – SI (HK\$'000)



## Revenue – SI (HK\$'000)

	2017	2016
Hong Kong	101,862	42,298
Mainland China	350,287	479,250
Other Asian Countries/territories	644,250	539,133
Other Countries/territories	86,464	2,455
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,182,863</b>	1,063,136

## Revenue by geographical locations – IBO (HK\$'000)



## Revenue – IBO (HK\$'000)

	2017	2016
Indonesia	183,145	133,796
Bangladesh	74,652	92,418
Myanmar	305,356	241,661
<b>Total</b>	<b>563,153</b>	467,875



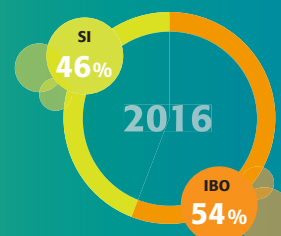
**PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE COMPANY** (HK\$'000)

**331,924** ◀ **222,013**  
 2017 2016

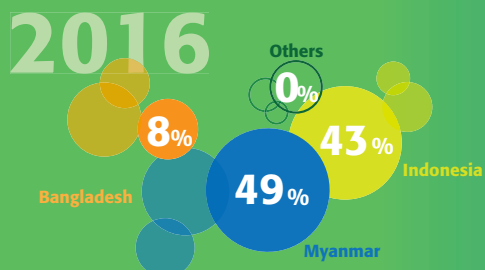
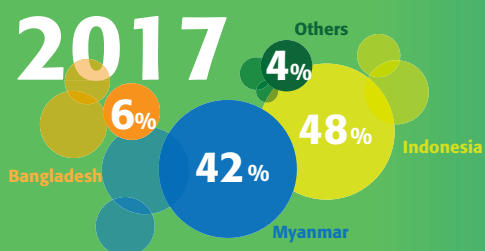
**BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE** (cents)

**HK12.99** ◀ **HK10.79**  
 2017 2016

**% OF TOTAL GROSS PROFIT**



**PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**



**TOTAL DEBT** (HK\$'000)

**1,389,043**  
 2017  
**1,038,550**  
 2016

**NET GEARING RATIO**

**7.7%**  
 2017  
**-28.5%**  
 2016

**TOTAL DEBT TO EQUITY RATIO**

**56%**  
 2017  
**46%**  
 2016

# 20<sup>+</sup>

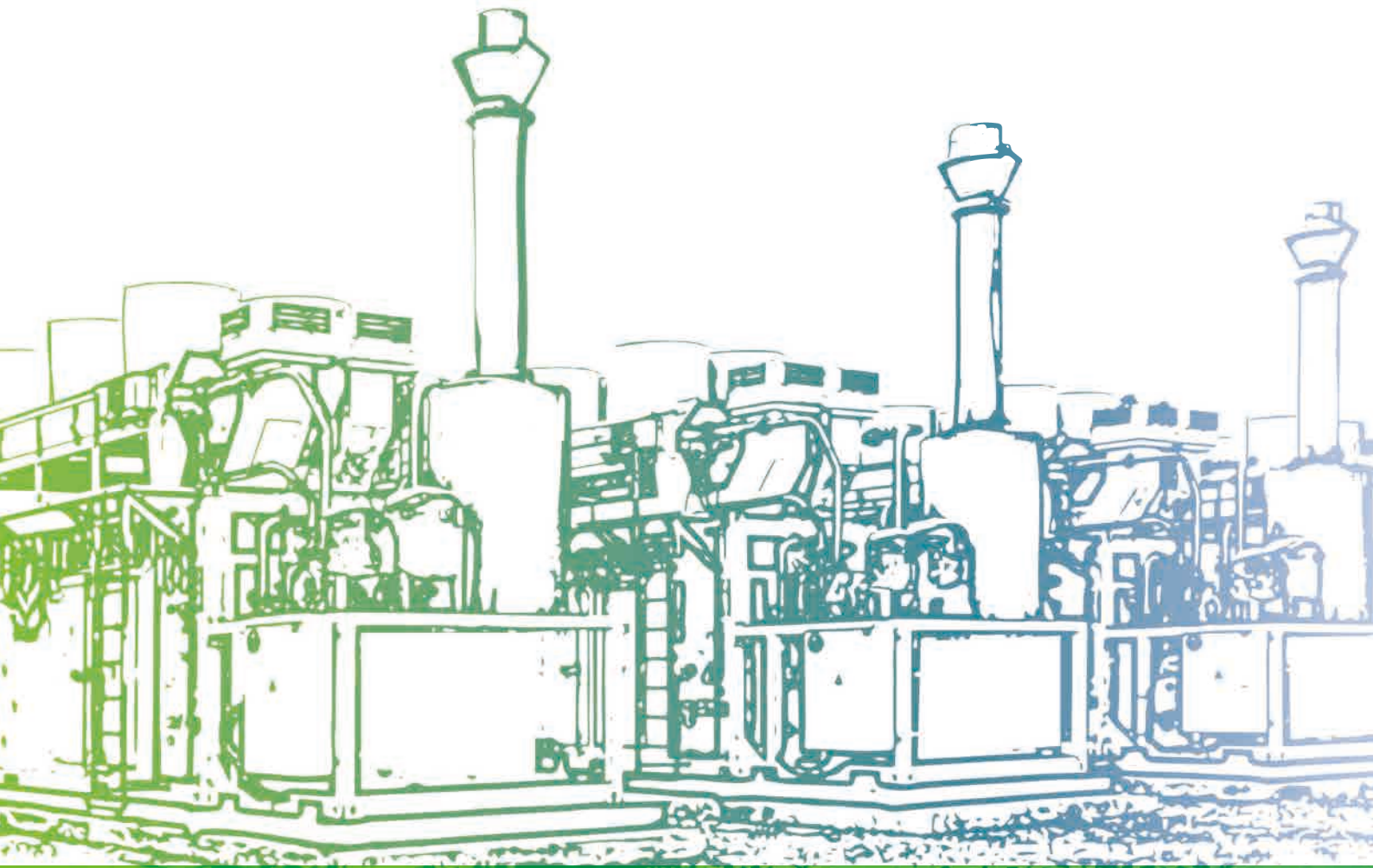
**Proven  
Operational  
Experience**

# No.1

**Large Gen-set  
System Integration  
Provider in Asia<sup>(1)</sup>**

# No.1

**Private Gas-fired  
Engine-based DPG  
Station Owner and  
Operator in  
Southeast Asia<sup>(1)</sup>**



Note 1: According to a report conducted by Frost & Sullivan on the gen-set system integration and DPG Market.

# Management Discussion and Analysis

2017 was a fruitful year for the Group in building a global network for long term business development and growth. While further enhancing our leadership in SI industry, we have successfully expanded our IBO business from Southeast Asia to Latin America, which makes our IBO business more balanced in terms of geography, contract length and fuel type.







## BUSINESS OVERVIEW

We are principally engaged in (i) system integration (“SI”) business, in which we design, integrate and sell gas-fired and diesel-fired engine-based gen-sets and power generation systems (“PGSSs”); and (ii) invest, build and operate (“IBO”) business, in which we invest in, build and lease and operate distributed power stations to deliver electricity to the off-takers.

### Business Review and Development

#### SI Business

According to market research, the global market and Asia Pacific market for gen-sets will grow at a CAGR of approximately 8.7% and 9.8% from 2015 to 2020 respectively. Such growth is mainly attributable to the growing demand from the power reserve market to supplement renewable energy generation which is replacing the less clean energy generation formats (such as coal-fired) in developed markets, the increasing demand by data centres and e-commerce logistics centers for reliable electricity, and the improving natural gas supplies and transition to clean energy in Asia Pacific and China.



We have more than 20 years of operational experience in SI business. Our SI sales mainly cover the fast-growing applications including industry-grade and utility-grade distributed power generation (“**DPG**”) stations, governmental, residential and commercial buildings, hotels, data centers, telecommunication projects and railway projects in the Asia Pacific, Latin America, Middle East and Africa regions. In 2017, our market penetration has continued to expand in various applications such as data centers, e-commerce logistics centres and marine vessels markets. Our SI business segment recorded a revenue of HK\$1,182.9 million for the year ended 31 December 2017 (2016: HK\$1,063.1 million), representing a year-on-year increase of approximately 11.3%. We have consistently achieved higher than industry average growth in SI business over the years and further our lead in the SI market. With our SI and IBO businesses complementing each other, we can enhance our economies of scale and bargaining power, deepen our industry knowledge, and thus create further lead against competition.

#### **IBO Business**

Southeast Asia has experienced strong power demand growth in the past few years, a trend which is set to continue through 2020, in particular under the support of the Belt and Road Initiative of China. However, most of the emerging markets in Southeast Asia are suffering from severe power shortage with low electrification rates and high transmission losses. Our IBO operating countries, Indonesia, Myanmar and Bangladesh are three of such markets. The difficulties in accessing sufficient capital and the prolonged sub-optimal power supply planning make the lower capital required, flexible, fast-track DPG one of the most effective power solutions to bridge the gap on a timely basis. According to market research, DPG installed capacity in Southeast Asia is expected to reach 39.7GW in 2020, representing a CAGR of approximately 10.7% from 2015 to 2020. Gas-fired DPG installed capacity is expected to grow at a CAGR of approximately 20.7% over the same period.

In response to the rising demand for DPG solutions globally and to maintain sustainable business growth, we are building a strategic global network covering existing markets (such as Southeast Asia) and new markets (such as Latin America, China, Middle East and the United Kingdom). In 2017, we were active in (i) exploring new markets for both our IBO and SI businesses; and (ii) identifying strategic partner(s) and/or acquisition target(s) for various new markets and segments.

In May 2017, we announced our first participation in the Latin American market by offering a 3-year convertible loan of US\$30 million to a heavy fuel oil (“**HFO**”) DPG project owned by F.K. Generators and Equipment Ltd (“**F.K.**”) in Peru (“**Iquitos Project**”). Following the commencement of operation of the project in October 2017, we exercised the option to acquire 51% equity of the project company at a consideration of US\$4.6 million which was satisfied by way of set-off against the same amount in the US\$30 million convertible loan in February 2018. The project has a contract term of 20 years which is expected to provide a long term and stable revenue stream to the Group and establish our presence in Latin America. We also won three DPG tenders with a planned install capacity of 70.3MW in Brazil jointly with a subsidiary of F.K., marking our further expansion in Latin America and the effectiveness of collaboration with our existing SI customer.

During the year, we also secured our first biogas project equipped with combined heat and power (“**CHP**”) system in China with a contract length of 15 years. The first phase of the project is expected to commence operation in 2018. In August 2017, we announced a potential acquisition in the Middle East and we are continuing to discuss with the relevant parties to optimise and finalise the transaction structure and documentation.





As at 31 December 2017, we had 10 (2016: 8) DPG projects in commercial operation in Indonesia, Myanmar and Bangladesh, with an aggregate installed capacity of 581.4MW (2016: 507.1MW). Subsequent to 31 December 2017, the Iquitos Project was added to our portfolio after we converted the convertible loan in February 2018. The following table shows our DPG projects in operation as of the date of this report:

Projects	Installed capacity (MW) <sup>(1)</sup>	Contract length (months) <sup>(2)</sup>	Country
Teluk Lembu I	20.3	12	Indonesia
Teluk Lembu II	65.8	60	Indonesia
Palembang	56.2	12	Indonesia
Jambi	56.4	60	Indonesia
Medan <sup>(3)</sup>	54.0	12	Indonesia
Rengat	20.3	36	Indonesia
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>273.0</b>		
Kyauk Phyu I	49.9	60	Myanmar
Kyauk Phyu II	49.9	60	Myanmar
Myingyan	149.8	60	Myanmar
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>249.6</b>		
Pagla	58.8	60	Bangladesh
Iquitos <sup>(4)</sup>	79.8	240	Peru
<b>Total</b>	<b>661.2</b>		

*Notes:*

- (1) Installed capacity refers to the maximum power generating capacity of the DPG station based on aggregate capacity of PGSS installed.
- (2) Contract length refers to the length of the contract in effect.
- (3) The Medan project consists of Aceh, Tanjung Belit, Tembilahan and Kota Tengah DPG stations.
- (4) We hold 51% equity interest of the project company operating the Iquitos Project following the conversion of a convertible loan in February 2018.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Our IBO business segment recorded a revenue of HK\$563.2 million for the year ended 31 December 2017 (2016: HK\$467.9 million), representing a year-on-year increase of approximately 20.4%. The increase in IBO revenue was primarily contributed by the following:

- (i) the IBO projects (including Kyauk Phyu II, Myingyan and Jambi projects) which commenced operation in 2016 and had full year revenue contribution in 2017; and
- (ii) the new IBO projects (including Medan and Rengat projects) which commenced operation in 2017 and contributed to our revenue partially in 2017.

We have accumulated a list of projects with signed contracts and memorandum of understanding (“MOU”). The following table shows our potential projects as of the date of this report:

Projects	Install capacity (MW)	Country
Karimun	7.8	Indonesia
China Biogas	26.8	China
Amazonas State	70.3	Brazil
National Grid	20.3	United Kingdom
Bangladesh	218.8	Bangladesh
Pagla II	58.8	Bangladesh
Ghana	56.2	Ghana
<b>Total</b>	<b>459.0</b>	

In addition, as of the date of this report, we have over 8 potential projects with over 550MW planned install capacity under advanced negotiation or tender submission process in Myanmar, Indonesia, China, the United Kingdom, the Middle East and Latin America.

### Research and Development

In recognition of the accelerating move to a greener and digitalized future across the world, we put great emphasis and resources on technology innovation and system enhancement to offer more efficient and cleaner power solutions. During the year, we strove to improve the efficiency of our systems by focusing on:

- (i) the continuous improvement in the quality, functionality, efficiency, reliability and cost structure of our existing gen-sets and DPG stations. For example, the Group has upgraded ISO containerized 20-foot PGS with a maximum power output of up to 2.0MW;
- (ii) the development of sustainable operating model on waste reduction, including recycling and reuse of used lubricant oil by reprocessing it through technological advanced filtration system with no technical compromise to the engine’s performance; and
- (iii) Reviewing the possibility to use hybrid system in new projects.

To further digitalise our system platform, we are developing a real-time mobile monitoring system to monitor the IBO projects in operation. By keeping the entire power generating solutions under close surveillance on mobile phones, our project team can monitor and analyse the performance of each system in our stations anytime and anywhere around the world.

## Financial Review

### Revenue

The revenue of the Group was mainly derived from: (i) SI business by providing gen-sets and PGs to customers; and (ii) IBO business based on the actual amount of electricity that we deliver to the off-takers, as well as the contract capacity we make available to the off-takers.

In 2017, the Group recorded a revenue of approximately HK\$1,746.0 million, representing an increase of 14.0% as compared with approximately HK\$1,531.0 million of the previous year. The increase in revenue was mainly due to the growth of IBO business. Please refer to IBO Business as set out in the paragraph headed "Business Review" for the significant increase in IBO revenue.

### Revenue by geographical locations

The table below sets forth a revenue breakdown for our SI business by geographical markets for the year indicated, both in actual amounts and as a percentage of total revenue:

	Year ended 31 December			
	2017		2016	
	HK\$'000	% of total revenue	HK\$'000	% of total revenue
Hong Kong	101,862	5.8	42,298	2.8
Mainland China	350,287	20.1	479,250	31.3
Other Asian countries/territories <sup>(1)</sup>	644,250	36.9	539,133	35.2
Other countries/territories <sup>(2)</sup>	86,464	4.9	2,455	0.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,182,863</b>	<b>67.7</b>	1,063,136	69.5

Notes:

- (1) Other Asian countries/territories include Singapore, United Arab Emirates, South Korea, Israel, the Philippines, Bangladesh and Macau.
- (2) Other countries/territories include Peru, Greece, Mexico and other countries in Africa.



## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Our contracts for our IBO business are primarily denominated in U.S. dollars and IDR. The table below sets forth a revenue for our IBO business by geographical markets for the year indicated, both in actual amounts and as a percentage of total revenue:

	Year ended 31 December			
	2017		2016	
	HK\$'000	% of total revenue	HK\$'000	% of total revenue
Indonesia	183,145	10.5	133,796	8.7
Bangladesh	74,652	4.3	92,418	6.0
Myanmar	305,356	17.5	241,661	15.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>563,153</b>	<b>32.3</b>	467,875	30.5

### Cost of sales

Under our SI business, our cost of sales mainly consists of cost of goods sold and services provided, staff costs, rental expense and depreciation. We use engines, radiators, alternators, other parts and ancillary equipment to produce gen-sets and PGSSs. We incur rental expense for our manufacturing facilities.

Under our IBO business, our cost of sales mainly includes depreciation and operating expenses. We utilize contractors to operate and maintain our DPG stations.

For the years ended 31 December 2017 and 2016, our cost of sales was HK\$1,169.2 million and HK\$1,033.2 million, respectively, due to the increase in our IBO business.

### Gross profit and gross profit margin

	Year ended 31 December			
	2017		2016	
	HK\$'000	gross profit margin %	HK\$'000	gross profit margin %
SI	253,821	21.4	227,313	21.4
IBO	323,006	57.4	270,501	57.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>576,827</b>	<b>33.0</b>	497,814	32.5

Gross profit of the Group was approximately HK\$576.8 million, representing an increase of 15.9% as compared with approximately HK\$497.8 million of the previous year. Gross profit margin for this year increased from 32.5% to 33.0% which was mainly attributable to the increase in sales mix of IBO business.

**Profit before tax**

Profit before tax for the year ended 31 December 2017 was approximately HK\$357.3 million, representing an increase of 41.2% as compared with HK\$253.1 million of the previous year. The increase was mainly due to (i) increase in number of IBO projects which increased the revenue contributed by the IBO business; (ii) one-off gains for fair value gain on derivative financial instrument in relation to an option contract to subscribe for equity interest in a company holding the Iquitos Project and gain on debt extinguishment in relation to payables to EPC Contractors; and (iii) offset by net foreign exchange loss.

**Other income and gains**

In 2017, other income and gains of the Group amounted to approximately HK\$190.2 million, representing an increase of 252.2% as compared with approximately HK\$54.0 million of the previous year. The increase was mainly attributable to fair value gain on derivative financial instrument in relation to an option contract to subscribe for equity interest in a company holding the Iquitos Project and gain on debt extinguishment in relation to payables to EPC Contractors.

**Selling and distribution expenses**

Selling and distribution expenses of the Group primarily consist of costs for transportation and traveling expenses, commission expense, insurance expense, staff costs and others. In 2017, selling and distribution expenses of the Group increased by 21.3% from approximately HK\$24.0 million in 2016 to HK\$29.1 million in 2017. It was mainly attributable to the increase in transportation cost.

**Administrative expenses**

Administrative expenses primarily consist of administrative service fees paid to an intermediate off-taker and an administrative service provider of our DPG station in Bangladesh, staff costs, legal and professional fees, insurance expenses, and office and other expenses. Office and other expenses include bank charges, advertising, exhibition and related promotion expenses and headquarter expenses.

In 2017, administrative expenses of the Group were approximately HK\$205.0 million, an increase of 1.8% over the previous year of approximately HK\$201.4 million. It was mainly due to (i) an increase in office, staff costs as well as traveling and related expenses as we expanded our business and DPG stations; and (ii) offset by decrease in legal and professional fees arising from 2016 listing expenses.

**Other expenses, net**

Net other expenses of the Group primarily consist of net foreign exchange differences, impairment of trade receivables and write-down of inventories to net realisable value. In 2017, net other expenses were approximately HK\$98.6 million, which represented an increase of 2,091.1% over the previous year of approximately HK\$4.5 million. It was mainly attributable to an increase of net foreign exchange loss primarily due to the Euro appreciation in 2017.

### Finance costs

Finance costs of the Group primarily consist of interest and other finance costs on letters of credit, bank loans and overdrafts, notional interest on other payables and interest on finance leases and other borrowings. In 2017, finance costs was approximately HK\$77.0 million, which represented an increase of 11.9% over the previous year of approximately HK\$68.8 million. It is primarily due to an increase in notional interests for EPC payable.

### Income tax expense

Income tax expense of the Group primarily consists of income tax payable by our subsidiaries in the PRC and Hong Kong. In 2017, income tax expense was approximately HK\$26.0 million, a decrease of 16.4% over the previous year of approximately HK\$31.1 million, primarily due to a decrease in our taxable income. Our effective tax rate was 7.3% and 12.3% for 2017 and 2016, respectively. The decrease in effective tax rate was primarily due to (i) a significant increase in overseas IBO business in 2017, which was subject to a lower tax rate than our SI business in Hong Kong.

### Profit Attributable to Owners and Earnings per Share

In 2017, profit attributable to owners of the Company was approximately HK\$331.9 million, representing an increase of approximately HK\$109.9 million or approximately 49.5% as compared with approximately HK\$222.0 million of the previous year.

Basic earnings per share for the year ended 31 December 2017 were HK12.99 cents as compared with HK10.79 cents of the previous year.

### Liquidity, Financial and Capital Resources

As at 31 December 2017, total current assets to the Group amounted to HK\$3,123.6 million (2016: HK\$3,058.4 million). In terms of financial resources as at 31 December 2017, cash and cash equivalents of the Group were HK\$1,033.5 million (2016: HK\$1,392.0 million).

As at 31 December 2017, total bank and other borrowings of the Group amounted to approximately HK\$1,389.0 million (2016: HK\$1,038.6 million), representing an increase of approximately 33.7% as compared to that of 31 December 2016. The Group's bank and other borrowings include short-term loans with 1-year maturity and term loans with maturity within 3 years. As at 31 December 2017, the Group's bank and other borrowings denominated in U.S. dollars and Euro were approximately HK\$984.9 million (2016: HK\$593.2 million) and approximately HK\$178.1 million (2016: HK\$415.4 million), respectively.

The Group's gearing ratio, which is calculated as a percentage of total interest-bearing bank and other borrowings to shareholders' equity, was approximately 56.4% (2016: 45.9%). As at 31 December 2017, the Group's current ratio was 1.4 (2016: 1.8). The Group's net gearing ratio, which is calculated based on the percentage of total debts less cash and cash equivalents and pledged deposits to total equity was approximately 7.7% (2016: -28.5%).



## Pledge of Assets

As at 31 December 2017, the Group pledged certain property, plant and equipment with a net book value of approximately HK\$594.9 million (2016: HK\$641.1 million) to certain banks and a finance leasing company to secure bank and other borrowings.

## Exposure on Foreign Exchange Fluctuations

Most of the Group's revenue and payments are mainly in U.S. dollars, IDR, Renminbi and Euro. The impact of such difference would translate into our exposure to any particular currency fluctuations during the year. The Group has a hedging policy to manage such risks and costs associated with currency fluctuations.

## Contingent Liabilities

Contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2017 will be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements in the annual report.

## Capital Expenditures

For the year ended 31 December 2017, the Group invested HK\$403.3 million (2016: HK\$1,136.5 million) in property, plant and equipment and spent HK\$340.2 million (2016: HK\$1,133.7 million) mainly for IBO projects relate to prospective DPG projects located in Indonesia and Myanmar.

## EMPLOYEES

As at 31 December 2017, the Group had 293 employees (2016: 215). The Group remunerates its employees based on their performance, experience and prevailing industry practice. The Group has set out the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme for the Hong Kong's employees and has made contributions to the state-sponsored pension scheme operated by the PRC government for the PRC employees. The Group has share option schemes and a share award scheme to motivate valued employees.



**We provide fast-track, flexible, stable and reliable DPG solutions to customers across the world.**



## **Growth Drivers**

- Structural power deficit in emerging markets
- Increasing power demand for urbanisation and economic development in countries along Belt and Road Initiative of China
- Governments' determination and policies to promote power reforms
- Fast-growing tremendous demand for power reserve to supplement renewable energy generation



# Corporate Social Responsibility

We are a fast-growing company with a clear mission to power the world and lighten up possibilities. As a responsible corporate, we are committed to creating value for our stakeholders from shareholders, suppliers, customers, partners to employees and most importantly, the communities.

We actively address the needs of our stakeholders, and provide corresponding solutions to construct a better living, working and business environment for different stakeholders respectively.



## HONG KONG



1. VPower Hong Kong Volunteer Team
2. Soap recycling workshop

Pneumonia and diarrhoea are the leading causes of death for children under the age of five in the underprivileged regions. Yet deaths from these diseases can be greatly reduced by simply washing hands with soap. In the meantime, millions of life-saving bars of soap are discarded each day.

With the aim to help improving sanitation and hygiene of these regions, a team of 17 volunteers from VPower Group participated in a soap recycling workshop.

In the workshop, our volunteers helped to sort and carve the lightly used soap, which were collected from the hospitality industry in Hong Kong, for recycling. The recycled soaps would then be shipped to those in need in Southeast Asia.

Through these workshops, the organizer also helps to eliminate thousands of pounds of chemical waste from our landfills each month.





# CHINA

## 3. Participants of "Walk for Chalk"

In 2017, we extended our corporate social responsibility program to China by making a donation to Chi Heng Foundation (CHF), a non-government organization founded in 1998.

CHF is a Hong Kong based foundation, with the mission to create a harmonious, equal, and healthy society for AIDS-impacted children and adults in China. Believing in the power of education to change one's life, CHF is committed to providing long-term financial aid to the AIDS-impacted children in villages to alleviate their financial burdens to school. With offices in Henan, Anhui, Beijing, Shanghai and Guangzhou, CHF has launched home visit programs to assure the mental health of the subsidized children as part of the comprehensive support and also to ensure all funds are delivered directly to schools. Since 2002, CHF has cumulatively sponsored over 18,000 students from primary to university grades.

As one of the sponsors of their annual fund raising event, "Walk for Chalk", our representative joined the 4-day trip in Guangxi with some of the subsidized children. The direct communication with AIDS-impacted children not only enables the sponsors to know more about the life of those children and difficulties they are facing but also understand the use of donation in a better way.

We hope our participation and contribution is helpful to the AIDS-impacted community, and more crucially, to arouse public awareness to provide support to the children.



# MYANMAR

4. VPower Myanmar Volunteer Team
5. Ardainna Sari Orphanage School Visit

In Yangon alone, there are thousands of children living in orphanages.

Ardainna Sari Orphanage School is located 50 miles away from Yangon downtown area. In 2017, the school is providing support and assistance to about 156 orphans, among them 23 matriculation students. These orphans mostly come from the borderland and other areas affected by on-going internal conflicts.

Understanding that the school was in lack of material and resource for their newly built dormitory, VPower Myanmar has made a donation to enhance the security of their facilities, making sure that the children can sleep tight and stay safe at night.



## INDONESIA

6. Tresna Werdha Nursing House Visit
7. VPower Indonesia Volunteer Team

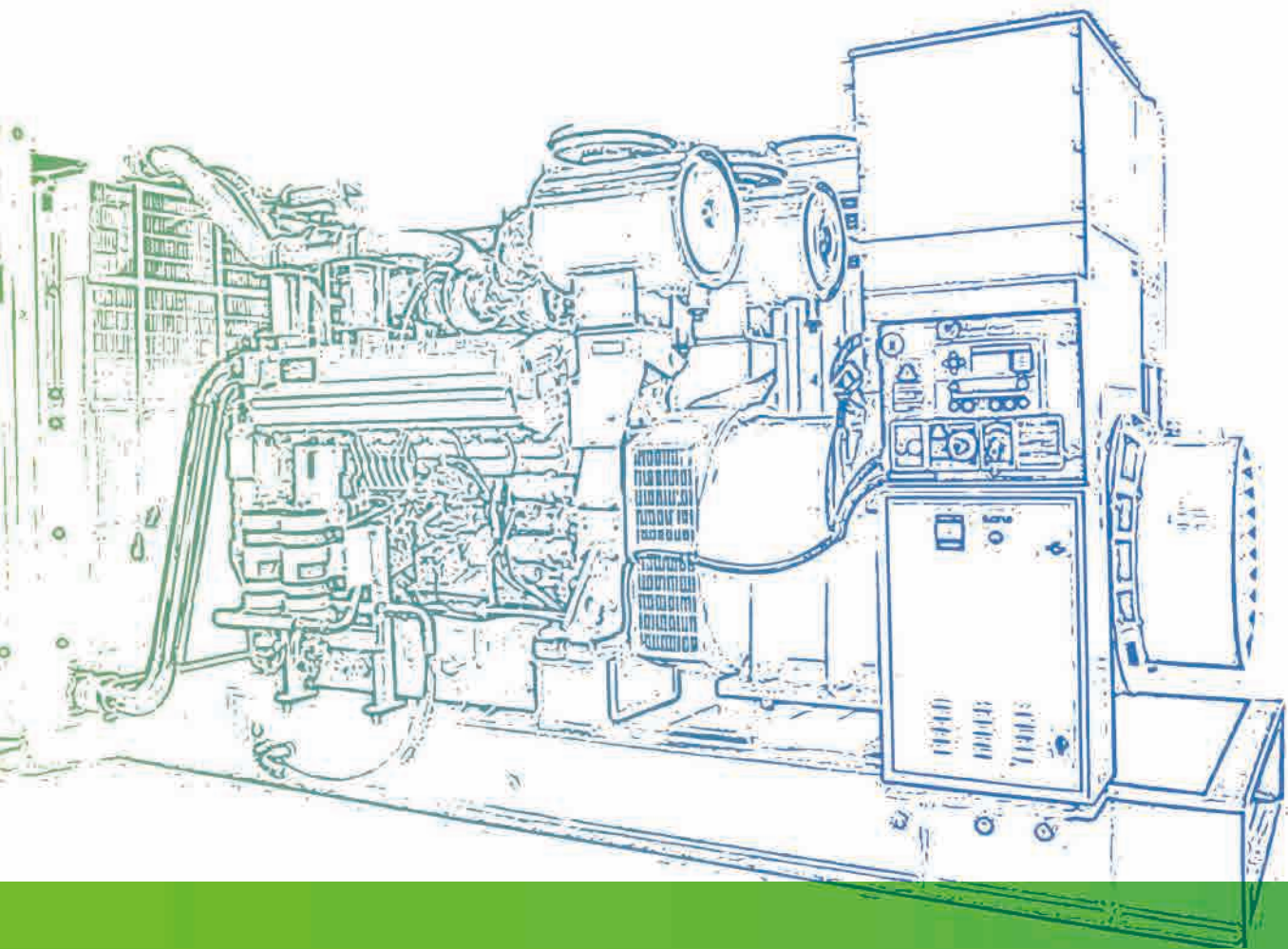
According to government data, over two thousands of elderly people in Pekanbaru are being neglected by family members or caregivers. Tresna Werdha Nursing Home was established by the Indonesian Ministry of Social Affairs in 1981. Since its inauguration, the nursing home serviced over 400 elderly people. In 2017, there are over 80 elderly who are in need of their cares.

To express our care for the elderly, VPower Indonesia not only donated nutritional supplements and hygiene kits to Tresna Werdha but also arranged health education sessions, complimentary medical check-ups, and other healthcare treatments for the elderly during our visit to the nursing home at the end of the year, sending them our warmest wishes for a new year filled with hope, joy and happiness.

This brief report only covers our corporate social responsibility in terms of people and community. More details regarding the Company's performance by reference to environmental and social-related key performance indicators and policies, as well as compliance with relevant laws and regulations, will be shown in the full version of ESG report and will be available for public download at [www.hkex.com.hk](http://www.hkex.com.hk) and [www.vpower.com](http://www.vpower.com) in July 2018.



# Accelerating Global Energy Transition Brings Us Tremendous Opportunities



The global energy market is in transition to a low-carbon and energy efficient future. With our long history of industry experience, dedication in improving efficiency of our solutions, sound expansion strategy, and also solid partnerships with different international players, we are well-positioned to capture the upcoming exciting opportunities and further our lead in the market.





# Biographical Details of Directors and Senior Management

Good corporate governance enhances our credibility and protect the interest of our stakeholders, which is a key to long-term value creation. We maintain diversification in our Board of Directors and management team.

The Board of Directors comprises Mr. LAM Yee Chun, Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason, Mr. AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce and Mr. LO Siu Yuen as executive directors; Ms. CHAN Mei Wan and Mr. KWOK Man Leung as non-executive directors; and Mr. David TSOI, Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew and Mr. SUEN Wai Yu as independent non-executive directors.

We recruit professionals from different fields to form our strong and experienced team of management. Their leadership and unique insights of the markets will lead us to a bigger success.

# BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

**Mr. LAM Yee Chun**, aged 46, was appointed as an Executive Director of the Company on 22 February 2016. He is a Co-Founder and the Executive Chairman of the Group, a member of the Company's Nomination Committee and a director of various subsidiaries of the Group. Mr. LAM is principally responsible for the Group's strategic developments in both commercial and technical aspects. He is also responsible for formulating overall mission and vision of the Group, responsible for the leadership of the Board, performing his duties under the nomination committee and providing top-level leadership of the general management of the Group.

Mr. LAM has more than 21 years of experience in entrepreneurship, general management, project management, supply chain management, system integration and operation and maintenance in the engine based power generation industry. As a project engineer for Cummins Hong Kong Ltd., in charge of power generation projects between 1993 and 1995, Mr. LAM has gained numerous experiences in design, practical works and operation. He has years of experiences in designing power generation system ("PGS") for various applications, including backup or prime use in emergency situations such as disasters or power outages as well as continuous power generation for power stations.

In November 2016, Mr. LAM was awarded the Young Industrialist Awards of Hong Kong 2016 by the Federation of Hong Kong Industries. He obtained a higher certificate in building services engineering from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in November 1997.

Mr. LAM is the husband of Ms. CHAN Mei Wan, the Vice Chairwoman of the Group and a Non-Executive Director of the Company.

**Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason**, aged 48, was appointed as an Executive Director of the Company on 26 April 2016. He is a Co-Founder and a Co-Chief Executive Officer and a director of various subsidiaries of the Group. Mr. LEE is responsible for formulating overall corporate strategies and policies of the Group and for general management and day-to-day operation of the Group.

Mr. LEE has more than 16 years of experience in general management, global sales, distribution, project management, business development, power monitoring, power quality control and power saving in the engine based power generation industry, as well as setting our current business strategies, direction and goals.

Mr. LEE obtained a bachelor of science in electrical engineering from University of Calgary, Canada in June 1994.

**Mr. AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce**, aged 61, joined the Group in June 2014 and was appointed as an Executive Director of the Company on 26 April 2016. He is a Co-Chief Executive Officer and a director of various subsidiaries of the Group. Mr. AU-YEUNG is responsible for formulating overall corporate strategies and policies of the Group and for general management and day-to-day operation of the Group.

Mr. AU-YEUNG has over 21 years of multinational corporate executive experience in the environmental infrastructure and energy industry. Prior to joining the Group in June 2014, Mr. AU-YEUNG was the chief executive officer of Dongjiang Environment (HK) Co., Limited, a subsidiary of Dongjiang Environmental Company Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 895), between September 2007 and June 2010. Prior to that and during the period from 1989 to 2007, he served on various executive management roles for multinational corporations including acting as the executive vice president of Veolia Environmental Services Hong Kong Limited when he left the company in August 2007 and prior to that as legal counsel of Pacific Waste Management Limited (now part of Veolia Environmental Services China Limited) from February 1994 and as attorney of Exxon Chemical International – Asia Limited between January 1991 and December 1993.

Mr. AU-YEUNG is an independent non-executive director of CL Group (Holdings) Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 8098) since February 2011. He is the chairman of the remuneration committee and a member of the audit committee of its board of directors, but is not involved in its day-to-day operation.

**Mr. LO Siu Yuen**, aged 47, joined the Group in September 2011 and was appointed as an Executive Director of the Company on 26 April 2016. He is also the Chief Operation Officer of the Group. Mr. LO is responsible for formulating overall corporate strategies and policies in relation to the project functional operation including human resources planning of the Group and overseeing ongoing project functional business operations including procurement and logistics.

Mr. LO has been a certified public accountant since July 1998 with over 21 years of experience in accounting, auditing, and financial management. He had served as various managerial, consultant, compliance and/or auditing roles from 1994 to 2011 including as the senior consultant of various consultant companies between February 2008 and August 2011, as a compliance officer of CITIC-Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited from January 2006 to December 2007, as the assistant compliance manager and compliance manager of American International Assurance Company (Bermuda) Limited from January 2003 to January 2006. Mr. LO joined Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited in June 2001 and was an assistant manager of the group international audit business unit prior to his departure in January 2003. He worked for First Pacific Bank Limited from December 1999 to May 2001 with his last position being a manager and was an associate and senior associate of PricewaterhouseCoopers Ltd. from April 1997 to December 1999. Mr. LO also practiced audits and accountancy in W. M. Sum & Co. from September 1994 to March 1997.

Mr. LO obtained a master of science in computer science from Victoria University of Technology in February 2004 and bachelor of business administration in applied economics from Hong Kong Baptist University in December 1994.

**Ms. CHAN Mei Wan**, aged 45, joined the Group in June 2001 and was appointed as a Non-Executive Director of the Company on 26 April 2016. She is the Vice Chairwoman of the Group and a member of the Company's Audit Committee and Remuneration Committee. Through assisting Mr. LAM Yee Chun ("**Mr. LAM**") and Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason, she was heavily involved in the founding of the Group. Ms. CHAN is responsible for advising on key human resources and financial matters and performing her duties as a Non-Executive Director through the Board, the Audit Committee and the Remuneration Committee.

Ms. CHAN has more than 16 years of experience in entrepreneurship, general management, corporate administration and human resources. Ms. CHAN supported Mr. LAM's PGS business since its founding and worked closely with Mr. LAM to expand the Group's business. She also assisted in the setup of the current operation system, corporate reorganization and staff welfare scheme.

Ms. CHAN obtained a certificate for commerce course from Sacred Heart Canossian Commercial School in July 1994.

Ms. CHAN is the wife of Mr. LAM, the Executive Chairman of the Group.

## BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

**Mr. KWOK Man Leung**, aged 49, was appointed as a Non-Executive Director of the Company on 11 April 2017.

Mr. KWOK is the executive vice president and a director of CITIC Pacific Limited ("**CITIC Pacific**"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of CITIC Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 267), China's largest conglomerate. Mr. KWOK joined CITIC Pacific in 1993, having over 21 years of experience in leading large-scale projects including corporate mergers and acquisitions, listing, investment evaluation, business negotiation and strategies setting. Mr. KWOK is a Chartered Financial Analyst. He is a director of certain member companies of CITIC Limited involved in iron ore mining and property and of certain member companies of CITIC Pacific involved in special steel, energy, property and infrastructure business. He is in charge of the business development and human resources and administration of CITIC Pacific. Mr. KWOK is a non-executive director of Dah Chong Hong Holdings Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 1828) and a director of Daye Special Steel Co., Ltd. (listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange, stock code: 000708).

**Mr. David TSOI**, aged 70, was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 24 October 2016. He is also the Chairman of the Company's Audit Committee and a member of the Nomination Committee.

Mr. TSOI is a director of Alloitt, Tsoi CPA Limited since January 2006. He has been a certified public accountant since September 1981 with over 31 years of experience in accounting, auditing and financial management. Mr. TSOI is a certified public accountant registered at the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and a certified tax adviser registered at the Taxation Institute of Hong Kong, a fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants since September 1981, a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales since May 2015, a member of the Society of Chinese Accountants & Auditors since April 1987 and a fellow since December 2015; a fellow of the CPA Australia since November 2009; and a member of the Chartered Professional Accountants of British Columbia, Canada since June 2015. He obtained a master of business administration in October 1986 from University of East Asia Macau.

Mr. TSOI has been an independent non-executive director of MelcoLot Limited (now known as "Loto Interactive Limited") (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 8198) from October 2001 to July 2017; CRRC Corporation Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 1766) (formerly known as China South Locomotive & Rolling Stock Corporation Limited) from March 2008 to June 2014; Enviro Energy International Holdings Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 1102) from July 2008 to June 2017; Universal Technologies Holdings Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 1026) since June 2013; Guru Online (Holdings) Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 8121) since May 2014; Anxin-China Holdings Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 1149) from February 2017 to May 2017; Green International Holdings Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 2700) since June 2017; Tianli Holdings Group Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 117) since August 2017; and Everbright Grand China Assets Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 3699) since January 2018.



**Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew**, aged 45, was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 24 October 2016. He is also the Chairman of the Company's Remuneration Committee and a member of the Audit Committee.

Mr. YEUNG is the deputy chairman and non-executive director of Qianhai Health Holdings Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 911) since January 2017 and was an independent non-executive director of Goldenmars Technology Holdings Limited (now known as "Huabang Financial Holdings Limited") (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 3638) between June 2016 and September 2016, companies whose shares are listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. He has been the deputy chief executive officer of Qianhai Corporate Finance Limited since November 2016. He had been the head of investment banking and advisory of Kim Eng Securities (Hong Kong) Limited from July 2015 to October 2016. Mr. YEUNG was an independent non-executive director of Eversol Corporation (Stock Code: 3647.TT), which was delisted on the Taiwan GreTai Securities Market in October 2016, from June 2014 to June 2016. He was the head of corporate finance advisory of Edmond de Rothschild (Suisse) S.A., Hong Kong Branch, from August 2014 to May 2015. Mr. YEUNG has over 16 years of experience in investment and private banking. Prior to joining Edmond de Rothschild (Suisse) S.A., Hong Kong Branch, he was the managing director of DBS Asia Capital Limited and he worked at DBS Asia Capital Limited for over 10 years. Mr. YEUNG worked as the corporate finance associate in BNP Paribas Peregrine Capital Limited from April 2000 to May 2002.

Mr. YEUNG graduated from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University with a bachelor of arts (Hons) in accountancy in 1994. He has been a certified public accountant with the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

**Mr. SUEN Wai Yu**, aged 40, was appointed as our Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company on 24 October 2016. He is also the Chairman of the Company's Nomination Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee.

Mr. SUEN has been the group legal counsel and company secretary of Haitian International Holdings Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 1882) since August 2010. He is responsible for preparing and reviewing a broad range of commercial agreements related to business operations covering product sales, equipment purchase, patent and trademark license and formation of joint venture. Mr. SUEN is also responsible for monitoring the group's compliance with applicable laws and regulations with focus on the Listing Rules. He has over 13 years of post-qualification experience. Prior to joining Haitian International Holdings Limited, he worked as a senior associate in an international law firm from August 2009 to August 2010 and as an associate of the same firm from March 2006 to August 2009. Prior to that, he was an assistant solicitor of a Hong Kong law firm from August 2003 to March 2006.

Mr. SUEN obtained a bachelor of laws in November 2000 and a postgraduate certificate in laws (PCLL) in June 2001 from the University of Hong Kong. He has been admitted as a solicitor in Hong Kong since September 2003.

**Mr. Boyang LIU**, aged 47, joined the Group in January 2015. He is the Chief Investment Officer of the Group. Mr. LIU is responsible for formulating overall strategies and policies in relation to the project investment of the Group, responsible for the long term strategies, project investment direction, business planning and forecasting, merger & acquisition, capital structure, capital allocation and investor relationship of the Group.

Mr. LIU has over 15 years of experience in investment banking, strategic investment and private equity investment. Before joining the Group, he served as the managing director of Guangdong Success Capital Partners Limited from January 2014 to December 2014, co-founder and chief financial officer of NovaSolar Limited from May 2011 to May 2014, and chief financial officer of Dongjiang Environmental (HK) Co. Limited, a subsidiary of Dongjiang Environmental Company Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 895), from November 2007 to April 2010. Prior to that, he held various management positions in strategic planning, investment management and investment banking including as the Senior Finance Manager of PayPal Inc. from October 2005 to September 2007, as a manager in the financial strategy and analysis group of HSBC Card Services (under HSBC Bank USA, N.A.) from August 2004 to October 2005, worked at Byron Venture Partners L.P. from July 2001 to May 2004, and as the investment banking associate of JP Morgan Securities Inc. from July 2000 to June 2001.

Mr. LIU obtained a master of business administration from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania in May 2000, a master of science in environmental engineering from University of Connecticut in August 1998, and a bachelor of science in nuclear engineering from Tsinghua University in July 1993.

**Mr. CHAN Kam Shing**, aged 46, joined the Group in January 2015. He is the Chief Financial Officer and the Company Secretary of the Group. He is responsible for formulating overall strategies and policies in relation to the financial management, strategic and tactical matter related to financial reporting, budget management, cost-benefit analysis, tax planning and treasury management of the Group.

Mr. CHAN has been a certified public accountant with the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (formerly known as the Hong Kong Society of Accountants) since April 1998 with more than 20 years of professional experience in accounting, auditing, financial management, and corporate operation and productivity enhancement, with the most recent assignment with the Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited as the manager of internal audit between February 2010 and December 2014.

Mr. CHAN obtained a bachelor of arts (Hons.) in accountancy from Hong Kong Polytechnic University in November 1994.

**Mr. CHEUNG Yeung Earnest**, aged 44, joined the Group in August 2015. He is the Chief Commercial Officer of the Group. Mr. CHEUNG is responsible for formulating overall strategies and policies in relation to the commercial and business development of the Group, responsible for the overall marketing, sales, product development, customer services to drive business growth and market share of the Group.

Mr. CHEUNG has 20 years of banking experience specializing in business development and cross-border structured financing transactions. He has years of experience in origination and deal execution in a variety of geographies covering energy and utilities clients. Mr. CHEUNG was an executive director for the corporate finance business of Standard Chartered Bank (HK) Limited from October 2007 to August 2015 prior to his departure and joining the Group. He also worked as a vice president, investment finance specialist at Citicorp International Limited between September 2006 and October 2007 and held various managerial roles with The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited between September 1995 and September 2006, in which he was a global relationship manager, energy & utilities sector in the corporate and institutional banking business prior to his departure.

Mr. CHEUNG obtained a bachelor of science in management sciences (first class honours) from University of Warwick in July 1995.

**Mr. LEE Siu Ming**, aged 42, joined the Group in April 2017. He is the Chief Strategy Officer and Head of Capital Markets/ Corporate Finance of the Group. Mr. LEE is responsible for formulating the overall strategy of the Group and in charge of the overall capital markets, financing and corporate finance activities of the Group, including fund raisings, merger and acquisitions and investor relations.

Mr. LEE has around 20 years of experience in investment banking and asset management. He was with BOCI Asia Limited from 2009 to 2016 with last position as the managing director and head of Hong Kong Coverage. Prior to that, he held various positions at Morgan Stanley, Deutsche Bank and BNP Paribas Peregrine, etc in Hong Kong.

Mr. LEE obtained his Master of Business Administration and Bachelor of Business Administration degrees at University of Wisconsin – Madison in 1997. In addition, he holds the Chartered Financial Analyst® designation since 1999.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

The Board of Directors of the Company (the “**Board**”) is committed to maintain high standards of corporate governance. The Board recognizes that sound and effective corporate governance practices are fundamental to the smooth, effective and transparent operation of a company and its ability to attract investment, protect the rights of shareholders and stakeholders. The Board’s corporate governance policy is designed to achieve these objectives and is maintained through a framework of processes, policies and guidelines.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company has complied with all the applicable code provisions in the Corporate Governance Code set out in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”) during the year ended 31 December 2017.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Responsibilities of Directors

The Board, led by the Executive Chairman, is ultimately accountable for the Group’s activities, strategies and financial performance, which includes developing, reviewing and monitoring the Company’s corporate governance policies and practices, training and continuous professional development of Directors and senior management, reviewing the financial statements and budget proposal of the Group, considering dividend policy, reviewing the effectiveness of the internal control systems.

The management team is responsible for the day-to-day management, administration and operation of the Group such as project investment direction, business planning and forecasting, merger and acquisition, marketing and customer services to drive business growth and market share of the Group. The Board gives clear directions to the management team as to their powers of management, and circumstances in which the management team should report back.

Newly appointed Director will be arranged a comprehensive, formal and tailored induction which includes provision of key guidelines and documents relevant to their roles, responsibilities and ongoing obligations; a briefing on the Group’s structure, businesses, risk management and other governance practices and meeting with other fellow Directors so as to help the newly appointed Directors familiarize with the management, business and governance policies and practices of the Group, and ensure that they have a proper understanding of the operations and businesses of the Group.

To ensure that Directors’ contribution to the Board or committees remains informed, continuous professional development are provided for Directors to develop and refresh their knowledge, skills and understanding of the business and markets in which the Group operates. Directors are also provided with half-yearly updates of the Group’s development, and information such as performance and key operational highlights to enable the Board and each Director to discharge their duties.

All Directors have participated in appropriate continuous professional development and provided the Company with their records of training they received for the year ended 31 December 2017.



All Directors participated in the training which included reading regulatory updates or information relevant to the Group or its business during the year ended 31 December 2017.

Directors	Training
<b>Executive Directors</b>	
Mr. LAM Yee Chun ( <i>Executive Chairman</i> )	✓
Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason ( <i>Co-Chief Executive Officer</i> )	✓
Mr. AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce ( <i>Co-Chief Executive Officer</i> )	✓
Mr. LO Siu Yuen ( <i>Chief Operation Officer</i> )	✓
<b>Non-Executive Directors</b>	
Ms. CHAN Mei Wan ( <i>Vice Chairwoman</i> )	✓
Dr. CHAN Ka Keung ( <i>resigned on 11 April 2017</i> )	✓
Mr. KWOK Man Leung ( <i>appointed on 11 April 2017</i> )	✓
<b>Independent Non-Executive Directors</b>	
Mr. David TSOI	✓
Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew	✓
Mr. SUEN Wai Yu	✓

Every Director ensures that he or she gives sufficient time to the Company affairs. Each Director shall disclose to the Company at the time of his or her appointment the directorships held in other listed companies and other significant commitment. The Company has also requested the Directors to provide any change on such information timely and to disclose their time commitment.

Appropriate insurance cover on Directors' liabilities has been in force to protect the Directors of the Group from their risks arising from the businesses of the Group.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FUNCTIONS

The Board is responsible for the Group's system of corporate governance and has performed and reviewed the corporate governance functions timely as required under the Corporate Governance Code of Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules. During the year ended 31 December 2017, the Board reviewed and monitored the Company's policies and practices on corporate governance and the Staff Handbook through various meetings with senior management. The terms of reference for performing the corporate governance functions as set out in the Code were approved by the Board for adoption.

## BOARD DIVERSITY

The Board Diversity Policy has been adopted setting out the approach to achieve diversity on the Board. The Company embraces the benefits of having a diverse Board to enhance the quality of its performance. In designing the Board's composition, Board diversity has been considered from several aspects, including but not limited to professional experience, skills, knowledge, cultural and educational background, ethnicity, age and gender.

## BOARD COMPOSITION

The Board currently consists of four Executive Directors and five Non-Executive Directors. Three of the five Non-Executive Directors are independent to ensure that proposed strategies protect all shareholders' interests.

As at 31 December 2017, the Directors of the Company are set out as follows:

### Executive Directors

Mr. LAM Yee Chun (*Executive Chairman*)  
Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason (*Co-Chief Executive Officer*)  
Mr. AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce (*Co-Chief Executive Officer*)  
Mr. LO Siu Yuen (*Chief Operation Officer*)

### Non-Executive Directors

Ms. CHAN Mei Wan (*Vice Chairwoman*)  
Dr. CHAN Ka Keung (*resigned on 11 April 2017*)  
Mr. KWOK Man Leung (*appointed on 11 April 2017*)

### Independent Non-Executive Directors

Mr. David TSOI  
Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew  
Mr. SUEN Wai Yu

The Board must be satisfied that an Independent Non-Executive Director does not have any material relationship with the Group. The Board is guided by the criteria of independence as set out in the Listing Rules in determining the independence of Directors.

The Company received from each of the Independent Non-Executive Directors confirmation in writing of their independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and considered them as independent.

One-third of all the Directors are subject to retirement by rotation at every annual general meeting according to the Articles of Association of the Company (the "**Articles of Association**").

The term of office of Mr. KWOK Man Leung shall expire on 10 April 2020 and the term of office of Ms. CHAN Mei Wan (including all Independent Non-Executive Directors) shall expire on 24 November 2019.

## CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND CO-CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The Chairman of the Board is Mr. LAM Yee Chun. The Co-Chief Executive Officers are Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason and Mr. AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce. The roles of the Chairman of the Board and the Co-Chief Executive Officers are separate and are not performed by the same individual. The Chairman is responsible for overseeing the functioning of the Board and, with the support of Executive Directors and the Company Secretary, seeking to ensure that all Directors are properly briefed on issues arising at Board meetings and that they receive adequate and reliable information timely. The Co-Chief Executive Officers are responsible for managing the business of the Group and leading the management to implement strategies and objectives adopted by the Board.

## BOARD MEETING

The Board normally meets regularly at least four times a year. The Directors can attend meetings in person or through electronic means of communication according to the Articles of Association.

The Board met five times during the year ended 31 December 2017 and annual general meeting has been held during the year. The attendance of each Director at the Board meetings during the year ended 31 December 2017 is set out as follows:

<b>Directors</b>	<b>No. of Meeting Attended/Held</b>
<b>Executive Directors</b>	
Mr. LAM Yee Chun ( <i>Executive Chairman</i> )	5/5
Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason ( <i>Co-Chief Executive Officer</i> )	4/5
Mr. AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce ( <i>Co-Chief Executive Officer</i> )	5/5
Mr. LO Siu Yuen ( <i>Chief Operation Officer</i> )	5/5
<b>Non-Executive Directors</b>	
Ms. CHAN Mei Wan ( <i>Vice Chairwoman</i> )	5/5
Dr. CHAN Ka Keung*	1/1
Mr. KWOK Man Leung <sup>^</sup>	3/4
<b>Independent Non-Executive Directors</b>	
Mr. David TSOI	5/5
Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew	4/5
Mr. SUEN Wai Yu	5/5

\* Dr. CHAN Ka Keung resigned as a Non-Executive Director of the Company on 11 April 2017.

<sup>^</sup> Mr. KWOK Man Leung was appointed as a Non-Executive Director of the Company on 11 April 2017.

Regular Board meetings of the year are scheduled in advance and at least 14 days' (or others reasonable period) notice is given to all Directors to give them an opportunity to attend. Meeting agenda and accompanying meeting papers are sent to all relevant Directors at least 3 days before the date of a Board or committee meeting to enable the Directors to make informed decisions on matters to be raised at the meetings. All Directors are given an opportunity to include matters in the agenda for Board meetings.

In addition, Directors have full and timely access to all information on the Group and may seek independent professional advice at the Group's expense in carrying out their functions, after making a request to the Board.

### SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the model code as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules as the code for dealing in securities of the Company by the Directors (the "**Model Code**"). During the year ended 31 December 2017, having made all specific enquiries with all Directors, all Directors have confirmed that they fully complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code.

The Board has also established written guidelines for relevant employees, including certain employees of the Company, certain Directors or employees of its subsidiaries who are considered to be likely to possess inside information relating to the Company or its securities (the "**Relevant Employees**"), in respect of their dealings in the Company's securities.

### DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group at that date and of the Group's results and cash flows for the year then ended and are prepared on the going concern basis according to statutory requirements and applicable accounting standards. The Directors shall ensure the publication of the Group's financial statements timely.

The statement of the Auditor of the Company about their reporting responsibilities on the financial statements of the Group is set out in the Independent Auditor's Report on pages 73 to 79 of this Annual Report.

### BOARD COMMITTEES

The Board has set up the following Board committees to oversee aspects of the Group's affairs:

#### Audit Committee

The members of the Audit Committee are Mr. David TSOI (Chairman of the Audit Committee), Ms. CHAN Mei Wan (Non-Executive Director) and Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew (Independent Non-Executive Director). The Chairman of the Audit Committee has the appropriate professional qualification as required by the Listing Rules.



The Audit Committee meetings were held on 28 March 2017, 28 August 2017 and 31 October 2017 respectively. The terms of reference for the Audit Committee are aligned with the code provision set out in the Corporate Governance Code. Given below are the main duties of the Audit Committee:

- (a) to consider the appointment of external auditor and any questions of resignation or dismissal;
- (b) to discuss with the external auditor before the audit commences, the nature and scope of the audit;
- (c) to review half-year and annual financial statements before submission to the Board;
- (d) to discuss problems and reservations arising from the audit, and any matters the external auditor may wish to discuss; and
- (e) to consider and review the Group's risk management and internal controls systems.

The attendance of each member at the Audit Committee meetings during the year ended 31 December 2017 is set out as follows:

<b>Members</b>	<b>No. of Meeting Attended/Held</b>
<b>Independent Non-Executive Directors</b>	
Mr. David TSOI ( <i>Chairman</i> )	3/3
Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew	3/3
<b>Non-Executive Director</b>	
Ms. CHAN Mei Wan	3/3

### Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee is chaired by Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew (Independent Non-Executive Director) with Ms. CHAN Mei Wan (Non-Executive Director) and Mr. SUEN Wai Yu (Independent Non-Executive Director) as members.

The Remuneration Committee meetings was held on 28 March 2017.

The terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee are aligned with code provision set out in the Corporate Governance Code. Given below are main duties of the Remuneration Committee:

- (a) to consider the Group's policy and structure of remuneration of the Directors and senior management;
- (b) to determine specific remuneration packages of all Executive Directors and senior management;
- (c) to review performance-based remuneration by reference to corporate goals and objectives resolved by the Board periodically;
- (d) to review compensation payable to Executive Directors and senior management relating to any loss or termination of their office or appointment; and
- (e) to review compensative arrangements relating to dismissal or removal of Directors for misconduct.

## REMUNERATION OF SENIOR MANAGEMENT

The remuneration committee reviewed the remuneration policy and structure of the Company and remuneration packages of the Executive Directors and the senior management. Details of the remuneration of each Director and 5 highest paid employees for the year ended 31 December 2017 are set out in notes 8 and 9 to the financial statements, respectively. For the year ended 31 December 2017, the remuneration of the non-director senior management is listed as below by band:

Band of Remuneration (HK\$)	Number of Persons
HK\$2,000,001 to HK\$3,000,000	3
HK\$3,000,001 to HK\$4,000,000	1

The attendance of each member at the Remuneration Committee meeting during the year ended 31 December 2017 is set out as follows:

Members	No. of Meeting Attended/Held
<b>Independent Non-Executive Directors</b>	
Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew ( <i>Chairman</i> )	1/1
Mr. SUEN Wai Yu	1/1
<b>Non-Executive Director</b>	
Ms. CHAN Mei Wan	1/1

### Nomination Committee

The Nomination Committee is chaired by Mr. SUEN Wai Yu (Independent Non-Executive Director) with Mr. LAM Yee Chun (Executive Chairman) and Mr. David TSOI (Independent Non-Executive Director) as members.

The Nomination Committee meetings was held on 28 March 2017. The terms of reference of Nomination Committee are aligned with the code provision set out in the Corporate Governance Code. Given below are the main duties of the Nomination Committee:

- (a) to review the structure, size and composition of the Board at least annually and make recommendations on any proposed changes to the Board to complement the Group's corporate strategy;
- (b) to identify individuals suitably qualified to become members of the Board and select or make recommendations to the Board on the selection of individuals nominated for directorships;
- (c) to receive nominations from shareholders or Directors when such are tendered and to make recommendations to the Board on the candidacy of the nominees, having regard to the Board's compositional requirements and suitability of the nominees;

- (d) to assess the independence of Independent Non-Executive Directors and review the Independent Non-Executive Directors' confirmations on their independence; and make disclosure of its review results in the corporate governance report. Where the Board proposes a resolution to elect an individual as an Independent Non-Executive Director at the general meeting, it should set out in the circular to shareholders and/or explanatory statement accompanying the notice of the relevant general meeting why they believe he/she should be elected and the reasons why they consider him/her to be independent;
- (e) to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment or reappointment of Directors and succession planning for Directors; and
- (f) to consider other topics and review other documents as may be reasonably requested by the Board periodically.

The attendance of each member at the Nomination Committee meeting during the year ended 31 December 2017 is set out as follows:

<b>Members</b>	<b>No. of Meeting Attended/Held</b>
<b>Independent Non-Executive Directors</b>	
Mr. SUEN Wai Yu ( <i>Chairman</i> )	1/1
Mr. David TSOI	1/1
<b>Executive Director</b>	
Mr. LAM Yee Chun	1/1

### Auditor's Remuneration

The fees in respect of audit and non-audit services provided to the Company and its subsidiaries by the external auditor of the Company for the year ended 2017 are set out below:

	<b>HK\$'M</b>
Audit services	4.7
Non-audit services	
Tax compliance and advisory services	0.4
Service provided in connection with potential acquisitions and related financing exercises	2.4
Others	0.3
	7.8

### Internal Control

The Board has overall responsibility for the effectiveness of the internal control systems and monitors the internal control systems through the Internal Audit Department of the Group. The Board has conducted a review of the effectiveness of the internal control system of the Group. The Internal Audit Department reviews the material controls of the Group continually and aims to cover all major operations of the Group on a cyclical basis. Overall, internal audits are designed to provide the Board with reasonable assurance that the internal control systems of the Group are sound and effective. The Board also reviews regularly the adequacy of resources, qualifications and experience of staff of the Group's accounting and financial reporting function, and their training program and budget.

The Board established an Employee Suggestion Box Scheme for employees to raise concerns, in confidence with the audit committee about possible improprieties in any matter related to the Group. The Board concluded that in general, the Group had set up a sound control environment and installed necessary control mechanisms to monitor and correct non-compliance.

### Policy and Procedures on Disclosure of Inside Information

The Board has adopted the Policy and Procedures on Disclosure of Inside Information which contains the guidelines to the officers (referring to Directors or Company Secretary) and all the Relevant Employees of the Group to ensure that the inside information of the Group is to be disseminated to the public in an equal and timely manner according to the applicable laws and regulations. The Policy and Procedures on Disclosure of Inside Information is available on the Company's website.

### Company Secretary

The Company Secretary of the Company supports the Board by ensuring good information flow within the Board and that board policy and procedures are followed. The Company Secretary is responsible for advising the Board through the Chairman and Co-Chief Executive Officers on governance matters and facilitates induction and professional development of Directors.

The appointment and removal is subject to approval of the Board. Although the Company Secretary reports to the Chairman and Co-Chief Executive Officers, all Directors have access for advice and service of the Company Secretary who has day-to-day knowledge of the Group's affairs. During the year ended 31 December 2017, the Company Secretary of the Company has received no less than fifteen hours of relevant professional training to refresh his skills and knowledge.

## COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

The Board is committed to maintaining an ongoing communication with shareholders and providing timely disclosure of information concerning the Group's material developments to shareholders and investors.

The annual general meetings ("**AGMs**") of the Company provide a good forum for communication between the Board and shareholders. Notices of the AGMs are despatched to all shareholders at least 20 clear business days prior to such AGMs. The Chairmen of all Board Committees are invited to attend the AGMs. The Chairman of the Board and the Chairmen of all the Board Committees are available to answer questions at the AGMs. Auditor is also invited to attend the AGMs to answer questions about the conduct of the audit, the preparation and content of the auditor's report, the accounting policies and auditor independence.

The 2018 AGM will be held on 29 May 2018.



## Shareholders Rights

Shareholders' Rights set out below is a summary of certain rights of the shareholders of the Company which are governed by the provisions of the Articles of Association and applicable laws, rules and regulations.

Pursuant to Articles 58 of the Company's Articles of Association, an extraordinary general meetings shall be convened on the written requisition of any one or more members of the Company deposited at the registered office specifying the objects of the meeting and signed by the shareholders, provided that such shareholders held at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one tenth of the paid up capital of the Company as at the date of deposit which carries the right of voting at general meetings of the Company. If the Directors do not within twenty-one days from the date of deposit of the requisition proceed duly to convene the meeting, the shareholders themselves may convene the general meeting in the same manner as nearly as possible, as that in which meetings may be convened by the Directors, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the shareholders as a result of the failure of the Directors shall be reimbursed to them by the Company.

There are no provision allowing shareholders to put forward proposals at general meetings under the Articles of Association of the Company.

Shareholders who wish to put forward proposals may request the Company to convene a general meeting following the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph.

As regards, proposing a person for election as a Director, please refer to the procedures available on the Company website.

## Investor Relations and Communication with Shareholders

The Company follows a policy of disclosing relevant information to shareholders in a timely manner. Members of the Board can meet and communicate with shareholders at the AGM of the Company.

Our corporate website [www.vpower.com](http://www.vpower.com) contains corporate information, corporate governance practice, announcements and circulars issued by the Company, enabling the Company's shareholders to have timely and updated information of the Group. Shareholders Communication Policy adopted by the Board is also posted on our corporate website. The Company's shareholders can email their general enquiries to [info@vpower.com](mailto:info@vpower.com) or investor enquiries to [investors@vpower.com](mailto:investors@vpower.com) or call at +852 2687 6517.

## Compliance with the relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the Company

The Company has set up proper procedures to ensure adherence to the relevant laws and regulations which have a significant impact on the Group in conduct of its business, including but not limited to Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance, Employment Ordinance in Hong Kong.

The Group also complies with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities or The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("**Listing Rules**"), the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("**SFO**").

### Relationships with Stakeholders

The Company appreciates that our employees, customers and business associates are keys to our sustainability journey. We strive to build a better community through engaging our employees, providing quality services for our customers, collaborating with business partners and supporting our community.

The Company places significant emphasis on human capital. The Company provides a fair workplace through promoting non-discrimination and diversity to our staff, together with competitive remuneration and benefits, as well as opportunities for career advancement based on employees' merits and performance.

To enhance customer satisfaction and promote a customer-oriented culture within the Company, we value the feedback from customers through daily communication and regular meetings.

We proactively collaborate with our business partners (including suppliers and contractors) to deliver quality sustainable products and services.

### Sustainability and Environmental Policy

The Company is committed to the sustainable development of the environment and our society. The Company appreciates the potential climate impact due to building development and operation, and strives to enhance the environmental performance of its properties through eco-friendly design, operational measures as well as energy efficiency and carbon emission reduction. Further information of its sustainability and environmental policies can be found in the full version of ESG report available on the Group's corporate website at [www.vpower.com](http://www.vpower.com).

### Constitutional Documents

No amendments have been made to the Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2017.

The directors have pleasure in presenting their annual report and the audited consolidated financial statements of VPower Group International Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the “**Group**”) for the year ended 31 December 2017.

## PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. Details of the principal activities of its principal subsidiaries are set out in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. There were no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year.

## BUSINESS REVIEW

The business review of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2017 is set out under the section headed “Management Discussion and Analysis” on pages 15 to 25 of this annual report. This discussion forms part of this directors' report.

## RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2017 and the financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2017 are set out in the financial statements on pages 80 to 83.

The Board resolved to recommend the payment of a final dividend of HK1.76 cents per share for the year ended 31 December 2017 to shareholders whose name appear on the Register of Members of the Company on Wednesday, 6 June 2018, subject to the approval of shareholders of the Company at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company to be held on Tuesday, 29 May 2018 (the “**2018 AGM**”). Subject to shareholders' approval at the 2018 AGM, the proposed dividend will be paid on or about Friday, 15 June 2018.

An interim cash dividend for the year 31 December 2017 of HK1.47 cents per share amounting to a total sum of HK\$37,632,000 was paid to the shareholders of the Company during the year.

Details of the distribution are set out in note 11 to the consolidated financial statements.

## CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

For the purpose of determining the entitlement to attend the 2018 AGM, the register of members of the Company will be closed during the period from Thursday, 24 May 2018 to Tuesday, 29 May 2018, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of share(s) of the Company will be effected. In order to qualify for attending and voting at the 2018 AGM, all transfer document(s), accompanied by the relevant share certificate(s), must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 23 May 2018.

For the purpose of determining the entitlement to the proposed final dividend, the register of members of the Company will be closed during the period from Monday, 4 June 2018 to Wednesday, 6 June 2018, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of share(s) of the Company will be effected. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend, all transfer document(s), accompanied by the relevant share certificate(s), must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 1 June 2018.

## USE OF PROCEEDS FROM GLOBAL OFFERING

Intended use of net proceeds as stated in the Prospectus ("Net Proceeds")	Net Proceeds (HK\$ million)	Actual use of proceeds up to 31 December 2016 (HK\$ million)	Unutilised amount as at 31 December 2016 (HK\$ million)	Actual use of proceeds up to 31 December 2017 (HK\$ million)	Unutilised amount as at 31 December 2017 (HK\$ million)
<b>– Developing and investing for IBO business</b>					
(a) for expanding into new markets (such as Africa, the Middle East and China)	455.1	(77.5)	377.6	<b>(321.9)</b>	<b>55.7</b>
(b) for projects in our existing markets	379.2	–	379.2	<b>(379.2)</b>	–
<b>– Expansion of SI business</b>					
(a) budget for purchasing engines and ancillary equipment by the end of 2017	75.9	(10.6)	65.3	<b>(65.3)</b>	–
(b) (i) enhancing our assembly line for system integration; (ii) remuneration for additional system integration, sales and services staff and (iii) research and development for CHP and power generation using new forms of gas by the end of 2018	227.5	–	227.5	<b>(103.6)</b>	<b>123.9</b>
<b>– Developing domestic and overseas offices and technical support facilities as well as strengthening presence in key markets for SI and IBO businesses</b>	151.7	–	151.7	<b>(90.3)</b>	<b>61.4</b>
<b>– Research and development activities</b>	75.9	–	75.9	<b>(44.3)</b>	<b>31.6</b>
<b>– Working capital and other general corporate purposes</b>	151.7	(69.6)	82.1	<b>(82.1)</b>	–
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,517.0</b>	<b>(157.7)</b>	<b>1,359.3</b>	<b>(1,086.7)</b>	<b>272.6</b>

The unutilised amounts of the Net Proceeds will be applied in the manner consistent with that mentioned in the Prospectus.

The Board is not aware of any material change to the planned use of Net Proceeds as at the date of this directors' report.



The unutilised Net Proceeds have been placed as bank balances/time deposits with licensed banks in Hong Kong as at the date of this directors' report.

## SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A summary of the published results and assets, liabilities and non-controlling interests of the Group for the last five financial years, as extracted from the audited financial statements, is set out on page 165. This summary does not form part of the audited financial statements.

## SHARE CAPITAL AND SHARE OPTIONS

Details of movements in the Company's share capital and share options during the year are set out in notes 27 and 28 to the financial statements.

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

During 2017, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities, except that the trustee of the share award scheme adopted by the Company on 18 July 2017 (the "**Share Award Scheme**"), pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Share Award Scheme, purchased on the Stock Exchange a total of 11,181,000 ordinary shares of the Company at a total consideration of HK\$54,171,000.

## PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's Articles, or the laws of Cayman Islands, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro rata basis to existing shareholders although there are no restrictions against such rights under the laws of Cayman.

## DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

As at 31 December 2017, the Company's reserves available for distribution amounted to HK\$1,716.8 million, of which HK\$45.1 million has been proposed as a final dividend for the year.

## CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

During the year, the Group made charitable contributions totalling HK\$0.3 million in Hong Kong.

## MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

For the year ended 31 December 2017, the aggregate percentage of sales attributable to the Group's five largest customers was approximately 62% of the Group's total revenue and the percentage of sales attributable to the Group's largest customer was approximately 25%.

For the year ended 31 December 2017, the aggregate percentage of purchases attributable to the Group's five largest suppliers was approximately 81% of the Group's total purchases and the percentage of purchases attributable to the Group's largest supplier was approximately 49%.

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

### EQUITY-LINKED AGREEMENTS

Save as disclosed under the sections headed "Share Option Schemes" and "Share Award Scheme", no equity-linked agreements that will or may result in the Company issuing shares or that require the Company to enter into any agreements that will or may result in the Company issuing shares were entered into by the Company during the year or subsisted at the end of the year.

### ARRANGEMENTS TO PURCHASE SHARES

Save as disclosed under the sections headed "Share Option Schemes" and "Share Award Scheme", at no time during the year or at the end of the year was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

### DIRECTORS

The directors of the Company who held office during the year ended 31 December 2017 were:

#### Executive Directors

Mr. LAM Yee Chun (*Executive Chairman*)  
Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason (*Co-Chief Executive Officer*)  
Mr. AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce (*Co-Chief Executive Officer*)  
Mr. LO Siu Yuen (*Chief Operation Officer*)

#### Non-Executive Directors

Ms. CHAN Mei Wan (*Vice Chairwoman*)  
Mr. KWOK Man Leung (appointed on 11 April 2017)  
Dr. CHAN Ka Keung (resigned on 11 April 2017)

#### Independent Non-Executive Directors

Mr. David TSOI  
Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew  
Mr. SUEN Wai Yu

Pursuant to Article 84 of the articles of association of the Company ("**Articles of Association**"), one-third of the directors shall retire from office by rotation at each annual general meeting of the Company and will be eligible for re-election at that meeting. The directors to retire by rotation shall be those who have been longest in office since their last re-election or appointment and as between persons who became or were last re-elected Directors on the same day shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot. Accordingly, Mr. LO Siu Yuen, Ms. CHAN Mei Wan and Mr. David TSOI shall retire by rotation at the 2018 AGM and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Details of the directors standing for re-election at the 2018 AGM are set out in the circular to the shareholders of the Company together with this annual report.

The Company has received from each of the independent non-executive Directors an annual confirmation of independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("**Listing Rules**") and considers each of the independent non-executive Directors are independent.

## **DIRECTORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S BIOGRAPHIES**

Biographical details of the Directors and the senior management of the Group are set out on pages 33 to 39 of this annual report.

## **DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS**

On 24 October 2016, each of the executive directors entered into a service contract with the Company. The principal particulars of the service agreement are: (a) for a term of three years commencing from 24 November 2016, and (b) subject to termination in accordance with their respective terms. The service agreement may be renewed in accordance with the Articles of Association and the applicable laws and regulations.

On 24 October 2016 and 11 April 2017, Ms. CHAN Mei Wan and Mr. KWOK Man Leung, the non-executive directors have signed a letter of appointment with the Company for a term of three years, respectively. The letters of appointment are subject to termination in accordance with their respective terms.

On 24 October 2016, each of the independent non-executive directors has signed a letter of appointment with the Company for a term of three years commencing from 24 November 2016. The letters of appointment are subject to termination in accordance with their respective terms.

Save as disclosed above, none of the directors of the Company proposed for re-election at the 2018 AGM has a service agreement with the Company which is not determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation (other than the statutory compensation).

## **DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION**

The directors' fees are subject to shareholders' approval at general meetings. Other emoluments are determined by the Company's board of directors with reference to directors' duties, responsibilities and performance and the results of the Group.

## **CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Save as disclosed under the section headed "Continuing Connected Transactions" of this report, no contract of significance between the Company or its subsidiaries and the controlling shareholder of the Company or its subsidiaries subsisted at the end of the year ended 31 December 2017 or at any time during the year ended 31 December 2017.

## PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISION

As permitted by the Company's Articles of Association, every director shall be indemnified out of the Company's assets against any liability incurred by the director, to the extent permitted by Cayman law. Such permitted indemnity provision has been in force throughout the financial year and is currently in force at the time of approval of this report. The Company has arranged appropriate directors' and officers' liability coverage for the directors and officers of the Group.

## DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

As at 31 December 2017, the interests and short positions of each director and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers adopted by the Company (the "Model Code") were as follows:

### (i) Interest in the Company

Name of Director	Capacity	Number of ordinary shares held	Number of underlying shares held (Note 5)	Approximate percentage of issued share capital	
				Total	(Note 2)
LAM Yee Chun ("Mr. LAM") (Note 3)	Interest of a controlled corporation	1,806,633,881	—	1,806,633,881	70.53%
	Beneficial owner	133,000	265,000	398,000	0.02%
	Interest of spouse	130,000	260,000	390,000	0.02%
LEE Chong Man Jason ("Mr. LEE")	Beneficial owner	132,000	263,000	395,000	0.02%
AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce	Beneficial owner	22,426,947	263,000	22,689,947	0.89%
LO Siu Yuen	Beneficial owner	15,736,463	260,000	15,996,463	0.62%
CHAN Mei Wan ("Ms. CHAN") (Note 4)	Beneficial owner	130,000	260,000	390,000	0.02%
	Interest of spouse	1,806,766,881	265,000	1,807,031,881	70.55%



Notes:

1. All the above interests in the shares and underlying shares of the Company were long positions. None of the Directors and the chief executive of the Company held any short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company as at 31 December 2017.
2. Based on the Company's issued share capital of 2,561,594,000 shares as at 31 December 2017.
3. Mr. LAM directly holds the entire issued share capital of Sunpower Global Limited which holds 58.87% of the total issued share capital of Konwell Developments Limited. Konwell Developments Limited holds the entire issued share capital of Energy Garden Limited. Therefore, Mr. LAM is deemed to be interested in the 1,806,633,881 shares of the Company held by Energy Garden Limited.

Mr. LAM directly holds the entire issued share capital of Sunpower Global Limited and therefore, is deemed to have interest in the 1,806,633,881 shares held by Energy Garden Limited. Mr. LAM is interested in options granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme to subscribe for 398,000 shares in the Company. Mr. LAM is the spouse of Ms. CHAN. Under Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, Mr. LAM is deemed to be interested in the same number of shares in the Company in which his spouse is interested.

4. Ms. CHAN is interested in options granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme to subscribe for 390,000 shares in the Company. Ms. Chan is the spouse of Mr. LAM. Under Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, Ms. CHAN is deemed to be interested in the same number of shares in the Company in which her spouse is interested. On 11 August 2017, Ms. CHAN was appointed as the director of Energy Garden Limited.
5. All these interests held by such Directors were underlying shares in respect of share options granted to them on 1 November 2016 pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme, further details of which are set out under the section headed "Share Option Schemes" in this report.

**(ii) Interest in Associated Corporation**

Name of Director	Name of associated corporation	Number of shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding interest
Mr. LAM	Sunpower Global Limited	1	100%
Mr. LAM	Konwell Developments Limited	5,724	58.87% <sup>1</sup>
Mr. LAM	Energy Garden Limited	100	58.87% <sup>2</sup>
Ms. CHAN	Konwell Developments Limited	2,000	20.57% <sup>3</sup>
Mr. LEE	Konwell Developments Limited	1,000	10.28% <sup>4</sup>

Notes:

1. through his controlling interests in Sunpower Global Limited
2. through his controlling interests in Konwell Developments Limited
3. through her interests in Classic Legend Holdings Limited
4. through his interests in Jet Lion Holdings Limited

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2017, none of the Directors or the chief executive of the Company had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register of the Company required to be kept under section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

### SHARE OPTION SCHEMES

#### 1. PRE-IPO SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company adopted a pre-IPO share option scheme (the “**Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme**”) on 24 October 2016 for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to the directors, employees, advisers, consultants and business partners of the Group (the “**Eligible Participant**”) for their contribution, and to align the corporate objectives and interests between the Group and its key talents.

Other than the options under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme granted to grantees (the “**Grantees**”) on or before 1 November 2016, no further options have been or will be granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme since then. The exercise price per share is HK\$2.016, an amount equal to 70% of the offer price per share for the global offering of the Company in November 2016.

As at 31 December 2017, the Company had 4,968,000 share options outstanding under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme, representing approximately 0.19% of the issued share capital of the Company as at 31 December 2017.

Details of the movements in the share options, which were granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme, during the year ended 31 December 2017 are as follows:

Grantee	Date of grant (dd.mm.yyyy)	Exercise price per share HK\$	Number of shares to be issued upon exercise of the share options				Exercise period (dd.mm.yyyy)
			Outstanding as at 01.01.2017	Cancelled or forfeited during the year	Exercised during the year	Outstanding as at 31.12.2017	
<b>Directors</b>							
LAM Yee Chun	01.11.2016	2.016	133,000	–	(133,000)	0	24.11.2017–23.11.2020
	01.11.2016	2.016	133,000	–	–	133,000	24.11.2018–23.11.2021
	01.11.2016	2.016	132,000	–	–	132,000	24.11.2019–23.11.2022
LEE Chong Man Jason	01.11.2016	2.016	132,000	–	(132,000)	0	24.11.2017–23.11.2020
	01.11.2016	2.016	132,000	–	–	132,000	24.11.2018–23.11.2021
	01.11.2016	2.016	131,000	–	–	131,000	24.11.2019–23.11.2022
AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce	01.11.2016	2.016	132,000	–	(132,000)	0	24.11.2017–23.11.2020
	01.11.2016	2.016	132,000	–	–	132,000	24.11.2018–23.11.2021
	01.11.2016	2.016	131,000	–	–	131,000	24.11.2019–23.11.2022
LO Siu Yuen	01.11.2016	2.016	130,000	–	(130,000)	0	24.11.2017–23.11.2020
	01.11.2016	2.016	130,000	–	–	130,000	24.11.2018–23.11.2021
	01.11.2016	2.016	130,000	–	–	130,000	24.11.2019–23.11.2022
CHAN Mei Wan	01.11.2016	2.016	130,000	–	(130,000)	0	24.11.2017–23.11.2020
	01.11.2016	2.016	130,000	–	–	130,000	24.11.2018–23.11.2021
	01.11.2016	2.016	130,000	–	–	130,000	24.11.2019–23.11.2022
Sub-total			1,968,000	–	(657,000)	1,311,000	
<b>Consultants</b>							
	01.11.2016	2.016	58,000	–	–	58,000	24.11.2017–23.11.2020
	01.11.2016	2.016	57,000	–	–	57,000	24.11.2018–23.11.2021
	01.11.2016	2.016	55,000	–	–	55,000	24.11.2019–23.11.2022
<b>Employees</b>							
	01.11.2016	2.016	1,536,000	(37,000)	(937,000)	562,000	24.11.2017–23.11.2020
	01.11.2016	2.016	1,507,000	(36,000)	–	1,471,000	24.11.2018–23.11.2021
	01.11.2016	2.016	1,489,000	(35,000)	–	1,454,000	24.11.2019–23.11.2022
Sub-total			4,702,000	(108,000)	(937,000)	3,657,000	
Grand-total			6,670,000	(108,000)	(1,594,000)	4,968,000	

### 2. SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company adopted a share option scheme (the "**Share Option Scheme**") on 24 October 2016 for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to Eligible Participant for their contribution, and to align the corporate objectives and interests between the Group and its key talents.

The maximum number of Shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options to be granted under the Share Option Scheme is 256,000,000 Shares, representing approximately 10% of the Company's issued share capital as at 31 December 2017. The maximum number of Shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of the options granted under the Share Option Scheme to any one person (including exercised and outstanding options) in any 12-month period shall not exceed 1% of the Shares in issue from time to time.

An option may be exercised in accordance with the terms of the Share Option Scheme at any time during a period as determined by the Board and not exceeding 10 years from the date of the grant. There is no minimum period for which an option must be held before it can be exercised in general. However, at the time of granting any option, the Board may, on a case by case basis, make such grant subject to such conditions, restrictions or limitations including (without limitation) those in relation to the minimum period of the options to be held and/or the performance targets to be achieved as the Board may determine in its absolute discretion. Participants of the Share Option Scheme are required to pay HK\$1 and submit to the Company a duly signed offer letter as the consideration for the grant. The exercise price of the options is determined by the Board in its absolute discretion and shall not be less than whichever is the highest of:

- (i) the closing price of a share of the Company as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheet on the date of grant of the relevant option;
- (ii) an amount equivalent to the average closing price of a share of the Company as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheets for the five (5) business days immediately preceding the date of grant of the relevant option; and
- (iii) the nominal value of the share of the Company on the date of grant of the relevant option.

The Share Option Scheme shall be valid and effective for a period of 10 years from 24 November 2016, after which no further options will be granted or offered but the provisions of the Share Option Scheme shall remain in force and effect in all other respects. All options granted prior to the termination of the Share Option Scheme and not then exercised shall continue to valid and exercisable subject to and in accordance with the Share Option Scheme.

As at 31 December 2017, no option had been granted by the Board under the Share Option Scheme.

Further details of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme and the Share Option Scheme are set out in note 28 to the financial statements.



## SHARE AWARD SCHEME

The Company has adopted the share award scheme on 18 July 2017 (the “**Share Award Scheme**”) to recognise the contributions by any individual being an employee (including without limitation any executive director) or consultant of any member of the Group. Subject to any early termination as may be determined by the Board, pursuant to the rules relating to the Share Award Scheme, the Share Award Scheme shall be valid and effective for a term of 10 years commencing on the adoption date. The Board shall not make any further award of awarded shares which will result in number of the Shares awarded by the Board under the Share Award Scheme exceeding five per cent (5%) of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time. The maximum number of Shares which may be awarded to a selected employee under the Share Award Scheme shall not exceed one per cent (1%) of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time.

As at 31 December 2017, no shares of the Company had been awarded by the Board under the Share Award Scheme.

## DISCLOSURE OF DIRECTORS' INFORMATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13.51B (1) OF THE LISTING RULES

Changes in the information of Directors required to be disclosed under Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules since the date of the 2017 Interim Report of the Company are set out as below:

1. Mr. David Tsoi was appointed as an independent non-executive director and a member of the audit committee of Tianli Holdings Group Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 117) with effect from 25 August 2017.
2. Mr. David Tsoi was appointed as an independent non-executive director and a member of the audit committee of Everbright Grand China Assets Limited (listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, stock code: 3699) with effect from 15 January 2018.

## DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN TRANSACTION, ARRANGEMENT OR CONTRACT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Save as disclosed under the section headed “Continuing Connected Transactions” of this report, no transaction, arrangement or contract of significance to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party and in which a director of the Company or an entity connected with a director had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted as at 31 December 2017 or at any time during the year ended 31 December 2017.

## DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN COMPETING BUSINESS

As of the date of this report, so far as the directors were aware, none of the directors, and their respective close associates had interest in any business apart from the Group's businesses which competes or is likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the business of the Group.

## MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

No contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or subsisted during the year.

## INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS OF SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS/OTHER PERSONS

As at 31 December 2017, so far as is known to the directors and the chief executive of the Company, the interests and short positions of the substantial shareholders/other persons, other than directors or chief executive officer of the Company, in the shares and underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO are as follows:

Name of Shareholder	Capacity	Number of underlying shares held (Note 1)	Approximate percentage of the issued share capital (Note 2)
Energy Garden Limited (" <b>Energy Garden</b> ")	Beneficial owner	1,806,633,881	70.53%
Konwell Developments Limited (" <b>Konwell</b> ")	Interest of a controlled corporation	1,806,633,881 (Note 3)	70.53%
Sunpower Global Limited (" <b>Sunpower</b> ")	Interest of a controlled corporation	1,806,633,881 (Note 4)	70.53%
CITIC Group Corporation (" <b>CITIC Group</b> ")	Interest of a controlled corporation	204,800,000 (Note 7)	8.00%
CITIC Polaris Limited (" <b>CITIC Polaris</b> ")	Interest of a controlled corporation	204,800,000 (Note 7)	8.00%
CITIC Glory Limited (" <b>CITIC Glory</b> ")	Interest of a controlled corporation	204,800,000 (Note 7)	8.00%
CITIC Limited (" <b>CITIC</b> ")	Interest of a controlled corporation	204,800,000 (Note 7)	8.00%
CITIC Pacific Limited (" <b>CITIC Pacific</b> ")	Interest of a controlled corporation	204,800,000 (Note 7)	8.00%
Master Wise Holdings Corp. (" <b>Master Wise</b> ")	Interest of a controlled corporation	204,800,000 (Note 7)	8.00%
Next Admiral Limited (" <b>Next Admiral</b> ")	Beneficial owner	204,800,000 (Note 7)	8.00%

Notes:

- All the above interests in the shares and underlying shares of the Company were long positions.
- Based on the Company's issued share capital of 2,561,594,000 shares as at 31 December 2017.
- Konwell holds 100% of the total issued share capital of Energy Garden. and therefore, Konwell is deemed to have interest in the 1,806,633,881 shares held by Energy Garden.
- Sunpower directly holds 58.87% of the total issued share capital of Konwell and therefore, Sunpower is deemed to have interest in the 1,806,633,881 shares held by Energy Garden.
- Mr. LAM directly holds the entire issued share capital of Sunpower and therefore, is deemed to have interest in the 1,806,633,881 shares held by Energy Garden. Mr. LAM is interested in options granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme to subscribe for 398,000 shares of the Company. Mr. LAM is the spouse of Ms. CHAN. Under the SFO, Mr. LAM is deemed to be interested in the same number of shares in the Company in which his spouse is interested.

6. Ms. CHAN is interested in options granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme to subscribe for 390,000 shares of the Company. Ms. Chan is the spouse of Mr. LAM. Under the SFO, Ms. CHAN is deemed to be interested in the same number of shares in the Company in which her spouse is interested.
7. CITIC Group holds 100% of CITIC Polaris and CITIC Glory, which in turn controls 32.53% and 25.60% of CITIC, respectively. CITIC holds 100% of CITIC Pacific, which in turn holds 100% of Master Wise. Master Wise holds 100% of Next Admiral. Accordingly, CITIC Group, CITIC Polaris, CITIC Glory, CITIC, CITIC Pacific and Master Wise are interested in the 204,800,000 shares in the Company held by Next Admiral.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2017, the Company had not been notified of any interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register of the Company required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO.

## CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

The Group had entered into a number of transactions with connected parties which, upon the listing of the shares of the Company on the Stock Exchange, became connected persons of the Company under the Listing Rules. On this basis, these transactions constitute continuing connected transactions under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. Details of the continuing connected transactions are as follows:

1. On 1 April 2005, VPower Holdings Limited ("**VH**") as lessee entered into a rental agreement ("**Rental Agreement**") with Orient Profit Investment Limited ("**Orient Profit**") as lessor to rent a residential property located at Flat D, G/F, Silver Crest, 75 Nga Tsin Wai Road, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong for a fixed annual rent of HK\$672,000 with a fixed term of ten years. On 1 April 2015, the Rental Agreement was renewed for three years with a fixed annual rent of HK\$960,000.

Orient Profit is wholly-owned by Ms. CHAN Mei Wan, a controlling shareholder of the Company. Hence, it is an associate of our controlling shareholder and a connected person of the Company.

The rental service provided by Orient Profit to VH under the Rental Agreement constitutes a continuing connected transaction of the Company which is exempted from the reporting, annual review, announcement and independent shareholders' approval requirement under Rule 14A.76(1) of the Listing Rules.

2. On 24 October 2016, the Company entered into a master supply agreement ("**Master Supply Agreement**") with Sharkteeth Investments Limited ("**Sharkteeth**"), pursuant to which the Group will sell and Sharkteeth and its subsidiaries will purchase parts or consumables for overhaul and maintenance services related to the VPower Technology Chad Limited (the "**VPower Technology Chad**") which is operating one distributed power generation station with an installed capacity of approximately 20MW in Chad (the "**Chad Project**") on a non-exclusive basis and normal commercial terms.

Sharkteeth is held by certain shareholders of the Company as to, namely, 57.6% by Mr. LAM Yee Chun, 19.2% by Ms. CHAN Mei Wan, 9.6% by Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason, 9.6% by Ms. TANG Wenjing, and 4.0% by CRRC (Hong Kong) Co. Limited. Hence, it is an associate of the controlling shareholders of the Company and a connected person of the Company.

The Master Supply Agreement constitutes a continuing connected transaction of the Company exempted from the reporting, annual review, announcement and independent shareholders' approval requirement under the Listing Rules.

### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Details of significant related party transactions undertaken in the normal course of business of the Group are provided under note 35 to the financial statements. None of these related party transactions constitutes a connected transaction as defined under the Listing Rules that is required to be disclosed, except for those described above in the paragraphs headed "Connected Transactions" in respect of which the disclosure requirements in accordance with Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules have been complied with.

### SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the directors, at least 25% (that is, the prescribed public float applicable to the Company as required under the Listing Rules) of the issued shares in the Company were held by the public as at the date of this report.

### DEED OF NON-COMPETITION

On 24 October 2016, a deed of non-competition entered into among Mr. LAM Yee Chun, Ms. CHAN Mei Wan, Sunpower Global Limited, Classic Legend Holdings Limited, Konwell Developments Limited and Energy Garden Limited (the "**Controlling Shareholders**"), Sharkteeth and the Company in favor of the Company (for itself and as trustee for other members of the Group), under which the Controlling Shareholders have undertaken to the Company that they will not, and will use their best endeavors to procure that none of their respective associates (other than members of the Group) will, directly or indirectly (including through any body corporate, partnership, joint venture or other contractual arrangement) or as principal or agent, either on their own account or with each other or in conjunction with or on behalf of any person, firm or company or through any entities (except in or through any members of the Group),

- carry on, engage, participate or hold any right or interest in or render any services to or otherwise be involved in any business which is in competition, directly or indirectly, with or is likely to be in competition, directly or indirectly, with the Business (as defined below) (the "**Restricted Business**"), whether as a shareholder, director, officer, partner, agent, lender, employee, consultant or otherwise; and
- take any action which interferes with or disrupts or may interfere with or disrupt the Business of the Group including, but not limited to, solicitation of any of the then current customers, suppliers or employees from any members of the Group.

For the purpose of the Deed of Non-competition, our "**Business**" is defined to cover:

- (a) the design, integration and sale of gas-fired and diesel-fired gen-sets and PGSSs; and
- (b) the design, investment in, building, leasing and operation of DPG stations.



The Deed of Non-competition does not apply to:

- (a) the carrying on, engagement or participation in the Excluded Business as set out in the paragraph of "Excluded Business" under the section headed "**RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDERS**" in the prospectus of the Company dated 14 November 2016 by Sharkteeth whether directly or indirectly through VPower Technology Chad;
- (b) the relevant Controlling Shareholder's holding in the shares of a company where:
  - the total number of shares held by the Controlling Shareholders does not exceed ten per cent. of the issued shares of such company which is or whose holding company is listed on a stock exchange; or
  - any Restricted Business conducted or engaged in by such company (and assets relating thereto) accounts for less than ten per cent. of its consolidated turnover or consolidated assets, as shown in its latest audited accounts; and
- (c) the Forgone Business Opportunity (as defined below) which the Company has confirmed that it does not intend to pursue.

The respective obligations of each of the Controlling Shareholders under the Deed of Non-competition shall terminate on the earliest of (i) the Shares cease to be listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange; and (ii) the Controlling Shareholders and their associates (other than members of the Group), individually or jointly, cease to hold or control, directly or indirectly, 30 per cent. or more of the entire issued share capital of the Company.

The Controlling Shareholders have further undertaken to procure that any new business investment or other business opportunity relating to the Business (the "**Business Opportunity**") identified by or made available to them or any of their associates, they shall and shall procure that their associates shall refer such Business Opportunity to the Company on a timely basis and in the following manner:

### Right to Acquire the Excluded Business and Forgone Business Opportunity from Controlling Shareholders

To eliminate any potential competition, the Controlling Shareholders has also granted the Company a right, which is exercisable during the term of the Deed of Non-competition, to acquire the Excluded Business and/or any Forgone Business Opportunity owned by the Controlling Shareholders:

- Upon Listing, the Company shall be entitled, but not obliged to, by serving notice to Sharkteeth, purchase all or part of the shares in VPower Technology Chad (the "**Chad Call Shares**") which are held by Sharkteeth (the "**Chad Call Option**") through itself or any member of the Group.
- The Company shall be entitled, but not obliged to, by serving notice to the relevant Controlling Shareholder, purchase all or part of the shares in the entity holding the Forgone Business Opportunity (the "**Other Call Shares**") which are held by the relevant Controlling Shareholder (the "**Other Call Option**") through itself or any member of the Group.

Given the Group has entered into the Project Income Agreement with VPower Technology Chad pursuant to which the Company will receive shared revenue from its project in Chad on a semi-annual basis and the Controlling Shareholders has committed to engage the Group to undertake the operation of the Forgone Business Opportunity through entering into servicing agreement with a member of the Group, the Company will be able to track the status and performance of these projects that are managed by the Company and will be in a position to determine whether such projects meet our investment criteria.

Our exercising of such acquisition right will be subject to the agreement on the terms and price to be negotiated by the parties in good faith and on arm's length basis, which may vary depending on the performance and potential of such projects. These acquisitions will also be subject to the compliance with the applicable laws and regulations (including but not limited to the Listing Rules). The Independent Board will be responsible for considering and determining whether and when to exercise our right of acquisition having regard to the interests of the Company and Shareholders as a whole.

- provide all information requested by the Company (or its auditors) which is necessary for an annual review by the Independent Non-Executive Directors of its compliance with the Deed of Non-competition and the enforcement of the same;
- procure the Company to disclose decisions on matters reviewed by the Independent Non-Executive Directors relating to the compliance and enforcement of the Deed of Non-competition either through the annual report, or by way of announcements to the public; and
- upon the request of the Company, provide a written confirmation in respect of its compliance and that of its associates with the non-competition undertakings under the Deed of Non-competition and consent to the inclusion of such confirmation in the Company's annual report.

The independent non-executive Directors have reviewed the status of compliance and confirmed that all the undertakings under the deed of non-competition have been complied with by the Controlling Shareholders and duly enforced since 24 November 2016 and up to date of this report.

## EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

- (i) On 29 January 2018, the Company and CITIC Pacific Limited ("**CITIC**"), through their respective subsidiaries, agreed to establish Tamar VPower Energy Fund I, L.P. ("**Fund**") with an investment objective of seeking long term capital appreciation by way of investments in companies or operating projects in the energy sector positioned to benefit from economic growth in the PRC, Central Asia, and Southeast Asia, and in markets encompassed by the Belt and Road Initiative of the PRC.

Tamar VPower Holdings Limited, indirectly owned as to 50% by each of the Company and CITIC, has a wholly-owned subsidiary to act as the general partner, the special limited partner and the management company, respectively, of the Fund. The Company has committed an aggregate of US\$80,000,000 (equivalent to HK\$624,000,000) to subscribe for interest of the Fund through its own indirect wholly-owned subsidiary and the special limited partner of the Fund.

Details of the Fund and the Company's capital commitments in the Fund are set out in the announcement of the Company dated 29 January 2018 and the clarification announcement of the Company dated 30 January 2018.

- (ii) During the year ended 31 December 2017, VPower Group Holdings Limited ("**VGH**"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company advanced to Genrent del Peru S.A.C. (the "**Project Company**") a loan in the total sum of US\$30,000,000 (equivalent to HK\$234,000,000) which may be convertible into equity capital of the Project Company. On 2 February 2018, VGH exercised the option to subscribe for 51% of the equity interest in the Project Company at the exercise consideration of US\$4,600,000 (equivalent to HK\$35,880,000) and which was satisfied by way of set-off against the same amount of the outstanding convertible loan advanced by VGH to the Project Company. Following the option exercise, the Project Company has become a 51%-owned subsidiary of the Company.

On 2 February 2018, the Project Company completed issuance to institutional investors in the United States of America 19-year unlisted secured senior notes with the principal amount of USD106,500,000 (equivalent to HK\$830,700,000) (the "**Senior Notes**") to fund, among other things, the repayment of existing bank and other loans, the working capital requirements of the distributed power generation project of the Project Company. The Senior Notes are non-recourse and secured by a first priority security interest in the assets of Project Company and the entire equity interest in the Project Company held by its shareholders including VGH.

Details of the option exercise and the issuance of the Senior Notes by the Project Company are set out in the announcement of the Company dated 5 February 2018.

### ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE REPORT

The Company is preparing an environment, social and governance report (the "**ESG Report**") in accordance with the Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide published by the Stock Exchange and is expected to be published on or before 31 July 2018.

### AUDITOR

Ernst & Young, the auditor of the Company, will retire at the conclusion of the 2018 AGM and being eligible to offer themselves for re-appointment. A resolution to re-appoint Ernst & Young as auditor of the Company and to authorize the directors of the Company to fix its' remuneration will be proposed at the 2018 AGM.

By Order of the Board

**LAM Yee Chun**

*Executive Chairman*

Hong Kong, 26 March 2018

## RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

An Enterprise Risk Management framework is in place to assess, mitigate, monitor key business, investment, financial, operational and compliance risks effectively. The framework enables us to adopt a systematic approach to identifying and managing risks across the organization, and to evaluating risk severity and likelihood of occurrence.

## STRUCTURE

Management is committed to fostering a risk aware and control conscious environment. Responsibility for risk management resides at all levels within the Group. The Board oversees the overall management of risks. Internal Audit assists the Board and Audit Committee to review and monitor key risks. Operating units are responsible for the identification and management of risks in their operations and a comprehensive approach is adopted for enterprise wide risk.

## RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS

The risk management process is embedded into our day-to-day activities and is an ongoing process that flows through the organization.

When performing risk identification, we consider political, economic, social, technological, environmental, regulations and our stakeholders' expectations. Risks are grouped into different categories and each risk identified is analyzed on the basis of probability and impact. Action plans are in place to manage risks. The risk assessment process also includes a review of the control mechanisms for each risk. A group risk register is compiled, updated and monitored on an ongoing basis.

A risk management report that highlights key risks and action plans will be presented to the Audit Committee and the Board per half-yearly. Significant changes in key risks are handled and reported to management.

Fundamental to the achievement of our business goals is how we can effectively manage existing and emerging risks in different political, economic and social environments. The Company manage risks arising from its changing business environment. These risk factors are not exhaustive or comprehensive, and there may be other risks in addition to those shown below which may not be material now but could become material in future.



Key risks currently being managed include:

### RISK CATEGORY: STRATEGIC RISKS

RISK AREA	EXAMPLES OF MITIGATING MEASURES
<p><b>Our IBO contracts are of short- to medium-term in nature.</b> Such as contract length of 5 years or less, there is no guarantee that all IBO contracts can be renewed successfully.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to pursue longer term IBO contracts within the industry;</li> <li>Expand market share to redeploy resources to another place.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Limited number of ultimate off-takers for IBO business.</b> Off-takers may encounter financial difficulties, political difficulties or reduce the price at which it purchases electricity.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diversify to different market.</li> </ul>

### RISK CATEGORY: OPERATIONAL & HUMAN RESOURCES RISKS

RISK AREA	EXAMPLES OF MITIGATING MEASURES
<p><b>Loss of Physical Power Plant assets due to disaster or political unrest.</b> Our operations in Indonesia, Bangladesh, Myanmar, and other countries are at significant risk for natural disasters or political unrest.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure comprehensive insurance coverage over disaster and political unrest.</li> </ul>
<p><b>A prolonged loss of key staff</b> may affect the operation of the company which in turn jeopardize the profit of the company.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Succession planning for key positions;</li> <li>Review on our compensation policy regularly.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Slow emergency situation response.</b> Operation may come across different emergency situation (such as fire, machine failure etc.). Slow response may adversely affect our operation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure proper implementation of Power Plant Emergency Reaction System.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Gen-sets or PGSS may be damaged</b> during shipping, course of transportation, installation or commissioning or for other reasons.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acquire different types of insurances to cover the damage/loss;</li> <li>Training the awareness of power plant staff for handling the lifting and erection process.</li> </ul>

**RISK CATEGORY: FINANCE, REGULATORY & COMPLIANCE RISKS**

RISK AREA	EXAMPLES OF MITIGATING MEASURES
<p><b>Currency fluctuations in Emerging Markets &amp; PRC may adversely affect our revenues and costs</b> as we have operations in multiple jurisdictions using different currencies. This may expose to transaction and translation (exchange rate) risks.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investment committee adopt the hedging policy and regularly review the macroeconomic environment which affect the currency fluctuation;</li> <li>• Hedge currency exposures in line with the group treasury and capital management policy;</li> <li>• Natural hedge by matching currency of revenue, cost and debt;</li> <li>• Enter into Currency Forward Contract and Currency Option.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Tax risks relating to multinational operations, including policies to ensure compliance with overseas tax laws by the local partner.</b> For DPG stations, inter-mediate off-takers agreed to indemnify us for any tax liability.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engage an external consultant to perform tax planning review in new market;</li> <li>• Finance department perform ongoing assessment and monitoring.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Failure by customers to make payment to us or payment disputes or delays occur.</b> Trade receivable days increased due to growth of IBO business relative to System Integration ("SI") business and IBO business experiences a less regular settlement pattern and relatively longer credit terms.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diversification to different markets, continue with existing risk mitigation strategies;</li> <li>• Strengthen the process of billing and collection.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Failure to comply with Financial and other covenants, under loan agreements, financial conditions, results of operations and business prospects may be materially and adversely affected.</b> In case of default under these terms, creditors terminate commitments to lend, accelerate the indebtedness.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor bank borrowings and perform covenant testing.</li> </ul>

### RISK CATEGORY: BUSINESS & MARKET RISK

RISK AREA	EXAMPLES OF MITIGATING MEASURES
<p><b>Volatility and fluctuations of gas and diesel suppliers and prices may adversely affect the demand for gen-sets, PGS and DPG stations.</b></p> <p>Significant increase in gas and diesel prices may render gen-sets, PGSs and DPG stations less attractive, affecting profitability.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore generation by various forms, including bio-gas, HFO, LNG, and renewable fuel source.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Face significant competition in gas-fired DPG industry and broader power generation industry.</b> For SI business, competitors include other manufacturers of engine or gen-sets. For IBO, competitors include utilities or DPG stations generating power from fossil fuels and renewable energy.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Penetrating new markets and working with new partners. Carry out merger and acquisition for new market share and strengthening supply chain.</li> </ul>

### RISK CATEGORY: INVESTMENT RISK

RISK AREA	EXAMPLES OF MITIGATING MEASURES
<p><b>Potential over-paying in acquiring assets or companies as part of our strategic initiatives.</b> Decisions to acquire or develop assets could turn out in hindsight to be incorrect, or could be adversely affected by unexpected external factors, leading to financial loss.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select targets with strong strategic and operational background;</li> <li>Perform detailed financial modeling and analysis;</li> <li>Wherever possible and appropriate, structure and execute a deal with a strong partner;</li> <li>Perform rigorous due diligence;</li> <li>Decision made after getting consensus by investment committee.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Potential integration on risk after an acquisition.</b> Decisions to acquire or develop assets could turn out in hindsight to be incorrect, or could be adversely affected by unexpected external factors, leading to financial loss.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Structure a deal for easier implementation and integration;</li> <li>Carry out post-deal closing;</li> <li>Devise and implement detailed integration plan immediately after a deal.</li> </ul>

The Internal Audit Department reports to the Audit Committee, and provides independent assurance as to the existence and effectiveness of the risk management activities and controls in the operations of the Group. Quarterly follow-up review is performed by internal audit and remediation status for risks identified are communicated to the senior management and reported to the Audit Committee. A review of the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems has been conducted and the Company considers them effective and adequate.



## TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF VPOWER GROUP INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED (Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

### OPINION

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of VPower Group International Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") set out on pages 80 to 164, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2017, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2017, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

### BASIS FOR OPINION

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

### KEY AUDIT MATTERS

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

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

## KEY AUDIT MATTERS (CONTINUED)

### Key audit matter

### How our audit addressed the key audit matter

#### *Revenue recognition of engine-based electricity generation units and spare parts*

During the year, the Group recognised revenue of approximately HK\$37.3 million, representing 2% of the total revenue of the Group, for the sales of engine-based electricity generation units and spare parts (the "Inventory Sale Transactions") to an independent third party, which was a sub-contractor of an engineering, procurement and construction contractor (the "EPC Contractor") of the Group for the construction of certain power stations. Upon completion of the construction of the power stations, the EPC Contractor would transfer the power stations (including the power generation assets) (the "PPE Purchase Transactions") to the Group and the Group would recognise such power stations in accordance with the accounting policy for property, plant and equipment and depreciation.

The determination of revenue recognition for the Inventory Sale Transactions is significant to our audit due to (i) the significance of the amount of the transactions; and (ii) the significant judgement made by management to determine that the above transactions were not linked transactions and the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the engine-based electricity generation units and spare parts had been transferred to the sub-contractor and hence the recognition criteria for the related revenue were met.

The Group's accounting policies and disclosures of accounting judgement on revenue recognition of engine-based electricity generation units and spare parts are included in notes 2.5 and 3 to the consolidated financial statements, respectively.

We assessed the revenue recognition for the Inventory Sale Transactions by (i) examining the terms of the Inventory Sale Transactions and the PPE Purchase Transactions (e.g. payment terms, rights of return, etc.); (ii) evaluating whether the Group has transferred to the sub-contractor of the EPC Contractor the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the inventories by reference to the rights and obligations of the parties to the contracts; and (iii) assessing whether the Group retained continuing involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership or effective control over the goods sold by sample checking the delivery documents and referencing to the terms of the contracts.



**KEY AUDIT MATTERS (CONTINUED)****Key audit matter****How our audit addressed the key audit matter***Impairment assessment of trade and bills receivables*

As at 31 December 2017, the carrying amount of trade and bills receivables was HK\$780.9 million and represented 13% of the Group's total assets. Impairment assessment of trade and bills receivables is performed by management when there are indicators of impairment by considering factors such as the probability of insolvency or significant financial difficulties of debtors and default or significant delay in payments.

The impairment assessment is significant to our audit due to (i) the significance of the carrying amounts; and (ii) significant estimates involved in determining the future cash flows from such receivables based on, among others, ageing of these receivable balances, customers' and debtors' creditworthiness, past repayment history and historical write-off experience.

The Group's accounting policies and disclosures of accounting estimates on impairment assessment of loans and receivables and impairment of trade and bills receivables are included in notes 2.5, 3 and 16 to the consolidated financial statements, respectively.

We assessed management's impairment assessment by (i) sample checking the ageing of the receivable balances, past repayment history and historical write-off experience; and assessing customers' and debtors' creditworthiness by reference to their financial information and project plans, where appropriate; (ii) considering whether any debtor or group of debtors was experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; and (iii) reviewing subsequent settlements of the trade and bills receivables.

## KEY AUDIT MATTERS (CONTINUED)

### Key audit matter

### How our audit addressed the key audit matter

#### *Assessment of net realisable value of inventories*

The Group holds significant amount of inventories for its system integration and investment, building and operating segments. As at 31 December 2017, the carrying amount of inventories was HK\$712.5 million and represented 12% of the Group's total assets. Assessment of net realisable value of inventories is performed by management with reference to aged analysis of the Group's inventories, projections of expected future saleability/usability of inventories and management experience and judgement.

The impairment assessment is significant to our audit due to (i) the significance of the carrying amount; and (ii) significant judgements and estimates involved in determining the net realisable values with reference to, amongst others, expectation of future saleability/usability and estimated future cash flows from the sales/utilisation of inventories.

The Group's accounting policies, disclosures of assessment of net realisable value of inventories and write-down of inventories to net realisable value are included in notes 2.5, 3 and 7 to the consolidated financial statements, respectively.

We assessed management's assessment of net realisable value of inventories by (i) test checking the ageing of its inventories balances and past sales/utilisation history; (ii) comparing the estimated selling prices and estimated selling costs to the historical data; and (iii) reviewing subsequent sales/utilisation of inventories.

**KEY AUDIT MATTERS (CONTINUED)****Key audit matter****How our audit addressed the key audit matter***Valuation of derivative financial instrument*

The Group held an option contract to subscribe for equity interest in a company holding a power generation project, which was measured at fair value and valued at HK\$90.4 million as at 31 December 2017. The Group engaged an independent external valuer to perform the fair value estimation.

The fair value estimation is significant to our audit due to (i) the significance of the amount; and (ii) the inherently subjective valuation process involved, which is dependent on a number of estimates, including, among others, estimated future cash flows of the underlying power generation project, discount rate, volatility and interest rate.

The Group's accounting policies, disclosures of accounting estimates on fair value measurement and fair value hierarchy of derivative financial instrument are included in notes 2.5, 3 and 37 to the consolidated financial statements, respectively.

With the assistance from our internal valuation specialists, we evaluated the valuation methodologies and assumptions adopted by the external valuer in the valuation of derivative financial instrument by (i) examining the terms of the financial instrument and the relevant agreements; (ii) assessing the assumptions used in the discounted cash flow projections of the underlying power generation project, including, among others, estimated selling price and estimated operation and maintenance expenses by checking to the power generation contract and historical operating performance; and (iii) benchmarking the key parameters, such as discount rate, volatility and interest rate, against market data.

In addition, we considered the independence, objectivity and competence of the external valuer engaged by management. We also assessed the adequacy of disclosures of fair value measurement of derivative financial instrument.

**OTHER INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT**

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

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

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

### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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

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

The directors of the Company are assisted by the Audit Committee in discharging their responsibilities for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Our report is made solely to you, as a body, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.

**AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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

We also provide the Audit Committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

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

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Leung, Chi Kit.

**Ernst & Young**

*Certified Public Accountants*

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Central, Hong Kong

26 March 2018



# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

Year ended 31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
REVENUE	5	<b>1,746,016</b>	1,531,011
Cost of sales		<b>(1,169,189)</b>	(1,033,197)
Gross profit		<b>576,827</b>	497,814
Other income and gains	5	<b>190,246</b>	53,997
Selling and distribution expenses		<b>(29,091)</b>	(23,973)
Administrative expenses		<b>(205,031)</b>	(201,401)
Other expenses, net		<b>(98,620)</b>	(4,463)
Finance costs	6	<b>(76,999)</b>	(68,836)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	7	<b>357,332</b>	253,138
Income tax expense	10	<b>(26,014)</b>	(31,125)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		<b>331,318</b>	222,013
Attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		<b>331,924</b>	222,013
Non-controlling interests		<b>(606)</b>	–
		<b>331,318</b>	222,013
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY	12		
Basic		<b>HK12.99 cents</b>	HK10.79 cents
Diluted		<b>HK12.98 cents</b>	HK10.79 cents

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year ended 31 December 2017

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	<b>331,318</b>	222,013
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS)		
Other comprehensive income/(loss) to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:		
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	<b>16,913</b>	(11,137)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR, NET OF TAX	<b>16,913</b>	(11,137)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	<b>348,231</b>	210,876
Attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	<b>348,825</b>	210,876
Non-controlling interests	<b>(594)</b>	—
	<b>348,231</b>	210,876

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	13	<b>2,189,082</b>	1,930,933
Investment property	14	—	19,000
Deposits and other receivables	17	<b>608,597</b>	11,039
Deferred tax assets	26	<b>5,329</b>	5,965
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>2,803,008</b>	1,966,937
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Inventories	15	<b>712,451</b>	545,810
Trade and bills receivables	16	<b>780,898</b>	708,206
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	17	<b>314,838</b>	102,496
Due from related companies	18	<b>96</b>	6,519
Derivative financial instrument	19	<b>90,386</b>	—
Tax recoverable		<b>25,669</b>	12,438
Pledged deposits	20	<b>165,759</b>	290,945
Cash and cash equivalents	20	<b>1,033,502</b>	1,392,009
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>3,123,599</b>	3,058,423
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and bills payables	21	<b>904,075</b>	408,398
Other payables and accruals	22	<b>832,025</b>	556,304
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	23	<b>532,392</b>	716,588
Tax payable		<b>17,808</b>	26,165
Provision for restoration	25	<b>3,672</b>	1,420
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>2,289,972</b>	1,708,875
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>833,627</b>	1,349,548
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>3,636,635</b>	3,316,485

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Other payables	22	<b>311,046</b>	726,800
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	23	<b>856,651</b>	321,962
Provision for restoration	25	<b>2,330</b>	1,715
Deferred tax liabilities	26	<b>5,886</b>	3,758
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>1,175,913</b>	1,054,235
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>2,460,722</b>	2,262,250
<b>EQUITY</b>			
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the Company</b>			
Share capital	27	<b>256,159</b>	256,000
Reserves	30	<b>2,205,157</b>	2,006,250
<b>Non-controlling interests</b>		<b>2,461,316</b> <b>(594)</b>	2,262,250 —
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>2,460,722</b>	2,262,250

**Lam Yee Chun**  
Director

**Au-Yeung Tai Hong Rorce**  
Director

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year ended 31 December 2017

Notes	Attributable to owners of the Company													Total equity HK\$'000
	Share capital HK\$'000	Share premium account HK\$'000	Merger reserve HK\$'000 (note 30(a))	Capital reserve HK\$'000 (note 30(b))	Share option reserve HK\$'000 (note 30(c))	Shares held under the share award scheme HK\$'000 (note 29)	Asset revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Statutory reserve funds HK\$'000 (note 30(d))	Exchange fluctuation reserve HK\$'000 (note 30(e))	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total K\$'000	Non-controlling interests HK\$'000		
At 1 January 2016	–	–	313,437	18,854	–	–	15,999	10,556	4,220	176,429	539,495	–	539,495	
Profit for the year	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	222,013	222,013	–	222,013	
Other comprehensive loss for the year:														
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(11,137)	–	(11,137)	–	(11,137)	
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(11,137)	222,013	210,876	–	210,876	
Issue of shares pursuant to the Reorganisation	27	200,000	– (328,895)	128,895	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	
Issue of shares under initial public offering	27	56,000	1,556,800	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1,612,800	–	1,612,800	
Share issue expenses		–	(51,715)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(51,715)	–	(51,715)	
Equity-settled share option arrangement	28	–	–	–	796	–	–	–	–	–	796	–	796	
Interim 2016 dividend	11	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(50,002)	(50,002)	–	(50,002)	
At 31 December 2016 and at 1 January 2017		<b>256,000</b>	<b>1,505,085</b>	<b>(15,458)</b>	<b>147,749</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>15,999</b>	<b>10,556</b>	<b>(6,917)</b>	<b>348,440</b>	<b>2,262,250</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>2,262,250</b>	
Profit for the year		–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	331,924	331,924	(606)	331,318	
Other comprehensive income for the year:														
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		–	–	–	–	–	–	–	16,901	–	16,901	12	16,913	
Total comprehensive income for the year		–	–	–	–	–	–	–	16,901	331,924	348,825	(594)	348,231	
Issue of shares upon exercise of share options	27	159	4,957	–	–	(1,903)	–	–	–	–	3,213	–	3,213	
Equity-settled share option arrangement	28	–	–	–	–	4,502	–	–	–	–	4,502	–	4,502	
Purchases of shares for the share award scheme	29	–	–	–	–	(54,171)	–	–	–	–	(54,171)	–	(54,171)	
Transfer to statutory reserve funds		–	–	–	–	–	–	6,036	–	(6,036)	–	–	–	
Final 2016 dividend	11	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(65,792)	(65,792)	–	(65,792)	
Interim 2017 dividend	11	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(37,511)	(37,511)	–	(37,511)	
At 31 December 2017		<b>256,159</b>	<b>1,510,042*</b>	<b>(15,458)*</b>	<b>147,749*</b>	<b>3,395*</b>	<b>(54,171)*</b>	<b>15,999*</b>	<b>16,592*</b>	<b>9,984*</b>	<b>571,025*</b>	<b>2,461,316</b>	<b>(594)</b>	<b>2,460,722</b>

\* These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of HK\$2,205,157,000 (2016: HK\$2,006,250,000) in the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2017.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended 31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Profit before tax		<b>357,332</b>	253,138
Adjustments for:			
Finance costs	6	<b>76,999</b>	68,836
Bank interest income	5	<b>(8,307)</b>	(2,128)
Loan interest income	5	<b>(16,601)</b>	(201)
Other interest income	5	–	(2,252)
Sales deposits forfeited	5	–	(4,597)
Fair value gain on derivative financial instrument	5	<b>(90,386)</b>	(114)
Gain on debt extinguishment	5	<b>(49,605)</b>	–
Gain on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment, net	5	<b>(1)</b>	(1)
Depreciation	7	<b>168,294</b>	115,451
Fair value loss/(gain) on an investment property	7	<b>(4,400)</b>	600
Impairment of trade receivables	7	<b>8,542</b>	–
Reversal of impairment of trade receivables	7	<b>(489)</b>	(818)
Write-off of items of property, plant and equipment	7	–	844
Write-down of inventories to net realisable value	7	<b>2,481</b>	3,139
Equity-settled share option expense	7, 28	<b>4,502</b>	796
		<b>448,361</b>	432,693
Decrease/(increase) in inventories		<b>(164,049)</b>	8,351
Decrease/(increase) in trade and bills receivables		<b>(74,197)</b>	7,363
Decrease/(increase) in prepayments, deposits and other receivables		<b>(71,279)</b>	1,424
Increase/(decrease) in trade and bills payables		<b>488,986</b>	(344,722)
Increase in other payables and accruals		<b>44,536</b>	44,010
Cash generated from operations		<b>672,358</b>	149,119
Interest element of finance lease rental payments		<b>(17)</b>	(4)
Hong Kong profits tax paid		<b>(29,862)</b>	(5,799)
Overseas taxes paid		<b>(15,690)</b>	(15,153)
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities</b>		<b>626,789</b>	128,163



# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended 31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Interest received		<b>8,786</b>	1,536
Purchases of items of property, plant and equipment		<b>(628,369)</b>	(337,386)
Increase in deposits paid for purchases of property, plant and equipment		<b>(453,495)</b>	–
Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment		<b>6</b>	1
Advance of loans to business partners		<b>(214,450)</b>	(77,500)
Decrease/(increase) in pledged deposits		<b>126,106</b>	(160,899)
Decrease in amounts due from related companies		<b>6,423</b>	22,799
<b>Net cash flows used in investing activities</b>		<b>(1,154,993)</b>	(551,449)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Proceeds from issue of shares	27	<b>3,213</b>	1,612,800
Share issue expenses		–	(51,715)
Purchases of shares for the share award scheme	29	<b>(54,171)</b>	–
New bank borrowings, net of debt establishment costs		<b>1,829,502</b>	1,672,566
Repayment of bank borrowings		<b>(1,428,852)</b>	(1,601,565)
Repayment of other borrowings		<b>(48,050)</b>	–
Capital element of finance lease rental payments		<b>(189)</b>	(36)
Repayment to a director		–	(6,138)
Dividends paid		<b>(103,303)</b>	(50,002)
Interest paid		<b>(34,560)</b>	(45,878)
<b>Net cash flows from financing activities</b>		<b>163,590</b>	1,530,032
<b>NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		<b>1,392,009</b>	286,874
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net		<b>6,107</b>	(1,611)
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR</b>		<b>1,033,502</b>	1,392,009
<b>ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>			
Cash and bank balances		<b>781,913</b>	515,889
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of less than three months when acquired		<b>251,589</b>	876,120
		<b>1,033,502</b>	1,392,009

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 2017

## 1. CORPORATE AND GROUP INFORMATION

VPower Group International Holdings Limited is a limited liability company incorporated in the Cayman Islands. The principal place of business of the Company is located at Units 2019–25, 20/F., Tower 1, Metroplaza, 223 Hing Fong Road, Kwai Chung, New Territories, Hong Kong.

During the year, the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the “Group”) were principally engaged in the design, integration, sale and installation of engine-based electricity generation units and the provision of distributive power solutions, including the design, investment in, building, lease and operation of distributive power generation stations.

In the opinion of the directors, the immediate holding company of the Company is Energy Garden Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, and the ultimate holding company of the Company is Sunpower Global Limited, a company also incorporated in the British Virgin Islands.

The shares of the Company were listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”) on 24 November 2016 (the “Listing”).

### Information about subsidiaries

Particulars of the Company’s subsidiaries are as follows:

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			2017	2016	
Crest Pacific Investments Limited (“Crest Pacific”)*	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	US\$1,076	100	100	Investment holding
VPower Engineering (China) Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000,000	100	100	Investment holding and trading of engines and components
VPower Technology Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$400,000	100	100	Trading of engines and components, and sale and installation of power generation systems

**1. CORPORATE AND GROUP INFORMATION (CONTINUED)**

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			2017	2016	
VPower Holdings Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$1,000,000	100	100	Trading of engines and components, and sale and installation of power generation systems
偉能機電設備(深圳)有限公司*#	People's Republic of China ("PRC")/ Mainland China	HK\$70,000,000	100	100	Manufacture of power generation systems
VPower Group Holdings Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000	100	100	Investment holding and provision of distributive power solutions
VPower Operation and Services Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$1	100	100	Provision of management services
PT. VPower Operation Services*~	Indonesia	Indonesian Rupiah ("IDR") 5,050,000,000	100	—	Provision of distributive power solutions
Wealthy Vast Limited^	Hong Kong	HK\$1	100	—	Property holding
偉能新能源科技(臨沂)有限公司*#^	PRC/Mainland China	US\$5,000,000&	100	—	Provision of distributive power solutions
VPower Telemenia Spe Ltda*^	Brazil	Brazilian Reais 100,000®	51	—	Provision of distributive power solutions

## 1. CORPORATE AND GROUP INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

- \* The statutory financial statements of these subsidiaries are not audited by Ernst & Young, Hong Kong or another member firm of the Ernst & Young global network.
- \* These subsidiaries are registered as wholly-foreign-owned enterprises under PRC law.
- ^ These subsidiaries were newly incorporated/established during the year.
- ˘ 5% equity interest of this subsidiary is held on trust by an employee on behalf of the Group. In the opinion of the directors, the Group obtains 100% control over this subsidiary. Accordingly, this subsidiary is accounted for as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group.
- & As at 31 December 2017, the paid up share capital of this subsidiary was US\$4,250,000.
- © As at 31 December 2017, the share capital of this subsidiary was not paid up.

Except for Crest Pacific, the above subsidiaries are indirectly held by the Company.

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

### 2.1 REORGANISATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Pursuant to the reorganisation of the Company in connection with the Listing (the "Reorganisation"), the Company became the holding company of the companies now comprising the Group on 1 September 2016. The companies now comprising the Group were under the common control of Mr. Lam Yee Chun and Ms. Chan Mei Wan (the "Controlling Shareholders") before and after the Reorganisation. Accordingly, these financial statements have been prepared by applying the principles of merger accounting as if the Reorganisation had been completed at the beginning of the earliest period presented. Details of the Reorganisation are set out in the paragraphs headed "Reorganization" in the section headed "History, Reorganization and Corporate Structure" in the prospectus of the Company dated 14 November 2016.

The consolidated statement of profit or loss, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows of the Group include the results and cash flows of all companies now comprising the Group from the earliest date presented or since the date when the subsidiaries and/or businesses first came under the common control of the Controlling Shareholders, where this is a shorter period.

### 2.2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which include all Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investment property and derivative financial instrument which have been measured at fair value. These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$") and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand except when otherwise indicated.

## 2.2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONTINUED)

### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2017. A subsidiary is an entity (including a structured entity), directly or indirectly, controlled by the Company. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee (i.e., existing rights that give the Group the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee).

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

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

The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as the Company, using consistent accounting policies. The results of subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

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

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

## 2.3 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

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

Amendments to HKAS 7	<i>Disclosure Initiative</i>
Amendments to HKAS 12	<i>Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses</i>
Amendments to HKFRS 12 included in <i>Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2014-2016 Cycle</i>	<i>Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities: Clarification of the Scope of HKFRS 12</i>

Other than as explained below regarding the impact of amendments to HKAS 7, the adoption of the above revised standards has had no significant financial effect on these financial statements.

## 2.3 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

The nature and the impact of the amendments are described below:

Amendments to HKAS 7 require an entity to provide disclosures that enable users of financial statements to evaluate changes in liabilities arising from financing activities, including both changes arising from cash flows and non-cash changes. Disclosure of the changes in liabilities arising from financing activities is provided in note 31 to the financial statements.

In accordance with HKAS 16 *Property, Plant and Equipment*, land and buildings can either be accounted for using the cost model or the revaluation model after initial recognition. The Group accounted for its land and buildings using the revaluation model in previous years. With effect from 1 January 2017, the Group accounted for its land and buildings using the cost model because cost model is a more common accounting practice adopted by market players. In the opinion of the directors, this change in accounting policy enables the financial statements to provide reliable and more relevant information about the financial performance and financial position of the Group.

As a result of the adoption of the cost model under HKAS 16, the Group has changed its accounting policy to state its land and buildings at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. This change in accounting policy has been applied retrospectively and has had no significant impact on the financial position or financial performance of the Group in the prior periods.

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

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

Amendments to HKFRS 2	<i>Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions</i> <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to HKFRS 4	<i>Applying HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments with HKFRS 4 Insurance Contracts</i> <sup>1</sup>
HKFRS 9	<i>Financial Instruments</i> <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to HKFRS 9	<i>Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation</i> <sup>2</sup>
Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28 (2011)	<i>Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture</i> <sup>4</sup>
HKFRS 15	<i>Revenue from Contracts with Customers</i> <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to HKFRS 15	<i>Clarifications to HKFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers</i> <sup>1</sup>
HKFRS 16	<i>Leases</i> <sup>2</sup>
HKFRS 17	<i>Insurance Contracts</i> <sup>3</sup>
Amendments to HKAS 28	<i>Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures</i> <sup>2</sup>
Amendments to HKAS 40	<i>Transfers of Investment Property</i> <sup>1</sup>
HK(IFRIC)-Int 22	<i>Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration</i> <sup>1</sup>
HK(IFRIC)-Int 23	<i>Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments</i> <sup>2</sup>
<i>Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2014-2016 Cycle</i>	Amendments to HKFRS 1 and HKAS 28 <sup>1</sup>
<i>Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2015-2017 Cycle</i>	Amendments to a number of HKFRSs and HKASs <sup>2</sup>



## 2.4 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

- <sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018
- <sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019
- <sup>3</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021
- <sup>4</sup> No mandatory effective date yet determined but available for adoption

Further information about those HKFRSs that are expected to be applicable to the Group is described below. Of those standards, HKFRS 9 and HKFRS 15 will be applicable for the Group's financial year ending 31 December 2018 and are expected to have certain impact upon adoption. Whilst management has performed an assessment of the estimated impacts of these standards, that assessment is based on the information currently available to the Group. The actual impacts upon adoption could be different to those below, depending on additional reasonable and supportable information being made available to the Group at the time of applying the standards.

The HKICPA issued amendments to HKFRS 2 in August 2016 that address three main areas: the effects of vesting conditions on the measurement of a cash-settled share-based payment transaction; the classification of a share-based payment transaction with net settlement features for withholding a certain amount in order to meet an employee's tax obligation associated with the share-based payment; and accounting where a modification to the terms and conditions of a share-based payment transaction changes its classification from cash-settled to equity-settled. The amendments clarify that the approach used to account for vesting conditions when measuring equity-settled share-based payments also applies to cash-settled share-based payments. The amendments introduce an exception so that a share-based payment transaction with net share settlement features for withholding a certain amount in order to meet the employee's tax obligation is classified in its entirety as an equity-settled share-based payment transaction when certain conditions are met. Furthermore, the amendments clarify that if the terms and conditions of a cash-settled share-based payment transaction are modified, with the result that it becomes an equity-settled share-based payment transaction, the transaction is accounted for as an equity-settled transaction from the date of the modification. On adoption, entities are required to apply the amendments without restating prior periods, but retrospective application is permitted if they elect to adopt for all three amendments and other criteria are met. The Group will adopt the amendments from 1 January 2018. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

In September 2014, the HKICPA issued the final version of HKFRS 9, bringing together all phases of the financial instruments project to replace HKAS 39 and all previous versions of HKFRS 9. The standard introduces new requirements for classification and measurement, impairment and hedge accounting. The Group will adopt HKFRS 9 from 1 January 2018. The Group will not restate comparative information and will recognise any transition adjustments against the opening balance of equity at 1 January 2018. During 2017, the Group has performed an assessment of the impact of the adoption of HKFRS 9. The expected impacts relate to the classification and measurement and the impairment requirements and are summarised as follows:

### (a) Classification and measurement

Upon adoption of HKFRS 9, the classification and measurement of financial assets depends on two assessments: the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the entity's business model for managing the financial asset. Embedded derivatives will no longer be separated from a host financial asset.

## 2.4 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

### (b) Impairment

HKFRS 9 requires an impairment on debt instruments recorded at amortised cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income, lease receivables, loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts that are not accounted for at fair value through profit or loss under HKFRS 9, to be recorded based on an expected credit loss model either on a twelve-month basis or a lifetime basis. The Group will apply the simplified approach and record lifetime expected losses that are estimated based on the present values of all cash shortfalls over the remaining life of all of its trade receivables. Furthermore, the Group will apply the general approach and record twelve-month expected credit losses that are estimated based on the possible default events on its other receivables within the next twelve months. The Group has determined that, due to the unsecured nature of its trade and other receivables, the provision for impairment may increase upon the initial adoption of the standard.

HKFRS 15, issued in July 2014, establishes a new five-step model to account for revenue arising from contracts with customers. Under HKFRS 15, revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer. The principles in HKFRS 15 provide a more structured approach for measuring and recognising revenue. The standard also introduces extensive qualitative and quantitative disclosure requirements, including disaggregation of total revenue, information about performance obligations, changes in contract asset and liability account balances between periods and key judgements and estimates. The standard will supersede all current revenue recognition requirements under HKFRSs. Either a full retrospective application or a modified retrospective adoption is required on the initial application of the standard. In June 2016, the HKICPA issued amendments to HKFRS 15 to address the implementation issues on identifying performance obligations, application guidance on principal versus agent and licences of intellectual property, and transition. The amendments are also intended to help ensure a more consistent application when entities adopt HKFRS 15 and decrease the cost and complexity of applying the standard. The Group plans to adopt the transitional provisions in HKFRS 15 to recognise the cumulative effect of initial adoption as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained profits at 1 January 2018. In addition, the Group plans to apply the new requirements only to contracts that are not completed before 1 January 2018. The Group expects that the transitional adjustment to be made on 1 January 2018 upon initial adoption of HKFRS 15 may not be material. However, the expected changes in accounting policies, as further explained below, may have a material impact on the Group's financial statements from 2018 onwards. During 2017, the Group has performed an assessment on the impact of the adoption of HKFRS 15.

## 2.4 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

The Group's principal activities consist of the design, integration, sale and installation of engine-based electricity generation units and the provision of distributive power solutions, including the design, investment in, building, lease and operation of distributive power generation stations. The expected impacts arising from the adoption of HKFRS 15 on the Group are summarised as follows:

### (a) Design, integration, sale and installation of engine-based electricity generation units

The Group provides installation services for the sale of certain engine-based electricity generation units. Currently, when installation services are bundled together with the sale of engine-based electricity generation units, revenue from the sale of engine-based electricity generation units is recognised after the installation services are completed. Upon the adoption of HKFRS 15, revenue from the sale of engine-based electricity generation units will be recognised at a point in time when transfer of control of the asset to the customer is taken place upon delivery of the goods. The Group has also preliminarily assessed that certain distinctive installation services bundled together with the sale of engine-based electricity generation units may be considered as a separate performance obligation under HKFRS 15. The Group expects that the adoption of HKFRS 15 may not have a significant impact on the revenue recognition of the sale and installation of engine-based electricity generation units.

### (b) Presentation and disclosure

The presentation and disclosure requirements in HKFRS 15 are more detailed than those under the current HKAS 18. The presentation requirements represent a significant change from current practice and will significantly increase the volume of disclosures required in the Group's financial statements. Many of the disclosure requirements in HKFRS 15 are new and the Group has assessed that the impact of some of these disclosure requirements will be significant. In particular, the Group expects that the notes to the financial statements will be expanded because of the disclosure of significant judgements made on determining the transaction prices of those contracts that include variable consideration, how the transaction prices have been allocated to the performance obligations, and the assumptions made to estimate the stand-alone selling price of each performance obligation. In addition, as required by HKFRS 15, the Group will disaggregate revenue recognised from contracts with customers into categories that depict how the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows are affected by economic factors. It will also disclose information about the relationship between the disclosure of disaggregated revenue and revenue information disclosed for each reportable segment.

## 2.4 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

HKFRS 16, issued in May 2016, replaces HKAS 17 *Leases*, HK(IFRIC)-Int 4 *Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease*, HK(SIC)-Int 15 *Operating Leases – Incentives* and HK(SIC)-Int 27 *Evaluating the Substance of Transactions Involving the Legal Form of a Lease*. The standard sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases and requires lessees to recognise assets and liabilities for most leases. The standard includes two elective recognition exemptions for lessees – leases of low-value assets and short-term leases. At the commencement date of a lease, a lessee will recognise a liability to make lease payments (i.e., the lease liability) and an asset representing the right to use the underlying asset during the lease term (i.e., the right-of-use asset). The right-of-use asset is subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses unless the right-of-use asset meets the definition of investment property in HKAS 40, or relates to a class of property, plant and equipment to which the revaluation model is applied. The lease liability is subsequently increased to reflect the interest on the lease liability and reduced for the lease payments. Lessees will be required to separately recognise the interest expense on the lease liability and the depreciation expense on the right-of-use asset. Lessees will also be required to remeasure the lease liability upon the occurrence of certain events, such as change in the lease term and change in future lease payments resulting from a change in an index or rate used to determine those payments. Lessees will generally recognise the amount of the remeasurement of the lease liability as an adjustment to the right-of-use asset. Lessor accounting under HKFRS 16 is substantially unchanged from the accounting under HKAS 17. Lessors will continue to classify all leases using the same classification principle as in HKAS 17 and distinguish between operating leases and finance leases. HKFRS 16 requires lessees and lessors to make more extensive disclosures than under HKAS 17. Lessees can choose to apply the standard using either a full retrospective or a modified retrospective approach. The Group expects to adopt HKFRS 16 from 1 January 2019. The Group is currently assessing the impact of HKFRS 16 upon adoption and is considering whether it will choose to take advantage of the practical expedients available and which transition approach and reliefs will be adopted. As disclosed in note 33(b) to the financial statements, at 31 December 2017, the Group had future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases in aggregate of approximately HK\$6,835,000. Upon adoption of HKFRS 16, certain amounts included therein may need to be recognised as new right-of-use assets and lease liabilities. Further analysis, however, will be needed to determine the amount of new rights of use assets and lease liabilities to be recognised, including, but not limited to, any amounts relating to leases of low-value assets and short term leases, other practical expedients and reliefs chosen, and new leases entered into before the date of adoption.

Amendments to HKAS 40, issued in April 2017, clarify when an entity should transfer property, including property under construction or development, into or out of investment property. The amendments state that a change in use occurs when the property meets, or ceases to meet, the definition of investment property and there is evidence of the change in use. A mere change in management's intentions for the use of a property does not provide evidence of a change in use. The amendments should be applied prospectively to the changes in use that occur on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendments. An entity should reassess the classification of property held at the date that it first applies the amendments and, if applicable, reclassify property to reflect the conditions that exist at that date. Retrospective application is only permitted if it is possible without the use of hindsight. The Group expects to adopt the amendments prospectively from 1 January 2018. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

### 2.4 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

HK(IFRIC)-Int 22, issued in June 2017, provides guidance on how to determine the date of the transaction when applying HKAS 21 to the situation where an entity receives or pays advance consideration in a foreign currency and recognises a non-monetary asset or liability. The interpretation clarifies that the date of the transaction for the purpose of determining the exchange rate to use on initial recognition of the related asset, expense or income (or part of it) is the date on which an entity initially recognises the non-monetary asset (such as a prepayment) or non-monetary liability (such as deferred income) arising from the payment or receipt of the advance consideration. If there are multiple payments or receipts in advance of recognising the related item, the entity must determine the transaction date for each payment or receipt of the advance consideration. Entities may apply the interpretation on a full retrospective basis or on a prospective basis, either from the beginning of the reporting period in which the entity first applies the interpretation or the beginning of the prior reporting period presented as comparative information in the financial statements of the reporting period in which the entity first applies the interpretation. The Group expects to adopt the interpretation prospectively from 1 January 2018. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Fair value measurement

The Group measures its investment property and derivative financial instrument at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either in the principal market for the asset or liability, or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Group. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

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

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

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Fair value measurement (Continued)

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

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

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

### Impairment of non-financial assets

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

An impairment loss is recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. An impairment loss is charged to the statement of profit or loss in the period in which it arises.

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



## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Related parties

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

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

or

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

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

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

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

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

Land and buildings	Over the shorter of lease term and 50 years
Leasehold improvements	Over the shorter of lease term and 20%
Mobilisation and installation	Over the lease terms
Machinery and equipment	4% to 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ %
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	18% to 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ %
Motor vehicles	12.5% to 20%

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

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

Construction in progress represents power generation assets under mobilisation and installation at power generation sites, which are stated at cost less any impairment losses, and are not depreciated. Cost comprises the direct costs incurred and capitalised borrowing costs on related borrowed funds during the period of mobilisation and installation. Construction in progress is reclassified to the appropriate category of property, plant and equipment when completed and ready for use.

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Investment properties

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

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

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

For a transfer from investment properties to owner-occupied properties, the deemed cost of a property for subsequent accounting is its fair value at the date of change in use.

### Research and development costs

All research costs are charged to the statement of profit or loss as incurred.

Expenditure incurred on projects to develop new products is capitalised and deferred only when the Group can demonstrate the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset so that it will be available for use or sale, its intention to complete and its ability to use or sell the asset, how the asset will generate future economic benefits, the availability of resources to complete the project and the ability to measure reliably the expenditure during the development. Product development expenditure which does not meet these criteria is expensed when incurred.

### Leases

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

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

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Leases (Continued)

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

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

### Financial assets

#### Initial recognition and measurement

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

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

#### Subsequent measurement

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

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

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

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognised in the statement of profit or loss. These net fair value changes do not include any interest earned on these financial assets, which are recognised in accordance with the policies set out for "Revenue recognition" below.

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Financial assets (Continued)

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (Continued)

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

#### Loans and receivables

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

#### Derecognition of financial assets

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

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

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

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Derecognition of financial assets (Continued)

Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Group could be required to repay.

### Impairment of financial assets

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

### Financial assets carried at amortised cost

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

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

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

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



## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Financial liabilities

#### Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as loans and borrowings.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and net of directly attributable transaction costs.

#### Subsequent measurement of loans and borrowings

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

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

#### Financial guarantee contracts

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

### Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

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

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Offsetting of financial instruments

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

### Derivative financial instruments

#### Initial recognition and subsequent measurement

The Group uses derivative financial instruments, such as forward currency contracts, to hedge its foreign currency risk. Derivative financial instruments also include an option contract to subscribe for equity interest in a company holding a power generation project. Such derivative financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured at fair value. Derivatives are carried as assets when the fair value is positive and as liabilities when the fair value is negative.

Any gains or losses arising from changes in fair value of derivatives are taken directly to the statement of profit or loss. All forward currency contracts entered into by the Group do not qualify for hedge accounting.

#### Current versus non-current classification

Derivative instruments that are not designated as effective hedging instruments are classified as current or non-current or separated into current and non-current portions based on an assessment of the facts and circumstances (i.e., the underlying contracted cash flows).

- Where the Group expects to hold a derivative as an economic hedge (and does not apply hedge accounting) for a period beyond 12 months after the end of the reporting period, the derivative is classified as non-current (or separated into current and non-current portions) consistently with the classification of the underlying item.
- Embedded derivatives that are not closely related to the host contract are classified consistently with the cash flows of the host contract.
- Derivative instruments that are designated as, and are effective hedging instruments, are classified consistently with the classification of the underlying hedged item. The derivative instruments are separated into current portions and non-current portions only if a reliable allocation can be made.

### Shares held under the share award scheme

Where shares of the Company are purchased from the open market for the share award scheme, the consideration paid, including any directly attributable incremental costs, is presented as "Shares held under the share award scheme" and deducted from equity. No gain or loss is recognised in the statement of profit or loss on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the Group's own equity instruments.

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Inventories

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

### Cash and cash equivalents

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

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

### Provisions

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

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

### Income tax

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

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

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

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Income tax (Continued)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if and only if the Group has a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets and current tax liabilities and the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities which intend either to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered.

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Government grants

Government grants are recognised at their fair value where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attaching conditions will be complied with. When the grant relates to an expense item, it is recognised as income on a systematic basis over the periods that the costs, which it is intended to compensate, are expensed.

### Revenue recognition

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

#### (a) Sale of goods

Revenue is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, provided that the Group maintains neither managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership, nor effective control over the goods sold.

#### (b) Distributive power solutions

The Group derives revenue from contracts that provide customers with distributive power solutions, including the development, system integration, technical servicing, operation and maintenance of self-owned power generation assets. The Group's contracts primarily represent lease contracts, which are accounted for as operating leases. The Group determines lease classification on a contract-specific basis.

The Group earns revenue on contracts by providing capacity based on a specified number of megawatts (MWs) to the customer. The revenue is calculated based on the actual amount of energy that the Group delivers to the customer, as measured in kilowatt hours (kWhs). The revenue of the contract is recognised when the energy is produced and delivered to the customer in accordance with the contractual arrangements.

#### (c) Income from contract assignment/novation

The consideration for the assignment/novation of a contract to a related company is contingent on the electricity generated by the related company for the operation of a distributive power generation station in Chad (the "Chad Operation"). Income from the assignment/novation of contract is recognised when the electricity generated can be measured reliably.

#### (d) Rental income

Rental income is recognised on a time proportion basis over the lease terms.

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Revenue recognition (Continued)

#### (e) Interest income

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method by applying the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, when appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

### Share-based payments

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

The cost of equity-settled transactions with employees and others providing similar services is measured by reference to the fair value of the equity instruments at the date at which they are granted. The cost of equity-settled transactions with parties other than employees is measured directly at the fair value of the goods or services received, unless that fair value cannot be estimated reliably, in which case the fair value is measured indirectly by reference to the fair value of the equity instruments granted.

The fair value of the share options granted is determined by an external valuer using a binomial model, further details of which are given in note 28 to the financial statements.

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

Service and non-market performance conditions are not taken into account when determining the grant date fair value of awards, but the likelihood of the conditions being met is assessed as part of the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. Market performance conditions are reflected within the grant date fair value. Any other conditions attached to an award, but without an associated service requirement, are considered to be non-vesting conditions. Non-vesting conditions are reflected in the fair value of an award and lead to an immediate expensing of an award unless there are also service and/or performance conditions.

For awards that do not ultimately vest because non-market performance and/or service conditions have not been met, no expense is recognised. Where awards include a market or non-vesting condition, the transactions are treated as vesting irrespective of whether the market or non-vesting condition is satisfied, provided that all other performance and/or service conditions are satisfied.



## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Share-based payments (Continued)

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

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

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

### Other employee benefits

#### Pension schemes

The Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefit scheme (the "MPF Scheme") under the Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance for those employees who are eligible to participate in the MPF Scheme. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employees' basic salaries and are charged to the statement of profit or loss as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the MPF Scheme. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of the Group in an independently administered fund. The Group's employer contributions vest fully with the employees when contributed into the MPF Scheme.

The employees of the Group's subsidiary which operates in Mainland China are required to participate in a central pension scheme operated by the local municipal government. The PRC subsidiary is required to contribute a percentage of its payroll costs to the central pension scheme. The contributions are charged to the statement of profit or loss as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the central pension scheme.

### Dividends

Final dividends are recognised as a liability when they are approved by the shareholders in a general meeting. Proposed final dividends are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Interim dividends are simultaneously proposed and declared, because the Company's memorandum and articles of association grant the directors the authority to declare interim dividends. Consequently, interim dividends are recognised immediately as a liability when they are proposed and declared.

## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Foreign currencies

These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars, which is the Company's functional currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. Foreign currency transactions recorded by the entities in the Group are initially recorded using their respective functional currency rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency rates of exchange ruling at the end of the reporting period. Differences arising on settlement or translation of monetary items are recognised in the statement of profit or loss. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was measured. The gain or loss arising on translation of a non-monetary item measured at fair value is treated in line with the recognition of the gain or loss on change in fair value of the item (i.e., translation difference on the item whose fair value gain or loss is recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss is also recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss, respectively).

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

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

## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

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

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

#### Judgements

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

#### Determination of functional currency

The Group measures foreign currency transactions in the respective functional currencies of the Company and its subsidiaries. In determining the functional currency of each entity in the Group, judgement is required to determine and consider the currency that mainly influences sales prices of goods and services and of the country/jurisdiction whose competitive forces and regulations mainly determines the sales prices of goods and services; the currency that mainly influences labour, materials and other costs of providing goods or services; the currency in which funds from financing activities are generated; and the currency in which receipts from operating activities are usually retained. The functional currency of each entity in the Group is determined based on management's assessment of the primary economic environment in which the entities operate. When the indicators are mixed and the functional currency is not obvious, management uses its judgement to determine the functional currency that most faithfully represents the economic effects of the underlying transactions, events and conditions.

#### Revenue recognition

The Group recognises revenue for the sales of generator cores. Based on the Group's past experience and the nature of contracts undertaken by the Group, management makes judgement to determine the point at which they consider the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the underlying goods have been substantially transferred to the customer and hence the recognition criteria for the related revenue are met in accordance with the accounting policy for revenue recognition in note 2.5 to the financial statements.

Significant judgements are required to determine the point of revenue recognition. The judgements are made based on past experience and knowledge of the complexity and installation of generator cores.

During the year ended 31 December 2017, the Group recognised revenue of approximately HK\$37,321,000 (2016: HK\$55,440,000) for the sales of engine-based electricity generation units and spare parts to an independent third party, which was a sub-contractor of an engineering, procurement and construction contractor (the "EPC Contractor") of the Group for the construction of certain power stations. Upon completion of the construction of the power stations, the EPC Contractor would transfer the power stations (including the power generation assets) to the Group and the Group would recognise such power stations in accordance with the accounting policy for property, plant and equipment and depreciation in note 2.5 to the financial statements. Significant judgement is involved by management to determine that the above transactions were not linked transactions and the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the engine-based electricity generation units and spare parts have been transferred to the sub-contractor and hence the recognition criteria for the related revenue are met. The estimated gross profit in respect of the related sales of engine-based electricity generation units and spare parts amounted to approximately HK\$9,924,000 (2016: HK\$12,133,000) for the year ended 31 December 2017.

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

#### Judgements (Continued)

##### Income taxes

The Group has exposure to income taxes in different jurisdictions. Significant judgement is involved in determining the provision for income taxes. Determining income tax provisions involves judgement on the future tax treatment of certain transactions and interpretation of tax rules. The Group carefully evaluates tax implications of transactions and tax provisions are set up accordingly. The tax treatment of such transactions is reconsidered periodically to take into account all changes in tax legislation, interpretations and practices in respect thereof.

##### Estimation uncertainty

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

##### Impairment of loans and receivables

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a loan/receivable is impaired. To determine whether there is objective evidence of impairment, the Group considers factors such as the probability of insolvency or significant financial difficulties of the debtor and default or significant delay in payments. Where there is objective evidence of impairment, the amount and timing of future cash flows are estimated based on historical loss experience for assets with similar credit risk characteristics.

The Group maintains an allowance for estimated impairment of receivables arising from the inability of its customers and debtors to make the required payments. The Group makes its estimates based on, inter alia, the ageing of its receivable balances, customers' and debtors' creditworthiness, past repayment history and historical write-off experience. If the financial condition of its customers and debtors was to deteriorate so that the actual impairment loss might be higher than expected, the Group would be required to revise the basis of making the allowance and its future results would be affected. As at 31 December 2017, the aggregate carrying amount of loans and receivables was HK\$2,402,741,000 (2016: HK\$2,484,704,000).

##### Net realisable value of inventories

The Group performs regular review of the carrying amounts of inventories with reference to aged analyses of the Group's inventories, projections of expected future saleability of goods and management experience and judgement. Based on this review, write-down of inventories will be made when the estimated net realisable value of inventories declines below their carrying amount. Due to changes in technological, market and economic environment and customers' preference, actual saleability of goods may be different from estimation and profit or loss could be affected by differences in this estimation. As at 31 December 2017, the carrying amount of inventories was HK\$712,451,000 (2016: HK\$545,810,000).

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

### Estimation uncertainty (Continued)

#### Fair value measurement of financial instruments

When the fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the statement of financial position cannot be measured based on quoted prices in active markets, their fair values are measured using valuation techniques including the discounted cash flow model. The inputs to these models are taken from observable markets where possible, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in establishing fair values. Judgements include considerations of inputs such as liquidity risk, credit risk, estimated future cash flows, discount rate, volatility and interest rate. Changes in assumptions relating to these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments of HK\$90,386,000 (2016: Nil).

## 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

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

- (a) the system integration ("SI") segment designs, integrates, sells and installs engine-based electricity generation units; and
- (b) the investment, building and operating ("IBO") segment designs, invests in, builds, leases and operates distributive power generation stations to provide distributive power solutions.

Management monitors the results of the Group's operating segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about resources allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on reportable segment profit/loss, which is a measure of adjusted profit/loss before tax. The adjusted profit/loss before tax is measured consistently with the Group's profit before tax except that bank interest income, finance costs, fair value gains/losses from the Group's financial instruments as well as head office and corporate expenses are excluded from such measurement.

Segment assets exclude deferred tax assets, amounts due from related companies, derivative financial instrument, tax recoverable, pledged deposits, cash and cash equivalents, and other unallocated head office and corporate assets as these assets are managed on a group basis.

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

Intersegment sales and transfers are transacted with reference to the selling prices used for sales made to third parties at the then prevailing market prices.

## 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Year ended 31 December 2017

	SI HK\$'000	IBO HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Segment revenue:</b>			
Sales to external customers	1,182,863	563,153	1,746,016
Intersegment sales	43,563	—	43,563
	1,226,426	563,153	1,789,579
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Elimination of intersegment sales			(43,563)
Revenue			1,746,016
<b>Segment results</b>	96,963	296,923	393,886
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Elimination of intersegment results			(1,723)
Bank interest income			8,307
Corporate and unallocated income, net			33,861
Finance costs			(76,999)
Profit before tax			357,332
<b>Segment assets</b>	1,220,988	3,327,327	4,548,315
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Corporate and unallocated assets			1,378,292
Total assets			5,926,607
<b>Segment liabilities</b>	913,127	1,123,644	2,036,771
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Corporate and unallocated liabilities			1,429,114
Total liabilities			3,465,885
<b>Other segment information:</b>			
Impairment of trade receivables	—	8,542	8,542
Reversal of impairment of trade receivables	(489)	—	(489)
Write-down of inventories to net realisable value	2,481	—	2,481
Depreciation*	3,497	164,388	167,885
Capital expenditure#	7,667	340,228	347,895

\* Depreciation excludes depreciation charges of HK\$409,000 for corporate assets.

# Capital expenditure excludes additions to property, plant and equipment of HK\$55,443,000 for corporate assets.



#### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

##### Year ended 31 December 2016

	SI HK\$'000	IBO HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Segment revenue:</b>			
Sales to external customers	1,063,136	467,875	1,531,011
Intersegment sales	4,906	—	4,906
	1,068,042	467,875	1,535,917
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Elimination of intersegment sales			(4,906)
Revenue			1,531,011
<b>Segment results</b>			
	204,318	201,696	406,014
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Elimination of intersegment results			(300)
Bank interest income			2,128
Corporate and unallocated expenses, net			(85,868)
Finance costs			(68,836)
Profit before tax			253,138
<b>Segment assets</b>			
	995,742	2,320,987	3,316,729
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Corporate and unallocated assets			1,708,631
Total assets			5,025,360
<b>Segment liabilities</b>			
	435,378	1,243,944	1,679,322
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Corporate and unallocated liabilities			1,083,788
Total liabilities			2,763,110
<b>Other segment information:</b>			
Reversal of impairment of trade receivables	(818)	—	(818)
Write-off of items of property, plant and equipment	92	752	844
Write-down of inventories to net realisable value	3,139	—	3,139
Depreciation	2,662	112,789	115,451
Capital expenditure	2,844	1,133,658	1,136,502

#### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

##### Geographical information

##### (a) Revenue from external customers

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Hong Kong	101,862	42,298
Mainland China	350,287	479,250
Asian countries	1,207,403	1,007,008
Other countries	86,464	2,455
	<b>1,746,016</b>	1,531,011

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

##### (b) Non-current assets

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Hong Kong	484,755	32,569
Mainland China	14,861	3,689
Asian countries	2,098,891	1,924,223
Other countries	56,894	—
	<b>2,655,401</b>	1,960,481

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

## 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

### Information about major customers

Revenue from external customers contributing over 10% of the total revenue of the Group is as follows:

	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Customer A	<b>434,368</b>	458,766
Customer B	<b>305,356</b>	241,661
Customer C	<b>N/A*</b>	275,935
	<b>739,724</b>	976,362

\* Nil or less than 10% of revenue

## 5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

Revenue represents the net invoiced value of goods sold, after allowances for trade discounts; and the fees earned from the provision of distributive power solutions, including the design, investment in, building, lease and operation of distributive power generation stations.

**5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS (CONTINUED)**

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

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
<b>Revenue</b>		
Sale of goods	1,182,863	1,063,136
Provision of distributive power solutions	563,153	467,875
	<b>1,746,016</b>	1,531,011
<b>Other income</b>		
Bank interest income	8,307	2,128
Loan interest income	16,601	201
Other interest income	—	2,252
Income from contract assignment/novation	6,592	9,341
Rental income	560	840
Government grants*	235	296
Sales deposits forfeited	—	4,597
Others	3,677	400
	<b>35,972</b>	20,055
<b>Gains</b>		
Fair value gain on derivative financial instrument	90,386	114
Fair value gain on an investment property	4,400	—
Gain on debt extinguishment	49,605	—
Net gain on settlement of derivative financial instruments	9,882	—
Gain on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment, net	1	1
Foreign exchange differences, net	—	33,827
	<b>154,274</b>	33,942
	<b>190,246</b>	53,997

\* Various government grants have been received by a subsidiary as the subsidiary was qualified as a high-technology enterprise in the PRC. There were no unfulfilled conditions or contingencies relating to these grants.

## 6. FINANCE COSTS

An analysis of finance costs is as follows:

	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Interest and other finance costs on letters of credit, bank loans and overdrafts	<b>20,622</b>	25,387
Interest on finance leases	<b>17</b>	4
Interest on other borrowings	<b>12,516</b>	13,902
	<b>33,155</b>	39,293
Amortisation of debt establishment costs	<b>3,498</b>	1,717
Notional interest on other payables	<b>40,346</b>	27,826
	<b>76,999</b>	68,836

## 7. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

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

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Cost of inventories sold		<b>913,956</b>	818,659
Cost of services provided		<b>243,884</b>	202,536
Auditor's remuneration		<b>4,690</b>	4,865
Depreciation*	13	<b>168,294</b>	115,451
Lease receipts under operating leases in respect of power generation assets:			
Contingent rents recognised as income		<b>(563,153)</b>	(467,875)
Minimum lease payments under operating leases in respect of land and buildings		<b>11,104</b>	8,264
Employee benefit expense (including directors' and chief executives' remuneration ( <i>note 8</i> ))*:			
Wages, salaries, bonuses, allowances and benefits in kind		<b>84,917</b>	63,351
Equity-settled share option expense		<b>4,502</b>	796
Pension scheme contributions (defined contribution schemes)		<b>3,325</b>	2,184
		<b>92,744</b>	66,331
Net loss/(gain) on settlement of derivative financial instruments		<b>(9,882)</b>	698 <sup>#</sup>
Fair value loss/(gain) on an investment property		<b>(4,400)</b>	600 <sup>#</sup>
Foreign exchange differences, net		<b>88,054<sup>#</sup></b>	(33,827)
Impairment of trade receivables <sup>#</sup>	16	<b>8,542</b>	–
Reversal of impairment of trade receivables <sup>#</sup>	16	<b>(489)</b>	(818)
Write-off of items of property, plant and equipment <sup>#</sup>	13	<b>–</b>	844
Write-down of inventories to net realisable value <sup>#</sup>		<b>2,481</b>	3,139
Equity-settled share option expense	28	<b>4,502</b>	796

\* Included in the cost of sales for the year was depreciation charges of HK\$151,894,000 (2016: HK\$112,991,000).

<sup>^</sup> Employee benefit expense incurred on research and development activities for the year amounted to HK\$3,574,000 (2016: HK\$3,616,000).

<sup>#</sup> Included in "Other expenses, net" in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.



## 8. DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' REMUNERATION

Directors' and chief executives' remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, section 383(1)(a), (b), (c) and (f) of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and Part 2 of the Hong Kong Companies (Disclosure of Information about Benefits of Directors) Regulation, is as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Fees	1,789	198
Other emoluments:		
Salaries, bonuses, allowances and benefits in kind	13,646	10,873
Equity-settled share option expense	1,364	236
Pension scheme contributions	90	90
	15,100	11,199
	16,889	11,397

During the prior year, certain directors were granted share options, in respect of their services to the Group, under the share option schemes of the Company, further details of which are set out in note 28 to the financial statements. The fair value of such options, which has been recognised in the statement of profit or loss over the vesting period, was determined as at the date of grant and the amount included in the financial statements for the current year is included in the above directors' and chief executives' remuneration disclosures.

**8. DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' REMUNERATION (CONTINUED)****(a) Independent non-executive directors**

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

	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Mr. Tsoi David*	<b>216</b>	22
Mr. Yeung Wai Fai Andrew*	<b>216</b>	22
Mr. Suen Wai Yu*	<b>216</b>	22
	<b>648</b>	66

\* Mr. Tsoi David, Mr. Yeung Wai Fai Andrew and Mr. Suen Wai Yu were appointed as independent non-executive directors of the Company on 24 October 2016.

There were no other emoluments payable to the independent non-executive directors during the year (2016: Nil).

## 8. DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' REMUNERATION (CONTINUED)

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

Certain of the directors received remuneration from the subsidiaries now comprising the Group for their appointment as directors of these subsidiaries or their capacity as employees of these subsidiaries. The remuneration of each of these directors set out below includes those recorded in the financial statements of the subsidiaries.

	Fees HK\$'000	Salaries, bonuses, allowances and benefits in kind HK\$'000	Equity- settled share option expense HK\$'000	Pension scheme contributions HK\$'000	Total remuneration HK\$'000
2017					
Executive directors:					
Mr. Lam Yee Chun	216	3,658	276	18	4,168
Mr. Lee Chong Man Jason	216	2,696	274	18	3,204
Mr. Au-Yeung Tai Hong Rorce	216	3,120	274	18	3,628
Mr. Lo Siu Yuen	216	2,520	270	18	3,024
Non-executive directors:					
Ms. Chan Mei Wan	216	1,652	270	18	2,156
Dr. Chan Ka Keung <sup>~</sup>	61	—	—	—	61
Mr. Kwok Man Leung <sup>+</sup>	—	—	—	—	—
	<b>1,141</b>	<b>13,646</b>	<b>1,364</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>16,241</b>
2016					
Executive directors:					
Mr. Lam Yee Chun <sup>*</sup>	22	3,781	48	18	3,869
Mr. Lee Chong Man Jason <sup>**</sup>	22	1,974	47	18	2,061
Mr. Au-Yeung Tai Hong Rorce <sup>**</sup>	22	1,946	47	18	2,033
Mr. Lo Siu Yuen <sup>*</sup>	22	1,520	47	18	1,607
Non-executive directors:					
Ms. Chan Mei Wan <sup>^</sup>	22	1,652	47	18	1,739
Dr. Chan Ka Keung <sup>^</sup>	22	—	—	—	22
	132	10,873	236	90	11,331

<sup>~</sup> Dr. Chan Ka Keung resigned as a non-executive director of the Company on 11 April 2017.

<sup>+</sup> Mr. Kwok Man Leung was appointed as a non-executive director of the Company on 11 April 2017.

<sup>\*</sup> Mr. Lam Yee Chun, Mr. Lee Chong Man Jason, Mr. Au-Yeung Tai Hong Rorce and Mr. Lo Siu Yuen were appointed as executive directors of the Company on 22 February 2016, 26 April 2016, 26 April 2016 and 26 April 2016, respectively.

<sup>^</sup> Ms. Chan Mei Wan and Dr. Chan Ka Keung were appointed as non-executive directors of the Company on 26 April 2016.

<sup>\*</sup> Mr. Lee Chong Man Jason and Mr. Au-Yeung Tai Hong Rorce were appointed as the chief executives of the Company on 26 April 2016.

## 8. DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' REMUNERATION (CONTINUED)

During the year, no remuneration was paid or payable by the Group to the directors as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office (2016: Nil).

There was no arrangement under which a director or a chief executive waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year (2016: Nil).

## 9. FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES

The five highest paid employees during the year included four (2016: four) directors, details of whose remuneration are set out in note 8 above. Details of the remuneration for the year of the remaining one (2016: one) highest paid employee who is neither a director nor chief executive of the Company are as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Salaries, bonuses, allowances and benefits in kind	2,900	1,904
Equity-settled share option expense	264	46
Pension scheme contributions (defined contribution scheme)	18	18
	<b>3,182</b>	1,968

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

	Number of employees	
	2017	2016
HK\$1,500,001 to HK\$2,000,000	—	1
HK\$3,000,001 to HK\$3,500,000	1	—
	<b>1</b>	1

During the prior year, share options were granted to a non-director and non-chief executive highest paid employee in respect of his services to the Group, further details of which are included in the disclosures in note 28 to the financial statements. The fair value of such options, which has been recognised in the statement of profit or loss over the vesting period, was determined as at the date of grant and the amount included in the financial statements for the current year is included in the above non-director and non-chief executive highest paid employee's remuneration disclosures.

## 10. INCOME TAX

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2016: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the year. Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the countries/jurisdictions in which the Group operates.

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Current – Hong Kong		
Charge for the year	1,763	19,157
Overprovision in prior years	(20)	(61)
Current – Elsewhere		
Charge for the year	22,437	17,646
Overprovision in prior years	(930)	(1,636)
Deferred ( <i>note 26</i> )	2,764	(3,981)
<b>Total tax charge for the year</b>	<b>26,014</b>	<b>31,125</b>

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to profit before tax at the Hong Kong statutory tax rate to the tax charge at the Group's effective tax rate is as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Profit before tax	357,332	253,138
Tax at the Hong Kong statutory tax rate of 16.5% (2016: 16.5%)	58,960	41,768
Different tax rates enacted by specific countries/jurisdictions	(774)	(872)
Effect of withholding tax at 5% on the distributable profits of the Group's PRC subsidiary	7,019	–
Withholding taxes	8,480	6,999
Adjustments in respect of current tax of previous periods	(950)	(1,697)
Income derived from the IBO segment which was claimed offshore and not subject to tax under Hong Kong jurisdiction	(119,618)	(75,975)
Other income not subject to tax	(2,298)	(1,221)
Expenses not deductible for tax	72,457	62,964
Tax losses utilised from previous periods	(577)	–
Tax losses not recognised	3,311	390
Others	4	(1,231)
<b>Tax charge at the Group's effective tax rate</b>	<b>26,014</b>	<b>31,125</b>

**11. DIVIDENDS**

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Dividends recognised as distribution during the year:		
Final 2016 – HK2.57 cents (2015: Nil) per ordinary share	65,792	–
Interim 2017 – HK1.47 cents (2016: Nil) per ordinary share	37,632	–
Less: Dividend for shares held under share award scheme	(121)	–
	37,511	–
	103,303	–
Final dividend proposed after the end of the reporting period:		
Proposed final 2017 – HK1.76 cents (2016: HK2.57 cents) per ordinary share	45,084	65,792

The proposed final dividend for the year is subject to the approval of the Company's shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

Prior to the Listing, an interim dividend of HK\$50,002,000 was declared by Crest Pacific to the then shareholders during the year ended 31 December 2016.

**12. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY**

The calculation of the basic earnings per share amount is based on the profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company of HK\$331,924,000 (2016: HK\$222,013,000), and the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 2,555,633,054 (2016: 2,058,142,077) in issue during the year, as adjusted to exclude the shares held under the share award scheme. In the prior year, the weighted average number of ordinary shares was on the assumption that the Reorganisation had been completed on 1 January 2016.

The calculation of the diluted earnings per share amount is based on the profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company of HK\$331,924,000. The weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation is the number of ordinary shares of 2,555,633,054 in issue during the year, as used in the basic earnings per share calculation, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 2,062,356 assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise of all share options into ordinary shares. No adjustment had been made to the basic earnings per share amount presented for the year ended 31 December 2016 in respect of a dilution as the impact of the share options outstanding had an anti-dilutive effect on the basic earnings per share amount presented.

**13. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

	Land and buildings HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Mobilisation and installation HK\$'000	Machinery and equipment HK\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Construction in progress HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>31 December 2017</b>								
At 31 December 2016 and at 1 January 2017:								
Cost	–	4,950	95,858	2,033,820	10,172	8,379	2,269	2,155,448
Accumulated depreciation	–	(3,069)	(35,860)	(172,483)	(6,733)	(6,370)	–	(224,515)
Net carrying amount	–	1,881	59,998	1,861,337	3,439	2,009	2,269	1,930,933
At 1 January 2017, net of accumulated depreciation	–	1,881	59,998	1,861,337	3,439	2,009	2,269	1,930,933
Additions	53,758	1,613	15,935	280,207	3,810	6,579	41,436	403,338
Transfer from investment property	23,400	–	–	–	–	–	–	23,400
Depreciation provided during the year	(335)	(1,449)	(25,324)	(138,339)	(1,475)	(1,372)	–	(168,294)
Disposals	–	–	–	–	(5)	–	–	(5)
Transfers	–	–	3,426	9,062	–	–	(12,488)	–
Exchange realignment	–	10	–	(144)	160	53	(369)	(290)
At 31 December 2017, net of accumulated depreciation	76,823	2,055	54,035	2,012,123	5,929	7,269	30,848	2,189,082
At 31 December 2017:								
Cost	77,158	6,588	115,219	2,323,221	14,360	15,141	30,848	2,582,535
Accumulated depreciation	(335)	(4,533)	(61,184)	(311,098)	(8,431)	(7,872)	–	(393,453)
Net carrying amount	76,823	2,055	54,035	2,012,123	5,929	7,269	30,848	2,189,082



**13. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)**

	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Mobilisation and installation HK\$'000	Machinery and equipment HK\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Construction in progress HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>31 December 2016</b>							
At 1 January 2016:							
Cost	4,049	40,053	954,249	8,854	7,654	6,946	1,021,805
Accumulated depreciation	(1,999)	(17,176)	(79,296)	(6,397)	(5,973)	–	(110,841)
Net carrying amount	2,050	22,877	874,953	2,457	1,681	6,946	910,964
At 1 January 2016, net of accumulated depreciation	2,050	22,877	874,953	2,457	1,681	6,946	910,964
Additions	919	48,870	1,075,109	2,044	976	8,584	1,136,502
Depreciation provided during the year	(1,082)	(18,684)	(94,137)	(963)	(585)	–	(115,451)
Write-off	–	–	(819)	(16)	(9)	–	(844)
Transfers	–	6,935	6,271	55	–	(13,261)	–
Exchange realignment	(6)	–	(40)	(138)	(54)	–	(238)
At 31 December 2016, net of accumulated depreciation	1,881	59,998	1,861,337	3,439	2,009	2,269	1,930,933
At 31 December 2016:							
Cost	4,950	95,858	2,033,820	10,172	8,379	2,269	2,155,448
Accumulated depreciation	(3,069)	(35,860)	(172,483)	(6,733)	(6,370)	–	(224,515)
Net carrying amount	1,881	59,998	1,861,337	3,439	2,009	2,269	1,930,933

As at 31 December 2017, the net carrying amounts of the Group's furniture, fixtures and office equipment and motor vehicles held under finance leases were HK\$68,000 (2016: HK\$38,000) and HK\$762,000 (2016: Nil), respectively.

As at 31 December 2017, certain of the Group's property, plant and equipment with a net carrying amount of HK\$594,947,000 (2016: HK\$641,067,000) were pledged to secure banking facilities and other borrowings granted to the Group (note 23).

**14. INVESTMENT PROPERTY**

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January	19,000	19,600
Net gain/(loss) from a fair value adjustment	4,400	(600)
Transfer to owner-occupied property	(23,400)	—
Carrying amount at 31 December	—	19,000

The Group's investment property was a commercial property in Hong Kong. The Group's investment property was revalued on 31 October 2017 based on valuation performed by Vigers Appraisal and Consulting (International) Limited, an independent firm of professionally qualified valuers, at HK\$23,400,000 (31 December 2016: HK\$19,000,000). Each year, the Company's management decides to appoint which external valuer to be responsible for the external valuation of the Group's property. Selection criteria include market knowledge, reputation, independence and whether professional standards are maintained. The Company's management has discussions with the valuer on the valuation assumptions and valuation results twice a year when the valuation is performed for interim and annual financial reporting.

The investment property was leased to a third party under an operating lease, further summary details of which were included in note 33(a) to the financial statements.

**Fair value hierarchy**

The following table illustrates the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group's investment property:

	Fair value measurement as at 31 October 2017 using			Total HK\$'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) HK\$'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) HK\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) HK\$'000	
Recurring fair value measurement for a commercial property	—	—	23,400	23,400

	Fair value measurement as at 31 December 2016 using			Total HK\$'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) HK\$'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) HK\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) HK\$'000	
Recurring fair value measurement for a commercial property	—	—	19,000	19,000

**14. INVESTMENT PROPERTY (CONTINUED)****Fair value hierarchy (Continued)**

During the year, there were no transfers of fair value measurements between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3 (2016: Nil).

Reconciliation of fair value measurements categorised within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy:

	<b>Commercial property</b> HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January 2016	19,600
Net loss from a fair value adjustment	(600)
Carrying amount at 31 December 2016 and at 1 January 2017	19,000
Net gain from a fair value adjustment	4,400
Transfer to owner-occupied property	(23,400)
Carrying amount at 31 December 2017	—

Below is a summary of the valuation technique used and the key input to the valuation of investment property:

	<b>Valuation technique</b>	<b>Significant unobservable inputs</b>	<b>Range</b> 2016
Commercial property	Direct comparison method	Estimated price per sq. ft.	HK\$9,262 to HK\$12,698

A significant increase (decrease) in the estimated price per square foot in isolation would result in a significant increase (decrease) in the fair value of the investment property. The investment property was valued by the direct comparison method having regard to comparable sales transactions as available in the relevant market. The valuation takes into account the characteristics of the property which included the location, size, floor level, year of completion and other factors collectively.

## 15. INVENTORIES

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Raw materials	237,686	58,851
Work in progress	7,926	8,803
Finished goods	329,548	387,283
Spare parts and consumables	137,291	90,873
	<b>712,451</b>	545,810

## 16. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Trade and bills receivables	791,134	710,281
Impairment	(10,236)	(2,075)
	<b>780,898</b>	708,206

The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on credit, except for new customers, where payment in advance is normally required. The credit periods range from 30 to 365 days. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables to minimise credit risk. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements over its trade and bills receivable balances. Trade and bills receivables are non-interest-bearing.

**16. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)**

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

	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Within 30 days	<b>465,079</b>	326,882
31 to 60 days	<b>80,008</b>	92,209
61 to 90 days	<b>56,005</b>	48,328
91 to 180 days	<b>67,029</b>	191,973
181 to 360 days	<b>91,074</b>	41,968
Over 360 days	<b>21,703</b>	6,846
	<b>780,898</b>	708,206

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

	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
At 1 January	<b>2,075</b>	3,028
Impairment losses recognised ( <i>note 7</i> )	<b>8,542</b>	—
Impairment losses reversed ( <i>note 7</i> )	<b>(489)</b>	(818)
Exchange realignment	<b>108</b>	(135)
At 31 December	<b>10,236</b>	2,075

Included in the above provision for impairment of trade and bills receivables is a provision for individually impaired trade and bills receivables of HK\$10,236,000 (2016: HK\$2,075,000) with a carrying amount before provision of HK\$10,236,000 (2016: HK\$2,075,000).

The individually impaired trade and bills receivables relate to customers that were in financial difficulties and none of the receivables is expected to be recovered.

## 16. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

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

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Neither past due nor impaired	585,568	560,503
1 to 30 days past due	69,816	31,359
31 to 90 days past due	28,776	62,575
Over 90 days past due	96,738	53,769
	<b>780,898</b>	708,206

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

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

## 17. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Prepayments	22,165	13,758
Deposits paid for purchases of property, plant and equipment	466,319	10,548
Deposits and other receivables	143,001	11,729
Loan receivables	291,950	77,500
	<b>923,435</b>	113,535
Current portion included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	<b>(314,838)</b>	(102,496)
Non-current portion	<b>608,597</b>	11,039

**17. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)**

The loan receivables are unsecured, bear interest at rates ranging from London Interbank Offered Rate (“LIBOR”) plus 2% per annum to LIBOR plus 7.5% per annum and are repayable based on terms stipulated in the loan agreements.

None of the above assets is either past due or impaired. The financial assets included in the above balances relate to deposits and receivables for which there was no recent history of default.

**18. DUE FROM RELATED COMPANIES**

The amounts due from related companies are non-trade related, unsecured and have no fixed terms of repayment.

Particulars of the amounts due from related companies are as follows:

**31 December 2017**

	<b>At 31 December 2017 HK\$'000</b>	<b>Maximum amount outstanding during the year HK\$'000</b>	<b>At 1 January 2017 HK\$'000</b>
Orient Profit Investment Limited*	96	96	96
VPower Technology Company Limited*	—	8,817	6,423
	<b>96</b>		<b>6,519</b>



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### 18. DUE FROM RELATED COMPANIES (CONTINUED)

31 December 2016

	At 31 December 2016 HK\$'000	Maximum amount outstanding during the year HK\$'000	At 1 January 2016 HK\$'000
Orient Profit Investment Limited*	96	96	96
VPower Eco Energy Holdings Pte. Limited*	—	35	35
VPower Eco Energy Pte. Limited*	—	35	35
VPower Group Limited*	—	185	185
VPower Technology Company Limited*	6,423	28,967	28,967
	6,519		29,318

\* These related companies are controlled by either one of the Controlling Shareholders.

### 19. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT

	<b>Asset</b> <b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Option contract	<b>90,386</b>	—

As at 31 December 2017, the Group held an option contract to subscribe for equity interest in a company holding a power generation project. The change in the fair value of the option contract amounting to HK\$90,386,000 was credited to the consolidated statement of profit or loss during the year.

**20. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND PLEDGED DEPOSITS**

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Cash and bank balances		<b>947,672</b>	806,834
Time deposits		<b>251,589</b>	876,120
Less: Pledged deposits for banking facilities and bank borrowings	23	<b>1,199,261</b> <b>(165,759)</b>	1,682,954 (290,945)
Cash and cash equivalents		<b>1,033,502</b>	1,392,009

The Group's cash and cash equivalents are denominated in the following currencies:

	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Hong Kong dollars	<b>213,278</b>	304,798
Euro	<b>51,893</b>	124,725
Renminbi ("RMB")	<b>60,964</b>	16,744
United States dollars ("USD")	<b>700,842</b>	945,593
IDR	<b>4,626</b>	—
Others	<b>1,899</b>	149
	<b>1,033,502</b>	1,392,009

The RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies, however, under Mainland China's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for other currencies through banks authorised to conduct foreign exchange business.

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. The bank balances and pledged deposits are deposited with creditworthy banks with no recent history of default.

## 21. TRADE AND BILLS PAYABLES

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

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Within 1 month	162,087	139,733
1 to 2 months	98,801	43,110
2 to 3 months	96,348	40,685
Over 3 months	546,839	184,870
	<b>904,075</b>	408,398

The trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on terms ranging from 30 to 180 days.

## 22. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Due to EPC Contractors	998,146	1,188,359
Sundry payables	62,051	14,565
Accruals	36,264	31,179
Receipts in advance	19,482	13,313
Deferred income	27,128	35,688
	<b>1,143,071</b>	1,283,104
Current portion included in other payables and accruals	<b>(832,025)</b>	(556,304)
Non-current portion	<b>311,046</b>	726,800

The amounts due to EPC Contractors and sundry payables are unsecured and non-interest-bearing.

The amounts due to EPC Contractors with a carrying amount as at 31 December 2017 of HK\$998,146,000 (2016: HK\$1,188,359,000) were repayable by instalments up to March 2020 (2016: March 2020).

Sundry payables have an average term of 30 days.

**23. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS**

	2017			2016		
	Effective interest rate (%)	Maturity	HK\$'000	Effective interest rate (%)	Maturity	HK\$'000
<b>Current</b>						
Finance lease payables ( <i>note 24</i> )	9.75–14.51	2018	239	10.07	2017	11
Portions of bank loans due for repayment within one year or on demand – secured	4.23–4.42	2018	110,343	1.00–6.63	2017	703,752
Portions of bank loans due for repayment within one year or on demand – unsecured	1.00–3.69	2018	206,360	–	–	–
Portions of bank loans due for repayment after one year which contain repayment on demand clause ( <i>note</i> ) – secured	–	–	–	2.70	2018	12,825
Other borrowings – secured	5.20	2018	215,450	–	–	–
			<b>532,392</b>			716,588
<b>Non-current</b>						
Finance lease payables ( <i>note 24</i> )	10.07–14.51	2019–2020	53	10.07	2018–2020	35
Portions of bank loans due for repayment after one year – secured	4.23–4.42	2019	659,070	6.63	2018–2019	58,427
Portions of bank loans due for repayment after one year – unsecured	3.69	2019–2020	197,528	–	–	–
Other borrowings – secured	–	–	–	5.20	2018	263,500
			<b>856,651</b>			321,962
			<b>1,389,043</b>			1,038,550

## 23. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS (CONTINUED)

Note:

Certain term loans of the Group containing repayment on demand clauses as at 31 December 2016 with a carrying amount of HK\$29,872,000 had been classified in total as current liabilities. Accordingly, portions of the bank loans due for repayment after one year as at 31 December 2016 with a carrying amount of HK\$12,825,000 had been classified as current liabilities. For the purpose of the above analysis, the loans were included within current interest-bearing bank borrowings and analysed into bank loans repayable within one year or on demand.

Ignoring the effect of any repayment on demand clause and based on the maturity terms of these term loans, the Group's bank and other borrowings are repayable:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Within one year	532,392	703,763
In the second year	717,459	305,304
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	139,192	29,483
	<b>1,389,043</b>	1,038,550

(a) Certain of the Group's bank and other borrowings are secured by:

- (i) the pledge of certain of the Group's property, plant and equipment with a net carrying amount of HK\$594,947,000 (2016: HK\$641,067,000) as at 31 December 2017 (note 13);
- (ii) the pledge of certain of the Group's cash deposits amounting to HK\$165,759,000 (2016: HK\$290,945,000) as at 31 December 2017 (note 20);
- (iii) the pledge of a property of Orient Profit Investment Limited, a company controlled by Ms. Chan Mei Wan, a Controlling Shareholder and a non-executive director of the Company, which was released during the year;
- (iv) the pledge of certain trade receivables of a subsidiary of the Group;
- (v) fixed and floating charges over certain bank accounts of the Group, which was released during the year; and
- (vi) an assignment of the rights in respect of certain contracts and insurance receivables under the relevant key equipment insurance policies of the Group.

(b) The Group's bank and other borrowings are denominated in the following currencies:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Hong Kong dollars	225,744	29,872
Euro	178,144	415,418
RMB	79	46
USD	984,863	593,214
IDR	213	—
	<b>1,389,043</b>	1,038,550

## 24. FINANCE LEASE PAYABLES

The Group leases certain of its motor vehicles and photocopiers for its business. These leases are classified as finance leases and have remaining lease terms ranging from one to three years (2016: four years).

At 31 December 2017, the total future minimum lease payments under finance leases and their present values were as follows:

	<b>Minimum lease payments 2017 HK\$'000</b>	Minimum lease payments 2016 HK\$'000	<b>Present value of minimum lease payments 2017 HK\$'000</b>	Present value of minimum lease payments 2016 HK\$'000
Amounts payable:				
Within one year	<b>252</b>	14	<b>239</b>	11
In the second year	<b>32</b>	14	<b>28</b>	12
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	<b>26</b>	25	<b>25</b>	23
Total minimum finance lease payments	<b>310</b>	53	<b>292</b>	46
Future finance charges	<b>(18)</b>	(7)		
Total net finance lease payables	<b>292</b>	46		
Portion classified as current liabilities (note 23)	<b>(239)</b>	(11)		
Non-current portion (note 23)	<b>53</b>	35		

## 25. PROVISION FOR RESTORATION

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
At 1 January	3,135	1,808
Additional provision	2,867	1,327
At 31 December	6,002	3,135
Portion classified as current liabilities	(3,672)	(1,420)
Non-current portion	2,330	1,715

The provision for restoration represents management's best estimate of the Group's liabilities of the costs of dismantling and removing the leasehold improvements and facilities and restoring the sites on which they are located.

## 26. DEFERRED TAX

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

### Deferred tax liabilities

	Depreciation allowances in excess of related depreciation HK\$'000	Withholding tax HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2016	125	3,758	3,883
Deferred tax credited to the consolidated statement of profit or loss during the year ( <i>note 10</i> )	(125)	—	(125)
At 31 December 2016 and at 1 January 2017	—	3,758	3,758
Deferred tax charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss during the year ( <i>note 10</i> )	411	1,717	2,128
At 31 December 2017	411	5,475	5,886



**26. DEFERRED TAX (CONTINUED)****Deferred tax assets**

	<b>Depreciation in excess of related depreciation allowances/ Unrealised profits on inventories</b>	<b>Losses available for offsetting against future taxable profits</b>	<b>Total</b>
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2016	2,052	57	2,109
Deferred tax credited/(charged) to the consolidated statement of profit or loss during the year ( <i>note 10</i> )	3,913	(57)	3,856
At 31 December 2016 and at 1 January 2017	<b>5,965</b>	—	<b>5,965</b>
Deferred tax charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss during the year ( <i>note 10</i> )	<b>(636)</b>	—	<b>(636)</b>
At 31 December 2017	<b>5,329</b>	—	<b>5,329</b>

At 31 December 2017, the Group had tax losses arising in Hong Kong of HK\$20,064,000 (2016: HK\$3,497,000), subject to the agreement by the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Department, that are available indefinitely for offsetting against the future taxable profits of the companies in which the losses arose. Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these losses due to unpredictability of future taxable profit streams.

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

At 31 December 2016, no deferred tax had been recognised for withholding taxes that would be payable on certain unremitted earnings of the Group's subsidiary established in Mainland China. In the opinion of the directors, it was not probable that this subsidiary would distribute such earnings in the foreseeable future. The amount of temporary difference associated with investment in a subsidiary in Mainland China for which deferred tax liabilities had not been recognised was approximately HK\$78,286,000 at 31 December 2016.

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

## 27. SHARE CAPITAL

### Shares

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Authorised: 5,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	<b>500,000</b>	500,000
Issued and fully paid: 2,561,594,000 (2016: 2,560,000,000) ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	<b>256,159</b>	256,000

A summary of movements in the Company's authorised and issued share capital is as follows:

	<i>Notes</i>	Number of ordinary shares	Nominal value of ordinary shares HK\$'000
Authorised:			
Upon incorporation on 22 February 2016	(a)	3,800,000	380
Increase in authorised share capital	(b)	4,996,200,000	499,620
At 31 December 2016, at 1 January 2017 and at 31 December 2017		5,000,000,000	500,000
Issued and fully paid:			
Upon incorporation on 22 February 2016	(a)	1	—
Issue of shares pursuant to the Reorganisation	(c)	1,999,999,999	200,000
Issue of shares under initial public offering	(d)	560,000,000	56,000
At 31 December 2016 and at 1 January 2017		2,560,000,000	256,000
Share options exercised	(e)	1,594,000	159
At 31 December 2017		2,561,594,000	256,159

- (a) On 22 February 2016, the Company was incorporated with authorised share capital of HK\$380,000 divided into 3,800,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each. On the same date, 1 ordinary share of HK\$0.1 was allotted and issued at par to the initial subscriber, and was subsequently transferred to the immediate holding company of the Company on 1 September 2016 pursuant to the Reorganisation.

## 27. SHARE CAPITAL (CONTINUED)

### Shares (continued)

- (b) On 1 September 2016, the authorised share capital of the Company was increased by HK\$499,620,000 by the creation of 4,996,200,000 additional ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each, ranking pari passu in all respects with the existing shares of the Company.
- (c) On 1 September 2016, the Company allotted and issued 1,999,999,999 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each to the then shareholders of Crest Pacific in exchange for the entire issued share capital of Crest Pacific pursuant to the Reorganisation.
- (d) In connection with the Company's initial public offering, 560,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each were issued at a price of HK\$2.88 per share for a total cash consideration, before expenses, of approximately HK\$1,612,800,000. Dealing in the shares of the Company on the Stock Exchange commenced on 24 November 2016.
- (e) The subscription rights attaching to 1,594,000 share options were exercised at the subscription price of HK\$2.016 per share, resulting in the issue of 1,594,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each for a total cash consideration, before expenses, of HK\$3,213,000. An amount of HK\$1,903,000 was transferred from the share options reserve to the share premium account upon the exercise of the share options.

### Share options and share awards

Details of the Company's share option schemes and the share options issued under the schemes and the Company's share award scheme are included in notes 28 and 29 to the financial statements, respectively.

## 28. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES

The Company operates a pre-initial public offering share option scheme (the "Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme") and a share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") (collectively, the "Schemes") for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. The principal terms of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme are similar to the terms of the Share Option Scheme except that (i) no further options could be granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme; and (ii) the exercise price and the exercise period of the share options are different as further detailed below.

Eligible participants of the Schemes include the Company's directors, including independent non-executive directors, other employees of the Group, consultants of the Group, suppliers of goods or services to the Group, customers of the Group, the Company's shareholders, and any non-controlling shareholder in the Company's subsidiaries. The Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme and the Share Option Scheme were approved and adopted on 24 October 2016. The Share Option Scheme became effective on 24 November 2016 and, unless otherwise cancelled or amended, will remain in force for 10 years from 24 October 2016.

## 28. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (CONTINUED)

The maximum number of unexercised share options currently permitted to be granted under the Schemes is an amount equivalent, upon their exercise, to 10% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time. The maximum number of shares issuable under share options to each eligible participant in the Schemes within any 12-month period is limited to 1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time. Any further grant of share options in excess of this limit is subject to shareholders' approval in a general meeting.

Share options granted to a director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company, or to any of their associates, are subject to approval in advance by the independent non-executive directors. In addition, any share options granted to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or to any of their associates, in excess of 0.1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time or with an aggregate value (based on the closing price of the Company's shares at the date of grant) in excess of HK\$5 million, within any 12-month period, are subject to shareholders' approval in advance in a general meeting.

The exercise price of share options under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme is HK\$2.016 per share and the share options are exercisable after a vesting period of one to three years in the following manner:

<b>Vesting period of the relevant percentage of the options</b>	<b>Maximum percentage of options exercisable</b>
From 1 November 2016 to 23 November 2017	33.75%
From 1 November 2016 to 23 November 2018	33.30%
From 1 November 2016 to 23 November 2019	32.95%

The offer of a grant of share options under the Share Option Scheme may be accepted within 30 days from the date of offer, upon payment of a nominal consideration of HK\$1 in total by the grantee. The exercise period of the share options granted under the Share Option Scheme is determinable by the directors, and commences after a vesting period and ends on a date which is not later than 10 years from the date of offer of the share options.

The exercise price of share options under the Share Option Scheme is determinable by the directors, but may not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the Company's shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheets on the date of offer of the share options; (ii) the average of the closing prices of the Company's shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheets for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of offer; and (iii) the nominal value of the Company's shares on the date of offer.

Share options do not confer rights on the holders to dividends or to vote at shareholders' meetings.

**28. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (CONTINUED)**

The following share options under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme were outstanding during the year:

	2017		2016	
	Weighted average exercise price HK\$ per share	Number of options '000	Weighted average exercise price HK\$ per share	Number of options '000
At beginning of year	2.016	6,670	—	—
Granted during the year	—	—	2.016	6,670
Forfeited during the year	2.016	(108)	—	—
Exercised during the year	2.016	(1,594)	—	—
At end of year	2.016	4,968	2.016	6,670

The weighted average share price at the date of exercise for share options exercised during the year was HK\$5.01 per share (2016: No share options were exercised).

The exercise prices and exercise periods of the share options outstanding as at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

**2017**

Number of options '000	Exercise price* HK\$ per share	Exercise period
620	2.016	24 November 2017 to 23 November 2020
2,185	2.016	24 November 2018 to 23 November 2021
2,163	2.016	24 November 2019 to 23 November 2022
4,968		

**28. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (CONTINUED)**

2016

Number of options '000	Exercise price* HK\$ per share	Exercise period
2,251	2.016	24 November 2017 to 23 November 2020
2,221	2.016	24 November 2018 to 23 November 2021
2,198	2.016	24 November 2019 to 23 November 2022
6,670		

\* The exercise price of the share options is subject to adjustment in case of rights or bonus issues, or other similar changes in the Company's share capital.

The fair value of the share options granted during the prior year was HK\$8,422,000 (HK\$1.26 each), of which the Group recognised a share option expense of HK\$4,502,000 (2016: HK\$796,000) during the year ended 31 December 2017.

The fair value of equity-settled share options granted during the prior year was estimated as at the date of grant using a binomial model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. The following table lists the inputs to the model used:

	2016
Dividend yield (%)	0.71
Expected volatility (%)	38.94–39.98
Risk-free interest rate (%)	1.21–1.38
Expected life of options (year)	4.06–6.06
Weighted average share price (HK\$ per share)	2.83

The expected life of the options is not necessarily indicative of the exercise patterns that may occur. The expected volatility reflects the assumption that the historical volatility is indicative of future trends, which may also not necessarily be the actual outcome.

No other feature of the options granted was incorporated into the measurement of fair value.

The 1,594,000 share options exercised during the year resulted in the issue of 1,594,000 ordinary shares of the Company and new share capital of HK\$159,000 and share premium of HK\$4,957,000, as further detailed in note 27 to the financial statements.

## 28. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (CONTINUED)

At the end of the reporting period, the Company had 4,968,000 share options outstanding under the Schemes. The exercise in full of the outstanding share options would, under the present capital structure of the Company, result in the issue of 4,968,000 additional ordinary shares of the Company and additional share capital of HK\$497,000 and share premium of HK\$9,519,000 (before issue expenses).

At the date of approval of these financial statements, the Company had 4,693,000 share options outstanding under the Schemes, which represented approximately 0.18% of the Company's shares in issue as at that date.

## 29. SHARE AWARD SCHEME

On 18 July 2017, the Company adopted a share award scheme (the "Share Award Scheme") for the purpose of recognising the contributions by certain eligible participants and providing them with incentives in order to retain them for the continual operation and development of the Group and to attract suitable personnel for the growth and further development of the Group.

Eligible participants of the Share Award Scheme include the Company's directors, senior management, other employees and consultants of the Group. The Share Award Scheme will remain in force for 10 years from 18 July 2017, unless otherwise cancelled or amended.

The maximum number of shares currently permitted to be granted under the Share Award Scheme is limited to 5% of the issued share capital of the Company at any time. The maximum number of shares which may be awarded to each eligible participant in the Share Award Scheme is limited to 1% of the issued share capital of the Company in each year.

The eligible participant for participation in the Share Award Scheme (the "Selected Participant") is selected and the number of shares to be awarded under the Share Award Scheme is determined by the board of directors. The shares to be awarded under the Share Award Scheme will be purchased by a trustee (the "Trustee") from the open market out of cash contributed by the Group and be held on trust for the Selected Participant until such shares are vested with the Selected Participant in accordance with the provisions of the Share Award Scheme.

The Trustee shall not exercise the voting rights in respect of any shares held on trust for the Group or the Selected Participant.

During the year, the Group purchased 11,181,000 (2016: Nil) of its own shares through the Trustee from open market. The total amount paid to acquire the shares was approximately HK\$54,171,000 (2016: Nil) and has been deducted from equity. As at 31 December 2017, such shares were classified as treasury shares of the Company as they were not yet vested.



## 29. SHARE AWARD SCHEME (CONTINUED)

The movements in the Company's shares held under the share award scheme during the year are as follows:

	Number of ordinary shares	Shares held under the share award scheme HK\$'000
Purchases of shares for the share award scheme and at 31 December 2017	11,181,000	54,171

During the year, the Company did not award any shares to any eligible participant under the Share Award Scheme (2016: Nil).

## 30. RESERVES

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein for the current and prior years are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity on page 84 of the financial statements.

### (a) Merger reserve

The merger reserve represents the excess of the net asset value of Crest Pacific over the nominal value of the shares of Crest Pacific acquired by the Company pursuant to the Reorganisation set out in note 2.1 to the financial statements.

### (b) Capital reserve

Capital reserve represents the deemed capital contribution from Mr. Lam Yee Chun, a Controlling Shareholder and an executive director of the Company, in respect of (i) the disposal of 276,000 shares of Crest Pacific to certain employees and consultants at par value in 2012 in exchange for services rendered by the employees and consultants to the Group; (ii) the transfer of 10% equity interest in Crest Pacific in 2013 in exchange for the Group's acquisition of the remaining 20% equity interest in VPower Technology Limited from the non-controlling shareholder; and (iii) the disposal of 120,000 shares of Crest Pacific to a consultant at par value in 2013 in exchange for services rendered by the consultant to the Group; and the excess of the net asset value of Crest Pacific acquired by the Company pursuant to the Reorganisation set out in note 2.1 to the financial statements over the nominal value of the Company's shares issued in exchange therefor.

### (c) Share option reserve

The share option reserve comprises the fair value of share options granted which are yet to be exercised, as further explained in the accounting policy for share-based payments in note 2.5 to the financial statements. The amount will either be transferred to the share premium account when the related options are exercised, or be transferred to retained profits should the related options expire or be forfeited.

**30. RESERVES (CONTINUED)****(d) Statutory reserve funds**

Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations in Mainland China, a portion of the profits of the Company's subsidiaries in Mainland China has been transferred to the statutory reserve funds which are restricted to use.

**(e) Exchange fluctuation reserve**

Exchange fluctuation reserve comprises all foreign currency exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations.

**31. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS****Major non-cash transactions**

- (a) During the year, the Group entered into financing arrangements with EPC Contractors in respect of property, plant and equipment with a total capital value at the inception of the financing arrangements of HK\$270,815,000 (2016: HK\$1,027,968,000).
- (b) The Group entered into lease agreements in respect of its office premises and power generation assets under operating leases. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the lease agreements, the Group is required to restore the office premises and the power generation sites to the conditions as stipulated in the lease agreements. During the year ended 31 December 2017, the Group has accrued and capitalised the estimated restoration cost of HK\$2,867,000 (2016: HK\$1,327,000) when such obligation has arisen.
- (c) During the year, the Group entered into finance lease arrangements in respect of property, plant and equipment with a total capital value at the inception of the leases of HK\$434,000 (2016: Nil).

**Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities**

	<b>Bank and other loans</b>	<b>Finance lease payables</b>
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2017	1,038,504	46
Changes from financing cash flows	352,600	(189)
Non-cash changes:		
Increase in debt establishment costs payable	(5,851)	—
Amortisation of debt establishment costs	3,498	—
New finance leases	—	434
Foreign exchange movement	—	1
At 31 December 2017	1,388,751	292

## 32. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

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

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Guarantees given to banks in connection with facilities granted to GenRent del Peru S.A.C.* ("GenRent")	58,890	—

\* Subsequent to the end of the reporting period, on 2 February 2018, GenRent became a 51%-owned subsidiary of the Group (note 39).

As at 31 December 2017, the banking facilities guaranteed by the Group to GenRent were utilised to the extent of approximately HK\$46,152,000 (2016: Nil).

## 33. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

### (a) As lessor

The Group leases its investment property and power generation assets under operating lease arrangements.

The lease of the investment property was negotiated for a term of two years. The terms of the lease also required the tenant to pay security deposit. At 31 December 2017, the Group had total future minimum lease receivables under a non-cancellable operating lease with its tenant falling due as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Within one year	—	560

The leases of power generation assets are negotiated for terms ranging from one to five years. Pursuant to the terms and conditions as stipulated in the lease agreements of power generation assets, the revenue is based on the actual capacity made available to the lessee. Accordingly, the Group did not have any future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable operating leases at the end of the reporting period. As the future capacity of the leases could not be accurately determined as at the end of the reporting period, the relevant contingent rentals have not been disclosed.

**33. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS (CONTINUED)****(b) As lessee**

The Group leases its office premises, factory premises, staff quarters, a motor vehicle and a warehouse under operating lease arrangements. The leases are negotiated for terms ranging from one to three years.

At 31 December 2017, the Group had total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Within one year	<b>5,850</b>	5,791
In the second to fifth years, inclusive	<b>985</b>	1,784
	<b>6,835</b>	7,575

**34. COMMITMENTS**

In addition to the operating lease commitments detailed in note 33(b) above, the Group had the following capital commitments at the end of the reporting period:

	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
Contracted, but not provided for: Power generation assets	<b>934,816</b>	211,730

### 35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

- (a) In addition to the balances and transactions detailed elsewhere in these financial statements, the Group had the following material transactions with related parties during the year:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Related companies:		
Rental expense paid to Orient Profit Investment Limited*	960	960
Income from contract assignment/novation to VPower Technology Chad Limited*^	6,592	9,341
Sales of goods to VPower Technology Company Limited*	1,148	2,359

\* These related companies are controlled by either one of the Controlling Shareholders.

^ The Group assigned/novated a distributive power generation contract to VPower Technology Chad Limited for a contingent consideration of HK\$0.066 per kWh of electricity generated by the Chad Operation up to the expiry of the initial term of the distributive power generation contract on 31 August 2017.

The above transactions were entered into based on terms mutually agreed between the relevant parties.

#### (b) Commitments with a related company

On 1 April 2005, a subsidiary of the Group entered into a ten-year agreement ended on 31 March 2015 with Orient Profit Investment Limited to rent a residential property as director's quarters for Mr. Lam Yee Chun for a fixed annual rent of HK\$672,000. The rental expense paid to Orient Profit Investment Limited is disclosed in note 35(a) above. On 1 April 2015, the ten-year agreement ended on 31 March 2015 was further renewed for three years for a fixed annual rent of HK\$960,000 and will end on 31 March 2018.

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

Remuneration for key management personnel of the Group, including directors' and chief executives' remuneration as disclosed in note 8 to the financial statements, is as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Short term employee benefits	24,039	15,628
Post-employment benefits	157	144
Equity-settled share option expense	2,157	374
Total compensation paid to key management personnel	26,353	16,146

**36. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY**

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

**2017**

**Financial assets**

	<b>Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss – held for trading HK\$'000</b>	<b>Loans and receivables HK\$'000</b>	<b>Total HK\$'000</b>
Trade receivables	–	780,898	780,898
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	–	422,486	422,486
Due from a related company	–	96	96
Derivative financial instrument	90,386	–	90,386
Pledged deposits	–	165,759	165,759
Cash and cash equivalents	–	1,033,502	1,033,502
	<b>90,386</b>	<b>2,402,741</b>	<b>2,493,127</b>

**Financial liabilities**

	<b>Financial liabilities at amortised cost HK\$'000</b>
Trade and bills payables	904,075
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	1,070,787
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	1,389,043
	<b>3,363,905</b>

### 36. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (CONTINUED)

2016

#### Financial assets

	Loans and receivables HK\$'000
Trade and bills receivables	708,206
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	87,025
Due from related companies	6,519
Pledged deposits	290,945
Cash and cash equivalents	1,392,009
	2,484,704

#### Financial liabilities

	Financial liabilities at amortised cost HK\$'000
Trade and bills payables	408,398
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	1,218,815
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	1,038,550
	2,665,763

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

Management has assessed that the fair values of cash and cash equivalents, pledged deposits, trade and bills receivables, trade and bills payables, amounts due from related companies, and the current portions of financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables, financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals, and interest-bearing bank and other borrowings approximate to their carrying amounts largely due to the short term maturities of these instruments.

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



**37. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)**

The fair values of the non-current portions of financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables, financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals, and interest-bearing bank and other borrowings have been calculated by discounting the expected future cash flows using rates currently available for instruments with similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities. In the opinion of the directors, the fair values approximate to their carrying amounts.

The Group enters into derivative financial instruments with creditworthy counterparties with no recent history of default. Derivative financial instruments, including option and forward currency contracts, are measured using valuation techniques similar to option and forward pricing models, using present value calculations. The models incorporate various market observable inputs including the credit quality of the counterparties, foreign exchange spot and forward rates and interest rate curves. As at 31 December 2017, there was no outstanding forward currency contract. The carrying amount of option contract is the same as its fair value.

Below is a summary of significant unobservable inputs to the valuation of derivative financial instrument as at 31 December 2017:

	Valuation technique	Significant unobservable input	Range
Derivative financial instrument	Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model	Equity value: Growth rate for revenue	2% to 15%
		Equity value: Discount rate	10.2%

A significant increase/(decrease) in the growth rate to revenue in isolation would result in a significant increase/(decrease) in the fair value of the derivative financial instrument. A significant increase/(decrease) in the discount rate in isolation would result in a significant (decrease)/increase in the fair value of the derivative financial instrument.

**Fair value hierarchy**

The following table illustrates the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group's financial instruments:

**Assets measured at fair value:****As at 31 December 2017**

	Fair value measurement using			Total HK\$'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) HK\$'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) HK\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) HK\$'000	
Derivative financial instrument	—	—	90,386	90,386

## 37. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Fair value hierarchy (Continued)

The movements in fair value measurements within Level 3 during the year are as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
At 1 January	—	—
Fair value gain recognised in the statement of profit or loss included in other income and gains	90,386	—
At 31 December	90,386	—

The Group did not have any financial assets measured at fair value as at 31 December 2016.

The Group did not have any financial liabilities measured at fair value as at 31 December 2017 (2016: Nil).

During the year, there were no transfers of fair value measurements between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3 for both financial assets and financial liabilities (2016: Nil).

## 38. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's principal financial instruments, other than derivatives, comprise cash and cash equivalents, and interest-bearing bank and other borrowings. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to finance the Group's operations. The Group has various other financial assets and liabilities such as trade and bills receivables, financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables, pledged deposits, trade and bills payables, and financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals, which mainly arise directly from its operations.

The Group also enters into derivative transactions, including forward currency contracts. The purpose is to manage the currency risk arising from the Group's operations and its sources of finance.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are interest rate risk, foreign currency risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The board of directors reviews and agrees the policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below.

### Interest rate risk

The Group's exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates relates primarily to the Group's interest-bearing bank borrowings with floating interest rates. The Group does not use derivative financial instruments to hedge against its interest rate risk. The Group mitigates this risk by closely monitoring the movements in interest rates and reviewing its available credit facilities and their utilisation regularly.

At the end of the reporting period, if the interest rates on bank borrowings had been 25 basis points higher/lower, which was considered reasonably possible by management, with all other variables held constant, the profit before tax for the year would have been decreased/increased by HK\$2,933,000 (2016: HK\$1,938,000) as a result of higher/lower interest expenses on bank borrowings.

**38. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)****Foreign currency risk**

The Group has transactional currency exposures. Such exposures mainly arise from sales or purchases by operating units in currencies other than the units' functional currency.

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

	<b>Increase/ (decrease) in exchange rate</b>	<b>Increase/ (decrease) in profit before tax</b>
	%	HK\$'000
<b>2017</b>		
If the Hong Kong dollar weakens against the Euro	<b>5</b>	<b>(35,212)</b>
If the Hong Kong dollar strengthens against the Euro	<b>(5)</b>	<b>35,212</b>
If the Hong Kong dollar weakens against the IDR	<b>5</b>	<b>6,237</b>
If the Hong Kong dollar strengthens against the IDR	<b>(5)</b>	<b>(6,237)</b>
<b>2016</b>		
If the Hong Kong dollar weakens against the Euro	5	(32,735)
If the Hong Kong dollar strengthens against the Euro	(5)	32,735
If the Hong Kong dollar weakens against the IDR	5	5,283
If the Hong Kong dollar strengthens against the IDR	(5)	(5,283)

**Credit risk**

The Group mainly transacts with creditworthy third parties. Receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis and the Group's exposure to bad debts is not significant.

The credit risk of the Group's financial assets, which comprise trade and bills receivables, deposits and other receivables, amounts due from related companies, pledged deposits and cash and cash equivalents, arises from default of the counterparties, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amounts of these instruments.

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had certain concentrations of credit risk as 24% (2016: 39%) and 65% (2016: 76%) of the Group's trade receivables were due from the Group's largest debtor and the five largest debtors, respectively.

Further quantitative data in respect of the Group's exposure to credit risk arising from trade and bills receivables are disclosed in note 16 to the financial statements.

### 38. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting financial obligations due to shortage of funds. The Group's exposure to liquidity risk arises primarily from mismatches of the maturities of financial assets and liabilities. The Group monitors its risk to a shortage of funds by considering the maturities of both its financial liabilities and financial assets.

The Group's objective is to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through the use of bank and other borrowings. The Group aims to maintain sufficient cash and cash equivalents to meet its liquidity requirements.

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

	2017		
	No fixed terms of repayment/ on demand/ less than 1 year HK\$'000	1 to 5 years HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Trade and bills payables	904,075	—	904,075
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	764,255	328,625	1,092,880
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	591,298	891,989	1,483,287
	<b>2,259,628</b>	<b>1,220,614</b>	<b>3,480,242</b>
	2016		
	No fixed terms of repayment/ on demand/ less than 1 year HK\$'000	1 to 5 years HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Trade and bills payables	408,398	—	408,398
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	507,244	779,005	1,286,249
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings ( <i>note</i> )	736,717	339,642	1,076,359
	1,652,359	1,118,647	2,771,006

**38. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)****Liquidity risk (continued)**

Note:

Included in the above interest-bearing bank and other borrowings of the Group as at 31 December 2016 were term loans with a carrying amount of HK\$29,872,000. The loan agreements contained a repayment on demand clause giving the banks the unconditional right to call in the loans at any time and therefore, for the purpose of the above maturity profile, the total amount was classified as "on demand".

Notwithstanding the above clause, the directors did not believe that the loans would be called in their entirety within 12 months from the end of the reporting period, and they considered that the loans would be repaid in accordance with the maturity dates as set out in the loan agreements. This evaluation was made considering: the financial position of the Group at the date of approval of the financial statements; the lack of events of default; and the fact that the Group had made all previously scheduled repayments on time.

In accordance with the terms of the loans which contained a repayment on demand clause, the maturity profile of those loans as at the end of the reporting period, based on the contractual undiscounted payments and ignoring the effect of any repayment on demand clause, was as follows:

	<b>Within 1 year or on demand</b>	<b>1 to 5 years</b>	<b>Total</b>
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
As at 31 December 2016	17,617	12,990	30,607

**Capital management**

The primary objectives of the Group's capital management are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain healthy capital ratios in order to continue to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders.

The Group actively and regularly reviews and manages its capital structure and strives to maintain a sound capital position, and makes adjustments to the capital structure in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the dividend payment to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue new shares. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes for managing capital during the years ended 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016.

Capital of the Group comprises all components of shareholders' equity.

## 39. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

- (a) On 29 January 2018, the Company and CITIC Pacific Limited ("**CITIC**"), through their respective subsidiaries, agreed to establish Tamar VPower Energy Fund I, L.P. ("**Fund**") with an investment objective of seeking long term capital appreciation by way of investments in companies or operating projects in the energy sector positioned to benefit from economic growth in the PRC, Central Asia, and Southeast Asia, and in markets encompassed by the Belt and Road Initiative of the PRC.

Tamar VPower Holdings Limited, indirectly owned as to 50% by each of the Company and CITIC, has a wholly-owned subsidiary to act as the general partner, the special limited partner and the management company, respectively, of the Fund. The Company has committed an aggregate of US\$80 million (equivalent to HK\$624 million) to subscribe for interest of the Fund through its own indirect wholly-owned subsidiary and the special limited partner of the Fund.

Details of the Fund and the Company's capital commitments in the Fund are set out in the announcement of the Company dated 29 January 2018 and the clarification announcement of the Company dated 30 January 2018.

- (b) During the year ended 31 December 2017, VPower Group Holdings Limited ("**VGH**"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, advanced to GenRent a loan in the total sum of US\$30 million (equivalent to HK\$234 million) which could be convertible into equity interest in GenRent. On 2 February 2018, VGH exercised the option to subscribe for 51% of the equity interest in GenRent at the exercise consideration of US\$4.6 million (equivalent to HK\$35.8 million) and which was satisfied by way of set-off against the same amount of the outstanding convertible loan advanced by VGH to GenRent. Following the option exercise, GenRent has become a 51%-owned subsidiary of the Company.

On 2 February 2018, GenRent completed issuance to institutional investors in the United States of America 19-year unlisted secured senior notes with the principal amount of US\$106.5 million (equivalent to HK\$830.7 million) (the "**Senior Notes**") to fund, among other things, the repayment of existing bank and other loans and the working capital requirements of the distributed power generation project of GenRent. The Senior Notes are non-recourse and secured by a first priority security interest in the assets of GenRent and the entire equity interest in GenRent held by its shareholders including VGH.

Details of the option exercise and the issuance of the Senior Notes by GenRent are set out in the announcement of the Company dated 5 February 2018.

**40. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY**

Information about the statement of financial position of the Company at the end of the reporting period is as follows:

	<b>2017</b> <b>HK\$'000</b>	2016 HK\$'000
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Investments in subsidiaries	<b>331,007</b>	329,485
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Prepayments and other receivables	<b>2,382</b>	675
Due from a subsidiary	<b>1,426,839</b>	744,605
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>163,703</b>	777,632
Total current assets	<b>1,592,924</b>	1,522,912
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Other payables and accruals	<b>1,783</b>	6,177
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>1,591,141</b>	1,516,735
Net assets	<b>1,922,148</b>	1,846,220
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Share capital	<b>256,159</b>	256,000
Reserves ( <i>note</i> )	<b>1,665,989</b>	1,590,220
Total equity	<b>1,922,148</b>	1,846,220



#### 40. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY (CONTINUED)

Note:

A summary of the Company's reserves is as follows:

	Share premium account HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000	Share option reserve HK\$'000 (note 30(c))	Shares held under the share award scheme HK\$'000 (note 29)	Retained earning/ (accumulated loss) HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 22 February 2016 (date of incorporation)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Loss and total comprehensive loss for the period	—	—	—	—	(44,556)	(44,556)
Issue of shares pursuant to the Reorganisation	—	128,895	—	—	—	128,895
Issue of shares under initial public offering	1,556,800	—	—	—	—	1,556,800
Share issue expenses	(51,715)	—	—	—	—	(51,715)
Equity-settled share option arrangement	—	—	796	—	—	796
At 31 December 2016 and at 1 January 2017	1,505,085	128,895	796	—	(44,556)	1,590,220
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	—	225,687	225,687
Issue of shares upon exercise of share options	4,957	—	(1,903)	—	—	3,054
Equity-settled share option arrangement	—	—	4,502	—	—	4,502
Purchases of shares for the share award scheme	—	—	—	(54,171)	—	(54,171)
Final 2016 dividend	—	—	—	—	(65,792)	(65,792)
Interim 2017 dividend	—	—	—	—	(37,511)	(37,511)
At 31 December 2017	1,510,042	128,895	3,395	(54,171)	77,828	1,665,989

#### Capital reserve

The Company's capital reserve represents the excess of the net asset value of Crest Pacific acquired by the Company pursuant to the Reorganisation set out in note 2.1 to the financial statements over the nominal value of the Company's shares issued in exchange therefor.

#### 41. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 26 March 2018.

# FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

## A SUMMARY OF RESULTS

	Year ended 31 December				
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000	2015 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000
REVENUE	<b>1,746,016</b>	1,531,011	1,212,843	929,781	575,777
Cost of sales	<b>(1,169,189)</b>	(1,033,197)	(868,855)	(681,338)	(483,803)
Gross profit	<b>576,827</b>	497,814	343,988	248,443	91,974
Other income and gains	<b>190,246</b>	53,997	45,946	50,378	6,305
Selling and distribution expenses	<b>(29,091)</b>	(23,973)	(25,061)	(35,722)	(21,591)
Administrative expenses	<b>(205,031)</b>	(201,401)	(131,402)	(88,495)	(47,124)
Other expenses, net	<b>(98,620)</b>	(4,463)	(34,359)	(18,968)	(5,277)
Finance costs	<b>(76,999)</b>	(68,836)	(34,697)	(14,640)	(8,712)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	<b>357,332</b>	253,138	164,415	140,996	15,575
Income tax expense	<b>(26,014)</b>	(31,125)	(23,192)	(20,250)	(5,894)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	<b>331,318</b>	222,013	141,223	120,746	9,681
Attributable to:					
Owners of the Company	<b>331,924</b>	222,013	141,223	120,746	9,681
Non-controlling interests	<b>(606)</b>	–	–	–	–
	<b>331,318</b>	222,013	141,223	120,746	9,681

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	As at 31 December				
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000	2015 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000
TOTAL ASSETS	<b>5,926,607</b>	5,025,360	2,756,217	1,596,406	680,347
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<b>(3,465,885)</b>	(2,763,110)	(2,216,722)	(1,366,579)	(569,421)
	<b>2,460,722</b>	2,262,250	539,495	229,827	110,926
EQUITY					
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	<b>2,461,316</b>	2,262,250	539,495	229,827	110,926
Non-controlling interests	<b>(594)</b>	–	–	–	–
	<b>2,460,722</b>	2,262,250	539,495	229,827	110,926

## KEY FINANCIAL RATIOS

	As of and for the year ended 31 December				
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
<b>Profitability ratios</b>					
Return on equity <sup>(1)</sup>	<b>14.0%</b>	15.8%	36.7%	70.9%	9.6%
Return on total assets <sup>(2)</sup>	<b>6.1%</b>	5.7%	6.5%	10.6%	1.6%
<b>Liquidity ratios</b>					
Current ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	<b>1.4</b>	1.8	1.1	0.8	0.8
Quick ratio <sup>(4)</sup>	<b>1.1</b>	1.5	0.8	0.5	0.5
Liabilities to assets ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	<b>0.6</b>	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.8
<b>Capital adequacy ratios</b>					
Net gearing ratio <sup>(6)</sup>	<b>7.7%</b>	(28.5)%	101.5%	138.8%	229.9%
Interest coverage <sup>(7)</sup>	<b>5.6</b>	4.7	5.7	10.6	2.8

Notes:

- (1) Return on equity is calculated based on profit for the year divided by the arithmetic mean of the opening and closing balances of total equity in the relevant year and multiplied by 100%.
- (2) Return on total assets is calculated based on profit for the year divided by the arithmetic mean of the opening and closing balances of total assets in the relevant year and multiplied by 100%.
- (3) Current ratio is calculated based on total current assets divided by total current liabilities.
- (4) Quick ratio is calculated based on total current assets less inventories divided by total current liabilities.
- (5) Liabilities to assets ratio is calculated based on total liabilities divided by total assets.
- (6) Net gearing ratio is calculated based on the percentage of total borrowings (excluding loan from a shareholder) less cash and cash equivalents and pledged deposits to total equity.
- (7) Interest coverage is calculated by dividing profit before tax and finance costs by finance costs.

## PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Location	Use	Tenure	Attributable interest of the Group
Unit 3801B on Level 38 of Tower II, Metroplaza, No. 223 Hing Fong Road, Kwai Chung, New Territories, Hong Kong	Office	Medium term lease	100%
Apartment 4.01, Cambridge House, One Tower Bridge, Potter Fields, London, United Kingdom	Residential	Long term lease	100%

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Mr. LAM Yee Chun  
(Executive Chairman)  
Mr. LEE Chong Man Jason  
(Co-Chief Executive Officer)  
Mr. AU-YEUNG Tai Hong Rorce  
(Co-Chief Executive Officer)  
Mr. LO Siu Yuen  
(Chief Operation Officer)

### Non-Executive Directors

Ms. CHAN Mei Wan  
(Vice Chairwoman)  
Mr. KWOK Man Leung

### Independent Non-Executive Directors

Mr. David TSOI  
Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew  
Mr. SUEN Wai Yu

## BOARD COMMITTEES

### Audit Committee

Mr. David TSOI (Chairman)  
Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew  
Ms. CHAN Mei Wan

### Remuneration Committee

Mr. YEUNG Wai Fai Andrew (Chairman)  
Ms. CHAN Mei Wan  
Mr. SUEN Wai Yu

### Nomination Committee

Mr. SUEN Wai Yu (Chairman)  
Mr. LAM Yee Chun  
Mr. David TSOI

## COMPANY SECRETARY

Mr. CHAN Kam Shing

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