

Report of the Directors

The Directors have pleasure in submitting to shareholders their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014.

Principal Activities

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The activities of its principal subsidiaries are set out on pages 137 to 138.

Group Profit

The consolidated income statement is set out on page 79 and shows the profit of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2014.

Dividends

An interim dividend of 4.25 HK cents per share was paid to shareholders on 4 September 2014.

The Directors recommend the declaration of a final dividend at the rate of 8.70 HK cents per share, payable on Wednesday, 27 May 2015 to those persons registered as shareholders of the Company on Friday, 15 May 2015, being the record date for determining the entitlement of shareholders to the proposed final dividend.

Reserves

Movements in the reserves of the Group and of the Company during the year are set out in Note 26 to the consolidated financial statements.

Charitable Donations

Donations to charitable organisations by the Group during the year amounted to approximately HK\$0.7 million (2013: HK\$0.5 million).

Property, Plant and Equipment

Particulars of the movements of property, plant and equipment are set out in Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements.

Share Capital

Details of the share capital of the Company are set out in Note 25 to the consolidated financial statements.

Directors

The Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") as at 31 December 2014 comprised nine Directors: Mr Fok Kin Ning, Canning (Chairman and a Non-executive Director); Mr Lui Dennis Pok Man (Deputy Chairman and a Non-executive Director); Mr Wong King Fai, Peter (Executive Director); three Non-executive Directors, namely, Mrs Chow Woo Mo Fong, Susan, Mr Frank John Sixt and Mr Lai Kai Ming, Dominic (Mr Ma Lai Chee, Gerald is Alternate Director to Mr Lai Kai Ming, Dominic); and three Independent Non-executive Directors, namely, Mr Cheong Ying Chew, Henry, Dr Lan Hong Tsung, David and Dr Wong Yick Ming, Rosanna.

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In accordance with Article 84 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Mr Lui Dennis Pok Man, Mrs Chow Woo Mo Fong, Susan and Dr Lan Hong Tsung, David will retire by rotation at the forthcoming annual general meeting and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The Company received confirmations from the Independent Non-executive Directors of their independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"). The Company considered all the Independent Non-executive Directors as independent.

The Directors' biographical details are set out on pages 42 to 44.

Directors' Service Contracts

None of the Directors who are proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract with the Company which is not terminable by the Company within one year and without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

Interest in Contracts

No contracts of significance in relation to the businesses of the Company and its subsidiaries to which the Company or a subsidiary was a party in which a Director had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

Continuing Connected Transactions

On 30 December 2011, the Company and Hutchison International Limited ("HIL", a subsidiary of Hutchison Whampoa Limited ("HWL")) entered into a master agreement (the "HWL Master Agreement") for a three-year term from 1 January 2012, whereby HIL will procure relevant members of HWL and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "HWL Group") (which, for the purpose of the HWL Master Agreement, include entities controlled, directly or indirectly, as to more than 50% by HIL and such other entities in which HIL is from time to time directly or indirectly interested so as to exercise or control the exercise of 50% of voting power at general meetings in such entities) to provide or acquire (as appropriate), and the Company will procure relevant members of the Group (which, for the purpose of the HWL Master Agreement, include entities controlled, directly or indirectly, as to more than 50% by the Company and such other entities in which the Company is from time to time directly or indirectly interested so as to exercise or control the exercise of 50% of voting power at general meetings in such entities) to acquire or provide (as appropriate), the following range of products and services of the HWL Group or of the Group and such other products or services as may be agreed from time to time (the "HWL Group Supplies" and the "Group Supplies", respectively) on a non-exclusive basis as and when reasonably requested by relevant members of the Group or of the HWL Group (the "Continuing Connected Transactions"):

- (a) the HWL Group Supplies include intellectual property rights licensing; roaming services; bill collection services; telecommunications products (such as contents); local and international fixed-line telecommunications services (including international direct dialing ("IDD") services and international private leased circuits); leasing and licensing of offices, building spaces, car parks and warehouses; distilled water, food and beverages, groceries; stationeries, office supplies; computer supplies; printing services; records management services; office relocation services; hotel services; travel and transportation services; IT-related services (including IT platforms development services, software solutions and applications development services and other professional services); marketing, advertising and promotional services; promotional items; collaboration on the development of video and radio programmes; dealership services; global procurement services; handset and other device supplies; and provision of guarantees; and

- (b) the Group Supplies include data centre services (including data centre facilities (such as power supply, telecommunications connectivity, air-conditioning, fire prevention and security systems), hardware and software management and co-location services); mobile telecommunications products (including mobile handsets, accessories and related products); mobile telecommunications services (including IDD and roaming services and other value-added services); telecommunications and Internet services (including local and international fixed-line telecommunications services, Internet access bandwidth with value-added services, and Internet and web-hosting services); roaming services; and procurement of local and international fixed-line telecommunications services.

Each member of the HWL Group is a connected person of the Company by virtue of being an associate of a substantial shareholder of the Company. Accordingly, the transactions contemplated under the HWL Master Agreement constituted continuing connected transactions for the Company under the Listing Rules.

The Company announced on 30 December 2011 that the annual caps of (a) the acquisition of the HWL Group Supplies by the Group for the three years ended 31 December 2012, 31 December 2013 and 31 December 2014 amounted to HK\$308 million, HK\$359 million and HK\$424 million respectively; and (b) the provision of the Group Supplies for the three years ended 31 December 2012, 31 December 2013 and 31 December 2014 amounted to HK\$250 million, HK\$272 million and HK\$293 million respectively.

The aggregate amounts attributed to (a) the acquisition of the HWL Group Supplies by the Group; and (b) the provision of the Group Supplies, for the year ended 31 December 2014 which are subject to the annual review requirements under the Listing Rules were approximately HK\$235 million and HK\$191 million respectively.

All the Independent Non-executive Directors of the Company have reviewed the Continuing Connected Transactions entered into by the Group during the year ended 31 December 2014 and confirmed that they were entered into (i) in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group; (ii) on normal commercial terms or better; and (iii) according to the relevant agreements governing them on terms that are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

Based on the work performed, the auditor of the Company has confirmed in a letter to the Board that nothing has come to their attention that causes them to believe that the Continuing Connected Transactions entered into by the Group during the year ended 31 December 2014 (i) have not been approved by the Board; (ii) were not, in all material respects, in accordance with the pricing policies of the Group for transactions involved the provision of goods and services by the Group; (iii) were not entered into, in all material respects, in accordance with the terms of the relevant agreements governing such transactions; and (iv) have exceeded the respective annual cap amounts as referred to in the announcement dated 30 December 2011.

The HWL Master Agreement expired on 31 December 2014.

A summary of the related party transactions entered into by the Group during the year ended 31 December 2014 is contained in Note 33 to the consolidated financial statements. The transactions entered into with the HWL Group and the DoCoMo Group (as defined in Note 33 to the consolidated financial statements) as described in paragraph (b) to Note 33 to the consolidated financial statements all fall under the definition of "continuing connected transactions" under the Listing Rules, of which the sharing of services arrangement entered into with the HWL Group and all the transactions entered into with the DoCoMo Group are fully exempt from shareholders' approval, annual review and all disclosure requirements under Rules 14A.98 and 14A.76(1) of the Listing Rules respectively.

The Company has complied with the disclosure requirements in accordance with Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules with respect to the connected transactions and continuing connected transactions entered into by the Group during the year ended 31 December 2014.

Interests and Short Positions of Shareholders Discloseable under the Securities and Futures Ordinance

So far as is known to the Directors and Chief Executive of the Company, as at 31 December 2014, other than the interests and short positions of the Directors and Chief Executive of the Company as disclosed in the "Information on Directors" section, the following persons had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO"), or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"):

(I) Interests and short positions of substantial shareholders in the shares and underlying shares of the Company

Long positions in the shares of the Company

Name		Capacity	Number of shares held	Approximate % of shareholding
Hutchison Telecommunications Investment Holdings Limited ("HTIHL")	(i)	Beneficial owner	2,619,929,104 ⁽¹⁾)	65.01%
	(ii)	Interest of a controlled corporation	512,961,149 ⁽¹⁾)	
Hutchison Telecommunications Group Holdings Limited ("HTGHL")		Interest of controlled corporations	3,132,890,253 ⁽¹⁾	65.01%
Ommaney Holdings Limited ("OHL")		Interest of controlled corporations	3,132,890,253 ⁽¹⁾	65.01%
HIL		Interest of controlled corporations	3,132,890,253 ⁽¹⁾	65.01%
HWL		Interest of controlled corporations	3,132,890,253 ⁽¹⁾	65.01%
Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited ("CKH")		Interest of controlled corporations	3,184,982,840 ⁽²⁾	66.09%
Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustee Company Limited ("TUT1")		Trustee	3,184,982,840 ⁽³⁾	66.09%
Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustee Corporation Limited ("TDT1")		Trustee and beneficiary of a trust	3,184,982,840 ⁽⁴⁾	66.09%
Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustcorp Limited ("TDT2")		Trustee and beneficiary of a trust	3,184,982,840 ⁽⁴⁾	66.09%
Li Ka-shing ("Mr Li")	(i)	Founder of discretionary trusts and interest of controlled corporations	3,185,136,120 ⁽⁵⁾)	74.48%
	(ii)	Interest of controlled corporations	403,979,499 ⁽⁶⁾)	
Mayspin Management Limited ("Mayspin")		Interest of controlled corporations	403,979,499 ⁽⁷⁾	8.38%
Yuda Limited ("Yuda")		Beneficial owner	350,527,953 ⁽⁸⁾	7.27%

Notes:

- (1) HTIHL is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of HTGHL, which in turn is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of OHL, which in turn is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of HIL, which in turn is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of HWL. By virtue of the SFO, HWL, HIL, OHL and HTGHL were deemed to be interested in the 2,619,929,104 ordinary shares of the Company which HTIHL had direct interest and the 512,961,149 ordinary shares of the Company held by Hutchison Telecommunications Holdings Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of HTIHL.
- (2) Certain subsidiary companies of CKH together hold one-third or more of the issued shares of HWL. By virtue of the above, CKH was therefore taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the interest in the relevant share capital of the Company held by or in which HWL, HIL, OHL, HTGHL or HTIHL was taken as interested as a substantial shareholder of the Company under the SFO. CKH was also interested in the share capital of the Company through certain wholly-owned subsidiary companies of CKH.
- (3) TUT1, as trustee of The Li Ka-Shing Unity Trust ("UT1"), together with certain companies which TUT1 as trustee of UT1 was entitled to exercise or control the exercise of one-third or more of the voting power at their general meetings ("related companies"), hold more than one-third of the issued shares of CKH. By virtue of the above and the interest of TUT1 as trustee of UT1 and its related companies in the shares in CKH, TUT1 as trustee of UT1 was therefore taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the interest in the relevant share capital of the Company held by or in which HWL, HIL, OHL, HTGHL or HTIHL was taken as interested (together with CKH's interest in the share capital of the Company through certain wholly-owned subsidiary companies) as a substantial shareholder of the Company under the SFO.
- (4) Each of TDT1 as trustee of a discretionary trust ("DT1") and TDT2 as trustee of another discretionary trust ("DT2") holds units in UT1 but is not entitled to any interest or share in any particular property comprising the trust assets of the said unit trust. The discretionary beneficiaries of each of DT1 and DT2 are, *inter alia*, Mr Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor, his wife and children and Mr Li Tzar Kai, Richard. By virtue of the above and its interest of holding units in UT1, each of TDT1 as trustee of DT1 and TDT2 as trustee of DT2 was taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the interest in the relevant share capital of the Company held by or in which HWL, HIL, OHL, HTGHL or HTIHL was taken as interested (together with CKH's interest in the share capital of the Company through certain wholly-owned subsidiary companies) as a substantial shareholder of the Company under the SFO.
- (5) Mr Li is the settlor of each of DT1, DT2 and two discretionary trusts ("DT3" and "DT4") and may be regarded as a founder of each of DT1, DT2, DT3 and DT4 for the purpose of the SFO. Mr Li and Mr Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor are respectively interested in one-third and two-third of the entire issued share capital of both of Li Ka-Shing Unity Holdings Limited and Li Ka-Shing Castle Holdings Limited owning the entire issued share capital of TUT1, TDT1, TDT2, Li Ka-Shing Castle Trustee Company Limited ("TUT3") as trustee of The Li Ka-Shing Castle Trust ("UT3"), Li Ka-Shing Castle Trustee Corporation Limited as trustee of DT3 and Li Ka-Shing Castle Trustcorp Limited as trustee of DT4 where appropriate. By virtue of the above and as a director of CKH, Mr Li was taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the interest in the relevant share capital of the Company held by or in which HWL, HIL, OHL, HTGHL or HTIHL was taken as interested and held by TUT3 as trustee of UT3 (together with CKH's interest in the share capital of the Company through certain wholly-owned subsidiary companies) as a substantial shareholder of the Company under the SFO.
- (6) Such ordinary shares were held by companies of which Mr Li is interested in the entire issued share capital.
- (7) Mayspin is a company wholly-controlled by Mr Li. Such interest is duplicated in that of Mr Li held by the companies described in Note (6) above.
- (8) Yuda is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Mayspin, which in turn is a company wholly-controlled by Mr Li. Such interest is duplicated in that of Mr Li held by one of the companies described in Note (6) above.

(II) Interests and short positions of other persons in the shares and underlying shares of the Company

Long positions in the shares of the Company

Name	Capacity	Number of shares held	Approximate % of shareholding
The Capital Group Companies, Inc.	Interest of controlled corporations	246,038,000	5.11%

Save as disclosed above and so far as is known to the Directors and Chief Executive of the Company, as at 31 December 2014, there was no other person (other than the Directors and Chief Executive of the Company) who had an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

Share Option Scheme

The share option scheme of the Company (the "Share Option Scheme"), conditionally approved and adopted by a resolution of the then sole shareholder of the Company passed on 6 April 2009, was approved at the extraordinary general meeting of HWL on 21 May 2009 for the grant of options to acquire ordinary shares of HK\$0.25 each in the share capital of the Company. The Share Option Scheme is valid and effective during the period commencing on 21 May 2009 and ending on 20 May 2019, being the date falling 10 years from the date on which the Share Option Scheme became unconditional. The Share Option Scheme has a remaining term of approximately four years as at the date of this report. A summary of the Share Option Scheme is as follows:

- (1) The purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to enable the Group to grant share options to selected participants as incentives or rewards for their contribution to the Group, to continue and/or render improved service with the Group and/or to establish a stronger business relationship between the Group and such participants.
- (2) The Directors (which expression shall include a duly authorised committee thereof) may, at their absolute discretion, invite any person belonging to any of the following classes of participants to take up share options to subscribe for shares of the Company:
 - (a) any employee or consultant (as to functional areas of finance, business or personnel administration or information technology) (whether full-time or part-time, including any executive director but excluding any non-executive director) of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or any entity in which any member of the Group holds any equity interest (the "Invested Entity");
 - (b) any non-executive directors (including independent non-executive directors) of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or any Invested Entity;
 - (c) any supplier of goods or services to any member of the Group or any Invested Entity;
 - (d) any customer of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity;
 - (e) any person or entity that provides research, development or other technological support to any member of the Group or any Invested Entity;
 - (f) any shareholders of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity or any holder of any securities issued by any member of the Group or any Invested Entity;
 - (g) any other group or classes of participants contributing by way of joint venture, business alliance or other business arrangement to the development and growth of the Group; and
 - (h) any company wholly owned by any one or more persons belonging to any of the above classes of participants.

For the avoidance of doubt, the grant of any options by the Company for the subscription of shares of the Company or other securities of the Group to any person who falls within any of the above classes of participants shall not, by itself, unless the Directors otherwise determine, be construed as a grant of share options under the Share Option Scheme.

The eligibility of any of the above classes of participants to an offer for the grant of any share options shall be determined by the Directors from time to time on the basis of their contribution to the development and growth of the Group.

- (3) A nominal consideration of HK\$1.00 is payable on acceptance to an offer for the grant of a share option.
- (4) Unless otherwise determined by the Directors and stated in the offer of grant of the share options to a grantee, there is no minimum period required under the Share Option Scheme for the holding of a share option before it can be exercised.
- (5) The subscription price for the shares of the Company under the Share Option Scheme shall be a price determined by the Directors but shall not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the daily quotations sheet of the Stock Exchange for trade in one or more board lots of the shares of the Company on the date of the offer of grant of the share options which must be a business day; (ii) the average closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the daily quotations sheet of the Stock Exchange for trade in one or more board lots of the shares of the Company for the five business days immediately preceding the date of the offer of grant of the share options which must be a business day; and (iii) the nominal value of share of the Company.
- (6) The maximum number of shares of the Company which may be allotted and issued pursuant to the Share Option Scheme is as follows:
 - (a) The maximum number of shares of the Company which may be allotted and issued upon the exercise of all outstanding share options granted and yet to be exercised under the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme adopted by the Group must not in aggregate exceed 30% of the relevant class of securities of the Company (or its subsidiaries) in issue from time to time;
 - (b) The total number of shares of the Company which may be allotted and issued upon the exercise of all share options (excluding, for this purpose, share options which have lapsed in accordance with the terms of the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group) to be granted under the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group must not in aggregate exceed 10% of the relevant class of securities of the Company (or its subsidiaries) in issue, being 4,814,346,208 ordinary shares, as at 8 May 2009 (the "Listing Date"), the date on which the shares of the Company were first listed on the Stock Exchange (the "General Scheme Limit"). Based on the number of shares in issue of the Company on the Listing Date, the General Scheme Limit of the Share Option Scheme is 481,434,620 shares. As at the date of this report, the total number of shares available for issue under the Share Option Scheme (including the share options granted but yet to be exercised) was 476,884,620, representing approximately 9.90% of the shares of the Company in issue as at that date;
 - (c) Subject to sub-paragraph (6)(a) above and without prejudice to sub-paragraph (6)(d) below, the Company may seek approval of its shareholders in general meeting to refresh the General Scheme Limit (a circular containing the information required by the Listing Rules to be despatched to shareholders of the Company for that purpose) provided that the total number of shares of the Company which may be allotted and issued upon the exercise of all share options to be granted under the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group must not exceed 10% of the relevant class of securities of the Company (or its subsidiaries) in issue as at the date of approval of the limit and, for the purpose of calculating the limit, share options (including those outstanding, cancelled, lapsed or exercised in accordance with the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group) previously granted under the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group will not be counted;
 - (d) Subject to sub-paragraph (6)(a) above and without prejudice to sub-paragraph (6)(c) above, the Company may seek separate approval of its shareholders in general meeting to grant share options under the Share Option Scheme beyond the General Scheme Limit (a circular containing the information required by the Listing Rules to be despatched to shareholders of the Company for that purpose) or, if applicable, the extended limit referred to in sub-paragraph (6)(c) above to participants specifically identified by the Company before such approval is sought; and

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- (e) The total number of shares of the Company issued and to be issued upon exercise of the share options granted to each participant under the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group (including both exercised and outstanding share options) in any 12-month period must not exceed 1% of the issued share capital of the Company unless approved by the shareholders in a general meeting of the Company (with such participant and his associates (as defined in the Listing Rules) abstaining from voting) in compliance with the requirements of the Listing Rules.

A share option may be accepted by a participant within 21 days from the date of the offer of grant of the share option.

A share option may be exercised in accordance with the terms of the Share Option Scheme at any time during a period to be determined on the date of offer of grant of the share option and notified by the Directors to each grantee, which period may commence, once the offer for the grant is accepted within the prescribed time by the grantee, from the date on which such share option is deemed to have been granted but shall end in any event not later than 10 years from the date on which the offer for grant of the share option is made, subject to the provisions for early termination thereof.

Particulars of share options outstanding under the Share Option Scheme at the beginning and at the end of the year ended 31 December 2014 and share options granted, exercised, cancelled or lapsed under the Share Option Scheme during the year ended 31 December 2014 were as follows:

Category of participants	Date of grant of share Options ⁽¹⁾	Number of share options held at	Granted during 2014	Exercised during 2014	Lapsed/ cancelled during 2014	Number of share options held at	Exercise period of share options	Exercise price of share options ⁽²⁾	Price of share of the Company	
		1 January 2014				31 December 2014			at the grant date of share options ⁽³⁾	at the exercise date of share options
								HKS	HKS	HKS
Employees in aggregate	1.6.2009	200,000	-	-	-	200,000	1.6.2009 to 31.5.2019 (both dates inclusive)	1.00	0.96	N/A
Total		200,000	-	-	-	200,000				

Notes:

- (1) The share options were vested according to a schedule, namely, as to as close to one-third of the shares of the Company which are subject to the share options as possible on each of 1 June 2009, 23 November 2009 and 23 November 2010, and provided that for the vesting to occur the grantee has to remain an Eligible Participant (as defined in the Share Option Scheme) on such vesting date.
- (2) The exercise price of the share options is subject to adjustment in accordance with the provisions of the Share Option Scheme.
- (3) The stated price was the closing price of the shares of the Company on the Stock Exchange on the trading day immediately prior to the date of the grant of the share options.

As at the date of this report, the Company had 200,000 share options outstanding under the Share Option Scheme, which represented approximately 0.0042% of the shares of the Company in issue as at that date.

No share option was granted under the Share Option Scheme during the year ended 31 December 2014.

Apart from the Share Option Scheme, at no time during the year ended 31 December 2014 was the Company or any of its subsidiaries or its holding company or a subsidiary of the holding company of the Company a party to any arrangements whose objects are to enable the Directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of acquisition of shares in or debenture of the Company or any other body corporate.

Pre-emptive Rights

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Articles of Association of the Company or the laws of the Cayman Islands which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro rata basis to existing shareholders.

Purchase, Sale or Redemption of Shares

During the year, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased or sold any of the listed securities of the Company. In addition, the Company has not redeemed any of its listed securities during the year.

Major Customers and Suppliers

During the year, the percentage of turnover attributable to the five largest customers of the Group combined was less than 30% of the total turnover of the Group.

During the year, the percentages of purchases attributable to the major suppliers of the Group were as follows:

	Percentage of total purchases of the Group
The largest supplier	62%
Five largest suppliers combined	70%

As at 31 December 2014,

- (a) Mrs Chow Woo Mo Fong, Susan, a Non-executive Director, held 242,303 shares in HSBC Holdings plc ("HSBC Holdings"), the holding company of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited ("HSBC") which was one of the five largest suppliers of the Group;
- (b) Mr Wong King Fai, Peter, Executive Director, held 4,800 shares in HSBC Holdings;
- (c) Mr Cheong Ying Chew, Henry, an Independent Non-executive Director, held 3,200 shares in HSBC Holdings;
- (d) Dr Lan Hong Tsung, David, an Independent Non-executive Director, held 102,835 shares in HSBC Holdings;
- (e) Dr Wong Yick Ming, Rosanna, an Independent Non-executive Director, was a director of HSBC; and
- (f) Mr Li Ka-shing, a substantial shareholder of the Company, indirectly held 275,600 shares in Hang Seng Bank Limited which was one of the five largest suppliers of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors, their close associates or any shareholders (which to the knowledge of the Directors own more than 5% of the share capital of the Company) had any interest in the major suppliers noted above.

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Public Float

As at the date of this report, based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors, approximately 25.12% of the issued share capital of the Company was held by the public.

Auditor

The financial statements have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers who will retire and, being eligible, offer itself for re-appointment.

By Order of the Board

Edith SHIH

Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 16 February 2015