

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 HK\$ million	2023 HK\$ million
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	31	1,115	1,152
Interest and other finance costs paid		(29)	(23)
Tax paid		(5)	(2)
Net cash from operating activities		1,081	1,127
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(434)	(481)
Payments for short-term bank deposits with original maturity beyond 3 months		(2,555)	(2,976)
Proceeds from maturity of short-term bank deposits with original maturity beyond 3 months		3,818	1,815
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment		1	-
Interest received		202	162
Loan to a joint venture		(96)	(63)
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities		936	(1,543)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Principal elements of lease payments	27	(398)	(400)
Dividends paid		(361)	(361)
Net cash used in financing activities		(759)	(761)
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		1,258	(1,177)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		1,910	3,087
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	22	3,168	1,910

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.