## **Corporate Governance**

The Company strives to attain and maintain high standards of corporate governance best suited to the needs and interests of the Company and its subsidiaries (together, the "Group") as it believes that effective corporate governance practices are fundamental to safeguarding interests of shareholders and other stakeholders and enhancing shareholder value. Accordingly, the Company has adopted and applied corporate governance principles that emphasise a quality board of Directors (the "Board"), effective internal controls, stringent disclosure practices, transparency and accountability. It is, in addition, committed to continuously improving these practices and inculcating an ethical corporate culture.

## Compliance with the Corporate Governance Code

The Company has complied throughout the six months ended 30 June 2014 with all code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"), other than those in respect of the nomination committee. The Company has considered the merits of establishing a nomination committee but is of the view that it is in the best interests of the Company that the Board collectively reviews, deliberates on and approves the structure, size and composition of the Board as well as the appointment of any new Director, as and when appropriate. The Board is tasked with ensuring that it has a balanced composition of skills and experience appropriate for the requirements of the businesses of the Group and that appropriate individuals with the relevant expertise and leadership qualities are appointed to the Board to complement the capabilities of the existing Directors. In addition, the Board as a whole is responsible for reviewing the succession plan for Directors, including the Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer & Group Managing Director.

## Compliance with the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of the Company

The Board has adopted its own Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors (the "HTHKH Securities Code") regulating Directors' dealings in securities (Group and otherwise), on terms no less exacting than the required standard of the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. The HTHKH Securities Code has been updated to reflect the recent amendments to the Listing Rules which took effect in July 2014. In response to specific enquiries made, all Directors confirmed that they have complied with the HTHKH Securities Code in their securities transactions throughout the six months ended 30 June 2014.