Corporate Governance

The Company strives to attain and maintain high standards of corporate governance best suited to the needs and interests of the Group as it believes that an effective corporate governance framework is fundamental to promoting and safeguarding interests of shareholders and other stakeholders and enhancing shareholder value. Accordingly, the Company has adopted and applied corporate governance principles and practices that emphasise a quality Board, effective risk management and internal controls systems, 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 2019 with all code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules, other than those in respect of the composition of the nomination committee. The Company established a Nomination Committee on 1 January 2019 which comprises all Directors and is chaired by the Chairman of the Board. Its composition deviates from code provision A.5.1 which requires the nomination committee to comprise a majority of independent non-executive directors. The Board is of the view that the ultimate responsibility for the selection, nomination and appointment of Directors rests with the Board as a whole and it is in the best interests of the Company that the Board collectively reviews, determines and approves the structure, size and composition of the Board as well as the succession plan for Directors, as and when appropriate. A sub-committee, chaired by the Chairman of the Board and comprising members in compliance with the code provision requirement under the Listing Rules for a nomination committee, will be established as and when required to facilitate the Nomination Committee in the conduct of the selection and nomination process, and will be dissolved after the purpose for which it is established is achieved or discontinued.

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

The Board has adopted its own 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. In response to specific enquiries made, all Directors confirmed that they have complied with the HTHKH Securities Code in their securities transactions throughout their tenure during the six months ended 30 June 2019.