

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 8356)

FIRST QUARTERLY RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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HIGHLIGHTS

- The Group's revenue for the three months ended 30 June 2023 decreased by approximately 6.7% to approximately HK\$116.6 million (2022: approximately HK\$124.9 million).
- Loss of the Group for the three months ended 30 June 2023 decreased by 7.2 % to HK\$3.9 million (2022: approximately HK\$4.2 million).
- Basic loss per Share attributable to the owners of the Company for the three months ended 30 June 2023 was approximately HK0.10 cent (2022: approximately HK0.10 cent).
- The Board does not recommend the payment of any dividend for the three months ended 30 June 2023.

The board of Directors (the "Board") is pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") for the three months ended 30 June 2023, together with the unaudited comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2022, as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

For the three months ended 30 June 2023

	Three months ended 30 June		
		2023	2022
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue	4	116,587	124,889
Cost of services	-	(114,406)	(123,293)
Gross profit		2,181	1,596
Other income	5	567	846
Other (losses)/gains, net	6	(41)	695
Administrative and operating expenses	-	(3,599)	(3,557)
Loss from operations	8	(892)	(420)
Finance costs	-	(3,008)	(4,783)
Loss before income tax		(3,900)	(5,203)
Income tax	9 -	7 _	1,009
Loss for the period	<u>-</u>	(3,893)	(4,194)
Other comprehensive loss:			
Items that may be classified subsequently			
to profit or loss:			
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	-		(9)
Total comprehensive loss for the period	=	(3,893)	(4,203)

Three months ended 30 June

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		2023	2022
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
(Loss)/profit for the period attributable to:			
 Owners of the Company 		(3,869)	(4,236)
 Non-controlling interests 	-	(24)	42
	=	(3,893)	(4,194)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period attributable to:			
 Owners of the Company 		(3,869)	(4,245)
 Non-controlling interests 	-	(24)	42
		(3,893)	(4,203)
Loss per Share attributable to the			
owners of the Company	11		
- Basic and diluted (HK cent)		(0.10)	(0.10)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (UNAUDITED)

For the three months ended 30 June 2023

	Share	Share	Capital	Convertible notes equity	Foreign currency translation	Other	Accumulated		Non- controlling	Total
	capital <i>HK\$'000</i>	premium <i>HK\$'000</i>	reserves HK\$'000	reserves HK\$'000	reserves HK\$'000	reserves HK\$'000	losses HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>	interests HK\$'000	equity <i>HK\$'000</i>
As at 1 April 2023	4,055	1,238,195	2,758	14,400	(1,724)	41,214	(1,695,175)	(396,277)	1,471	(394,806)
Loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,869)	(3,869)	(24)	(3,893)
Other comprehensive loss for the period: Items that may be classified subsequently to profit or loss: Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	- .					<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>			<u>-</u>
Total comprehensive loss for the period					<u>-</u> .		(3,869)	(3,869)	(24)	(3,893)
As at 30 June 2023 (unaudited)	4,055	1,238,195	2,758	14,400	(1,724)	41,214	(1,699,044)	(400,146)	1,447	(398,699)
As at 1 April 2022	4,055	1,238,195	2,758	14,400	(1,683)	41,214	(1,685,735)	(386,796)	1,488	(385,308)
(Loss)/profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	(4,236)	(4,236)	42	(4,194)
Other comprehensive loss for the period: Items that may be classified subsequently to profit or loss:										
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations					(9)			(9)		(9)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period					(9)		(4,236)	(4,245)	42	(4,203)
As at 30 June 2022 (unaudited)	4,055	1,238,195	2,758	14,400	(1,692)	41,214	(1,689,971)	(391,041)	1,530	(389,511)

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the three months ended 30 June 2023

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 15 March 2010 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law, Cap 22 (Law 3 of 1961 as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands. The registered office and principal place of business of the Company are located at the offices of Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, PO Box 2681, Grand Cayman, KY1-1111, Cayman Islands and Flat 314, 3/F., Fuk Shing Commercial Building, 28 On Lok Mun Street, Fanling, New Territories, Hong Kong respectively. Its substantial shareholder is China Xinhua News Network Co., Limited ("China Xinhua NNC"), a private limited company incorporated in Hong Kong and wholly-owned by 中國新華新聞電視網有限公司 ("CNC China") (a company incorporated in the PRC), which owns 29.31% of the issued share capital of the Company.

The Company's ordinary shares (the "Share(s)") were listed on GEM of the Stock Exchange on 30 August 2010 by way of placing.

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The subsidiaries are engaged in the provision of civil engineering services for the public sector in Hong Kong.

2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

(a) Statement of compliance

The unaudited condensed consolidated first quarterly financial statements for the three months ended 30 June 2023 (the "Quarterly Financial Statements") have been prepared to comply with the disclosure requirements of the GEM Listing Rules.

(b) Basis of preparation

The accounting policies and method of the computation used in the preparation of the Quarterly Financial Statements are consistent with those used in the annual report for the year ended 31 March 2023, except for those related to new standards and interpretations effective for the first time periods beginning on 1 April 2023 and expected to be reflected in the forthcoming annual financial statements.

The Quarterly Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for certain financial instruments that are measured at fair values at the end of each reporting period and are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is also the functional currency of the Company.

(c) Going Concern

In preparing the Quarterly Financial Statements, the Directors have given careful consideration to the future liquidity of the Group in view of the fact that:

- The Group has incurred an unaudited net loss of approximately HK\$3,869,000 during the three months ended 30 June 2023 and, as of that date, the Group had unaudited net current liabilities and unaudited net liabilities of approximately HK\$420,818,000 and approximately HK\$398,699,000 respectively;
- As at 30 June 2023, the Group had convertible notes of principal amount of approximately HK\$257,030,000 (the "Convertible Notes") and interests thereon of approximately HK\$76,148,000 (the "Convertible Notes Interest") in respect of which the Group was in default in settlement as at the date of this announcement;
- the Group owed the amount to a substantial shareholder of approximately HK\$24,587,000 (the "On Demand Debt") as at 30 June 2023 which was repayable on demand; and
- the Group's promissory notes of approximately HK\$41,348,000 and interest thereon of approximately HK\$6,833,000 which are due for repayment in the next twelve months after the date of this announcement (the "Promissory Notes").

The conditions described above indicate the existence of a material uncertainty that cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. Therefore, the Group may be unable to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business.

The Group is actively exploring options to restructure the capital and debts of the Group including but not limited to the followings:

- 1. the Company has entered into a conditional agreement with Mr. Kan, a shareholder of the Company, for the allotment and issuance of a total of 1,666,666,667 subscription shares at the share subscription price of HK\$0.012 per subscription share for a total consideration of approximately HK\$20,000,000;
- 2. the Company has entered into a conditional agreement with the holder of the Convertible Notes, which is also a substantial shareholder of the Company, for the amendments of certain terms of the Convertible Notes in relation to, among others, the amendment of interest rate from 3% to 0.8% per annum and the extension of the maturity date of the Convertible Notes to 9 December 2025;
- 3. the Company has entered into a conditional agreement to issue new convertible bonds in the principal amount of approximately HK\$64,128,000 to set off the Convertible Notes Interests;
- 4. the Company has entered into conditional agreement to issue new convertible bonds in the principal amount of HK\$16,240,000 to set off part of the outstanding balance of the On Demand Debt;

- 5. the Company is negotiating with its promissory notes holder to extend the repayment dates of principal and the interest amounts accrued on the Promissory Notes; and
- 6. Mr. Kan has confirmed to provide financial support to the Group in a reasonable manner under relevant laws and regulatory requirements and also granted a loan facility of up to HK\$60,000,000 to the Group to maintain the going concern of the Company.

In addition, the management of the Company is endeavoring to improve the Group's operating results and cash flows through cost control measures and will focus on the existing business of the Group.

The directors of the Company are of the opinion that it is appropriate to prepare the Quarterly Financial Statements on going concern basis. The validity of the preparation of the Quarterly Financial Statements on going concern basis depends on the successful eventual outcome of the above-mentioned plans and measures, which are inherently uncertain, including whether the Group will be able to successfully negotiate and agree with the holders of Convertible Notes and Promissory Notes to amend, renew or extend the existing debts or complete shares subscription to provide funds for the Group to meet its liabilities as they fall due.

As at the date of approval for issuance of the Quarterly Financial Statements, the above-mentioned plans have been initially formulated but the eventual outcome cannot be determined with reasonable certainty and are still subject to multiple uncertainties. Accordingly, the material uncertainty that cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern remains in existence as at the date of approval for issuance of the Quarterly Financial Statements. Should the Group fail to achieve successful outcomes from the above-mentioned plans and measures, it might not be able to continue to operate as a going concern, and adjustments would have to be made to write down the carrying amounts of the Group's assets to their net recoverable amounts, to provide for any further liabilities that may arise and to reclassify non-current assets and non-current liabilities as current assets and current liabilities respectively. The effects of these adjustments have not been reflected in the Quarterly Financial Statements.

3. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

In the current period, the Group has applied, for the first time, the following new and amendments to Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") that are relevant for the preparation of the Group's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements:

HKFRS 17 Insurance Contracts and the Related Amendments

Amendments to HKAS 1 and Disclosure of Accounting Policies

HKFRS Practice Statement 2

Amendments to HKAS 8 Definition of Accounting Estimates

Amendments to HKAS 12 Deferred Tax Related to Assets and Liabilities Arising from a Single

Transaction

The application of the other new and amendments to HKASs and HKFRSs in the current period has had no material effect on the amounts reported in Quarterly Financial Statements and/or disclosures set out in Quarterly Financial Statements.

4. REVENUE

Revenue recognised during the three months ended 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022 were as follows:

	Three months ended 30 June	
	2023	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Construction works	116,587	124,889
Revenue recognised over time	116,587	124,889

5. OTHER INCOME

Other income recognised during the three months ended 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022 were as follows:

	Three months ended 30 June		
	2023		
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Interest income	2	1	
Government Subsidies (Note)	_	845	
Sundry income	565		
	567	846	

Note: During the three months ended 30 June 2022, the Group recognised Government grant of approximately HK\$845,000 in respect of COVID-19 related subsidies which is related to Employment Support Scheme provided by Hong Kong Government.

6. OTHER (LOSSES)/GAINS, NET

Other (losses)/gains, net recognised during the three months ended 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022 were as follows:

	Three months ended 30 June		
	2023		
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Exchange gain/(loss), net	3	(3)	
Net (loss)/gain on disposals of property, plant and equipment	(83)	153	
Net loss of termination of lease	(119)	_	
Reversal of expected credit losses recognised for trade receivables, net	156	452	
Reversal of expected credit losses recognised for contract assets, net	4	93	
Allowance for expected credit losses recognised			
for other receivables and deposits	(2)		
	(41)	695	

7. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Group's segment information is presented on the basis of internal reports that are regularly reviewed by the executive Directors, being the chief operating decision maker ("CODM") in order to allocate resources to the segments and assess their performance.

Specifically, the Group's reportable segments under HKFRS 8 are as follows:

- (i) Provision of civil engineering services provision of waterworks engineering services, road works and drainage services and site formation works for public sector in Hong Kong; and
- (ii) Media and advertising business (a) the business of broadcasting television programmes on television channels operated by television broadcasting companies in the Asia-Pacific region (excluding the PRC) and (b) business of promoting digital marketing activities on overseas video platform in return for advertising and related revenue.

Each of these operating segments is managed separately as each of the products and service lines requires different resources as well as marketing approaches.

Segment revenue and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable and operating segment.

For the three months ended 30 June 2023

	Provision of civil engineering services (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Media and advertising business (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Total (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Revenue from external customers	116,587		116,587
Reportable segment results	(354)	(91)	(445)
Unallocated corporate income Unallocated corporate expenses Finance costs			(449) (3,008)
Loss before income tax			(3,900)

	Provision of civil engineering services (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Media and advertising business (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Total (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Revenue from external customers	124,889		124,889
Reportable segment results	374	(142)	232
Unallocated corporate income Unallocated corporate expenses Finance costs		_	(652) (4,783)
Loss before income tax		=	(5,203)

There were no inter-segment sales for the three months ended 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022.

Segment profit/(loss) represents the profit earned/loss incurred by each segment without allocation of central administration costs, interest income, finance costs and income tax expense. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision maker for the purpose of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

8. LOSS FROM OPERATIONS

Loss from operations is arrived at after charging the following:

	Three months ended 30 June	
	2023	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	1,599	2,017
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	1,310	372

9. INCOME TAX

The amount of income tax in the unaudited condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income represents:

	Three months ended 30 June		
	2023		
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Current tax – Hong Kong profits tax			
- current period	54	70	
- over-provision in respect of prior years		(1,093)	
	54	(1,023)	
Deferred tax			
- current period	(61)	14	
Income tax credit	<u>(7)</u>	(1,009)	

Under the two-tiered profits tax rates regime of Hong Kong Profits Tax, the first HK\$2 million of profits of the qualifying group entity will be taxed at 8.25%, and profits above HK\$2 million will be taxed at 16.5%. The profits of group entities not qualifying for the two-tiered profits tax rates regime will continue to be taxed at a flat rate of 16.5%. Accordingly, the Hong Kong Profits Tax of the qualifying group entity is calculated at 8.25% on the first HK\$2 million of the estimated assessable profits and at 16.5% on the estimated assessable profits above HK\$2 million.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands (the "BVI"), the Company and its subsidiaries incorporated in the BVI are not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and the BVI respectively.

No provision for PRC Enterprise Income tax has been made as the subsidiary incorporated in the PRC has no assessable profits arising in the PRC during the three months ended 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022.

10. DIVIDENDS

The Board does not recommend the payment of any dividend for the three months ended 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022.

11. LOSS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculations of basic loss per Share for the three months ended 30 June 2023 is based on the unaudited consolidated loss of approximately HK\$3,869,000 attributable to the owners of the Company for the three months ended 30 June 2023 (three months ended 30 June 2022: approximately HK\$4,236,000) and the weighted average number of 4,055,349,947 Shares in issue for the three months ended 30 June 2023 (three months ended 30 June 2022: 4,055,349,947 Shares) as if they had been in issue throughout the periods.

Diluted loss per Share for the three months ended 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022 are the same as the basic loss per Share. The computation of diluted loss per Share for the three months ended 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022 does not assume the Company's outstanding convertible notes since the assumed conversion of convertible notes would result in a decrease in loss per share.

12. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of Shares	Nominal value <i>HK\$'000</i>
Authorised:		
As at 1 April 2023 and 30 June 2023 (Unaudited)	500,000,000,000	500,000
Issued and fully paid:		
As at 1 April 2023 and 30 June 2023 (Unaudited)	4,055,349,947	4,055

13. EVENT AFTER REPORTING PERIOD

On 5 September, 2023, Mr. Kan, China Xinhua NNC, the substantial shareholder of the Company and holder of the Convertible Notes and the Company entered into a conditional agreement, among other things:

- 1. the proposed allotment and issuance of a total of 1,666,666,667 subscription shares at the share subscription price of HK\$0.012 per subscription share to Mr. Kan, shareholder of the Company for a total consideration of approximately HK\$20,000,000;
- 2. the proposed amendments of certain terms of the Convertible Notes with China Xinhua NNC, the substantial shareholder of the Company and holder of the Convertible Notes and proposed issuance of new convertible notes with the principal amount of approximately HK\$64,128,000 to China Xinhua NNC, the substantial shareholder of the Company and holder of the Convertible Notes to set off the Convertible Notes Interest; and
- 3. the proposed issuance of new convertible bonds in the principal amount of HK\$16,240,000 to China Xinhua NNC, the substantial shareholder of the Company and holder of the Convertible Notes to set off part of the outstanding balance of the On Demand Debt.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Business Review

The Group is principally engaged in the provision of civil engineering services for the public sector in Hong Kong. During the three months ended 30 June 2023 (the "Period"), the Group continued to focus on rendering civil engineering services for the public sector in Hong Kong, develop its television broadcasting business and explore media and advertising business, including digital marketing business opportunities on overseas market in return for advertising and related income.

Provision of civil engineering services

During the Period, the Group has been undertaking eight contracts. Among the eight contracts, one of these are related to provision of waterworks engineering services and the remaining contracts are related to provision of drainage services and site formation. Details of the contracts undertaken are set out below:

	Contract number	Particulars of contract
Subcontracts	CV/2016/10	Site Formation and Association Infrastructural Works For Development of Columbarium at Sandy Ridge Cemetery
	PYC-03084BAH-001	Site Formation, Foundation & Substructure Works for the Student Residence Development at The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
	ND/2018/02	The Establishment of an Agricultural Pak in Kwu Tung South (Phase 1)
	1002EM19A	Design-Build-Operate for the Additional District Cooling System (DCS) at the Kai Tak Development (KTD)
	EP/SP/10/91	South East-New Territories (SENT) Landfill Extension

	Contract number	Particulars of contract
Joint Operations	CV/2016/10	Site Formation and Association Infrastructural Works for Development of Columbarium at Sandy Ridge Cemetery
	ND/2018/02	The Establishment of an Agricultural Pak in Kwu Tung South (Phase 1)
	4/WSD/19	Development of Anderson Road Quarry site – construction of grey water treatment plant
	CV/2019/04	Site Formation and Infrastructure Works Near Tsz Tin Road and Hing Fu Street in Area 54, Tuen Mun
	CV/2022/08	Site Formation and Infrastructure Works at Area 48, Fanling

During the Period, the two contracts with contract numbered 4/WSD/19 and 1002EM19A were the main contributors to the Group's revenue, which generated approximately HK\$38.3 million and HK\$20.9 million, constituting approximately 32.8% and 18.0% of the Group's revenue respectively.

Media and advertising business

Following the expiry of the exclusive television broadcasting right granted by China Xinhua NNC to the Group on 31 August 2021, the Group has yet to successfully identify suitable broadcasting rights and licenses to resume the television broadcasting business since then. During the Period, the Group has also attempted to tap into the digital marketing business in overseas market through different online media platforms, such as YouTube. However, due to the ever-changing users' habit, the Group has not been able to identify suitable business opportunities and strategic partners. The management of the Group will continue to develop and improve its business strategies for the media and advertising Business and enhance return to the Shareholders.

The Group has been actively monitoring market conditions and taking appropriate measures to mitigate the impact resulted from unfavorable market factors. The Group has been taking measures to enhance its cost control measures and resources management policies while actively participating in tendering and bidding to maintain its market competitiveness despite the difficulties encountered.

Financial Review

Revenue

For the Period, the Group reported a revenue of approximately HK\$116.6 million (2022: approximately HK\$124.9 million), representing a decrease of approximately 6.7% as compared with that for the same period of the previous year. All of the Group's revenue were derived from provision of civil engineering services during the Period.

During the Period, the revenue of the Group was primarily generated from the undertaking of civil engineering contracts in the capacity of a subcontractor. The subcontracting revenue generated from undertaking in capacity of a subcontractor amounted to approximately HK\$62.5 million (2022: approximately HK\$86.2 million), representing approximately 53.6% of the total revenue for the Period (2022: approximately 69.0%). On the other hand, the revenue generated from the undertaking of civil engineering contracts in the capacity of a main contractor and a jointly controlled operator amounted to approximately HK\$54.1 million (2022: approximately HK\$38.7 million), representing approximately 46.4% (2022: 31.0%) of the total revenue for the Period.

Cost of services

The Group's cost of services decreased by approximately 7.2% to approximately HK\$114.4 million for the Period (2022: approximately HK\$123.3 million) as compared with that for the same period of the previous year. The Group's cost of services mainly includes costs of construction services, costs of media and advertising business and other direct operating costs. Costs of construction services mainly comprise raw materials, direct labour and subcontracting fee for services provided by the subcontractors. Since the media and advertising business remained stagnant, no significant costs of media and advertising business and other direct operating costs were incurred during the three months ended 30 June 2023 and 2022.

Gross profit

The gross profit for the Group for the Period increased by approximately 36.7% to approximately HK\$2.2 million (2022: approximately HK\$1.6 million) as compared with that for the same period of the previous year. The gross profit margin of the Group increased to approximately 1.9% (2022: approximately 1.3%) for the Period. The increase in gross profit was mainly due to the increase in work from certain civil engineering projects which were in early working stage with higher gross profit margin and the implementation of operation plans by the Group to control construction costs.

Other income

The Group's other income for the Period decreased by approximately 33.0% to approximately HK\$0.6 million (2022: approximately HK\$0.8 million) as compared with that for the same period of the previous year. The other income mainly consisted of interest income and other sundry income during the Period.

Other (losses)/gains, net

The Group's other losses, net for the Period amounted to approximately HK\$41,000 (2022: other gains of approximately HK\$0.7 million). Other losses, net mainly consisted of reversal of allowance for expected credit losses recognised for trade receivables and contract assets and net loss on termination of lease for the Period.

Administrative and operating expenses

The Group's administrative and operating expenses for the Period increased by approximately 1.2% to approximately HK\$3.6 million (2022: approximately HK\$3.6 million) as compared with that for the same period of the previous year. The administrative and operating expenses mainly consisted of legal and professional fees, staff costs (including Directors' remuneration), depreciation expenses and rental expenses.

Finance costs

The Group's finance costs for the Period decreased by approximately 37.1% to approximately HK\$3.0 million (2022: approximately HK\$4.8 million) as compared with that for the same period of the previous year. The finance costs mainly consisted of interest expenses for the promissory note and default interest on convertible notes.

Net Loss

The net loss of the Group for the Period decreased by approximately 7.2% to approximately HK\$3.9 million (2022: approximately HK\$4.2 million) as compared with that for the same period of previous year. The decrease in net loss was mainly due to reduction of finance costs.

Loss per Share

The basic loss per Share attributable to the owners of the Company was approximately HK0.10 cent (2022: approximately HK0.10 cent).

Prospects

Amid the uncertain economic outlook, the provision of civil engineering service business will continue to provide a stable revenue source and remain the major contributor to the Group's revenue while the Group is endeavoured to develop its media and advertising business. The Group will continue to adopt the strategy of diversifying the business spectrum and broadening the revenue base of the Group.

Provision of civil engineering services

Going forward, the prospect of provision of civil engineering services is expected to be challenging in the coming years. The competition in the market is still as fierce as ever. To tackle with the forthcoming difficulties, the Group has been actively monitoring market conditions and taking appropriate measures to mitigate any negative impact on the business and performance of the Group. The Group will closely monitor the projects' progress and communicate with suppliers and subcontractors, maintain close communication with customers on the latest project works schedules and arrangements. The Group will also continue to strengthen its cost control measures and resources management policies, and actively participate in tendering and bidding to maintain its market competitiveness. Despite the difficulties encountered, the Group is conservatively optimistic on the Group's construction business as a result of the long-term infrastructure investment policy in Hong Kong. The Group is well positioned to capitalize on this growth opportunity, thanks to our strong brand reputation, experienced management team, and dedicated workforce and remains committed to driving sustainable growth in this segment and creating long-term value for the shareholders of the Company.

Media and advertising business

During the year, the performance of media and advertising services segment was severely suffered due to uncertain economic outlook and weak consumer demands. The Group anticipated that the prospects for the media and advertising business will become more promising in the coming year due to the improved macroeconomic atmosphere and market conditions coupled with the increase in clients' advertising budgets. The Group will monitor the advertising market situation in Hong Kong closely with strategic plans in controlling the operation costs and expenses whilst allocating its resources to maintaining the servicing quality and seeking for other business opportunities in the industry.

The Group will continue to cautiously monitor the business opportunities and continue to strengthen its competitiveness in the market to enhance the profitability of the Group and interests of the shareholders of the Company.

DIVIDENDS

The Board does not recommend the payment of any dividend for the three months ended 30 June 2023.

SHARE OPTION SCHEME

A share option scheme was adopted and approved by the shareholders of the Company on 11 August 2010. The share option scheme expired on 10 August 2020. No share options have been granted pursuant to the share option scheme during the Period.

The Board has resolved to propose the adoption of a new share option scheme for the approval by the shareholders of the Company. The purpose of the new share option scheme is to provide incentive or reward to eligible persons for their contribution to the Group and/or to enable the Group to recruit and retain high-calibre employees and attract human resources that are valuable to the Group or any entity in which the Group holds any equity interest.

The new share option scheme will constitute a share option scheme under Chapter 23 of the GEM Listing Rules. The Board will propose the new share option scheme for shareholders' approval at a general meeting of the Company to be convened in due course for the purposes of, among other things, seeking the approval from the shareholders of the Company for the adoption of the share option scheme and authorising the Board to grant the share options pursuant to the share option scheme and to allot and issue the shares of the Company pursuant to the exercise of the share options. At the date of this announcement, the new share option scheme remains subject to the obtaining of (i) the approval from the shareholders of the Company at a general meeting of the Company to be convened in due course; and (ii) the approval from the Stock Exchange for the listing and trading of any Shares to be issued under the share options that may be granted under the new share option scheme.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES OR DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 30 June 2023, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571, Laws of Hong Kong) ("SFO")) which have to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions in which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); or which were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein; or which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the required standard of dealings by Directors as referred to in Rule 5.46 of the GEM Listing Rules, were as follows:

Long position in the Shares:

		Number of	Percentage of aggregate interests to total issued	
Name	Capacity/Nature of interest	Shares held	share capital	
Mr. Kan Kwok Cheung ("Mr. Kan") (Note a)	Interest in controlled corporation	69,000,000	1.70%	

Note:

(a) Mr. Kan is the sole beneficial owner of Shunleetat (BVI) Limited, which was interested in 69,000,000 Shares. Under the SFO, Mr. Kan is deemed to be interested in all the Shares held by Shunleetat (BVI) Limited.

Saved as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2023, none of the Directors and chief executive of the Company had any other interests or short positions in any Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); or which were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein; or which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the required standard of dealings by Directors as referred to in Rule 5.46 of the GEM Listing Rules.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

So far as was known to the Directors, as at 30 June 2023, the following persons/entities (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company) had, or are deemed to have, interests or short positions in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures 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 who were directly or indirectly interested in 5% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any member of the Group or who/which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO with details as follows:

Long position in the Shares:

	Number of underlying Shares					
	Number of	Number of Shares held		under convertible notes (Note a)		
						Percentage
						of aggregate
		Interest in		Interest in		interests to
	Beneficial	controlled	Beneficial	controlled	Total	total issued
Name	owner	corporation	owner	corporation	interests	share capital
China Xinhua NNC	1,188,621,377	_	1,311,378,622	-	2,499,999,999	61.65%
	(Note b)		(Note b)			
中國新華新聞電視網有限公司 ("CNC China")	-	1,188,621,377	-	1,311,378,622	2,499,999,999	61.65%
		(Note b)		(Note b)		

Notes:

- (a) Details of the convertible notes were set out in the circulars of the Company dated 19 November 2011, 6 January 2015, 17 January 2018, 16 January 2019 and 18 May 2021.
- (b) China Xinhua NNC is wholly and beneficially owned by CNC China. Accordingly, CNC China is deemed to be interested in the 1,188,621,377 Shares and 1,311,378,622 underlying Shares held by China Xinhua NNC under the SFO.

Saved as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2023, the Directors were not aware of any other person/entity (other than the Directors or chief executive as disclosed in the paragraph headed "Directors' and chief executive's interests and short positions in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company and its associated corporations" above) who/which had, or is deemed to have, interests or short positions in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures 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 who which were directly or indirectly interested in 5% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any member of the Group or who/which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO.

DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Save as disclosed in this announcement, none of the Directors and their respective associates including spouses and children under 18 years of age was granted by the Company or its subsidiaries any right to acquire Shares or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate, or had exercised any such right during the Period.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE SHARES

During the Period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Shares.

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

Television Broadcasting Right Agreement

On 5 September 2011, Xinhua TV Asia-Pacific Operating Co., Limited ("Xinhua TV Asia-Pacific") entered into a television broadcasting right agreement (the "Television Broadcasting Right Agreement") with China Xinhua NNC, pursuant to which China Xinhua NNC granted the television broadcasting right in respect of broadcasting information contents from Xinhua News Agency under the CNC Channels on television channels in the Asia-Pacific region (excluding the PRC) to the Group for an annual fee of approximately HK\$1.0 million prior to 31 December 2016 and approximately HK\$3.0 million with effective from 1 January 2017. The Television Broadcasting Right Agreement has a term of 120 months from 1 September 2011 to 31 August 2021. Since China Xinhua NNC is a substantial shareholder of the Company, and therefore a connected person of the Company within the meaning of the GEM Listing Rules, the transactions contemplated under the Television Broadcasting Right Agreement constitute continuing connected transactions for the Company pursuant to Chapter 20 of the GEM Listing Rules.

The Board wishes to inform the shareholders and potential investors of the Company that upon expiry of the Television Broadcasting Right Agreement on 31 August 2021, Xinhua TV Asia-Pacific and China Xinhua NNC has yet to conclude on the renewal of a new agreement due to the delay in the commencement of negotiations. Notwithstanding the expiration of the Television Broadcasting Right Agreement, Xinhua TV Asia-Pacific and China Xinhua NNC are in discussion for a renewal up to the date of this announcement. However, there is no assurance that Xinhua TV Asia-Pacific and China Xinhua NNC will be able to conclude on the renewal of a new agreement at any time.

Further announcement(s) will be made by the Company to keep the shareholders and potential investors of the Company informed of the progress of the renewal of a new agreement or termination of services as and when appropriate.

GEM Listing Rules Implications

Pursuant to Rule 20.41 of the GEM Listing Rules, the transactions contemplated under the Television Broadcasting Right Agreement are subject to the applicable reporting, annual review and disclosure requirements under Chapter 20 of the GEM Listing Rules. The Company will comply with the applicable reporting, disclosure and independent shareholders' approval requirements, as the case may be, under Chapter 20 of the GEM Listing Rules upon any variation or renewal of the Television Broadcasting Right Agreement.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors, controlling shareholders of the Company and their respective associates has any other connected transaction with the Group during the Period.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by Directors on terms which are the same as the required standard of dealings set out in Rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules. The Company periodically issues notices to its Directors reminding them of the general prohibition on dealing in the Company's listed securities during the blackout periods before the publication of announcements of financial results. The Company has confirmed, having made specific enquiry of the Directors, that all the Directors have complied with the required standards of dealings throughout the Period. The Company was not aware of any non-compliance in this respect during the Period.

CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance to safeguard the interests of the shareholders and enhance the performance of the Group. The Company has applied the principles and code provisions in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (the "Code") as set out in Appendix 15 to the GEM Listing Rules. In the opinion of the Board, the Company has complied with the Code during the Period, except paragraph C.1.8 of the Code. This announcement further illustrates in detail as to how the Code was applied, inclusive of the considered reasons for any deviation throughout the Period.

Non-compliance with Rules 5.05(1), 5.05(2), 5.05A, 5.36A and 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules

Reference is made to the announcements of the Company dated 11 August 2020 and 14 October 2022 in relation to its non-compliance with Rules 5.05(1), 5.05(2), 5.05A, 5.36A and 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules. Following the retirement and resignation of certain former Directors on 11 August 2020 and 14 October 2022, the Company has failed to meet the following requirements:

- 1. there will be two independent non-executive directors on the Board which falls below the minimum number as required under Rule 5.05(1) of the GEM Listing Rules;
- 2. there will be no independent non-executive directors have appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise as required under Rule 5.05(2) and Rule 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules and terms of reference of the Audit Committee;
- 3. there will be two independent non-executive directors representing less than one-third of the Board as required under Rule 5.05A of the GEM Listing Rules; and
- 4. there will be two independent non-executive directors on the Nomination Committee which does not fulfil the requirement of establishing a nomination committee comprising a majority of independent non-executive directors as required under Rule 5.36A of the GEM Listing Rules.

The Company is in the process of identifying suitable candidate to fill the vacancy. The Company will continue to use its best endeavours to ensure that suitable candidate is appointed as soon as practicable. Further announcement(s) will be made by the Company as and when appropriate in this regard.

Pursuant to code provision C.1.8 of the Code, the Company should arrange appropriate insurance cover in respect of legal action against its Directors. Such directors' liability insurance will be reviewed and renewed annually. Upon the expiry of insurance cover on 30 August 2020, the Company did not arrange appropriate insurance cover in respect of legal action against its Directors as it took time for the Company to solicit a suitable insurer at reasonable commercial terms and conditions.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee") was established on 11 August 2010 with terms of reference in compliance with paragraph D.3.3 of the Code. The primary duties of the Audit Committee include, among other things, reviewing and supervising the financial reporting process and internal control systems, as well as the overall risk management of the Group, reviewing the financial statements and the quarterly, interim and annual reports of the Group, and reviewing the terms of engagement and scope of audit work of the external auditors.

As at the date of this announcement, the members of the Audit Committee were Ms. Tang Li, Mr. Law Cheuk Hung, Mr. Wu Guo Ming and Mr. Wan Chi Keung, Aaron, *BBS, JP*. Following the resignation of certain former Director on 14 October 2022, the Company has failed to meet the requirement that (1) there will be no independent non-executive directors have appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise as required under Rule 5.05(2) and Rule 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules and terms of reference of the Audit Committee and (2) there will be a vacancy for chairman of the Audit Committee as required under the terms of reference of the Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee had reviewed the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Group for the Period and is of the opinion that the preparation of such results complied with the applicable accounting standards and that adequate disclosures have been made.

By Order of the Board
CNC Holdings Limited
Li Yong Sheng
Vice Chairman & CEO

Hong Kong, 22 November 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Directors are Dr. Jiang Yan¹ (Chairman), Dr. Li Yong Sheng¹ (Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Liu Da Yong¹, Mr. Kan Kwok Cheung¹, Ms. Tang Li², Mr. Law Cheuk Hung², Mr. Wu Guo Ming³ and Mr. Wan Chi Keung, Aaron, BBS, JP³.

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¹ Executive Director

² Non-executive Director

³ Independent non-executive Director