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# **Corporate** Information

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

## **Executive**

Mr. Duan Chuan Liang (Chairman)

Mr. Li Ji Sheng

#### Non-executive

Mr. Zhao Hai Hu

Mr. Chen Guo Ru

Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi

Mr. Wu Jiesi

## **Independent Non-executive**

Ms. Huang Shao Yun

Ms. Liu Dong

Mr. Chau Kam Wing

Mr. Ong King Keung

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Mr. Chau Kam Wing (Chairman of committee)

Ms. Huang Shao Yun

Ms. Liu Dong

Mr. Ong King Keung

# **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

Mr. Chau Kam Wing (Chairman of committee)

Ms. Huang Shao Yun

Ms. Liu Dong

Mr. Ong King Keung

## NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Duan Chuan Liang (Chairman of committee)

Mr. Chau Kam Wing

Ms. Huang Shao Yun

Ms. Liu Dong

# **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Mr. Lie Chi Wing, FCCA, CPA, CFA

#### **AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. Duan Chuan Liang

Mr. Lie Chi Wing

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**BDO** Limited

# PRINCIPAL BANKER

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I am pleased to present to the shareholders the annual results of China Water Affairs Group Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") for the year ended 31 March 2012.

The Group continued its effort to strengthen the management of its subsidiaries and expanded the operating capacity and investment scale in the existing sector. For the year ended 31 March 2012, the Group recorded a turnover of HK\$1,896.9 million, representing an increase of 28.3% from HK\$1,478.2 million in last year. The Group recorded a gross profit of HK\$835.4 million representing an increase of 32.3% from HK\$631.4 million in last year. For the year under review, the Group recorded a profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company of HK\$315.3 million, representing a decrease of 25.3% from HK\$421.9 million in last year. The basic earnings per share decreased by 32.7% to HK21.03 cents in current year.

In consideration of the satisfactory results, the board of directors (the "Board") has proposed to pay the equity shareholders of the Company a final dividend of HK3 cents per share. Together with the interim dividend of HK2 cents per share, the total dividends for the year will be HK5 cents per share (2011: HK5 cents per share). For the year under review, the Company also repurchased a total of 169,388,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each in the capital of the Company at an aggregate price of approximately HK\$417,788,000, with a view to benefiting shareholders as a whole by enhancing the net asset value per share and earnings per share.

The Group upholds its business vision of "Water-oriented, Kindness to Society" while striving for its goal of becoming the best operator of raw water, tap water, sewage treatment and related services in the PRC and achieving satisfactory results. The Group sustained continuous growth in its water supply business, serving more than 5 million people in over 21 cities and counties in various provinces. China faces severe shortage of water resources which is further aggravated by accelerating urbanisation and economic growth. It is expected that the water sector has considerable room for growth. As marketisation of the water sector continues, we believe that water tariff still has ample room to grow.

On behalf of the Board, I hereby express my gratitude to all shareholders, investors, customers and business partners for their strong support to the Group. I would also like to thank the directors and the staff members of the Group for their endeavor and active contribution. Innovation creates the future and hard work the splendor. We are confident of achieving successive good results in various aspects such as quality water supply, better utilisation of water resources and promotion of water pollution prevention and cure with an aim to reward our shareholders and contribute to the society.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The Group's total revenue continuously increased from HK\$1,478.2 million for the year ended 31 March 2011 to HK\$1,896.9 million for the year ended 31 March 2012, representing an increase of 28.3%. The Group recorded a robust growth in its "Water" segment. For the year under review, the total revenue attributable to the "Water" segment amounted to HK\$1,631.3 million, which represented approximately 86.0% of the total revenue. For the corresponding year under review, the total revenue attributable to the "Water" segment amounted to HK\$1,132.6 million, which represented approximately 76.6% of the total revenue only. This represented a organic growth of "Water" segment revenue of 44.0%, which is mainly attributed to the successful growth of the Group through various mergers and acquisition, increase in operating efficiency and tariff of the water supply and sewage treatment plants.

# (i) Water Supply Business Analysis

City water supply projects of the Group are well spread in various provincial cities and regions across China, including Hunan, Henan, Hainan, Jiangsu, Hubei, Jiangxi, Guangdong and Chongqing.

For the year under review, the revenue from city water supply operation and construction amounted to HK\$1,584.9 million (2011: HK\$1,084.0 million), representing an increase of 46.2% as compared with the last corresponding year. The total water segment profit (including city water supply, water related installation works and meter installation) amounted to HK\$591.0 million (2011: HK\$389.2 million), representing a substantial increase of 51.8% as compared with the last corresponding year.

Two new water supply projects of the Group located in Pingxiang and Jian of Jiangxi province contributed total additional revenue of HK\$82.4 million and net profit of HK\$22.7 million to the Group for the year under review.

The water supply project of the Group located in Wuzhou of Guangxi province which is accounted for as an associate of the Group contributed net profit of HK\$8.0 million to the Group for the year under review (2011: HK\$6.0 million).

# (ii) Sewage Treatment Business Analysis

Sewage treatment projects of the Group are mainly located in Hubei and Jiangxi provinces of China.

For the year under review, the revenue from sewage treatment operation and construction business amounted to HK\$46.4 million (2011: HK\$48.6 million), representing a decrease of 4.5% as compared with the last corresponding year. This was because the construction revenue arising from the Group's sewage treatment plant in Jiangxi province was mostly recognised in last financial year. The total sewage treatment segment profit (including sewage treatment operating and construction) amounted to HK\$21.5 million (2011: HK\$19.9 million), representing an increase of 8.0% as compared with the last corresponding year.

# (iii) Property Business Analysis

The Group held various property development and investment projects which are mainly located in Jiangxi, Hubei and Hunan provinces.

For the year under review, the revenue from property business segment amounted to HK\$18.9 million (2011: HK\$187.5 million), representing a decrease of 89.9% as compared with the last corresponding year, which was due to the decline in sales of a property project in Jiangxi province. The total property business segment profit amounted to HK\$30.8 million (2011: HK\$64.6 million), representing a decrease of 52.3% as compared with the last corresponding year, which was mainly due to the decline in revenue from property business. The Group expected that its performance would be strengthened by the realisation of value from the Group's property development and investment projects in the near future.

For the year under review, the Group recorded a gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale amounted to HK\$32.1 million, which represented the gain on disposal of remaining 15% equity interest in 江河農村電氣化發展有限公司 ("江河農電"). For the corresponding year under review, the Group recorded a gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale amounted to HK\$201.2 million, which represented the aggregate gain on disposal of 35% equity interest in 江河農電 and 17.085% equity interest in 中國水務投資有限公司. The Group considered that realisation of the above investments at a gain can provide resources to the Group in developing water supply related businesses in China.

For the year under review, the Group also recorded a gain on share of results of China Water Property Group Limited ("China Water Property"), an associate of the Group with its ordinary shares listed on the mainboard of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") (stock code: 2349), in an amount of HK\$90.3 million (2011: HK\$59.4 million) which mainly included the excess of the investor's share of the net fair value of associate's identifiable assets and liabilities over the cost of the investment of HK\$88.6 million arising from the acquisition of additional 15.45% equity interest in China Water Property by way of open offer completed in October 2011. For the corresponding year under review, the Group recorded a gain of HK\$82.3 million arising from conversion of HK\$60 million convertible bonds of China Water Property at the exercise price of HK\$0.045 held by the Group into the ordinary shares of China Water Property and deemed gain of HK\$61.6 million from the release of available-for-sale financial assets revaluation reserve upon the recognition of China Water Property as an associate of the Group.

#### **FUTURE PROSPECTS**

Going forward, despite signs of easing monetary policy in China, the adverse influence of European debt crisis is expected to slow down the recovery of global economy and blur the predictability of the capital market. Through the Group's expertise and past experience, the Group builds a solid foundation to meet new challenges and weather difficult times. The favorable policy of the Chinese Central Government for the water conservancy and environmental protection industry shall continue to provide unprecedented development opportunities for the Group. To cope with these, the Group will seek to strengthen the performance of our existing businesses by optimising the operation and management of the Group's established and newly acquired projects, secure and accelerate the leading position of integrated water solution provider and revitalise its assets through capital operation.

The Group also realises the importance of conservative cash flow management during the current uncertain economic environment. While striving to maintain the steady cash flow from its water businesses, the Group will focus on the potential opportunities to strengthen its cash flow conditions by enlarging the cooperation with its investors and creditors. The Group will seek to grasp prime investment opportunities under a scientific research so as to achieve the Group's conservative financial management and risk management policies.

# **MAJOR ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS**

Details of the Group's acquisitions and disposals during the years ended 31 March 2011 and 2012 are set out in notes 43, 44 and 46(a) to the financial statements respectively.

## **CAPITAL RAISING**

On 19 May 2011, the Company and ORIX Corporation ("ORIX") entered into a subscription agreement pursuant to which ORIX agreed to subscribe 235,598,277 new ordinary shares at the price of HK\$3.40 per share. The net proceeds from the subscription of new shares will be used for water related investments and for general working capital of the Group. On 30 May 2011, the subscription completed and raised total cash consideration of approximately HK\$801.0 million (before expenses).

### **CONVERTIBLE BONDS**

On 10 March 2010, the Company entered into a subscription agreement with DBS Bank Limited ("DBS") pursuant to which DBS agreed to subscribe for the convertible bonds of the Company in an aggregate principal amount of HK\$600 million. The net proceeds from the issue of convertible bonds will be used for capital expenditure, working capital and general corporate purposes. The transaction was completed on 15 April 2010.

On 7 October 2011, the Company repurchased the convertible bonds with a principal amount of HK\$64,500,000 at the consideration of approximately HK\$58,050,000. After completion of the above repurchase, the outstanding principal amount of the convertible bonds is HK\$535,500,000.

# LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

As at 31 March 2012, the Group has total cash and deposits balances of approximately HK\$1,086.0 million (2011: HK\$874.5 million). The gearing ratio, calculated as a percentage of total liabilities to total assets, is 52.8% (2011: 48.2%) as at 31 March 2012. The current ratio is 1.20 times (2011: 1.23 times) as at 31 March 2012. In the opinion of the directors, the Group will have sufficient working capital to meet its financial obligations in full as they fall due in the foreseeable future.

# **HUMAN RESOURCES**

As at 31 March 2012, the Group has employed approximately 5,500 staff. Most of them stationed in the PRC and the remaining in Hong Kong. The remuneration package of the employees is determined by various factors including their experience and performance, the market condition, industry practice and applicable employment law.

# FOREIGN EXCHANGE RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's exposure to currency exchange rate is minimal as majority of the subsidiaries of the Group operates in the PRC with most of the transaction denominated and settled in RMB. Accordingly, the Group does not use derivative financial instruments to hedge its foreign currency risk.

Further, the Group has cash and cash equivalents and borrowings denominated in US\$. Since HK\$ are pegged to US\$, there is no significant exposure expected on US\$ transactions and balances arising in Hong Kong.

#### **PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

- (i) The Group's bank loans, other loans and bills payables at 31 March 2012 were secured by:
  - (a) pledge of water and sewage treatment revenue of certain subsidiaries;
  - (b) guarantees by 江西省水利水電開發總公司 and 常州市武進供水總公司 (2011: guarantees by You Tao, Lin Hua Dong, Li Huang Xiu and Qi Xiao Qiang (being senior management of certain subsidiaries), 江西省水利水電開發總公司 and 常州市武進供水總公司);
  - (c) charges over property, plant and equipment in which their aggregate carrying amount as at 31 March 2012 was HK\$161,890,000 (2011: HK\$164,158,000);
  - (d) charges over interests in land use rights in which their aggregate carrying amounts as at 31 March 2012 was HK\$145,355,000 (2011: HK\$64,368,000);
  - (e) charges over investment properties in which their aggregate carrying amounts as at 31 March 2012 was HK\$Nil (2011: HK\$282,143,000);
  - (f) charges over properties held for sale in which their aggregate carrying amount as at 31 March 2012 was HK\$Nil (2011: HK\$21,039,000);
  - (g) charges over other intangible assets in which their aggregate carrying amount as at 31 March 2012 was HK\$192,942,000 (2011: HK\$178,665,000);
  - (h) charges over the Group's bank deposits in amount of HK\$17,909,000 as at 31 March 2012 (2011: HK\$25,873,000); and
  - (i) (1) charges over shares of certain subsidiaries of the Group; (2) the Group's equity interests in China Water Property Group Limited; and (3) a bank account of the Group.

# **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

As at 31 March 2012, the Group did not have any material contingent liabilities (2011: Nil).

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Lastly, on behalf of the Directors, I wish to express my gratitude to all shareholders, investors, and business partners for their continued trust and support. I would also like to thank the staff members of the Group for the valuable contribution they have made, with team spirit and dedication, to the Group's long-term development. I look forward to continuing working hand-in-hand with all of us for mutual advancement. With staff members at all levels of the Group going all out, we can certainly bring our potential into full play to achieve the Group's operation objectives and create shareholders' value.

# **Duan Chuan Liang**

Chairman

Hong Kong, 28 June 2012

# **Directors**' and Senior Management Biographical Details

#### **DIRECTORS**

## **Executive Directors**

**Mr. Duan Chuan Liang**, aged 49, was graduated from the North China College of Water Conservancy and Hydro Power with a bachelor degree, major in irrigation and water conservancy works. Mr. Duan had been working for the Water Conservancy Department of the PRC Government for more than ten years. At present, Mr. Duan is a director of numerous enterprises in the PRC. He joined the Group in January 2003.

**Mr. Li Ji Sheng**, aged 73, graduated from 北京水利發電學校. He was appointed as the director-general of Department of Personnel, Labor and Education of the Ministry of Water Resources of the PRC and the chairman and party secretary of China Water Investment Corporation. Mr. Li is the director and general manager of Foundation Water Affairs Investment Co. Ltd. (江河水務投資有限公司). He joined the Group in May 2007.

#### **Non-executive Directors**

Mr. Wu Jiesi, aged 60, holds a doctorate degree in Economics from the Nankai University of the People's Republic of China. He was the former chairman of Guangdong Yue Gang Investment Holdings Company Limited and GDH Limited. From 1984 to 1995, Mr. Wu has also worked for the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China as president of its Shenzhen branch. He is currently holding directorships in certain companies listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, including being an independent non-executive director of Beijing Enterprises Holdings Limited (北京控股有限公司) and China Taiping Insurance Holdings Company Limited (中國太平保險控股有限公司), a non-executive director of Shenzhen Investment Limited (深圳控股有限公司). Mr. Wu is a non-executive director of China Aoyuan Property Group Limited (中國奧園地產集團股份有限公司). Mr. Wu is a non-executive director of Silver Base Group Holdings Limited (銀基集團控股有限公司). He joined the Group in February 2006.

**Mr. Chen Guo Ru**, aged 66, graduated from South China Normal University in 1985. Mr. Chen was a deputy general manager of Guangdong Investment Limited and a managing director and chairman of Guangdong Yue Gang Water Supply Company Limited. Mr. Chen joined Dongshen Water Bureau in December 1988 and has acted as the Chairman of the Trade Union, Vice General Secretary and Vice President of Dongshen Water Bureau. He joined the Group in 30 November 2005.

**Mr. Zhao Hai Hu**, aged 57, was graduated from Zhejiang University with a master degree in Engineering. He is a general manager of an irrigation technology company which is engaged in the research and development of irrigation and hydroelectric technology. Mr. Zhao is primarily responsible for project management, research and development of irrigation, water supply. Mr. Zhao acted as an assistant to the head of North China College of Water Conservancy and Hydro Power, he was also the head of the infra-structure department and the head of the personnel department. Mr. Zhao has over 27 years' experience in engineering. He joined the Group in July 2003.

**Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi**, aged 71, was graduated from Liaoning Agriculture University. He was the vice minister of Ministry of Water Resources of the PRC from 1991 until his retirement in June 2001. Mr. Zhou has over 11 years' experience in the development and construction of the PRC water resources. He joined the Group in October 2004.

#### **Independent Non-executive Directors**

**Ms. Huang Shao Yun**, aged 57, has been appointed as independent non-executive director of the Company since July 2003. She is also a member of the audit committee, remuneration committee and nomination committee of the Company. Ms. Huang is the financial controller of Beijing Water Conservancy Material Supply Company. Ms. Huang graduated from Beijing Commercial College with a diploma in accountancy. Ms. Huang has over 36 years of accounting experience.

# **Directors'** and Senior Management Biographical Details

**Ms. Liu Dong**, aged 44, has been appointed as independent non-executive director of the Company since February 2007. She is also a member of the audit committee, remuneration committee and nomination committee of the Company. Ms. Liu graduated from the Capital University of Economics and Business. Ms. Liu is currently the vice manager of the finance head quarter of the China Galaxy Securities Co. Ltd.

**Mr. Chau Kam Wing**, aged 49, has over 20 years of experience in auditing, taxation and financial management and had been appointed as financial controller of a number of companies listed in Hong Kong. Mr. Chau obtained a master degree in business administration from the University of San Francisco, US in 2000. He is also a Fellow of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a practicing member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Chau is currently a finance director of Winox Holdings Limited (stock code: 6838), an independent non-executive director of Carpenter Tan Holdings Limited (stock code: 837) and Zhejiang Shibao Company Limited (stock code: 1057), which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange. Mr. Chau is also an independent non-executive director of Eco-Tek Holdings Limited (stock code: 8169), which is listed on the Growth Enterprise Market of the Stock Exchange. He joined the Group in March 2007. He is also the chairman of the audit committee and remuneration committee and a member of the nomination committee of the Company.

**Mr. Ong King Keung**, aged 36, is the chief financial officer and company secretary of a company whose shares are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange. He is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants. He holds a bachelor's degree in Accountancy from The Hong Kong Polytechnic University and master degree in Corporate Finance from the City University of Hong Kong. He has ample of experiences in auditing, financial management and initial public offering. He was senior management of several listed companies. He joined the Group in March 2007. He is also a member of the audit committee and remuneration committee of the Company.

# SENIOR MANAGEMENT

**Mr. Lie Chi Wing**, **Aston**, aged 34, is the company secretary of the Company. He holds a Bachelor Degree of Business Administration (First Class Honors) from The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. He is a fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a practicing member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. He is also a Chartered Financial Analyst. Mr. Lie has extensive experience in auditing and corporate advisory services with major international accounting firms. He joined the Group in April 2010.

**Mr. Liu Yong**, aged 43, is the executive general manager of the Group. Mr Liu graduated from the Southeast University in 1991, majoring in detection technology and instrument of the Department of Automatic Control. He studied water supply and drainage in the Southeast Jiao Tong University from 1993 to 1994 and was awarded the qualification of senior water supply and drainage engineer in 2004. He obtained the PRC Certified Asset Appraiser Qualification Certificate in 1997. Mr Liu has over 13 years of senior management experience in water project design, water construction project management and water plant operation in water industry in China.

**Mr. Li Xing Ping**, aged 43, is the deputy general manager of the Group. He graduated from water supply and drainage specialty in the Department of Civil Engineering, Yellowstone Institute of Technology in 1991. He was awarded the bachelor degree in Engineering from Changjiang University and MBA from Huazhong University of Science and Technology in 2005. Mr Li has over 13 years of senior management experience in water project design, water engineering construction project management and water plant operation in water industry in China. He currently serves as deputy executive director of China Urban Water Association and director of Township Office.

The board of directors (the "Board") is committed to maintaining good corporate governance standard and procedures to ensure the integrity, transparency and quality of disclosure in order to enhance the shareholders' value. The Board reviews its corporate governance practices from time to time in order to meet the rising expectations of shareholders and comply with the increasingly tightened regulatory requirements.

The Code on Corporate Governance Practice ("CGP Code") issued by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") in its Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("Listing Rules") sets out two levels of corporate governance practices, i.e. mandatory code provisions that a listed company must comply with or explain its non-compliance, and recommended best practices that listed companies are encouraged to comply with but need not disclose in the case of non-compliance. The Company is in compliance with the mandatory code provisions of the CGP Code, save for the deviations discussed below.

#### **BOARD AND BOARD COMMITTEES**

As at 31 March 2012, the Board consisted of ten Directors: comprising two executive Directors, namely Mr. Duan Chuan Liang (Chairman) and Mr. Li Ji Sheng; four non-executive Directors, Mr. Chen Guo Ru, Mr. Zhao Hai Hu, Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi and Mr. Wu Jiesi; and four independent non-executive Directors, namely Ms. Huang Shao Yun, Ms. Liu Dong, Mr. Chau Kam Wing and Mr. Ong King Keung. Two of the independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Chau Kam Wing and Mr. Ong King Keung, have the professional and accounting qualifications required by the Listing Rules. Accordingly, the Company complied with Rules 3.10(1) and 3.10(2) of the Listing Rules relating to the appointment of at least three independent non-executive directors with at least one independent non-executive director possessing appropriate professional qualifications, or accounting or related financial management expertise.

The Board is principally responsible for formulating business strategies, and monitoring the performance of the business of the Group. The Board decides on corporate strategies, approves overall business plans, evaluates the Group's financial performance and management and reviews the financial and internal control system. Other than the daily operational decisions which are delegated to the management of the Group, most of the decisions are taken by the Board. Specific tasks that the Board delegates to the Group's management include the implementation of strategies approved by the Board, the monitoring of operating budgets, the implementation of internal controls procedures, and the ensuring of compliance with relevant statutory requirements and other rules and regulations.

The Directors are remunerated with reference to their respective duties and responsibility with the Company, the Company's performance and current market situation. The Board members have no financial, business, family or other material/relevant relationships with each other. Given the composition of the Board and the skills, knowledge and expertise of the Director, the Board believes that it is appropriately structured to provide sufficient checks and balances to protect the interests of the Group and the shareholders. The Board will review its composition regularly to ensure that it has appropriate balance of expertise, skills and experience to continue to effectively oversee the business of the Company. Details of the experience and qualifications of Directors and senior management of the Company are set out in the section headed "Directors' and Senior Management Biographical Details" in this annual report.

Each of the independent non-executive Directors have confirmed in writing their independence from the Company in accordance with the guidelines on director independence of the Listing Rules. On this basis, the Company considers all such Directors to be independent.

There was in place appropriate insurance cover in respect of legal action against the Directors arising out of corporate activities.

The Board has established three board committees to strengthen its functions and corporate governance practices, namely, audit committee (the "Audit Committee"), nomination committee (the "Nomination Committee") and remuneration committee (the "Remuneration Committee"). The Audit Committee, the Nomination Committee and the Remuneration Committee perform their specific roles in accordance with their respective written terms of reference which are prepared and adopted pursuant to the revised Corporate Governance Code published during the year ended 31 March 2012.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee currently comprises four independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Chau Kam Wing (Chairman), Mr. Ong King Keung, Ms. Huang Shao Yun and Ms. Liu Dong. Main duties include review of the Group's financial information and oversight of the Group's financial reporting system and internal control procedures. The Audit Committee is also responsible for reviewing the interim and final results of the Group prior to recommending them to the Board for approval. In performing its duties, it has unrestricted access to personnel, records, external auditor and senior management. Terms of reference of the Audit Committee detailing the authority and duties of the Audit Committee are available on the Company's website.

For the year under review, the Audit Committee held two meetings which included the review of the final results for the year ended 31 March 2011 and the interim accounts for the six months ended 30 September 2011 and the internal control system of the Group.

#### **Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration Committee currently comprises four independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Chau Kam Wing (Chairman), Mr. Ong King Keung, Ms. Huang Shao Yun and Ms. Liu Dong. Main duties include making recommendations on remuneration matters of the directors and senior management. Terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee detailing the authority and duties of the Remuneration Committee are available on the Company's website. During the year under review, one meeting was held by the Remuneration Committee and it reviewed the remuneration packages of the Directors and senior management.

# **Nomination Committee**

The Company established the Nomination Committee on 29 November 2011. The Nomination Committee currently comprises one executive Director, namely Mr. Duan Chuan Liang (Chairman), and three independent non-exective Directors, namely Mr. Chau Kam Wing, Ms. Huang Shao Yun and Ms. Liu Dong. Main duties include making recommendations to the Board on appointment of the Directors with the aim to build up a strong and diverse Board. Terms of reference of the Nomination Committee detailing the authority and duties of the Nomination Committee are available on the Company's website. The Nomination Committee shall meet before the holding of each annual general meeting of the Company where the appointment of Directors of the Company will be considered. Additional meetings should be held as and when the work of the Nomination Committee demands.

The number of the Board meetings, Audit Committee meetings and Remuneration Committee meetings attended by each Director during the year ended 31 March 2012 are set out in the following table. Figure in brackets indicates maximum of meetings in the period in which the individual was a Board members or Audit Committee members or Remuneration Committee members (as the case may be).

		Meetings	attended/(held)
		Audit	Remuneration
	Board	Committee	Committee
Executive Directors			
Mr. Duan Chuan Liang (Chairman)	4/(4)	N/A	N/A
Mr. Li Ji Sheng	4/(4)	N/A	N/A
Non-executive Directors			
Mr. Chen Guo Ru	3/(4)	N/A	N/A
Mr. Zhao Hai Hu	3/(4)	N/A	N/A
Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi	1/(4)	N/A	N/A
Mr. Wu Jiesi	2/(4)	N/A	N/A
Independent Non-executive Directors			
Ms. Huang Shao Yun	4/(4)	2/(2)	1/(1)
Ms. Liu Dong	3/(4)	1/(2)	1/(1)
Mr. Chau Kam Wing	4/(4)	2/(2)	1/(1)
Mr. Ong King Keung	4/(4)	2/(2)	1/(1)

### APPOINTMENT AND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Under Code Provision A.4.2, every Director should be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. According to the Company's bye-laws, at each annual general meeting, one third of the Directors shall retire from office by rotation provided that notwithstanding anything therein, the Chairman of the Board of the Company shall not be subject to retirement by rotation or taken into account in determining the number of Directors to retire. As continuation is a key factor to the successful long term implementation of business plans, the Board believes that the roles of the Chairman provide the Group with strong and consistent leadership and allow more effective planning and execution of long-term business strategy. As such, the Board is of the view that the Chairman of Board should not be subject to retirement by rotation.

#### CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Mr. Duan Chuan Liang serves as the Chairman of the Company. The function of chief executive officer is collectively performed by the executive directors (being Mr. Duan Chuan Liang and Mr. Li Ji Sheng), which deviates from the requirement under Code Provision A.2.1 that the roles of the chairman and chief executive officer should be segregated.

The Board considers that this structure will not impair the balance of power and authority between the Board and the management of the Company. The Board continues to believe that this structure is conducive to strong and consistent leadership, enabling the Company to make and implement decisions promptly and efficiently. The Board has strong confidence in the executive directors and believes that this structure is beneficial to the business prospects of the Company.

## RESPONSIBILITY FOR PREPARATION AND REPORTING OF ACCOUNTS

The Directors are responsible for the preparation of accounts for each financial period with a view to ensuring such accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group and the results and cash flow of the Group for the period. The Company's accounts are prepared in accordance with all relevant statutory requirements and applicable accounting standards. The Directors are responsible for ensuring that appropriate accounting policies are selected and applied consistently; and that judgments and estimates made are prudent and reasonable. The Directors are not aware of any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

A statement by the auditor about their reporting responsibilities is set out on page 22 of this annual report.

# **INTERNAL CONTROL**

The Board has overall responsibilities for maintaining a sound and effective internal control system of the Group. The Group's system of internal control includes a defined management structure with limits of authority, safeguard its assets against unauthorised use or disposition, ensure the maintenance of proper accounting records for the provision of reliable financial information for internal use or for publication, and ensure compliance with relevant laws and regulations. The system is designed to provide reasonable assurance against material misstatement or loss, and to oversee the Group's operational systems for the achievement of the Group's business objectives. During the year under review, the Board reviewed the overall effectiveness of the Group's system of internal control over financial, operational and compliance controls and risk management functions. The Board concluded that in general, the Group's internal control system is effective and adequate. The Board's review has considered the adequacy of resources, qualifications and experience of staff of the Company's accounting and financial reporting function, and their training programmes and budget. Appropriate measures and actions have been taken during the year ended 31 March 2012 on areas where rooms for improvement were identified.

## **AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION**

Due to a merger of the business of Grant Thornton ("GTHK") and BDO Limited ("BDO") to practise in the name of BDO as announced on 26 November 2010, BDO has been appointed as the auditor of the Company on 5 January 2011 following the resignation of GTHK, now known as JBPB & Co, on 6 December 2010. Total auditor's remuneration for the year ended 31 March 2012 amounted to HK\$5,850,000 (2011: HK\$5,850,000). No remuneration was paid for other non-audit services provided by BDO for the Company and its subsidiaries during the year ended 31 March 2012 and 2011. HK\$250,000 was paid for other non-audit services provided by GTHK for the Company and its subsidiaries during the year ended 31 March 2011.

## **DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS**

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies ("Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules. The Company has made specific enquiry to all Directors regarding any non-compliance with the Model Code during the period and they all confirmed that they have fully complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code.

## **COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS**

The rights of shareholders and the procedures for demanding a poll on resolutions at shareholders' meetings are contained in the Company's constitutional documents. Details of such rights to demand a poll and the poll procedures are included in all related circulars to shareholders and will be explained during the proceedings of meetings. There was no significant change to the Company's constitutional documents during the year.

The Company attaches great priority to establishing effective communications with its shareholders and investors. As a means of communications, the Company provides information relating to the Company and its business in its interim and annual reports. The Company regards its Annual General Meeting as an opportunity for direct communications between the Board and its shareholders. All Directors, senior management and external auditor make an effort to attend the Annual General Meeting to address shareholders' queries. The Company also responds to requests for information and queries from the shareholders and investors and welcomes the views of shareholders on matters concerning the Group and encourages them to attend shareholders' meetings to communicate any concerns they might have with the Board or management direct.

The Directors herein present their report and the audited financial statement of the Company and of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2012.

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. Details of the principal activities of the principal subsidiaries are set out in note 19 to the financial statements. Save as disclosed in the financial statements, there were no other significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year.

#### **SEGMENT INFORMATION**

An analysis of the Group's turnover and contribution to results by principal activity and geographical area of operations for the year ended 31 March 2012 is set out in note 8 to the financial statements.

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the published results and of the assets and liabilities of the Group for the last five financial years is set out on page 146 of this annual report.

## **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The Group's profit for the year ended 31 March 2012 and the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group at that date are set out in the financial statements on pages 24 to 144. The Directors recommended a final dividend of HK3 cents (2011: HK3 cents) per ordinary share, which is subject to approval of the shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company to be held on Friday, 7 September 2012 and will be payable on or about Friday, 28 September 2012 to the shareholders whose names appear on the register of members on Thursday, 20 September 2012. In addition, the final dividend is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions under an amended and restated term facility agreement which have been satisfied as of the date of this report.

#### **CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Friday, 14 September 2012 to Thursday, 20 September 2012 both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares of the Company will be registered. In order to qualify for the entitlement to the proposed final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2012, all transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates and appropriate transfer forms must be lodged with the office of the Company's Share Registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Tengis Limited, at 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, 13 September 2012.

# PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment and investment properties of the Group during the year are set out in notes 16 and 18 to the financial statements, respectively. Further details of the Group's investment properties are set out on page 145.

# SHARE CAPITAL, SHARE OPTIONS, DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL LIABILITIES AND CONVERTIBLE BONDS

Details of movements in the Company's share capital, share options, derivative financial liabilities and convertible bonds during the year are set out in notes 40, 41, 36 and 37 to the financial statements, respectively.

## **PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS**

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's bye-laws or the laws of Bermuda where the Company continued registration as an exempted company which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro-rata basis to existing shareholders.

## PURCHASE, REDEMPTION OR SALE OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

During the year ended 31 March 2012, the Company repurchased its own shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited as follows:

Month/Year	Number of shares repurchased	Highest price per share HK\$	Lowest price per share HK\$	Aggregate consideration (excluding expenses) HK\$
June 2011	7,968,000	2.80	2.69	22,060,000
July 2011	29,374,000	2.88	2.71	82,645,000
August 2011	49,442,000	2.71	2.37	126,266,000
September 2011	19,278,000	2.64	2.17	47,379,000
October 2011	22,518,000	2.28	1.80	45,929,000
November 2011	212,000	2.16	2.11	457,000
December 2011	21,470,000	2.32	2.12	48,397,000
January 2012	6,692,000	2.37	2.09	14,807,000
February 2012	10,064,000	2.48	2.30	24,328,000
March 2012	2,370,000	2.38	2.30	5,520,000

During the year ended 31 March 2012, the Company repurchased a total of 169,388,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each in the capital of the Company. 31,274,000, 55,510,000, 41,796,000, 36,158,000 and 4,650,000 of the repurchased shares were cancelled in July 2011, August 2011, November 2011, February 2012 and March 2012 respectively. Accordingly, the issued share capital of the Company was reduced by the nominal value thereof. The premium payable on repurchase was charged against the share premium account of the Company.

The purchase of the Company's shares during the year was effected by the Directors, pursuant to the mandate from shareholders received at the last annual general meeting, with a view to benefiting shareholders as a whole by enhancing the net asset value per share and earnings per share of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the year.

#### RESERVES AND DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

Details of movements in the reserves of the Company and of the Group during the year are set out in note 42 to the financial statements and in the consolidated statement of changes in equity, respectively. Details of the distributable reserves of the Company are set out in note 42 to the financial statements. The Company's reserves available for distribution to members at 31 March 2012 amounted to HK\$1,195,438,000 (2011: 1,249,179,000) comprised contributed surplus of HK\$1,168,005,000 (2011: HK\$1,245,639,000) and surplus of HK\$27,433,000 (2011: HK\$3,540,000).

# **MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS**

In the year under review, sales to the Group's five largest customers accounted for less than 30% of the total sales for the year. Purchases from the Group's five largest suppliers accounted for less than 30% of the total purchases for the year. None of the directors of the Company or any of their associates or any shareholders (which, to the best knowledge of the directors, own more than 5% of the Company's issued share capital) had any beneficial interest in the Group's five largest customers or suppliers.

#### **DIRECTORS**

The Directors of the Company during the year and up to date of this report were as follows:

#### **Executive Directors**

Mr. Duan Chuan Liang (Chairman)

Mr. Li Ji Sheng

#### Non-executive Directors

Mr. Chen Guo Ru

Mr. Wu Jiesi

Mr. Zhao Hai Hu

Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi

## **Independent Non-executive Directors**

Ms. Huang Shao Yun

Ms. Liu Dong

Mr. Chau Kam Wing

Mr. Ong King Keung

In accordance with clause 87 of the Company's Bye-laws, Ms. Huang Shao Yun, Ms. Liu Dong and Mr. Chau Kam Wing will retire at the forthcoming annual general meeting and all of them being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election. Apart from Mr. Duan Chuan Liang, all the other Directors of the Company, including the independent non-executive Directors, are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election in accordance with the provisions of the Company's Bye-laws.

### **DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS**

As at 31 March 2012, none of the Directors has entered into any service contracts with the Company or any other member of the Group (excluding contracts expiring or determinable by the employer within one year without payment of compensation (other than statutory compensation)).

## **DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN CONTRACTS**

Save as disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, no Director had a material interest, either direct or indirect, in any contract of significance to the business of the Group to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party during the year.

# **DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS IN SECURITIES**

As at 31 March 2012, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executives of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Future Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong ("SFO") which had been notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to Division 7 & 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provision 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 pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transaction by Directors of Listing Companies to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange were as follows:

#### **Shares**

	Capacity/	Number	of shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding in
Name of Director	Nature of interest	Long position	Short position	the Company
Mr. Duan Chuan Liang (Note)	Corporate and personal	322,874,301	_	22.24%
Mr. Chen Guo Ru	Personal	3,500,000		0.24%
Mr. Zhao Hai Hu	Personal	1,306,000	_	0.09%
Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi	Personal	870,000	_	0.06%

Note: These 322,874,301 shares consist of 143,578,301 shares held by Asset Full Resources Limited, which is wholly and beneficially owned by Mr. Duan Chuan Liang, and 179,296,000 shares held by Mr. Duan personally.

## **SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

Details of the Company's share option scheme are set out in note 41 to the financial statements. Pursuant to the share option scheme adopted by the Company on 6 September 2002, certain Directors were granted share options. During the year ended 31 March 2012, all options granted to the Directors of the Company lapsed. Accordingly, as at 31 March 2012, none of the Directors of the Company had options to subscribe for shares in the capital of the Company under the share option scheme.

Other than as disclosed in the sections headed "Directors' and chief executives' interests in securities" and "Share Option Scheme" above, none of the Directors or chief executives of the Company had or was deemed to have any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of 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 Division 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which the Directors and the chief executives were taken or deemed to have under the 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 Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers contained in the Listing Rules.

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SECURITIES

Save as disclosed in the sections headed "Directors' and chief executives' interests in securities" and "Share Option Scheme" above, at no time during the year was the Company, its subsidiaries or its fellow subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the Company's Directors or members of its management to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debt securities (including debentures) of, the Company or any other body corporate.

### SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

At 31 March 2012, the following interests and short positions of 5% or more of the issued share capital of the Company were recorded in the register of interests required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO:

	Capacity/		Number of shares	<b>i</b>	Approximate percentage of shareholding in the Company			
Name of shareholder	Nature of interest	Long position	Short position	Lending pool	Long position	Short position	Lending pool	
Duan Chuan Liang	Beneficial	322,874,301	-	-	22.24%	-	-	
Asset Full Resources								
Limited (Note (i))	Beneficial	143,578,301	-	-	9.89%	-	-	
ORIX Corporation	Beneficial	276,064,277	-	-	19.01%	-	-	
Atlantis Capital Holdings Limited (Note (ii))	Beneficial	182,450,000	-	-	12.56%	-	-	
JP Morgan Chase & Co.	Beneficial/Custodian	159,597,500	7,182,080	122,961,301	10.99%	0.49%	8.47%	
Norges Bank	Beneficial	127,684,000	-	-	8.79%	-	-	
Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft	Beneficial/Investment manager/ Person having a security interest in shares/Custodian	80,885,835	10,202,160	368,000	5.57%	0.70%	0.03%	

#### Notes:

- (i) These shares are beneficially owned by and registered in the name of Asset Full Resources Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, whose entire issued capital is wholly and beneficially owned by Mr. Duan Chuan Liang, an executive Director and Chairman of the Company.
- (ii) Controlling shareholder is Ms. Liu Yang.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 March 2012, so far as is known to any Director or chief executive of the Company, no person (other than a Director or chief executive of the Company) had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

## MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

No contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or existed during the year.

# **CONNECTED TRANSACTION**

During the year, the Group has not entered into any significant connected transaction or continuing connected transaction which should be disclosed pursuant to the requirement under the Listing Rules.

#### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Details of the related party transactions of the Group are set out in note 50 to the financial statements.

## SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors, the Directors confirmed that the Company has maintained a sufficient public float throughout the year ended 31 March 2012.

## POST REPORTING DATE EVENTS

Details of the significant post reporting date events of the Group are set out in note 51 to the financial statements.

# **AUDITOR**

Due to a merger of the business of Grant Thornton ("GTHK"), now known as JBPB & Co. and BDO Limited ("BDO") to practise in the name of BDO as announced on 26 November 2010, GTHK resigned effective from 6 December 2010 and BDO was appointed as auditor of the Company effective from 5 January 2011. Save as aforesaid, there was no change in auditor during the past three years.

A resolution will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company to re-appoint BDO as auditor of the Company.

On behalf of the board

# **Duan Chuan Liang**

Chairman

Hong Kong, 28 June 2012

# **Independent** Auditor's Report



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## TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF CHINA WATER AFFAIRS GROUP LIMITED

(originally incorporated in the Cayman Islands and continued in Bermuda with limited liability)

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of China Water Affairs Group Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") set out on pages 24 to 144, which comprise the consolidated and company statements of financial position as at 31 March 2012, and the consolidated income statement, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

# DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## **AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. This report is made solely to you, as a body, in accordance with section 90 of the Bermuda Companies Act 1981, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# **Independent** Auditor's Report

# **OPINION**

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 March 2012 and of the Group's profit and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards and have been properly prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

#### **BDO Limited**

Certified Public Accountants

# Lo Ngai Hang

Practising Certificate Number P04743

Hong Kong, 28 June 2012

# **Consolidated** Income Statement

	Notes	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Revenue	7	1,896,944	1,478,163
Cost of sales		(1,061,566)	(846,792)
Gross profit		835,378	631,371
Other income Selling and distribution costs Administrative expenses Other operating expenses Fair value gain on investment properties	7	96,053 (72,938) (324,422) (7,213) 62,579	129,407 (54,472) (289,864) (3,569) 21,033
Fair value (loss)/gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments Gain on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets Gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale Deemed gain for the change from available-for-sale financial assets to interests in associates Gain/(loss) on redemption of convertible bonds	45	(290) 45,496 - 32,148 - 8,419	5,197 (6,476) 83,525 201,189 61,634 (16,460)
Profit from operation	9	675,210	762,515
Finance costs Share of results of associates	10	(86,813) 98,719	(102,742 <u>)</u> 65,445
Profit before income tax		687,116	725,218
Income tax expense	11	(154,647)	(124,726)
Profit for the year		532,469	600,492
Profit for the year attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests	12	315,280 217,189	421,905 178,587
		532,469	600,492
Earnings per share for profit attributable to owners of the Company during the year	14	HK cents	HK cents
Basic		21.03	31.24
Diluted		N/A	28.83

# **Consolidated** Statement of Comprehensive Income

	Notes	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Profit for the year		532,469	600,492
Other comprehensive income			
Reclassification adjustments relating to			
available-for-sale financial assets			
<ul> <li>Conversion of convertible bonds to shares</li> </ul>	21(a)	-	(6,654)
<ul> <li>Change from available-for-sale financial assets</li> </ul>			
to interests in associates	21(b)	-	(61,634)
Change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets		(3,614)	(146,633)
Share of other comprehensive income of associates		9,337	6,029
Currency translation		115,505	176,467
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		121,228	(32,425)
Total comprehensive income for the year		653,697	568,067
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		389,342	332,965
Non-controlling interests		264,355	235,102
		653,697	568,067

# **Consolidated** Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 March 2012

	Notes	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Prepaid land lease payments Investment properties Interests in associates Available-for-sale financial assets Goodwill Other intangible assets Deposits and prepayments	16 17 18 20 21 22 23 24	4,121,103 527,244 888,083 876,998 120,377 181,272 192,942 141,608	3,403,298 442,678 840,227 536,117 123,190 172,667 178,665 287,875
		7,049,627	5,984,717
Current assets Properties under development Properties held for sale Inventories Trade receivables Amounts due from grantors for contract work Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Due from non-controlling equity holders of subsidiaries Due from associates Prepayments, deposits and other receivables Derivative financial assets Pledged deposits Deposits and cash	25 26 27 28 29 30 35 20 24 21(a) 31	493,698 55,162 180,821 365,417 106,546 1,617 169,318 108,679 545,512 109,012 17,909 1,068,079	30,300 63,913 95,592 359,147 103,910 4,062 198,102 – 515,637 47,390 25,873 848,635
Assets classified as held for sale	45	3,221,770 407,271	2,292,561 84,158
		3,629,041	2,376,719
Current liabilities Trade and bills payables Accrued liabilities, deposits received and other payables Due to an associate Borrowings Due to non-controlling equity holders of subsidiaries Provision for tax Derivative financial liabilities	32 33 20 34 35	454,647 1,409,240 5,581 634,279 170,587 189,186 37,960	346,707 745,704 - 623,397 68,897 124,227 25,982
Liabilities classified as held for sale	45	2,901,480 117,310	1,934,914
		3,018,790	1,934,914
Net current assets		610,251	441,805
Total assets less current liabilities		7,659,878	6,426,522

# **Consolidated** Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 March 2012

	Notes	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	34	1,755,632	1,211,134
Due to non-controlling equity holders of subsidiaries	35	33,444	37,371
Convertible bonds	37	536,015	569,141
Deferred government grants	38	54,522	54,603
Deferred tax liabilities	39	238,824	220,944
		2,618,437	2,093,193
Net assets		5,041,441	4,333,329
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to owners of the Company			
Share capital	40	14,521	13,859
Proposed final dividend	13	43,562	41,576
Reserves		3,189,286	2,809,197
		3,247,369	2,864,632
Non-controlling interests		1,794,072	1,468,697
Total equity		5,041,441	4,333,329

**Duan Chuan Liang** *Director* 

Li Ji Sheng
Director

# **Consolidated** Statement of Changes in Equity

	Equity attributable to owners of the Company													
	Share capital HK\$'000	Proposed final dividend HK\$'000	Share premium account HK\$'000	Capital redemption reserve HK\$'000	Contributed surplus HK\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve HK\$'000	Share options reserve HK\$'000	Other reserves HK\$'000	Available- for-sale- financial assets revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Statutory reserves HK\$'000	Retained earnings HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK <b>\$</b> '000	Non- controlling interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
Balance at 1 April 2010	13,277	39,980	1,405	341	1,315,149	149,201	23,009	(17,463)	221,433	50,789	752,533	2,549,654	1,277,124	3,826,778
Share options exercised (note 41) Share options lapsed Arising from acquisition of subsidiaries	582 -	-	78,682 -	-	-	-	(16,838) (141)	-	-	-	- 141	62,426 -	-	62,426 -
(notes 43(d) and (e)) Arising from deemed acquisition of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- 15 750	-	-	-	15.750	20,229	20,229
Additional interests in subsidiaries acquired by the Group	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,750 (20,009)	-	-	-	15,750 (20,009)	(15,750) (79,214)	(99,223)
Arising from disposal of subsidiaries (note 46(a))	-	-	-	-	-	(458)	-	-	-	(583)	-	(1,041)	(5,722)	(6,763)
Arising from deemed disposal of subsidiaries (notes 44(c) and (d)) Capital contribution by non-controlling	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(7,199)	-	-	-	(7,199)	7,199	-
equity holders of subsidiaries Final dividend 2010 (note 13) Interim dividend 2011 (note 13)	- - -	(39,980) –	- - -	- - -	(645) (27,289)	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	-	(40,625) (27,289)	67,353 - -	67,353 (40,625) (27,289)
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests of subsidiaries													(37,624)	(37,624
Transactions with owners	582	(39,980)	78,682		(27,934)	(458)	(16,979)	(11,458)		(583)	141	(17,987)	(43,529)	(61,516
Proposed final dividend 2011 (note 13)	-	41,576	-	-	(41,576)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to statutory reserves	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43,664	(43,664)	-	-	-
Profit for the year Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	421,905	421,905	178,587	600,492
-Conversion of convertible bonds to shares -Change from available-for-sale financial assets to interests in associates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6,654) (61,634)	-	-	(6,654) (61,634)	-	(6,654)
-Change in fair value of     available-for-sale financial assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(146,633)	-	-	(146,633)	-	(146,633)
-Currency translation -Share of other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	119,952	4 407	-	-	-	-	119,952	56,515	176,467
of associates						1,622	4,407		(244.024)		424.005	6,029	225 462	6,029
Total comprehensive income for the year						121,574	4,407		(214,921)		421,905	332,965	235,102	568,067
Balance at 31 March 2011	13,859	41,576	80,087	341	1,245,639	270,317	10,437	(28,921)	6,512	93,870	1,130,915	2,864,632	1,468,697	4,333,329

# **Consolidated** Statement of Changes in Equity

	Equity attributable to owners of the Company													
									Available- for-sale- financial					
	Share capital HK\$'000	Proposed final dividend HK\$'000	Share premium account HK\$'000	Capital redemption reserve HK\$'000	Contributed surplus HK\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve HK\$'000	Share options reserve HK\$'000	Other reserves HK\$'000	assets revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Statutory reserves HK\$'000	Retained earnings HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Non- controlling interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
Balance at 1 April 2011	13,859	41,576	80,087	341	1,245,639	270,317	10,437	(28,921)	6,512	93,870	1,130,915	2,864,632	1,468,697	4,333,329
Subscription of new shares (note 40)	2,356	_	798,678	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	801,034	_	801,034
Share issuance expenses	_	_	(22,226)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(22,226)	_	(22,226)
Share repurchase (note 40)	(1,694)	_	(416,094)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(417,788)	_	(417,788)
Share repurchase expenses	_	_	(1,744)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(1,744)	_	(1,744)
Share options lapsed	_	_	- (-//	_	_	_	(6,030)	_	_	_	6,030	- (-//	_	- (-//
Arising from acquisition of subsidiaries							(0)050)				0,050			
(notes 43(a) to (c))	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	228,703	228,703
Additional interests in subsidiaries													220,703	220,103
								(271,338)				(271,338)	/110 722\	(391,071)
acquired by the Group	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(2/1,330)	_	_	_	(2/1,330)	(119,733)	(391,071)
Arising from deemed disposal of subsidiaries								(40.005)				(10.005)	10.005	
(notes 44(a) and (b))	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(18,895)	-	-	-	(18,895)	18,895	-
Capital contribution by non-controlling														
equity holders of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61,620	61,620
Final dividend 2011 (note 13)	-	(41,576)	-	-	(4,464)		-	-	-	-	-	(46,040)	-	(46,040)
Interim dividend 2012 (note 13)	-	-	-	-	(29,608)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(29,608)	-	(29,608)
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests														
of subsidiaries													(128,465)	(128,465)
Transactions with owners	662	(41,576)	358,614	_	(34,072)	_	(6,030)	(290,233)	_	_	6,030	(6,605)	61,020	54,415
Proposed final dividend 2012 (note 13)		43,562			(43,562)									
		,			(10,000)									
Transfer to capital redemption reserve	-	-	-	1,694	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,694)	-	-	-
Transfer to statutory reserves	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26,741	(26,741)	-	-	-
Profit for the year Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	315,280	315,280	217,189	532,469
-Change in fair value of														
available-for-sale financial assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,614)	-	-	(3,614)	-	(3,614)
-Currency translation	-	-	-	-	-	68,339	-	-	-	-	-	68,339	47,166	115,505
-Share of other comprehensive income														
of associates						9,038	797	(498)				9,337		9,337
Total comprehensive income for the year						77,377	797	(498)	(3,614)		315,280	389,342	264,355	653,697
Balance at 31 March 2012	14,521	43,562	438,701	2,035	1,168,005	347,694	5,204	(319,652)	2,898	120,611	1,423,790	3,247,369	1,794,072	5,041,441
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# **Consolidated** Statement of Cash Flows

	Notes	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit before income tax		687,116	725,218
Adjustments for:			
Finance costs	10	86,813	102,742
Share of results of associates		(98,719)	(65,445)
Interest income	7	(25,093)	(9,683)
Dividend income from financial assets	7	(2,305)	(12,801)
Amortisation of deferred government grants	7	(2,844)	(2,449)
Excess over the cost of business combination recognised	•	(=/5 : :/	(=/::3)
in profit or loss	7	(7,175)	_
Depreciation	9	207,893	169,069
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	9	16,110	14,620
Amortisation of other intangible assets	9	9,048	7,968
Amortisation of other intangible assets  Amortisation of capitalised expenses	9		
	0	1,695	1,405
Loss/(gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	9	1,849	(5,760)
Property, plant and equipment written off	9	109	111
Gain on disposal of land use rights	9	-	(236)
Trade receivables written off	9	3,014	1,599
Valuation surplus on investment properties	18	(62,579)	(21,033)
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	46(a)	_	(391)
Gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale		(32,148)	(201,189)
Fair value loss/(gain) on financial assets at fair value			
through profit or loss		290	(5,197)
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments		(45,496)	6,476
Deemed gain for the change from available-for-sale			
financial assets to interests in associates		_	(61,634)
(Gain)/loss on redemption of convertible bonds		(8,419)	16,460
Gain on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets		` -	(83,525)
Operating profit before working capital changes		729,159	576,325
Decrease in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		1,814	54,976
Increase in properties under development		(204,559)	(52,620)
Decrease in properties held for sale, net		27,606	126,134
Increase in inventories		(74,090)	(46,193)
Increase in trade receivables		(15,451)	(89,686)
Increase in amounts due from grantors for contract work		(2,636)	(9,322)
Decrease/(increase) in amounts due from non-controlling		20.704	(66.536)
equity holders of subsidiaries		28,784	(66,536)
Increase in prepayments, deposits and other receivables		(118,994)	(167,658)
Increase in trade and bills payables		129,454	27,084
Increase in accrued liabilities, deposits received and			
other payables		509,106	10,225
Cash generated from operations		1,010,193	362,729
Interest paid for bank and other borrowings		(42,574)	(52,673)
Income taxes paid		(78,108)	(70,176)
Net cash generated from operating activities		889,511	239,880
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# **Consolidated** Statement of Cash Flows

	Notes	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Cash flows from investing activities Interest received Dividend received Purchase of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment Land lease payments prepaid Proceeds from disposal of land use rights Purchase of investment properties Purchase of water supply concession rights Deposits paid Acquisition of subsidiaries (net of cash and cash		25,093 2,305 (565,895) 21,490 (12,854) 150 (190,045) (16,458) (28,414)	9,683 12,801 (373,815) 62,744 (24,052) 44,482 (66,074) (2,406) (182,742)
equivalent acquired) Disposal of subsidiaries (net of cash and cash equivalent disposed) Investments in associates Dividends received from associates Increase in amounts due from associates Increase in amounts due to associates Increase of available-for-sale financial assets Proceeds from disposal of available-for-sale financial assets Proceeds from disposal of financial asset at fair value	43 46(a)	(91,784) - (234,188) 4,834 (108,679) 5,581 (1,028) 227	(19,909) (833) (7,456) 4,692 - (70,943) 23,588
through profit or loss Loan to a third party Proceeds from disposal of assets classified as held for sales Deposit received from disposal of assets and liabilities classified as held for sales		341 (30,864) 116,306 141,358	(100,000) 581,794
(Increase)/decrease in pledged deposits Increase in cash deposit with an original maturity of more than 3 months Deferred government grants received		(4,687) (27,467) 741	57,238 (61,190) 3,140
Net cash used in investing activities		(993,937)	(109,258)
Cash flows from financing activities Acquisition of non-controlling interests Placing and subscription of new shares Share issue expenses Payment for repurchase of ordinary shares Proceeds from issuance of convertible bonds Convertible bonds issuance expenses Redemption of convertible bonds Interest on convertible bonds Share options exercised	37	(240,833) 801,034 (22,226) (419,532) - (58,130) (14,964)	(66,269) 600,000 (13,030) (279,024) (7,500) 62,426
Repayment to non-controlling equity holders of subsidiaries of the Company Drawdown of bank loans Repayment of bank loans Drawdown of other borrowings Repayment of other borrowings Dividends paid Injection by non-controlling equity holders of subsidiaries of the Company		(161,932) 996,341 (493,380) 96,947 (142,462) (75,648)	(49,531) 292,857 (390,149) 49,483 (114,495) (67,914)
Net cash generated from financing activities		326,835	84,207
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		222,409	214,829
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year Effect of foreign exchange rates, net		787,445 (24,396)	526,156 46,460
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		985,458	787,445
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents Deposits and cash Assets classified as held for sale	31 45(a)	979,422 6,036	787,445 
		985,458	787,445

# **Statement** of Financial Position

As at 31 March 2012

	2012 HK\$'000	Notes	
			ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
<b>3</b> ,124	2,585	16	Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment
	1,166,601	19	Interests in subsidiaries
124,317	280,443	21	Available-for-sale financial assets
1,117,527	1,449,629		
			Current assets
<b>-</b> 380	4 022 407	30	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Due from subsidiaries
	1,022,407 9,103	19 24	Prepayments, deposits and other receivables
	409,358	31	Deposits and cash
1,236,620	1,440,868		
			Current liabilities
303,915	228,050	19	Due to subsidiaries
<b>23</b> ,971	31,054	33	Accrued liabilities and other payables
	296		Provision for tax
25,982	37,960	36	Derivative financial liabilities
354,160	297,360		
882,460	1,143,508		Net current assets
1,999,987	2,593,137		Total assets less current liabilities
			Non-current liabilities
	322,444	34	Borrowings
569,141	536,015	37	Convertible bonds
569,141	858,459		
1,430,846	1,734,678		Net assets
			EQUITY
5 <b>21</b> 13,859	14,521	40	Share capital
	43,562	13	Proposed final dividend
	1,676,595	42(b)	Reserves
1,430,846	1,734,678		Total equity
_		42(b)	Reserves

**Duan Chuan Liang** 

Director

Li Ji Sheng Director

# **Notes** to the Financial Statements

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## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

China Water Affairs Group Limited (the "Company") was previously incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company under the Cayman Islands Companies Law with its ordinary shares listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

Pursuant to a special resolution passed in an extraordinary general meeting held on 9 June 2003 and approved by the Registrars of Companies in the Cayman Islands and Bermuda on 9 July 2003, the Company de-registered from the Cayman Islands under Section 226 of the Companies Law and re-domiciled in Bermuda under Section 132C of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda as an exempted company.

The Company's registered office is Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM11, Bermuda and its principal place of business is Suite 6408, 64th Floor, Central Plaza, 18 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The principal activities of the Company's subsidiaries are set out in note 19 to the financial statements. The Company and its subsidiaries are together defined to as the "Group" hereafter.

The financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2012 were approved for issue by the board of directors (the "Directors") on 28 June 2012.

# 2. ADOPTION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs")

#### 2.1 Adoption of revised/amended HKFRSs

In the current year, the Group has applied for the first time the following new standards, amendments and interpretations ("the new HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), which are relevant to and effective for the Group's financial statements for the annual period beginning on 1 April 2011:

HKFRSs (Amendments) Improvements to HKFRSs 2010
Amendments to HKAS 32 Classification of Rights Issues
HK(IFRIC) – Interpretation 19 Extinguishing Financial Liabilities with Equity Instruments
HKAS 24 (Revised) Related Party Disclosures

Other than as noted below, the adoption of these new HKFRSs had no material impact on how the results and financial positions for the current and prior periods have been prepared and presented.

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# 2. ADOPTION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs") (Continued)

# 2.1 Adoption of revised/amended HKFRSs (Continued)

HKFRS 3(Amendments) - Business Combinations

As part of the Improvements to HKFRSs issued in 2010, HKFRS 3 has been amended to clarify that the option to measure non-controlling interests ("NCI") at either fair value or the NCI's proportionate share in the recognised amounts of the acquiree's identifiable net assets is limited to instruments that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of the acquiree's net assets in the event of liquidation. Other components of NCI are measured at their acquisition date fair value unless another measurement basis is required by HKFRSs. The Group has amended its accounting policies for measuring NCI but the adoption of the amendment has had no impact on the Group's financial statements as the NCI in the business acquisition in 2011 (note 43) represented such present ownership interests.

# HKFRS 7(Amendments) - Financial Instruments: Disclosures

As part of the Improvements to HKFRSs issued in 2010, HKFRS 7 has been amended to enhance the interaction between quantitative and qualitative disclosures. If the carrying amount of a financial asset best represents the maximum exposure to credit risk, the standard does not require a positive statement to this effect in the financial statements. This amended disclosure requirement has been applied retrospectively. The adoption of the amendments has no impact on the Group's reported profit or loss, total comprehensive income or equity for any period presented.

### HKAS 24 (Revised) - Related Party Disclosures

HKAS 24 (Revised) amends the definition of related party and clarifies its meaning. This may result in changes to those parties who are identified as being related parties of the reporting entity. The adoption of HKAS 24 (Revised) has no impact on the Group's reported profit or loss, total comprehensive income or equity for any period presented. The new accounting policy has been applied retrospectively according to the transitional provision in HKAS 24 (Revised). HKAS 24 (Revised) also introduces simplified disclosure requirement applicable to related party transactions where the Group and the counterparty are under common control, joint control or significant influence of a government, government agency or similar body. These new disclosures are not relevant to the Group because the Group is not a government related entity.

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# 2. ADOPTION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs") (Continued)

# 2.2 New/revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective

The following new/revised HKFRSs, potentially relevant to the Group's financial statements, have been issued, but are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Group.

Amendments to HKAS 1	Presentation of financial statements – Presentation of items of other comprehensive income <sup>3</sup>
Amendments to HKFRS 1	First-time adoption of HKFRSs – Severe hyperinflation and removal of fixed dates for first-time adopters <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to HKFRS 7	Financial instruments: Disclosures – Transfers of financial assets <sup>1</sup>
Amendments to HKFRS 7	Financial instruments: Disclosures – Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities <sup>4</sup>
Amendments to HKAS 12	Income taxes – Deferred tax: Recovery of underlying assets <sup>2</sup>
HKFRS 9	Financial instruments <sup>6</sup>
HKFRS 10	Consolidated financial statements <sup>4</sup>
HKFRS 11	Joint arrangements <sup>4</sup>
HKFRS 12	Disclosure of interests in other entities <sup>4</sup>
HKFRS 13	Fair value measurement <sup>4</sup>
HKAS 19 (2011)	Employee benefit <sup>4</sup>
HKAS 27 (2011)	Separate financial statements <sup>4</sup>
HKAS 28 (2011)	Investments in associates and joint ventures <sup>4</sup>
HK(IFRIC) – Interpretation 20	Stripping costs in the production phase of a surface mine <sup>4</sup>
Amendments to HKAS 32	Financial instruments – Presentation – Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities <sup>5</sup>
Annual Improvements 2009	Amendments to a number of HKFRSs contained in Annual
– 2011 Cycle	Improvements 2009 – 2011 Cycle issued in June 2012 <sup>4</sup>

- <sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2011
- 2 Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2012
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2012
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014
- <sup>6</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015

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# 2. ADOPTION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs") (Continued)

2.2 New/revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective (Continued)

HKFRS 9 - Financial Instruments

Under HKFRS 9, financial assets are classified into financial assets measured at fair value or at amortised cost depending on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. Fair value gains or losses will be recognised in profit or loss except for those non-trade equity investments, which the entity will have a choice to recognise the gains and losses in other comprehensive income. HKFRS 9 carries forward the recognition and measurement requirements for financial liabilities from HKAS 39, except for financial liabilities that are designated at fair value through profit or loss, where the amount of change in fair value attributable to change in credit risk of that liability is recognised in other comprehensive income unless that would create or enlarge an accounting mismatch. In addition, HKFRS 9 retains the requirements in HKAS 39 for de-recognition of financial assets and financial liabilities.

#### HKFRS 10 - Consolidated Financial Statements

HKFRS 10 introduces a single control model for consolidation of all investee entities. An investor has control when it has power over the investee (whether or not that power is used in practice), exposure or rights to variable returns from the investee and the ability to use the power over the investee to affect those returns. HKFRS 10 contains extensive guidance on the assessment of control. For example, the standard introduces the concept of "de facto" control where an investor can control an investee while holding less than 50% of the investee's voting rights in circumstances where its voting interest is of sufficiently dominant size relative to the size and dispersion of those of other individual shareholders to give it power over the investee. Potential voting rights are considered in the analysis of control only when these are substantive, i.e. the holder has the practical ability to exercise them. The standard explicitly requires an assessment of whether an investor with decision making rights is acting as principal or agent and also whether other parties with decision making rights are acting as agents of the investor. An agent is engaged to act on behalf of and for the benefit of another party and therefore does not control the investee when it exercises its decision making authority. The implementation of HKFRS 10 may result in changes in those entities which are regarded as being controlled by the Group and are therefore consolidated in the financial statements. The accounting requirements in the existing HKAS 27 on other consolidation related matters are carried forward unchanged. HKFRS 10 is applied retrospectively subject to certain transitional provisions.

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# 2. ADOPTION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs") (Continued)

#### 2.2 New/revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective (Continued)

HKFRS 13 - Fair Value Measurement

HKFRS 13 provides a single source of guidance on how to measure fair value when it is required or permitted by other standards. The standard applies to both financial and non-financial items measured at fair value and introduces a fair value measurement hierarchy. The definitions of the three levels in this measurement hierarchy are generally consistent with HKFRS 7 "Financial Instruments: Disclosures". HKFRS 13 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e. an exit price). The standard removes the requirement to use bid and ask prices for financial assets and liabilities quoted in an active market. Rather the price within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of fair value in the circumstances should be used. It also contains extensive disclosure requirements to allow users of the financial statements to assess the methods and inputs used in measuring fair values and the effects of fair value measurements on the financial statements. HKFRS 13 can be adopted early and is applied prospectively.

#### 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### (a) Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable HKFRSs, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "HKFRSs") and the disclosure requirements of Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules").

#### (b) Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis except for certain properties and financial instruments, which are measured at revalued amounts or fair values as explained in the accounting policies set out below.

#### (c) Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is the same as the functional currency of the Company.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 4.1 Business combination and basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the the Group. Intercompany transactions and balances between group companies together with unrealised profits are eliminated in full in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of impairment on the asset transferred, in which case the loss is recognised in profit or loss.

The result of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income from the effective dates of acquisition or up to the effective dates of disposal, as appropriate. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with those used by other members of the Group.

Acquisition of subsidiaries or businesses is accounted for using the acquisition method. The cost of an acquisition is measured at the aggregate of the acquisition-date fair value of assets transferred, liabilities incurred and equity interests issued by the Group, as the acquirer. The identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed are principally measured at acquisition-date fair value. The Group's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is re-measured at acquisition-date fair value and the resulting gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss. The Group may elect, on a transaction-bytransaction basis, to measure the non-controlling interest either at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. Acquisition-related costs incurred are expensed.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer is recognised at acquisition-date fair value. Subsequent adjustments to consideration are recognised against goodwill only to the extent that they arise from new information obtained within the measurement period (a maximum of 12 months from the acquisition date) about the fair value at the acquisition date. All other subsequent adjustments to contingent consideration classified as an asset or a liability are recognised in profit or loss.

Changes in the Group's interests in subsidiaries that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions. The carrying amounts of the Group's interest and the non-controlling interest are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiaries. Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interest is adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to owners of the Company.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, the profit or loss on disposal is calculated as the difference between (i) the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any retained interest and (ii) the previous carrying amount of the assets (including goodwill), and liabilities of the subsidiary and any non-controlling interest. Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to the subsidiary are accounted for in the same manner as would be required if the relevant assets or liabilities were disposed of.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 4.1 Business combination and basis of consolidation (Continued)

Subsequent to acquisition, the carrying amount of non-controlling interest is the amount of those interests at initial recognition plus the non-controlling interest's share of subsequent changes in equity. Total comprehensive income is attributed to non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interest having a deficit balance.

#### 4.2 Subsidiaries

A subsidiary is an entity over which the Company is able to exercise control. Control is achieved where the Company, directly or indirectly, has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. In assessing control, potential voting rights that are presently exercisable are taken into account.

In the Company's statement of financial position, investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less impairment loss, if any. The results of subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividend received and receivable.

#### 4.3 Associates

An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence and that is neither a subsidiary nor a joint venture. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but not control or joint control over those policies. In consolidated financial statements, associates are accounted for using the equity method whereby they are initially recognised at cost and thereafter, their carrying amount are adjusted for the Group's share of the post-acquisition change in the associates' net assets except that losses in excess of the Group's interest in the associate are not recognised unless there is an obligation to make good those losses.

Profits and losses arising on transactions between the Group and its associates are recognised only to the extent of unrelated investors' interests in the associate. The investor's share in the associate's profits and losses resulting from these transactions is eliminated against the carrying value of the associate.

Any premium paid for an associate above the fair value of the Group's share of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired is capitalised and included in the carrying amount of the associate and the entire carrying amount of the investment is subject to impairment test, by comparing the carrying amount with its recoverable amount, which is higher of value in use and fair value less costs to sell.

In the Company's statement of financial position, investments in associates are accounted for as available-for-sale financial assets. The results of associates are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividends received and receivable during the year.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 4.4 Assets classified as held for sale

Assets are classified as held for sale if their carrying amounts will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. This condition is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable and the asset is available for immediate sale in its present condition. Assets, other than financial assets as set out in note 4.11, classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of the assets' last revalued amount and fair value less costs to sell.

Impairment losses on assets held for sale are recognised in profit or loss. As long as non-current asset is classified as held for sale, the non-current asset is not depreciated and amortised.

#### 4.5 Foreign currency

Transaction entered into by the consolidated entities in currencies other than the currency of the primary economic environment in which they operates (the "functional currency") are recorded at the rates ruling when the transactions occur. Foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are translated at the rates ruling at the end of reporting period. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the translation of monetary items, are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise. Exchange differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items carried at fair value are included in profit or loss for the period except for differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items in respect of which gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income, in which case, the exchange differences are also recognised in other comprehensive income.

On consolidation, income and expense items of foreign operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group (i.e. Hong Kong dollars) at the average exchanges rates for the year, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during the period, in which case, the rates approximating to those ruling when the transactions tool place are used. All assets and liabilities of foreign operations are translated at the rate ruling at the end of reporting period. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity as foreign exchange reserve (attributed to non-controlling interests as appropriate). Exchange differences recognised in profit or loss of group entities' separate financial statements on the translation of long-term monetary items forming part of the Group's net investment in the foreign operation concerned are reclassified to other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity as exchange fluctuation reserve.

On disposal of a foreign operation, the cumulative exchange differences recognised in the exchange fluctuation reserve relating to that operation up to the date of disposal are reclassified to profit or loss as part of the profit or loss on disposal.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **4.5** Foreign currency (Continued)

Goodwill and fair value adjustments on identifiable assets acquired arising on an acquisition of a foreign operation on or after 1 January 2005 are treated as assets and liabilities of that foreign operation and translated at the rate of exchange prevailing at the end of reporting period. Exchange difference arising are recognised in the exchange fluctuation reserve.

#### 4.6 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment, other than construction in progress, are stated at acquisition cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. The cost of asset comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable cost of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other costs, such as repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation on the following property, plant and equipment is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their costs less their residual values over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Buildings 50 years or over the lease term, whichever is shorter
Leasehold improvements 5 years or over the lease term, whichever is shorter

Plant and machinery 6 to 15 years
Water pipelines 10 to 20 years
Furniture, equipment and motor vehicles 5 years
Vessels 10 years

The assets' residual value, depreciation methods and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

Construction in progress represents buildings and water pipelines under construction and is stated at cost less any impairment losses, and is not depreciated. Construction in progress is reclassified to the appropriate category of property, plant and equipment when the construction work complete and ready for use.

The gain or loss on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment is the differences between the net sale proceeds and its carrying amounts and is recognised in profit or loss on disposal.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 4.7 Prepaid land lease payments

Prepaid land lease payments represent up-front payments to acquire the land use rights/leasehold land. They are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease/right of use except where an alternative basis is more representative of the time pattern of benefits to be derived by the Group from use of the land.

The determination if an arrangement is or contains a lease and the lease is an operating lease is detailed in note 4.19.

#### 4.8 Investment properties

Investment properties are land and/or buildings which are owned or held under a leasehold interest to earn rental income and/or for capital appreciation. These include land held for a currently undetermined future use.

When the Group holds a property interest under an operating lease to earn rental income and/or for capital appreciation, the interest is classified and accounted for as an investment property on a property-by-property basis. Any such property interest which has been classified as an investment property is accounted for as if it were held under a finance lease.

On initial recognition, investment property is measured at cost, including any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment property is stated at fair value, unless it is still in the course of construction or development at the reporting date and its fair value cannot be reliably determined at that time. Fair value is determined by external professional valuers, with sufficient experience with respect to both the location and the nature of the investment property. The carrying amounts recognised at the reporting date reflect the prevailing market conditions at the reporting date.

Gains or losses arising from either changes in the fair value or the sale of an investment property are included in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

#### 4.9 Goodwill

Set out below are the accounting policies on goodwill arising on acquisition of a subsidiary. Accounting for goodwill arising on acquisition of investment in an associate is set out in note 4.3.

Goodwill represents the excess of the consideration transferred of a business combination over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities. The consideration transferred of the business combination is measured at the aggregate of the fair values, at the date of exchange, of assets given, liabilities incurred or assumed, and equity instruments issued by the Group.

Goodwill is stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units and is tested annually for impairment (note 4.22).

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **4.9** Goodwill (Continued)

Any excess of the Group's interest in the net fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of a business combination is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

On subsequent disposal of a subsidiary, the attributable amount of goodwill capitalised is included in the determination of the amount of gain or loss on disposal.

#### 4.10 Intangible assets (other than goodwill)

Acquired intangible assets are recognised initially at cost. After initial recognition, intangible assets with finite useful lives are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses.

The Group's intangible assets (other than goodwill) represent up-front payments to acquire the rights to operate a sewage treatment plant and a water supply plant in the People's Republic of China excluding Hong Kong (the "PRC"). Amortisation for the rights to operate a sewage treatment plant and a water supply plant with finite useful lives are provided on straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives of 25 years and 30 years respectively. Both period and method of amortisation are reviewed annually.

Intangible assets with finite useful lives are tested for impairment as described below in note 4.22.

#### 4.11 Financial Instruments

#### (i) Financial assets

The Group classifies its financial assets at initial recognition, depending on the purpose for which the asset was acquired. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are initially measured at fair value and all other financial assets are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial assets. Regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. A regular way purchase or sale is a purchase or sale of a financial asset under a contract whose terms require delivery of the asset within the time frame established generally by regulation or convention in the marketplace concerned.

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

These assets include financial assets held for trading and financial assets designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of sale in the near term. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments or financial guarantee contracts.

Where a contract contains one or more embedded derivatives, the entire hybrid contract may be designated as a financial asset at fair value through profit or loss, except where the embedded derivative does not significantly modify the cash flows or it is clear that separation of the embedded derivative is prohibited.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 4.11 Financial Instruments (Continued)

#### (i) Financial assets (Continued)

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (Continued)

Financial assets may be designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss if the following criteria are met: (i) the designation eliminates or significantly reduces the inconsistent treatment that would otherwise arise from measuring the assets or recognising gains or losses on them on a different basis; (ii) the assets are part of a group of financial assets which is managed and its performance evaluated on a fair value basis according to a documented management strategy; or (iii) the financial asset contains an embedded derivative that would need to be separately recorded.

Subsequent to initial recognition, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value, with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

#### Loans and receivables

These assets are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They arise principally through the provision of goods and services to customers (trade debtors), and also incorporate other types of contractual monetary asset. Subsequent to initial recognition, they are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any identified impairment losses.

#### Available-for-sale financial assets

These assets are non-derivative financial assets that are designated as available-for-sale or are not included in other categories of financial assets. Subsequent to initial recognition, these assets are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income, except for impairment losses and foreign exchange gains and losses on monetary instruments, which are recognised in profit or loss.

For available-for-sale equity investments that do not have a quoted market price in an active market and whose fair value cannot be reliably measured and derivatives that are linked to and must be settled by delivery of such unquoted equity instruments, they are measured at cost less any identified impairment losses.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 4.11 Financial Instruments (Continued)

#### (ii) Impairment loss on financial assets

The Group assesses, at the end of each reporting period, whether there is any objective evidence that financial asset is impaired. Financial asset is impaired if there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset and that event has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset that can be reliably estimated. Evidence of impairment may include:

- significant financial difficulty of the debtor;
- a breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments;
- granting concession to a debtor because of debtor's financial difficulty; and
- it becoming probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation.

#### For Loans and receivables

An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired, and is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of financial asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account. When any part of financial asset is determined as uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account for the relevant financial asset.

Impairment losses are reversed in subsequent periods when an increase in the asset's recoverable amount can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, subject to a restriction that the carrying amount of the asset at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

#### For Available-for-sale financial assets

Where a decline in the fair value constitutes objective evidence of impairment, the amount of the loss is removed from equity and recognised in profit or loss.

Any impairment losses on available-for-sale debt investments are subsequently reversed in profit or loss if an increase in the fair value of the investment can be objectively related to an event occurring after the recognition of the impairment loss.

For available-for sale equity investment, any increase in fair value subsequent to an impairment loss is recognised in other comprehensive income.

For available-for-sale equity investment that is carried at cost, the amount of impairment loss is measured as the difference between the carrying amount of the asset and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Such impairment loss is not reversed.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 4.11 Financial Instruments (Continued)

#### (iii) Financial liabilities

The Group classifies its financial liabilities, depending on the purpose for which the liabilities were incurred. Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are initially measured at fair value and financial liabilities at amortised costs are initially measured at fair value, net of directly attributable costs incurred.

#### Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss include financial liabilities held for trading and financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial liabilities are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of sale in the near term. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments. Gain or losses on liabilities held for trading are recognised in profit or loss.

Where a contract contains one or more embedded derivatives, the entire hybrid contract may be designated as a financial liability at fair value through profit or loss, except where the embedded derivative does not significantly modify the cash flows or it is clear that separation of the embedded derivative is prohibited.

Financial liabilities may be designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss if the following criteria are met: (i) the designation eliminates or significantly reduces the inconsistent treatment that would otherwise arise from measuring the liabilities or recognising gains or losses on them on different basis; (ii) the liabilities are part of a group of financial liabilities which are managed and their performance evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with a documented risk management strategy; or (iii) the financial liability contains an embedded derivative that would need to be separately recorded.

Subsequent to initial recognition, financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value, with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

#### Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities at amortised cost including trade and bills payables, accrued liabilities and other payables, due to subsidiaries, due to an associate, due to non-controlling equity holders of subsidiaries, borrowings, and the debt element of convertible bonds issued by the Group are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method. The related interest expense is recognised in profit or loss.

Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the amortisation process.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **4.11 Financial Instruments** (Continued)

#### (iii) Financial liabilities (Continued)

#### Convertible bonds

At initial recognition the derivative component of the convertible bonds is measured at fair value and presented as part of derivative financial instruments. Any excess of proceeds over the amount initially recognised as the derivative component is recognised as the liability component. Transaction costs that relate to the issue of the convertible bond are allocated to the liability and derivative components in proportion to the allocation of proceeds. The portion of the transaction costs relating to the liability component is recognised initially as part of the liability. The portion relating to the derivative component is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

The derivative component is subsequently remeasured in accordance with the Group's accounting policy on derivative financial instruments. The liability component is subsequently carried at amortised cost. The interest expense recognised in profit or loss on the liability component is calculated using the effective interest method.

If the bond is converted, the carrying amount of the derivative and liability components are transferred to share capital and share premium as consideration for the shares issued. If the bond is redeemed, any difference between the amount paid and the carrying amount of both components is recognised in profit or loss.

#### (iv) Effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of financial asset or financial liability and of allocating interest income or interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts or payments through the expected life of the financial asset or liability, or where appropriate, a shorter period.

#### (v) Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

#### (vi) Derecognition

The Group derecognises a financial asset when the contractual right to the future cash flows in relation to the financial asset expire or when the financial asset has been transferred and the transfer meets the criteria for derecognition in accordance with HKAS 39.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the obligation specified in the relevant contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 4.12 Properties under development

Properties held under development for future sale in the ordinary course of business are included in current assets and stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises the acquisition cost of land, aggregate cost of development, materials and supplies, wages and other direct expenses and an appropriate proportion of overheads.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less estimated costs of completion and estimated selling expenses.

On completion, the properties are transferred to properties held for sale.

#### 4.13 Inventories and properties held for sale

Inventories and properties held for sale are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method and weighted average basis, and in the case of work in progress and finished goods, comprise direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of overheads. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated cost of completion and applicable selling expenses.

#### 4.14 Service concession arrangements

Service concession arrangements are accounted for as follows if:

- (i) the grantor controls or regulates what services the operator must provide with the infrastructure, to whom it must provide them, and at what price; and
- (ii) the grantor controls through ownership, beneficial entitlement or otherwise any significant residual interest in the infrastructure at the end of the term of the arrangement.

#### The Group's rights over the infrastructure

Infrastructure constructed by the Group under service concession arrangements is not recognised as property, plant and equipment of the Group because the contractual service arrangement does not convey the right to control the use of the infrastructure to the Group. The operator has access to operate the infrastructure to provide the public service on behalf of the grantor in accordance with the terms specified in the contract.

Consideration received or receivable by the Group for the construction services

Consideration received or receivable by the Group for the construction services rendered under service concession arrangements are recognised at their fair value as a financial asset or an intangible asset.

A financial asset (loan and receivable) is recognised to the extent that (a) the Group has an unconditional right to receive cash or another financial asset from or at the direction of the grantor for the construction services rendered and/or the consideration paid and payable by the Group for the right to charge users of the public services; and (b) the grantor has little, if any, discretion to avoid payment, usually because the agreement is enforceable by law.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **4.14 Service concession arrangements** (Continued)

Consideration received or receivable by the Group for the construction services (Continued)

The Group has an unconditional right to receive cash if the grantor contractually guarantees to pay the Group (a) specified or determinable amounts or (b) the shortfall, if any, between amount received from users of the public services and specified or determinable amounts, even if the payment is contingent on the Group ensuring that the infrastructure to be constructed meets specified quality of efficiency requirements. The financial asset (loan and receivable) is accounted for in accordance with the policy set out for "Financial instruments" in note 4.11.

An intangible asset (concession intangible asset) is recognised to the extent that the Group receives a right to charge users of the public service, which is not an unconditional right to receive cash because the amounts are contingent on the extent that the public uses the service. The intangible asset (concession intangible asset) is accounted for in accordance with the policy set out for "Intangible assets (other than goodwill)" in note 4.10.

If the Group is paid partly by a financial asset and partly by an intangible asset, in which case, each component of the consideration is accounted for separately and the consideration received or receivable for both components are recognised initially at fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

#### Construction or upgrade services

Revenue and costs relating to construction or upgrade services are accounted for in accordance with the policy set out for "Construction contracts" in note 4.15.

#### Operating services

Revenue relating to operating services are accounted for in accordance with the policy for "Revenue recognition" in note 4.21.

Contractual obligations to restore the infrastructure to a specified level of serviceability

The Group has contractual obligations which it must fulfill as a condition of its licence, that is (a) to maintain the sewage treatment plants and water supply plants it operates to a specified level of serviceability and/or (b) to restore the plants to a specified condition before they are handed over to the grantor at the end of the service concession arrangement. These contractual obligations to maintain or restore the sewage treatment plants and water supply plants are recognised and measured in accordance with the policy set out for "Provisions and contingent liabilities" in note 4.18.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 4.15 Construction contracts

Construction contracts are contracts specifically negotiated for the construction of an asset or a combination of assets where the customer is able to specify the major structural elements of the design. The accounting policy for contract revenue is set out in note 4.21.

When the outcome of a construction contract can be estimated reliably, contract costs are recognised as an expense by reference to the stage of completion of the contract at the reporting date. The percentage of completion is calculated by comparing costs incurred to date with the total estimated costs of the contract. When it is probable that total contract costs will exceed total contract revenue, the expected loss is recognised as an expense immediately. When the outcome of a construction contract cannot be estimated reliably, contract costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

Construction contracts in progress at the reporting date are recorded in the statement of financial position at the net amount of costs incurred plus recognised profit less recognised losses and progress billings, and are presented as "Amounts due from customers/grantors for contract work" (an asset) or "Amounts due to customers for contract work" (a liability). Progress billings not yet paid by customers are included in the statement of financial position under "Trade receivables".

#### 4.16 Government grants

Government grants are recognised when there is reasonable assurance that they will be received and that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them. Grants that compensate the Group for expenses incurred are recognised as revenue in profit or loss on a systematic basis in the same periods in which the expenses are incurred. Grants that compensate the Group for the cost of an asset are deducted from the carrying amount of the asset and consequently are effectively recognised in profit or loss over the useful life of the asset by way of reduced depreciation expense.

#### 4.17 Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows presentation, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, and short term highly liquid investments which are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and have a short maturity of generally within three months when acquired, less bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

For the purpose of the statement of financial position, bank and cash balances comprise cash on hand and at banks/other financial institutions, including term deposits, which are not restricted as to use.

#### 4.18 Provision and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised for liabilities of uncertain timing or amount when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation arising as a result of a past event, which will probably result in an outflow of economic benefits that can be reasonably estimated.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 4.18 Provision and contingent liabilities (Continued)

Where it is not probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required, or the amount cannot be estimated reliably, the obligation is disclosed as a contingent liability, unless the probability of outflow economic benefits is remote. Possible obligations, the existence of which will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more future events, are also disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote.

#### 4.19 Leases

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

#### The Group as lessor

Rental income from operating leases is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leases asset and recognised as an expense on the straight-line basis over the lease term.

#### The Group as lessee

The total rentals payable under the operating leases are recognised in profit or loss on straight-line basis over the lease term. Lease incentives received are recognised as an integrated part of the total rental expense, over the term of the lease.

The land and buildings elements of property are considered separately for the purposes of lease classification. When the lease payments cannot be allocated reliably between the land and buildings elements, the entire lease payments are included in the cost of land and buildings as a finance lease of property, plant and equipment.

#### 4.20 Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Share capital is determined using the nominal value of shares that have been issued.

Any transaction costs associated with the issuing of shares are deducted from share premium (net of any related income tax benefits) to the extent they are incremental costs directly attributable to the equity transaction.

#### 4.21 Revenue recognition

Revenue comprises the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for the sale of goods and rendering of services and the use by others of the Group's assets yielding interests and dividends, net of rebates and discounts. Provided it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the revenue and costs, if applicable, can be measured reliably, revenue is recognised as follows:

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **4.21 Revenue recognition** (Continued)

- Sales of goods are recognised upon transfer of the significant risks and rewards of ownership to the customer. This is usually taken as the time when the goods are delivered and the customer has accepted the goods;
- (ii) Revenue from hotel services is recognised based on the period in which such services have been rendered;
- (iii) Revenue arising from water supply is recognised based on water supplied as recorded by meters read during the year;
- (iv) Revenue from sewage treatment is recognised when services are rendered;
- (v) Water supply related installation and construction income is recognised when services are rendered;
- (vi) Revenue from long-term construction contracts is recognised by reference to the percentage of completion of the contract at the reporting date (note 4.15);
- (vii) Dividend is recognised when the right to receive payment is established;
- (viii) Finance income is recognised as it accrues using the effective interest method;
- (ix) Interest income is recognised on a time-proportion basis using the effective interest method; and
- (x) Rental income receivable from operating leases is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the periods covered by the lease term.

#### 4.22 Impairment of non-financial assets

Goodwill arising on acquisition of subsidiaries, property, plant and equipment, prepaid land lease payments, other intangible assets and interests in subsidiaries are subject to impairment testing.

Goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful life or those not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually, irrespective of whether there is any indication that they are impaired. All other assets are tested for impairment whenever there are indications that the asset's carrying amount may not be recoverable.

An impairment loss is recognised as an expense immediately for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value, reflecting market conditions less costs to sell, and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessment of time value of money and the risk specific to the asset.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **4.22** Impairment of non-financial assets (Continued)

For the purposes of assessing impairment, where an asset does not generate cash inflows largely independent from those from other assets, the recoverable amount is determined for the smallest group of assets that generate cash inflows independently (i.e. a cash-generating unit). As a result, some assets are tested individually for impairment and some are tested at cash-generating unit level. Goodwill in particular is allocated to those cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from synergies of the related business combination and represent the lowest level within the Group at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purpose.

Impairment losses recognised for cash-generating units, to which goodwill has been allocated, are credited initially to the carrying amount of goodwill. Any remaining impairment loss is charged pro rata to the other assets in the cash generating unit, except that the carrying value of an asset will not be reduced below its individual fair value less cost to sell, or value in use, if determinable.

An impairment loss on goodwill is not reversed in subsequent periods. In respect of other non-financial assets, an impairment loss is reversed if there has been a favourable change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount and only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

Impairment losses recognised in an interim period in respect of goodwill are not reversed in a subsequent period. This is the case even if no loss, or a smaller loss, would have been recognised had the impairment been assessed only at the end of the financial year to which the interim period relates

#### 4.23 Employee benefits

(i) Deferred contribution retirement plan

The Group operates a defined contribution retirement benefit scheme ("MPF Scheme") under the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme Ordinance, for all of its employees who are eligible to participate in the MPF Scheme. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employee's basic salaries.

The employees of the Group's subsidiaries which operate in the PRC are required to participate in a central pension scheme operated by the local municipal government. These subsidiaries are required to contribute certain percentage of their payroll costs to the central pension scheme.

Contributions to deferred contribution retirement plans are recognised as an expense in profit or loss when the services are rendered by the employees.

#### (ii) Short-term employee benefits

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employee up to the reporting date.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **4.23 Employee benefits** (Continued)

(ii) Short-term employee benefits (Continued)

Non-accumulating compensated absences such as sick leave and maternity leave are not recognised until the time of leave.

#### 4.24 Capitalisation of borrowing costs

Borrowing costs attributable directly to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets which require a substantial period of time to be ready for their intended use or sale, are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. Income earned on temporary investments of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on those assets is deducted from borrowing costs capitalised. All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

#### 4.25 Income tax

Income taxes for the year comprise current tax and deferred tax.

Current income tax assets and/or liabilities comprise those obligations to, or claims from, fiscal authorities relating to the current or prior reporting period, that are unpaid at the reporting date. They are calculated according to the tax rates and tax laws applicable to the fiscal periods to which they relate, based on the taxable profit for the year. All changes to current tax assets or liabilities are recognised as a component of tax expense in profit and loss.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the corresponding amounts used for tax purposes. Except for goodwill and recognised assets and liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profits, deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are recognised for to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the end of reporting period.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Income taxes are recognised in profit or loss except when they relate to items recognised in other comprehensive income in which case the taxes are also recognised in other comprehensive income.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **4.25** Income tax (Continued)

Current tax assets and current tax liabilities are presented in net if, and only if,

- (a) the Group has the legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts; and
- (b) intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

The Group presents deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities in net if, and only if,

- (a) the entity has a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities; and
- (b) the deferred tax assets and the deferred tax liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either:
  - (i) the same taxable entities; or
  - (ii) different taxable entities which intend either to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered.

#### 4.26 Segment reporting

The Group identifies operating segments and prepares segment information based on the regular internal financial information reported to the executive directors for their decisions about resources allocation to the Group's business components and for their review of the performance of those components. The business components in the internal financial information reported to the executive directors are determined following the Group's major product and service lines.

The Group has identified the following reportable segments:

- (i) "Water" segment, which is presented as "City water supply operation and construction" and "Sewage treatment operation and construction" segments, involves the provision of water supply and sewage treatment operation and construction services (including the transferoperate-transfer ("TOT") and build-operate-transfer ("BOT") arrangements);
- (ii) "Property development and investment" segment involves development of properties for sale and investment in properties for capital appreciation; and
- (iii) "Other infrastructure construction" segment involves construction of road and other municipal works.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **4.26 Segment reporting** (Continued)

Information about other business activities and operating segments that are not reportable are combined and disclosed in "All other segments". "All other segments" includes manufacture and sale of concrete products and other business activities.

Each of these operating segments is managed separately as each of the product and service lines requires different resources as well as marketing approaches. All inter-segment transfers are carried out at arms length prices.

The measurement policies the Group uses for reporting segment results under HKFRS 8 are the same as those used in its financial statements prepared under HKFRSs, except that fair value (loss)/gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, change in fair value of derivative financial instruments, gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale, gain on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets, deemed gain for the change from available-for-sale financial assets to interests in associates, finance costs, share of results of associates, corporate income, corporate expense, excess over the cost of business combination recognised in profit or loss, income tax expense and gain/(loss) on redemption of convertible bonds.

Segment assets exclude corporate assets, available-for-sale financial assets, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, derivative financial assets and interests in associates. Segment liabilities exclude items such as taxation, corporate borrowings and other corporate liabilities.

No asymmetrical allocations have been applied to reportable segments.

#### 4.27 Related parties

- (a) A person or a close member of that person's family is related to the Group if that person:
  - (i) has control or joint control over the Group;
  - (ii) has significant influence over the Group; or
  - (iii) is a member of key management personnel of the Group or the Company's parent.

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#### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

- 4.27 Related parties (Continued)
  - (b) An entity is related to the Group if any of the following conditions apply:
    - (i) The entity and the Group are members of the same group (which means that each parent, subsidiary and fellow subsidiary is related to the others).
    - (ii) One entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or an associate or joint venture of a member of a group of which the other entity is a member).
    - (iii) Both entities are joint ventures of the same third party.
    - (iv) One entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity.
    - (v) The entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of the employees of the Group or an entity related to the Group.
    - (vi) The entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a).
    - (vii) A person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity).

Close members of the family of a person are those family members who may be expected to influence, or be influenced by, that person in their dealings with the entity and include:

- (i) that person's children and spouse or domestic partner;
- (ii) children of that person's spouse or domestic partner; and
- (iii) dependents of that person or that person's spouse or domestic partner.

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#### 5. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below:

#### (i) Depreciation and amortisation

The Group depreciates the property, plant and equipment and amortises prepaid land lease payments and the intangible assets (other than goodwill) in accordance with the accounting policies stated in notes 4.6, 4.7 and 4.10 respectively. The estimated useful lives reflect the directors' estimate of the periods that the Group intends to derive future economic benefits from the use of these assets.

#### (ii) Allowance for and written off of irrecoverable receivables

The Group's management determines the allowance for irrecoverable receivables on a regular basis. This estimate is based on the credit history of its customers and current market conditions. When the Group's management determines that there are indicators of significant financial difficulties of the debtors such as default or delinquency in payments, allowance for debtors are estimated. The management of the Group reassesses the estimations at the reporting date.

When the Group's management determines the debtors are uncollectible, they are written off against the allowance account for debtors.

#### (iii) Impairment of goodwill

The Group tests annually whether goodwill has suffered any impairment in accordance with the accounting policy stated in note 4.9. The recoverable amounts of cash-generating units have been determined based on value in use calculations. These calculations require the use of estimates. When value in use calculations are undertaken, management estimates the expected future cash flows from the asset or cash-generating unit and determines a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows.

#### (iv) Impairment of non-financial assets (other than goodwill)

The Group assesses whether there are any indicators of impairment for all non-financial assets at each reporting date. Indefinite life intangible assets are tested for impairment annually and at other times when such indicator exists. Other non-financial assets are tested for impairment when there are indicators that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. When value in use calculations are undertaken, management estimates the expected future cash flows from the asset or cash-generating unit and determines a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows.

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#### 5. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS (Continued)

#### (v) Estimate fair value of investment properties

The best evidence of fair value is current prices in an active market for similar property in the same location and condition and subject to similar lease and other contracts. In the absence of such information, the Group determines the amount within a range of reasonable fair value estimates. In making its judgment, the Group considers information from a variety of sources including:

- a. current prices in an active market for properties of different nature, condition or location (or subject to different lease or other contracts), adjusted to reflect those differences;
- b. recent prices of similar properties in less active markets, with adjustments to reflect any changes in economic conditions since the date of the transactions that occurred at those prices; and
- c. discounted cash flow projections based on reliable estimates of future cash flows, derived from the terms of any existing lease and other contracts, and (where possible) from external evidence such as current market rents for similar properties in the same location and condition, and using discount rates that reflect current market assessments of the uncertainty in the amount and timing of the cash flows.

#### (vi) Construction contracts

As explained in accounting policies stated in notes 4.15 and 4.21, revenue and profit recognition on an uncompleted project (including the Group's BOT arrangements) is dependent on estimating the total outcome of the construction contract, as well as the work done to date. Based on the Group's recent experience and the nature of the construction activity undertaken by the Group, the Group makes estimates of the point at which it considers the work is sufficiently advanced such that the costs to complete and revenue can be reliably estimated. However, actual outcomes in terms of total cost or revenue may be higher or lower than estimated at the reporting date, which would affect the revenue and profit recognised in future years as an adjustment to the amounts record to date.

#### (vii) Income taxes

The Group is subject to income taxes in the PRC. Significant judgment is required in determining the provision for income taxes. There are many transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business. The Group recognises liabilities for anticipated tax based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provision in the period in which such determination is made.

#### (viii) Land appreciation tax ("LAT")

The Group is subject to LAT in the PRC. However, the implementation and settlement of this tax varies among various tax jurisdictions in cities of the PRC, and the Group has not finalised its LAT calculation and payments with any local tax authorities in the PRC. Accordingly, significant judgment is required in determining the amount of the land appreciation and its related LAT. The Group recognised LAT based on management's best estimates according to their understanding on the tax rules.

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#### 5. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS (Continued)

(ix) Classification between financial assets and/or intangible assets under HK(IFRIC) – Int 12 Service Concession Arrangements

As explained in note 4.14, the Group recognises the consideration received or receivable in exchange for the construction services as a financial asset and/or an intangible asset under public-to-private concession arrangement. However, if the Group is paid for the construction services partly by a financial asset and partly by an intangible asset, it is necessary to account separately for each component of the operator's consideration. The consideration received or receivable for both components shall be recognised initially at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

The segregation of the consideration for a service concession arrangement between the financial asset component and the intangible asset component, if any, requires the Group to make an estimate of a number of factors, which include, inter alia, fair value of the construction services, expected future sewage treatment volume of the relevant sewage treatment plant over its service concession period, future guaranteed receipts and unguaranteed receipts, and also to choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. These estimates are determined by the Group's management based on their experience and assessment on current and future market condition.

#### (x) Valuation for derivative financial instruments

The fair values of derivative financial instruments are determined by using valuation techniques. The Group uses its judgment to select an appropriate valuation method and makes assumption that are mainly based on market conditions existing at the transaction date and each reporting date with reference to the valuation performed by RHL Appraisal Limited (2011: RHL Appraisal Limited), an independent firm of professional valuers. The valuation model requires the input of subjective assumptions, including the selection of relevant stock price, expected volatility, expected dividend yield, risk free rate and expected life. Changes in subjective input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate.

(xi) Fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and available-for-sale financial assets

The best evidence of fair value is the published price quotations in an active market. In the absence of such information, the fair value is determined by an independent professional valuer. Such valuation is subject to limitations of the valuation models adopted and the uncertainty in estimates used by management in the assumptions. Should the estimates including share prices, deposit rates, spot rates, risk-free rates, volatility and the relevant parameters of the valuation model be changed, there would be material changes in the fair value of certain financial instruments without quoted prices.

#### (xii) Unlisted equity instruments

HKAS 39 precludes the Group from measuring equity instruments at fair value, if the fair value of investment in equity instruments that do not have a quoted market price in an active market is not reliably measureable. In making this judgment, the Group considers the following information:

- the variability in the range of reasonable fair value estimates is significant for that instrument;
   or
- the probabilities of the various estimates within the range cannot be reasonably assessed and used in estimating fair value.

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#### 6. SERVICE CONCESSION ARRANGEMENTS

The Group entered into a number of service concession arrangements with certain government authorities in the PRC on a BOT or TOT basis in respect of its water supply and sewage treatment businesses. These service concession arrangements generally involve the Group as an operator (i) constructing water supply and sewage treatment plants for those arrangements on a BOT basis; (ii) paying a specific amount for those arrangements on a TOT basis; and (iii) operating and maintaining the water supply and sewage treatment plants at a specified level of serviceability on behalf of the relevant governmental authorities for periods ranging from 25 to 30 years (the "Service Concession Periods"), and the Group will be paid for its services over the relevant Service Concession Periods at prices stipulated through a pricing mechanism.

The Group is generally entitled to use all the property, plant and equipment of the water supply and sewage treatment plants, however, the relevant governmental authorities as grantors will control and regulate the scope of services the Group must provide with the water supply and sewage treatment plants, and retain the beneficial entitlement to any residual interest in the water supply and sewage treatment plants at the end of the term of the Service Concession Periods.

Each of these service concession arrangements is governed by a contract and, where applicable, supplemental agreements entered into between the Group and the relevant governmental authorities in the PRC that set out, inter alia, performance standards, mechanisms for adjusting prices for the services rendered by the Group, specific obligations levied on the Group to restore the water supply and sewage treatment plants to a specified level of serviceability at the end of the Service Concession Periods, and arrangements for arbitrating disputes.

As at 31 March 2012, the Group had five service concession arrangements on water supply and sewage treatment businesses in the PRC and a summary of the major terms of these service concession arrangements are set out as follows:

Name of subsidiary as operator	Location	Name of grantor	Type of service concession arrangement	Practical processing capacity per day (m³)	Service concession period
	2000000	Traine or grantor	an angement	per day ( /	ponou
鉛山縣銀龍水務有限公司 ("Yanshan Water")	PRC	鉛山縣建設局	BOT and TOT	12,000	June 2007 – June 2037
鉛山縣中水環保有限公司 ("Yanshan Sewage")	PRC	鉛山縣建設局	ВОТ	10,500	February 2009 – February 2039
萬年縣中水環保有限公司 ("Wannian Sewage")	PRC	萬年市人民政府	ВОТ	15,000	December 2008 – December 2037
分宜中水環保有限公司 ("Fenyi Sewage")	PRC	分宜縣建設局	ВОТ	10,000	March 2008 – March 2038
荊州中水環保有限公司 ("Jingzhou Sewage")	PRC	荊州市建設委員會	ТОТ	100,000	December 2006 – December 2031

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#### 7. REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME

The Group's principal activities are disclosed in notes 1 and 19 to these financial statements.

Revenue derived from the Group's principal activities, which is also the Group's turnover, recognised during the year is as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Revenue:		
Sales of goods	270,137	141,443
Sales of properties	18,935	187,504
Water supply operation services	975,500	775,076
Water supply construction services – intangible assets	16,458	2,406
Water supply related installation	514,918	274,554
Sewage treatment operation services	40,459	38,249
Sewage treatment construction services		
– financial assets	630	6,527
Hotel and rental income	8,774	7,033
Finance income	5,323	3,823
Others	45,810	41,548
Total	1,896,944	1,478,163
Other income:		
Excess over the cost of business combination		
recognised in profit or loss	7,175	-
Interest income	25,093	9,683
Government grants and subsidies #	37,501	80,047
Amortisation of deferred government grants	2,844	2,449
Gain on disposal of land use rights	-	236
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	5,760
Dividend income from financial assets	2,305	12,801
Miscellaneous income	21,135	18,431
Total	96,053	129,407

Government grants and subsidies mainly comprised unconditional subsidies for subsidising the Group's water supply and other businesses.

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#### 8. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The executive directors have identified the Group's five product and service lines as operating segments as further described in Note 4.26.

These operating segments are monitored and strategic decisions are made on the basis of adjusted segment operating result.

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	City water supply operation and construction HK\$'000	Sewage treatment operation and construction HK\$'000	Property development and investment HK\$'000	Other infrastructure construction HK\$'000	All other segments HK\$'000	Inter-segment elimination HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Revenue</b> From external customers From inter-segment	1,584,878 2,688	46,412 -	18,935 -	- -	246,719 8,858	_ (11,546)	1,896,944 -
Segment revenue	1,587,566	46,412	18,935	<u>-</u>	255,577	(11,546)	1,896,944
Segment profit	591,007	21,494	30,777	1,900	11,281		656,459
Unallocated corporate income Unallocated corporate expense Gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale Excess over the cost of business combination recognised in profit or loss Fair value loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments Gain on redemption of convertible bonds Finance costs Share of result of associates Profit before income tax	8,395	_	90,324	-	_	-	45,712 (119,909) 32,148 7,175 (290) 45,496 8,419 (86,813) 98,719 687,116
Income tax expense Profit for the year							(154,647)
Other segment information Addition of investment property Additions to other non-current	-	-	214,736	-	-	-	214,736
segment assets Amortisation of deferred government grants Amortisation of other intangible assets Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and amortisation of	529,305 (2,589) 2,628	113 (255) 6,420	1,878 - -	- - -	76,631 - -	- - -	607,927 (2,844) 9,048
prepaid land lease payments Property, plant and equipment written off Loss on disposal of property, plant	202,655 109	425 -	5,124 -	302 -	15,497 -	-	224,003 109
and equipment Fair value gain on investment properties Trade receivables written off	1,849 - 3,014	- -	(62,579) 			<u>:</u>	1,849 (62,579) 3,014

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#### **SEGMENT INFORMATION** (Continued) 8. For the year ended 31 March 2012 (Continued)

	City water supply operation and construction HK\$'000	Sewage treatment operation and construction HK\$'000	Property development and investment HK\$'000	Other infrastructure construction HK\$'000	All other segments HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Segment assets	5,462,698	250,488	1,623,586	141,255	501,046	7,979,073
Other financial assets						231,006
Interests in associates	116,306	-	760,692	-	-	876,998
Other corporate assets						1,591,591
						10,678,668
Segment liabilities	1,366,776	21,056	345,588	161,300	109,051	2,003,771
Deferred tax liabilities						238,824
Provision for tax						189,186
Other corporate liabilities						3,205,446
						5,637,227

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### 8. **SEGMENT INFORMATION** (Continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2011

	City water supply operation and construction HK\$'000	Sewage treatment operation and construction HK\$'000	Property development and investment HK\$'000	Other infrastructure construction HK\$'000	All other segments HK\$'000	Inter-segment elimination HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Revenue</b> From external customers From inter-segment	1,084,029 4,702	48,599 	187,504 	- -	158,031 4,514	(9,216)	1,478,163
Segment revenue	1,088,731	48,599	187,504		162,545	(9,216)	1,478,163
Segment profit/(loss)	389,180	19,881	64,625	(2,335)	45,381		516,732
Unallocated corporate income Unallocated corporate expense Gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale Fair value gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments Gain on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets Deemed gain for the change from available-for-sale financial assets to interest in associates Loss on redemption of convertible bonds Finance costs Share of results of associates  Profit before income tax Income tax expense	6,036	_	59,409	_	-	_	36,885 (119,711) 201,189 5,197 (6,476) 83,525 61,634 (16,460) (102,742) 65,445 725,218 (124,726) 600,492
Other segment information Addition of investment property Additions to other non-current segment assets Amortisation of deferred government grants Amortisation of other intangible assets Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and amortisation of prepaid land lease payments Property, plant and equipment written off Gain on disposal of property, plant	297,541 (2,209) 1,922 165,959 96	2,010 (240) 6,046	66,074 35,684 - - 8,138	- 33 - - 285	89,911 - - 8,919	- - - -	66,074 425,179 (2,449) 7,968 183,689 111
and equipment Gain on disposal of land use rights Fair value gain on investment properties Trade receivables written off	(5,187) (236) — 1,599		(21,033)		(573) - - - -		(5,760) (236) (21,033) 1,599

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#### **8. SEGMENT INFORMATION** (Continued)

For the year ended 31 March 2011 (Continued)

	City water supply operation and construction HK\$'000	Sewage treatment operation and construction HK\$'000	Property development and investment HK\$'000	Other infrastructure construction HK\$'000	All other segments HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Segment assets Other financial assets	4,212,708	241,925	1,384,016	201,375	288,462	6,328,486 174,642
Interests in associates Other corporate assets	93,723	-	442,394	-	-	536,117 1,322,191 8,361,436
Segment liabilities Deferred tax liabilities Provision for tax Other corporate liabilities	891,945	24,586	17,702	162,507	53,882	1,150,622 220,944 124,227 2,532,314 4,028,107

For the years ended 31 March 2011 and 2012, the Group did not depend on any single customers under each of the segments.

The Group's revenues from external customers and its non-current assets by geographical areas are not presented as the geographical segments other than the PRC are less than 10% of the aggregate amount of all segments.

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#### 9. PROFIT FROM OPERATION

Profit from operation is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Cost of inventories sold	1,061,566	846,792
Depreciation	207,893	169,069
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	16,110	14,620
Amortisation of other intangible assets	9,048	7,968
Operating leases in respect of		
– leasehold land and buildings	12,350	4,878
– other property, plant and equipment	23,968	22,535
Auditor's remuneration	5,850	5,850
Staff costs (including directors' emoluments – note 15(a)):		
Salaries and wages	237,512	192,556
Pension scheme contribution	21,556	13,382
	259,068	205,938
Gain on disposal of land use rights	_	(236)
Loss/(gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	1,849	(5,760)
Property, plant and equipment written off	109	111
Trade receivables written off	3,014	1,599
Net foreign exchange gain	(7,193)	(42)

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#### 10. FINANCE COSTS

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Interest on bank loans		
– wholly repayable within five years	70,230	48,506
– not wholly repayable within five years	25,433	8,542
Interest on other borrowings		
– wholly repayable within five years	6,925	15,016
<ul> <li>not wholly repayable within five years</li> </ul>	8,701	1,318
Interest on convertible bonds	44,239	50,069
Total borrowing costs	155,528	123,451
Less: interest capitalised included in property,		
plant and equipment and properties under development (note)	(68,715)	(20,709)
	86,813	102,742

#### Note:

Included in construction-in-progress under property, plant and equipment and properties under development is accumulated interest capitalised of HK\$61,485,000 (2011: HK\$29,669,000) at the capitalisation rates ranging from of 2.55% to 8.39% (2011: 5.9% to 7.8%).

#### 11. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Income tax expense in the consolidated income statement represents:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Current		
– Hong Kong	_	2,395
– PRC	144,948	107,224
	144,948	109,619
Deferred tax (note 39)	9,699	15,107
Total income tax expense	154,647	124,726

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2011: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the year. Income tax expense for other jurisdictions is calculated at the rates of taxation prevailing in the relevant jurisdictions.

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#### 11. INCOME TAX EXPENSE (Continued)

Reconciliation between tax expense and accounting profit at applicable tax rates:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Profit before income tax	687,116	725,218
Tax at applicable rate of 16.5% (2011: 16.5%)	113,374	119,661
Tax effect of non-taxable items	(28,774)	(94,283)
Tax effect of non-deductible items	33,515	65,178
Tax concession	(7,905)	(28,104)
Others	(245)	19,540
Effect of different tax rates of subsidiaries operating		
in other jurisdictions	44,682	42,734
Income tax expense	154,647	124,726

At 31 March 2012, the Group has unused tax losses of HK\$21,932,000 (2011:HK\$35,493,000) available for offsetting against future taxable profits of the companies which incurred these losses. Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these tax losses due to the unpredictability of future profit streams.

At 31 March 2012, the aggregate amount of temporary differences associated with undistributed earnings of foreign owned PRC subsidiaries for which deferred tax liabilities have not been recognised is HK\$22,301,000 (2011: HK\$19,118,000). No deferred tax liabilities have been recognised in respect of these temporary differences because the Group is in a position to control the dividend policies of these subsidiaries and it is probable that such differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

#### 12. PROFIT FOR THE YEAR ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE COMPANY

Of the consolidated profit for the year attributable to the owners of the Company of HK\$315,280,000 (2011: HK\$421,905,000), a profit of HK\$19,557,000 (2011: HK\$32,230,000) has been dealt with in the financial statements of the Company.

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#### 13. DIVIDENDS

(a) Dividends attributable to the year

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Proposed final dividend  – HK\$0.03 (2011: HK\$0.03) per ordinary share Interim dividend	43,562	41,576
– HK\$0.02 (2011: HK\$0.02) per ordinary share	29,608	27,289
	73,170	68,865

The final dividend proposed after the reporting date for the years ended 31 March 2012 and 2011 have not been recognised as a liability at the reporting date, but reflected as an appropriation of contributed surplus for the years ended 31 March 2012 and 2011 respectively. In addition, the final dividend is subject to the shareholders' approval at the forthcoming annual general meeting; and the satisfaction of certain conditions under an Amended DEG Loan Agreement (defined in note 34(iv)(a)) which have been satisfied as of the date of this report.

(b) Dividends attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Final dividend in respect of the previous financial year of HK\$0.03 (2011: HK\$0.03) per ordinary share Adjustment to the final dividend (Note)	41,576 4,464	39,980 645
	46,040	40,625

Note:

The adjustment was due to placing and subscription of new shares and share repurchase prior to the record date of the final dividend and, therefore, the related shares rank for this dividend payment.

(c) Dividends recognised as distributions during the year ended 31 March 2012 amounted to HK\$75,648,000 (2011: HK\$67,914,000) or HK\$0.05 per ordinary share (2011: HK\$0.05 per ordinary share).

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#### 14. EARNINGS PER SHARE FOR PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company of HK\$315,280,000 (2011: HK\$421,905,000) and the weighted average of 1,499,080,108 (2011: 1,350,426,192) ordinary shares in issue during the year.

No diluted earnings per share are presented for the year ended 31 March 2012 as the impact of the potential dilutive ordinary shares outstanding has an anti-dilutive effect on the basic earnings per share presented for the year.

In the calculation of the diluted earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2011, the Company's warrants were not taken into account as they had an anti-dilutive effect. Therefore, the calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company of HK\$421,905,000 and after adjustments to reflect the effect of deemed exercise or conversion of convertible bonds, which was HK\$437,558,000 and on the adjusted weighted average of 1,517,856,764 ordinary shares outstanding during the year, being the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 1,350,426,192 used in basic earnings per share calculation and adjusted for the effect of share options and deemed exercise or conversion of convertible bonds existing during the year of 167,430,572.

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### 15. DIRECTORS' AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS' EMOLUMENTS

### (a) Directors' emoluments

	Directors' fees HK'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind HK'000	<b>Bonuses</b> HK'000	Retirement scheme contribution HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
2012					
Executive directors					
Mr. Duan Chuan Liang	-	5,988	15,000	22	21,010
Mr. Li Ji Sheng	-	492	586	-	1,078
Non – executive directors					
Mr. Chen Guo Ru	-	180	-	-	180
Mr. Zhao Hai Hu	-	444	-	9	453
Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi	-	120	_	_	120
Mr. Wu Jiesi	-	60	-	-	60
Independent non – executive directo	rs				
Ms. Huang Shao Yun	24	_	_	_	24
Mr. Chau Kam Wing	348	_	_	_	348
Mr. Ong King Keung	300	_	_	_	300
Ms. Liu Dong	72				72
	744	7,284	15,586	31	23,645
2011					
Executive directors					
Mr. Duan Chuan Liang	_	5,988	30,000	12	36,000
Mr. Li Ji Sheng	-	566	-	-	566
Non – executive directors					
Mr. Chen Guo Ru	_	180	_	_	180
Mr. Zhao Hai Hu	_	430	_	_	430
Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi	_	120	_	_	120
Mr. Wu Jiesi	-	60	-	-	60
Independent non – executive directo	rs				
<b>Independent non – executive directo</b> Ms. Huang Shao Yun	e <b>rs</b> 24	_	-	_	24
		- -	- -	- -	
Ms. Huang Shao Yun	24	- - -	- - -	- - -	348
Ms. Huang Shao Yun Mr. Chau Kam Wing	24 348	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	24 348 300 72

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### 15. DIRECTORS' AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS' EMOLUMENTS (Continued)

#### (a) Directors' emoluments (Continued)

There was no arrangement under which a director waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year (2011: Nil).

#### (b) Five highest paid individuals

The five highest paid individuals in the Group during the year included two directors (2011: one director), details of whose emoluments have been disclosed in note (a) above. The emoluments paid to the remaining individuals during the year are as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Salaries, allowances and other benefits Retirement scheme contribution	3,294 36	6,191 48
	3,330	6,239

The emoluments fell within the following bands:

	2012	2011
Nil to HK\$1,000,000	2	-
HK\$1,000,001 to HK\$1,500,000	1	3
HK\$1,500,001 to HK\$2,000,000	-	_
HK\$2,000,001 to HK\$2,500,000	-	_
Over HK\$2,500,000	-	1

During the year ended 31 March 2012 and 2011, no emoluments were paid by the Group to the directors and five highest paid employees of the Group as an inducement to join the Group or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office.

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# 16. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT – GROUP AND COMPANY Group

	Buildings HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Plant and machinery HK\$'000		Furniture, equipment and motor vehicles HK\$'000	Vessels HK\$'000	Construction in progress HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
At 1 April 2010								
Cost Accumulated depreciation	823,281 (68,528)	18,116 (10,357)	465,601 (76,553)	1,754,409 (166,607)	67,765 (24,985)	18,470 (5,625)	268,992 -	3,416,634 (352,655
Net carrying amount	754,753	7,759	389,048	1,587,802	42,780	12,845	268,992	3,063,979
Year ended 31 March 2011								
Opening net carrying amount	754,753	7,759	389,048	1,587,802	42,780	12,845	268,992	3,063,979
Additions	5,422	9,981	26,181	48,410	22,136	98	261,587	373,815
Acquisition of subsidiaries (note 43)	1,899	9,767	4,048	20,026	561	-	2,085	38,386
Disposals	(40,500)	-	(10,116)	(4,848)	(1,449)	-	(71)	(56,984)
Written off	-	-	(96)	-	(15)	-	-	(111
Transfers	24,429	-	6,297	43,277	-	-	(74,003)	-
Disposal of subsidiaries	-	-	(165)	-	(144)	-	-	(309)
Depreciation	(29,886)	(1,094)	(32,950)	(91,305)	(11,985)	(1,849)	-	(169,069)
Exchange realignment	34,938	403	18,547	76,190	1,863	569	21,081	153,591
Closing net carrying amount	751,055	26,816	400,794	1,679,552	53,747	11,663	479,671	3,403,298
At 31 March 2011 and 1 April 2011								
Cost	863,555	38,712	501,633	2,047,594	89,417	19,527	479,671	4,040,109
Accumulated depreciation	(112,500)	(11,896)	(100,839)	(368,042)	(35,670)	(7,864)		(636,811)
Net carrying amount	751,055	26,816	400,794	1,679,552	53,747	11,663	479,671	3,403,298
Year ended 31 March 2012								
Opening net carrying amount	751,055	26,816	400,794	1,679,552	53,747	11,663	479,671	3,403,298
Additions	13,289	_	34,759	124,631	22,572	-	370,644	565,895
Acquisition of subsidiaries (note 43)	105,314	_	22,821	222,265	6,288	_	100,554	457,242
Assets classified as held for	,.		,-	,	.,		,	
sale (note 45)	(51,008)	_	(5,808)	(110,650)	(2,327)	-	(19,083)	(188,876
Disposals	(1,029)	_	(15,691)	(1,013)	(793)	-	(4,813)	(23,339
Written off	-	_	(56)	-	(53)	-	_	(109
Transfers	121,590	_	63,295	90,564	178	_	(275,627)	` -
Transfer to properties under	·		,	,				
development (note 25)	-	-	_	-	_	_	(22,818)	(22,818)
Depreciation	(35,112)	(1,146)	(41,214)	(111,428)	(17,069)	(1,924)	_	(207,893
Exchange realignment	29,894	986	15,369	66,987	2,006	432	22,029	137,703
Closing net carrying amount	933,993	26,656	474,269	1,960,908	64,549	10,171	650,557	4,121,103
At 31 March 2012								
Cost	1,050,699	40,135	619,801	2,302,506	111,150	20,250	650,557	4,795,098
Accumulated depreciation	(116,706)	(13,479)	(145,532)	(341,598)	(46,601)	(10,079)		(673,995
Net carrying amount	933,993	26,656	474,269	1,960,908	64,549	10,171	650,557	4,121,103

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### 16. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT – GROUP AND COMPANY (Continued)

Company Furniture, Leasehold equipment and improvements motor vehicles Total HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 At 1 April 2010 277 3,639 Cost 3,362 Accumulated depreciation (37)(1,133)(1,170)Net carrying amount 240 2,229 2,469 Year ended 31 March 2011 Opening net carrying amount 240 2,469 2,229 Additions 1,215 1,215 Depreciation (55)(588)(643)Exchange realignment 83 83 2,939 Closing net carrying amount 185 3,124 At 31 March 2011 and 1 April 2011 Cost 277 4,668 4,945 Accumulated depreciation (92)(1,729)(1,821)**Net carrying amount** 185 2,939 3,124 Year ended 31 March 2012 2,939 Opening net carrying amount 185 3,124 Additions 25 25 (593)Depreciation (55)(648)Exchange realignment 84 84 Closing net carrying amount 130 2,455 2,585 At 31 March 2012 277 4,817 5.094 Cost Accumulated depreciation (147)(2,362)(2,509)Net carrying amount 130 2,455 2,585

#### Notes:

<sup>(</sup>a) The Group's buildings included above are located on land held under medium term leases in the PRC.

<sup>(</sup>b) As at 31 March 2012, the Group's property, plant and equipment at the net carrying amount of HK\$161,890,000 (2011: HK\$164,158,000) were pledged to secure banking facilities granted to the Group (note 34(i)(c)).

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#### 17. PREPAID LAND LEASE PAYMENTS - GROUP

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
At beginning of the year		
Cost	471,113	445,021
Accumulated amortisation	(28,435)	(15,857)
Net carrying amount	442,678	429,164
For the year ended		
Opening net carrying amount	442,678	429,164
Acquisition of subsidiaries (note 43)	102,025	3,260
Transfer to assets classified as held for sales (note 45)	(42,046)	_
Transfer from investment properties (note 18)	1,301	_
Transfer to properties under development (note 25)	(4,136)	_
Additions	25,574	48,958
Disposals	(150)	(44,246)
Amortisation	(16,110)	(14,620)
Exchange realignment	18,108	20,162
Net carrying amount	527,244	442,678
At end of the year		
Cost	566,833	471,113
Accumulated amortisation	(39,589)	(28,435)
Net carrying amount	527,244	442,678

The Group's prepaid land lease payments represent up-front payments to acquire interest in the usage of land situated in the PRC, which are held under medium term leases (2011: medium term leases).

As at 31 March 2012, the Group's prepaid land lease payments included certain land use rights with a net carrying amount of HK\$87,158,000 (2011: HK\$6,863,000) for which the Group is still in the process of obtaining the land use rights certificates. In the opinion of the directors of the Company, the Group has obtained the rights to use these lands. As confirmed by the Group's legal advisers, there is no legal impediment for the Group to obtain these land use rights certificates.

As at 31 March 2012, the Group's prepaid land lease payments with a net carrying amount of HK\$145,355,000 (2011: HK\$64,368,000) were pledged to secure banking facilities granted to the Group (note 34(i)(d)).

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#### 18. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES – GROUP

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Carrying amount at beginning of the year	840,227	718,409
Additions	214,736	66,074
Assets classified as held for sale (note 45)	(13,333)	-
Fair value gain	62,579	21,033
Transfer to properties under development (note 25)	(247,235)	-
Transfer to prepaid land lease payment (note 17)	(1,301)	_
Exchange realignment	32,410	34,711
Carrying amount at end of the year	888,083	840,227

Investment properties represent various land use rights located in the PRC held for long term capital appreciation and investment properties under construction. The land use rights of these investment properties will expire ranging from year 2046 to 2079.

As at 31 March 2012, the investment properties included certain land use rights with a carrying amount of approximately HK\$103,704,000 (2011: HK\$66,074,000) and HK\$Nil (2011: HK\$175,831,000) for which the Group is still in the process of obtaining the land use rights certificates and changing the name of holder of land use rights certificates arising from the intra-group transfer, respectively. In the opinion of the directors of the Company, the Group has obtained the rights to use these lands pursuant to the relevant government approval documents. As confirmed by the Group's legal advisers, there is no legal impediment for the Group to obtain these land use rights certificates.

Investment properties were revalued on 31 March 2012 by RHL Appraisal Limited (2011: RHL Appraisal Limited), an independent firm of professional valuers on an open market basis and on the assumption that the Group sells the properties on the open market without the benefit or burden of a deferred terms contract, leaseback, joint venture, management agreement or any similar arrangement which could affect the value. Valuations were based on market evidence of recent transaction prices for similar properties and adjusted for the differences.

As at 31 March 2011, the Group's investment properties with a carrying amount of approximately HK\$282,143,000 were pledged to secure banking facilities granted to the Group (note 34(i)(e)).

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### 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES - COMPANY

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	1,166,601	990,086
Due from subsidiaries Less: Provision for impairment	1,046,619 (24,212)	899,016 (24,212)
Due within one year included under current assets	1,022,407	874,804
Due to subsidiaries	(228,050)	(303,915)

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment/ operation	Particulars of issued capital/ registered capital	Percent equity i attribut the Coi Direct	nterest able to	Principal activities
Hong Kong Water Affairs Investments Limited	Hong Kong	1 share of HK\$1	-	100%	Investment holding
China Water Group (HK) Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100%	-	Investment holding
Sharp Profit Investments Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100%	-	Investment holding
Good Outlook Investments Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100%	-	Investment holding
Oceanup Investments Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100%	-	Investment holding
China Water Supply Group Limited	Hong Kong	2 shares of HK\$1 each	-	100%	Investment holding

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### 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES – COMPANY (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment/ operation	Particulars of issued capital/ registered capital	equity attribu	tage of interest table to ompany	Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
China Kolon Water Management Company Limited ("China Kolon")	Hong Kong	2,633,333,300 shares of HK\$0.01 each	100%	-	Investment holding
Ming Hing Waterworks Engineering (PRC) Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	100 shares of US\$1 each	-	100%	Investment holding
New Prime Holdings Limited	BVI/Hong Kong	1 shares of US\$1	100%	-	Investment holding
Fortune Trend Holdings Limited	Hong Kong	1 share of HK\$1	-	100%	Investment Holding
長沙(中國水務)有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB40,000,000	-	90%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure
荊州水務集團有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of US\$60,589,200	36.9%	14.1%	Water supply
荊州水務鼎鑫源工程有限公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB20,000,000	-	51%	Water supply infrastructure
Jingzhou Sewage #	PRC	Registered capital of US\$8,200,000	100%	-	Sewage treatment
江陵銀龍水務有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of US\$2,580,000	32.2%	67.8%	Water supply
重慶市永川區僑立水務有限公司#	PRC	Registered capital of RMB42,200,000	100%	-	Water supply
重慶僑立市政設施工程有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB5,000,000	10%	90%	Water supply infrastructure

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### 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES - COMPANY (Continued)

	Place of	Percei	ntage of		
	incorporation/	Particulars of	equity	interest	
	establishment/	issued capital/	attribu	ıtable to	Principal
Name	operation	registered capital	the C	ompany	activities
			Direct	Indirect	
重慶僑立管道制造有限公司	PRC	Registered capital of	_	80.44%	Trading and
("Chongqing Qiaoli Pipeline") ^		RMB80,000,000		(2011:	manufacturing
(note 44(a))		(2011: RMB50,000,000)		100%)	of water pipelines
重慶市永川區佳和自來水有限	PRC	Registered capital of	_	90%	Water supply
責任公司("Yongchuan Jiahe") ^		RMB3,500,000			11.3
(note 43(d))		, ,			
江西萬年銀龍水務有限責任公司*	PRC	Registered capital of	99.6%	0.4%	Water supply
		US\$35,090,000			
江西省銀龍大酒店有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of	65%	35%	Hotel operation
		RMB1,000,000			
Yanshan Water #	PRC	Registered capital of	-	100%	Water supply operation
		RMB18,000,000			and construction
Yanshan Sewage #	PRC	Registered capital	100%	-	Sewage treatment
		of US\$2,000,000			operation and construction
Fenyi Sewage *	PRC	Registered capital	_	98%	Sewage treatment
, J		of RMB6,000,000			operation and
					construction
Wannian Sewage #	PRC	Registered capital	5%	95%	Sewage treatment
		of US\$3,000,000			operation and construction
上海倍臣水務發展有限公司	PRC	Registered capital	_	100%	Investment holding
("Shanghai Beichen") ^		of RMB167,600,000			

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### 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES – COMPANY (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment/ operation		equity attribu	ntage of interest utable to ompany	Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
上海銀龍股權投資有限公司 ("Shanghai Silver Dragon") ^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB500,000,000	-	100%	Investment holding
江河水務有限公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB225,000,000	-	100%	Investment holding
江河港武水務(常州)有限公司^ (ii)	PRC	Registered capital of RMB237,000,000	-	40%	Water supply
北京江河旋龍水泵技術有限公司 ("Jianghe Xuanlong")^ (note 44(c))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB5,000,000 (2011:RMB4,000,000)	-	52%	Water pump technology development
北京江河京威水務有限公司^(i)	PRC	Registered capital of RMB10,000,000	-	70%	Water supply
北京中水建投實業有限公司 ("Beijing Water")^ (note 50(b))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB211,350,000	-	84.89% (2011: 56.88%)	Property development and investment
北京上河元酒店有限公司 ("Beijing Shangheyuan") ^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB171,600,000	-	84.89%	Property investment
海南興水城鄉供水有限公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB15,830,000	-	56.85%	Water supply
宜豐縣銀龍水務有限公司 ("Yifeng Water")* (note 43(e))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB52,800,000	55%	-	Water supply
新余水務集團有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB200,000,000 (2011: RMB100,000,000)	60%	-	Water supply

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#### INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES – COMPANY (Continued) 19.

Place of incorporation/ establishment/ Name operation		Particulars of issued capital/registered capital	equity attribu	ntage of interest utable to ompany Indirect	Principal activities	
新余市建和混凝土有限責任公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB10,000,000	25.90%	29.16%	Manufacture and sale of concrete products	
新余市渝泉水業有限責任公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB50,000,000	-	60%	Water supply infrastructure	
新余仙女湖新城開發有限公司 ("Xinyu Property Development") * (notes 44(b),44(d) and 50(c))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB144,948,500 (2011: RMB124,948,500)	22.77% (2011: 20.01%)	38.77% (2011: 34.42%)	Development and infrastructure of sightseeing area	
新余水務置業有限責任公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB20,000,000	-	54%	Property development and investment	
新余仙女湖新城房地產開發有限公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB20,500,000	-	61.54% (2011: 54.43%)	Property development and investment	
新余市格林園林有限公司^ ("Xinyu Gelin")	PRC	Registered capital of RMB10,000,000	-	60.0%	Landscape design and engineering	
新余仙女湖聖祥發展有限 責任公司^(ii)	PRC	Registered capital of RMB20,000,000	-	31.39% (2011: 27.76%)	Investment holding	
上栗銀龍水務有限公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB14,500,000	-	60%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure	
高安水務有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB60,000,000	60%	-	Water supply	

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### 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES – COMPANY (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment/ operation	Particulars of issued capital/ registered capital	equity attribu	tage of interest table to ompany	Principal activities	
			Direct	Indirect		
分宜銀龍水務有限公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB25,000,000	-	100%	Water supply	
廣東仁化銀龍供水有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB17,260,000	-	73%	Water supply	
河南銀龍供水有限公司# ("Henan Water")	PRC	Registered capital of RMB140,833,077	-	100%	Investment holding	
河南銀龍(扶溝)供水有限公司#	PRC	Registered capital of RMB14,000,000	-	100%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure	
河南銀龍(西華)供水有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB14,000,000	-	100%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure	
周口銀龍水務有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB50,000,000	-	70%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure	
周口銀龍置業有限公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB8,000,000	-	70%	Property development	
河南鹿邑銀龍供水有限公司#	PRC	Registered capital of RMB14,000,000	-	100%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure	
江門市粵南供水消防工程 有限公司^ (ii) (notes 45(a))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB3,000,000	-	50%	Fire work installation	

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#### INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES – COMPANY (Continued) 19.

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment/ operation	Particulars of issued capital/ registered capital	equity attribu	itage of interest table to ompany	Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
江門水務置業有限公司# (ii) (notes 45(a))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB20,000,000	-	50%	Property development
廣東新會水務有限公司 ("Xinhui Water")* (ii) (note 45(a))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB150,000,000	40%	10%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure
惠州中水水務發展有限公司*	PRC	Registered capital of RMB100,000,000	20%	50%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure
惠州大亞灣溢源淨水有限公司^ ("Dayawan Yiyuan")	PRC	Registered capital of RMB248,612,000 (2011: RMB11,710,000)	-	59.78%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure
惠州中水房地產有限公司#	PRC	Registered capital of RMB20,000,000	-	70%	Property development
寧鄉中水市政工程有限公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB5,000,000	-	90%	Water supply infrastructure
寧鄉水務置業有限公司^	PRC	Registered capital of RMB20,000,000	-	90%	Property investment
吉安水務集團有限公司^ ("Jian Water")(i) (note43(a))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB120,000,000	-	70%	Water supply and water supply infrastructure
吉安市管道安裝工程有限公司^(i) (note43(a))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB5,000,000	-	70%	Water supply infrastructure

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### 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES – COMPANY (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment/ operation	Particulars of issued capital/ registered capital	equity attribu	ntage of interest stable to ompany	Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
吉安建和建材有限公司^(i)	PRC	Registered capital of RMB8,000,000	-	41.3%	Manufacture and sale of concrete products
萍鄉水務有限公司("Pingxiang Water ")^(i) (note43(b))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB267,000,000	26%	25%	Water supply
萍鄉建和建材有限公司^(i)(ii)	PRC	Registered capital of RMB10,000,000	-	28.08%	Manufacture and sale of concrete products
寧鄉渝泉市政有限公司^(i)(ii)	PRC	Registered capital of RMB5,000,000	-	48%	Water supply infrastructure
寧鄉縣順發建築材料公司 ("Ningxiang Shunfa") ^(i) (note 43(c))	PRC	Registered capital of RMB12,000,000	-	54%	Manufacture and sale of concrete products

<sup>\*</sup> registered as Sino-foreign joint ventures under the PRC law

<sup>\*</sup> registered as wholly-foreign owned enterprises under the PRC law

<sup>^</sup> registered as a limited liability company under the PRC law

<sup>(</sup>i) acquired/incorporated/established/injected during the year ended 31 March 2012

<sup>(</sup>ii) accounted for as subsidiaries of the Group because the directors are of the opinion that the Group has the power to cast the majority of votes at meetings of the board of directors in respect of financial and operating policies of these entities.

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#### 19. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES – COMPANY (Continued)

The financial statements of the Company's subsidiaries are audited by BDO Limited for statutory purpose or Group consolidation purpose.

The above table lists the subsidiaries of the Company which, in the opinion of the directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

The amounts due from/(to) subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. Accordingly, the amounts are classified as current assets and current liabilities respectively.

#### 20. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES - GROUP

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Share of net assets Goodwill	737,871 139,127	398,082 138,035
	876,998	536,117

All the balances for amounts due from/(to) associates were unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand except for the amounts due from associates with total carrying amount of HK\$59,259,000 as at 31 March 2012 which bears interest rate of 12% per annum and repayable from 9 August 2012 to 4 November 2012.

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### 20. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES – GROUP (Continued)

Particulars of the associates as at 31 March 2012 are as follow:

Name	Place of establishment	Particulars of issued capital/ registered capital	Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Company	Group's effective interest held	Profit sharing	Principal activities
China Water Property	Cayman	Issued capital of	Direct	44.42%	44.42%	Property development,
Group Limited	Island	1,758,722,861 shares	22.05%	(2011:	(2011:	production and
("Water Property")*	1510110	of HK\$0.1 each	(2011:	28.65%)	28.65%)	distribution of snack
(, ,		(2011: 12,557,306,151	6.27%)			food and convenience
		shares of HK\$0.01 each)	Indirect			frozen food products
		,	22.37%			
			(2011:			
			22.38%)			
梧州粤海江河水務有限公司	PRC	Registered capital of	Indirect	49%	49%	Water supply
		RMB110,000,000	49%			
梧州市建標水表檢定中心	PRC	Registered capital of	Indirect	49%	49%	Water meter
		RMB100,000	49%			technology development
廣西梧州自來水工程	PRC	Registered capital of	Indirect	49%	49%	Water supply
有限公司	1110	RMB5,000,000	49%	13 /0	13 /0	infrastructure
河海大學設計研究院	PRC	Registered capital of	Indirect	30%	30%	Design of water
		RMB50,000,000	30%	(2011: Nil)	(2011: Nil)	supply engineering,
			(2011: Nil)			marine traffic
						engineering and
						irrigation engineering
江蘇尚源水務工程科技^	PRC	Registered capital of	Indirect	54%	54%	Water engineering
		RMB30,000,000	54%	(2011: Nil)	(2011: Nil)	and consultancy
			(2011: Nil)			service

<sup>\*</sup> Water Property is listed on the Stock Exchange (Stock code:2349) and became an associate of the Group on 25 October 2010. In the opinion of the directors, to give details of its subsidiaries of Water Property would result in particulars of excessive length.

<sup>^</sup> Accounted for as associate of the Group because the directors are of the opinion that the Group has no power to cast the majority of votes at meetings of the board of directors in respect of financial and operating of this entity.

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### 20. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES – GROUP (Continued)

The financial statements of the above associates are coterminous with those of the Group, except for Water Property which has a financial year ending 31 December. There were no material transactions carried out by Water Property from 1 January 2012 to 31 March 2012.

The aggregated amounts of the following financial information of the Group's associates are extracted from their financial statements:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Assets	4,797,422	3,051,819
Liabilities	2,319,528	1,495,988
Revenue	405,255	1,092,904
Profit	58,936	528,114

The Group has not incurred any contingent liabilities or other commitments relating to its investments in the associates.

### 21. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS - GROUP AND COMPANY

	Group		Com	pany
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Unlisted debt securities in Hong Kong, at fair value (note (a))	59,861	63,475	-	-
Listed equity securities in Hong Kong, at fair value (note (b))	-	-	240,411	84,285
Unlisted equity securities outside Hong Kong, at cost (note (c))	60,516	59,715	40,032	40,032
	120,377	123,190	280,443	124,317

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### 21. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS - GROUP AND COMPANY (Continued)

Notes:

(a) The Group held certain convertible bonds issued by Water Property (the "Water Property Convertible Bonds") which are due on 13 November 2017 and are convertible into fully paid ordinary shares of Water Property with a par value of HK\$0.01 each (the "Water Property Shares") at an initial conversion price of HK\$0.15, subject to adjustment on the occurrence of dilutive or concentrative event. On 27 October 2009 and 24 October 2011, the conversion price was adjusted to HK\$0.045 and HK\$0.3781 (after share consolidation respectively). The Group can exercise the conversion at anytime until the maturity date, provided that any conversion of the Water Property Convertible Bonds does not trigger a mandatory offer obligation under The Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers. The Water Property Convertible Bonds can be redeemed at 100% of the respective outstanding principal amount, together with their unpaid interest on maturity date.

The Group held the Water Property Convertible Bonds with a principal amount of HK\$141,550,000 as at 1 April 2010. During the year ended 31 March 2011, a principal amount of HK\$60,000,000 Water Property Convertible Bonds were converted into 1,333,333,333 ordinary shares of Water Property with a par value of HK\$0.01 each at the conversion price of HK\$0.045. After the above conversion, the Group held the Water Property Convertible Bonds with a principal amount of HK\$81,550,000 as at 31 March 2011 and 2012.

The Water Property Convertible Bonds are separated into two components: the debt element and the conversion options element. The Group has classified the debt element of the Water Property Convertible Bonds as available-for-sale financial assets and the conversion options element of the Water Property Convertible Bonds as derivative financial instruments included in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

The fair value of the debt element was calculated based on the present value of contractually determined stream of future cash flows discounted at the required yield, which was determined with reference to instruments of similar terms. The effective interest rates of the debt element at 31 March 2012 is 9.366% (2011: 7.409%). The fair values of the debt element have been determined by RHL Appraisal Limited (2011: RHL Appraisal Limited), an independent firm of professional valuers.

The fair value of the conversion options element are determined by the directors of the Company with reference to the valuation performed by RHL Appraisal Limited (2011: RHL Appraisal Limited), an independent firm of professional valuers on Binomial model basis.

The major inputs used in the model are as follows:

	2012	2011
Stock price	HK\$0.62	HK\$0.107
Expected volatility	84.339%	79.785%
Risk free rate	0.643%	2.271%
Expected dividend yield	Nil	Nil

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### 21. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS - GROUP AND COMPANY (Continued)

Notes (Continued):

#### (a) (Continued)

The carrying amounts of the debt element and conversion options element of the Water Property Convertible Bonds are as follows:

	Debt element – Unlisted debt securities HK\$'000	Conversion options element – Conversion options embedded in convertible bonds (note i) HK\$'000
Net carrying amount at 1 April 2010	106,734	142,897
Conversion into Water Property Shares Change in fair value	(40,726)	(56,921)
– charged to profit or loss	_	(38,586)
– charged to equity	(2,533)	
Net carrying amount at 31 March 2011 and at 1 April 2011	63,475	47,390
Change in fair value		
- credited to profit or loss	- (2.51.1)	61,622
– charged to equity	(3,614)	
Net carrying amount at 31 March 2012	59,861	109,012

#### Note:

- (i) The conversion options embedded in Water Property Convertible Bonds are classified as derivative financial instruments in consolidated statement of financial position under current assets.
- (b) Water Property is listed on the Stock Exchange. Following Water Property became an associate of the Group on 25 October 2010, the investments of Water Property Shares have been derecognised from available-for-sale financial assets in the consolidated statement of financial position. The investment of Water Property Shares is still classified as available-for-sale financial assets in the statement of financial position of the Company.
- (c) The unlisted available-for-sale equity securities are measured at cost less impairment at each reporting date because the range of reasonable fair value estimates is so significant and the probability of the various estimates is significant. Accordingly, the directors of the Company are of the opinion that fair value cannot be reliably measured.

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### 22. GOODWILL - GROUP

The amount of the goodwill capitalised as an asset recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position, arising from business combinations, is as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
At beginning of the year		
Gross carrying amount	172,667	175,343
Accumulated impairment		
Net carrying amount	172,667	175,343
For the year ended		
Net carrying amount at beginning of year	172,667	175,343
Acquisition of subsidiaries (note 43)	2,844	4,735
Transfer to assets classified as held for sales (note 45)	(828)	_
Disposal	-	(14,877)
Exchange realignment	6,589	7,466
Net carrying amount at end of year	181,272	172,667
At end of the year		
Gross carrying amount	181,272	172,667
Accumulated impairment		
Net carrying amount	181,272	172,667

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#### 22. GOODWILL - GROUP (Continued)

Goodwill acquired through business combination have been allocated to the following cash-generating unit/ group of cash-generating units for impairment testing:

- water supply cash-generating units ("water supply CGUs") within city water supply operation and construction segment; and
- other cash-generating units ("other CGUs").

The carrying amounts of goodwill allocated to each of the cash-generating units are as follows:

	Water supply CGUs HK\$'000	Other CGUs HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 31 March 2012	178,322	2,950	181,272
Carrying amount at 31 March 2011	171,868		172,667

The recoverable amounts for the above cash-generating units were determined based on value-in-use calculations, covering a detailed five-year budget plan, followed by an extrapolation of expected cash flows at the average growth rates of 3% to 4% (2011: 3% to 4%) and discount rate of 11% to 12.7% (2011: 11% to 12.7%) estimated by the management.

The key assumptions for the Group have been determined by the Group's management based on past performance and its expectations for the industry development. The discount rates used are pre-tax and reflect specific risks relating to the relevant segments.

Apart from the considerations described in determining the value in use of the cash generating units above, the Group's management is not currently aware of any other probable changes that would necessitate changes in its key estimates.

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#### 23. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS - GROUP

	Sewage treatment concession rights		Water supply concession rights			
	(note a)		(note b)		Total	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At beginning of the year						
At beginning of the year  Cost	154 762	147,727	55,075	50,350	209,837	198,077
Accumulated amortisation	154,762		-		-	
Accumulated amortisation	(24,762)	(17,727)	(6,410)	(4,241)	(31,172)	(21,968)
Net carrying amount	130,000	130,000	48,665	46,109	178,665	176,109
Net carrying amount	150,000	130,000	40,005	40,109	170,005	170,109
For the year ended						
Opening net carrying value	130,000	130,000	48,665	46,109	178,665	176,109
Additions	-	-	16,458	2,406	16,458	2,406
Amortisation	(6,420)	(6,047)	(2,628)	(1,921)	(9,048)	(7,968)
Exchange realignment	4,815	6,047	2,052	2,071	6,867	8,118
3 3						
Net carrying amount	128,395	130,000	64,547	48,665	192,942	178,665
At end of the year						
Cost	160,494	154,762	73,822	55,075	234,316	209,837
Accumulated amortisation	(32,099)	(24,762)	(9,275)	(6,410)	(41,374)	(31,172)
Net carrying amount	128,395	130,000	64,547	48,665	192,942	178,665

#### Notes:

- (a) Pursuant to several agreements between a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, namely Jingzhou Sewage and a relevant authority in the PRC, namely 荊州市建設委員會, during the year ended 31 March 2007, Jingzhou Sewage obtained the right to operate a sewage treatment plant located at Jingzhou City of Hubei Province in the PRC for a period of 25 years at an aggregate consideration of RMB130 million on a TOT basis. Jingzhou Sewage is entitled to use all the property, plant and equipment of the sewage treatment plant and to charge for the sewage treatment services at the initial tariff of RMB0.78 per cubic meter.
  - As at 31 March 2012 and 2011, the entire sewage treatment concession rights were pledged at a maximum period of 20 years as security for banking facilities granted to the Group (note 34(i)(g)).
- (b) Pursuant to a concession agreement between a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, namely Yanshan Water and a relevant authority in the PRC, namely 鉛山縣建設局, during the year ended 31 March 2008, Yanshan Water obtained the right to operate a water supply plant located at Yanshan City of Jiangxi Province in the PRC for a period of 30 years commencing from 1 June 2007 at an aggregate consideration of RMB6.65 million on a TOT basis. Yanshan Water is entitled to use all the property, plant and equipment of the water supply plant. The Group also entered into a BOT arrangement with the same grantor for the construction of water supply plant.

As at 31 March 2012 and 2011, the entire water supply concession rights were pledged as security for banking facilities granted to the Group (note 34(i)(g)).

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### 24. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES - GROUP AND COMPANY

		Gr	oup	Com	npany
	Notes	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Non-current					
Deposits for acquisition of					
equity securities	(i)	4,321	170,476	_	_
Other deposits	(ii)	74,445	91,133		
Deposits		78,766	261,609	_	_
Prepayments	(iii)	62,842	26,266		
		141,608	287,875		
Current					
Loan receivables	(iv)	130,864	100,000	_	_
Prepayments		109,129	113,721	1,380	2,761
Deposits		1,718	2,206	292	186
Other receivables		303,801	299,710	7,431	5,400
		545,512	515,637	9,103	8,347

#### Notes:

(i) As at 31 March 2012, the deposit for acquisition of equity securities represented the deposit paid by the Group in relation to the acquisition of 51% equity interest in 鄭州盛祥建築工程有限公司("Zhengzhou Shengxiang") which is a company incorporated in the PRC and principally engaged in water supply infrastructure.

As at 31 March 2011, the deposits for acquisition of equity securities mainly comprised the followings:

- (a) An amount of approximately HK\$150,238,000 represented the deposits paid by the Group in relation to the acquisition of 33% equity interest in Beijing Water which is a company incorporated in the PRC and principally engaged in property development and investment.
- (b) An amount of approximately HK\$4,167,000 represented the deposits paid by the Group in relation to the acquisition of 60% equity interest in Ningxiang Shunfa which is a company incorporated in the PRC and principally engaged in manufacture and sale of concrete products.
- (c) An amount of approximately HK\$4,167,000 represented the deposits paid by the Group in relation to the acquisition of 51% equity interest in Zhengzhou Shengxiang which is a company incorporated in the PRC and principally engaged in water supply infrastructure.
- (d) An amount of approximately HK\$11,904,000 represented the deposits paid by the Group in relation to the acquisition of 70% equity interest in Jian Water (formerly known as 吉安市供水公司) which is a company incorporated in the PRC and principally engaged in water supply.

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# 24. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES – GROUP AND COMPANY (Continued)

Notes (Continued):

- (ii) As at 31 March 2012 and 2011, balances mainly represented deposits paid for acquisition of land use rights for the Group's business expansion.
- (iii) As at 31 March 2012 and 2011, the amount mainly represented the Group's prepaid rental of land situated in the PRC and prepayment for construction work for own use.
- (iv) The amount represented the loan receivables from Mitsumaru East Kit (Holdings) Limited ("Mitsumaru") and its subsidiaries.
  - (a) On 1 December 2010, (i) the Group as the lender and Mitsumaru as the borrower entered into a loan agreement and pursuant to which the Group agreed to make available to the Mitsumaru the loan up to a principal amount of HK\$100,000,000 (the "Loan") in cash (the "Mitsumaru Loan Agreement"); (ii) the Group as the lender and Mitsumaru as the borrower entered into a debenture as a security for the repayment of the Loan (the "Debenture"); (iii) Mitsumaru as the issuer and the Group as the subscriber entered into the subscription agreement setting out the terms and conditions of the subscription of new shares of Mitsumaru (the "Subscription Agreement"), pursuant to which Mitsumaru has agreed to issue and the Group has agreed to subscribe for 1,000,000,000 new shares of Mitsumaru (the "Subscription Shares"), at a subscription price of HK\$0.10 per Subscription Share upon and subject to the terms and conditions set out in the Subscription Agreement. The Loan was drawdown on 2 December 2010.

Subject to the fulfillment (or waiver by the Group) of conditions precedent of the Subscription Agreement on or before 31 March 2011 ("Long Stop Date") (The Long Stop Date was amended to 30 June 2012 in accordance with the terms stated in a supplementary agreement to the Subscription Agreement dated on 6 December 2011. The Long Stop Date may be extended by the Group at its own discretion to a date not later than 31 December 2012 or such later date as may be agreed between the Group and Mitsumaru), the subscription price is to be satisfied by way of offsetting against the sums owned by Mitsumaru to the Group under the Mitsumaru Loan Agreement. As mentioned in the Subscription Agreement, Mitsumaru shall use its best endeavors to obtain the Stock Exchange's approval for resumption of trading of its shares. With successful resumption of trading of Mitsumaru's shares, Mitsumaru will have additional financing from a proposed issue of its new shares on the basis of 15 shares for every 4 shares held by certain qualifying shareholders of Mitsumaru to raise no less than HK\$150 million (the "Open Offer"). Completion of the Subscription Agreement is not conditional on completion of the Open Offer. Completion of the subscription will take place as soon as possible after the fulfillment of the conditions precedent under the Subscription Agreement.

On 6 December 2011, the Company entered into a supplemental agreement to Loan Agreement with Mitsumaru to extend the repayment date to 1 December 2012 or the date of termination of the Subscription Agreement, whichever is later.

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# 24. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES – GROUP AND COMPANY (Continued)

Notes (Continued):

- (iv) (Continued)
  - (a) (Continued)

The Subscription Agreement is conditional upon, inter alia:

- (aa) the Stock Exchange having granted or stated that it will grant (either unconditionally or subject only to conditions to which the Group and Mitsumaru do not reasonably object) approval for (i) Resumption of Trading; and (ii) the listing of and permission to deal in the Subscription Shares;
- (bb) the executive director of the Corporate Finance Division of the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong granting waiver by the executive pursuant to Note 1 of the notes on dispensation from Rule 26 of the Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers from the obligation of the Group (together with its concert parties), to make a general offer for all of the Mitsumaru's shares not already owned or agreed to be acquired by them as a result of subscribing for the Subscription Shares) (the "Whitewash Waiver"); and
- (cc) the passing by Mitsumaru's shareholder(s) other than Mr. Zhang Shuyang, a major shareholder of Mitsumaru and his associates and the shareholders who are involved in or interested in (other than solely as Mitsumaru shareholder) the Subscription Agreement, the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver or the respective transactions contemplated therein by way of a poll at the extraordinary general meeting of a resolution approving the issue of the Subscription Shares, the Whitewash Waiver and the increase in authorised share capital of the Mitsumaru in accordance with the Listing Rules.

In other words, upon fulfillment of the conditional precedent of the Subscription Agreement including, inter alia, approval for the Resumption of Trading, the Group is obliged to complete the subscription.

(b) On 26 April 2011, the Group entered into an entrusted loan agreement ("Entrusted Loan Agreement") with a subsidiary of Mitsumaru and a commercial bank in the PRC. Pursuant to the Entrusted Loan Agreement, the Group, through the bank, provided an entrusted loan facility of RMB60,000,000 (approximately HK\$74,074,000) to a subsidiary of Mitsumaru for three years. The bank loan bears interest at a fixed rate of 5.76% per annum and repayable with one year from date of loan drawn down. As at 31 March 2012, the entrusted loan facility was utilised to the extent of RMB25,000,000 (approximately HK\$30,864,000).

As at 31 March 2012, the entrusted loan was repayable on demand as the Entrusted Loan Agreement includes a clause that gives the lender the unconditional right to call the bank loan at any time. The entrusted loan is secured by the buildings, investment property and prepaid land premiums of the Mitsumaru's subsidiaries.

None of the above deposits and other receivables is either past due or impaired. Deposits and other receivables relate to counterparties for which there was no recent history of default.

The directors of the Company consider that the fair values of current portion of deposits and other receivables are not materially different from their carrying amounts because these balances have short maturity periods on their inception.

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#### 25. PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT - GROUP

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
At cost		
At beginning of the year	30,300	166,216
Additions	204,559	48,029
Transfer to properties held for sale (note 26)	(16,488)	(188,536)
Transfer from prepaid land lease payments (note 17)	4,136	_
Transfer from investment properties (note 18)	247,235	_
Transfer from construction in progress (note 16)	22,818	_
Exchange realignment	1,138	4,591
At end of the year	493,698	30,300

The Group's properties under development are located in the PRC on leasehold land with lease terms expiring from year 2046 to 2076.

At the reporting date, the properties under development are expected to be recovered within one year.

#### 26. PROPERTIES HELD FOR SALE - GROUP

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
At cost		
At beginning of the year	63,913	1,511
Transfer from properties under development (note 25)	16,488	188,536
Sales for the year	(27,606)	(127,656)
Exchange realignment	2,367	1,522
At end of the year	55,162	63,913

Properties held for sale included leasehold interests in land located in the PRC with lease terms expiring from 2046 to 2076

As at 31 March 2011, the Group's properties held for sale with carrying amount of approximately HK\$21,039,000 were pledged to secure banking facilities granted to the Group (note 34(i)(f)).

At the reporting date, the properties held for sale are expected to be recovered within one year.

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#### 27. INVENTORIES - GROUP

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Raw materials and supplies Work-in-progress	89,279 76,122	69,128 20,171
Finished goods	15,420	6,293
	180,821	95,592

At the reporting date, the inventories are expected to be recovered within one year.

#### 28. TRADE RECEIVABLES - GROUP

The Group has a policy of allowing trade customers with credit terms of normally within 90 days except for construction projects for which settlement is made in accordance with the terms specified in the contracts governing the relevant transaction. The ageing analysis of trade receivables based on invoice dates is as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
0 to 90 days 91 to 180 days Over 180 days	138,759 49,682 176,976	111,934 37,648 209,565
	365,417	359,147

Ageing analysis of the Group's trade receivables that were not impaired is as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Neither past due nor impaired 1 to 90 days past due 91 to 180 days past due Over 180 days past due	311,126 25,207 8,626 20,458	317,537 29,449 2,137 10,024
	365,417	359,147

As at 31 March 2012, the Group's trade receivables included an amount of approximately HK\$48,350,000 (2011: HK\$117,016,000) relating to the trade receivables of construction contracts.

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#### 28. TRADE RECEIVABLES - GROUP (Continued)

Trade receivables that were past due but not impaired relate to customers that have good track record with the Group. The directors of the Company are of the opinion that no allowance for impairment of trade receivables is necessary as there was no recent history of significant default in respect of these trade debtors. Trade receivables that were neither past due nor impaired related to a large number of independent customers that had a good track record of credit with the Group. In general, the Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements over these balances.

The directors of the Company consider that the fair values of trade receivables which are expected to be recovered within one year are not materially different from their carrying amounts because these balances have short maturity periods on their inception.

#### 29. AMOUNTS DUE FROM GRANTORS FOR CONTRACT WORK – GROUP

The Group recognised financial assets – amounts due from grantors for contract work in respect of its sewage treatment business arising from certain BOT arrangements. Details of the service concession arrangements of the Group is set out in note 6.

Amounts due from grantors for contract work represented revenue from construction services under BOT arrangements and bear interest at rate of 5.9% (2011: 5.9%) per annum. The amounts are not yet due for payment and will be settled by revenue to be generated during the operating periods of the BOT arrangements.

# 30. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS – GROUP AND COMPANY

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Listed equity securities, at market value:				
– Hong Kong	_	380	_	380
– Elsewhere	1,617	1,801	_	_
	1,617	2,181		380
Unlisted investment at fair value	_	1,881	_	-
	1,617	4,062		380

Fair values of the listed equity securities have been determined by reference to their quoted bid prices at the reporting date in an active market. Fair value of the unlisted investment was based on the value quoted by the issuers at the end of the reporting date.

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#### DEPOSITS AND CASH AND PLEDGED DEPOSITS - GROUP AND COMPANY 31.

	Group		Company	
	2012 HK\$′000	2011 HK\$'000	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Cash at banks/other financial institutions and in hand	608,225	751,303	84,974	353,089
Short-term deposits	477,763	123,205	324,384	
Deposit pledged against banking	1,085,988	874,508	409,358	353,089
facilities granted to mortgagees	(7,040)	(4,328)	_	-
Deposit pledged for bank loan (note 34(i)(h))  Deposit pledged for bill payables	(6,173) (4,696)	(20,011) (1,534)	_	_
Deposit pleaged for bill payables	(4,090)			
	(17,909)	(25,873)		
Deposits and cash as stated in the statement of financial position Short-term deposits with an original	1,068,079	848,635	409,358	353,089
maturity of more than 3 months	(88,657)	(61,190)	_	-
Cash and cash equivalents for the presentation of the statement of				
cash flows	979,422	787,445	409,358	353,089

Cash at banks/other financial institutions earn interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Short-term deposits are made for eleven days to one year (2011: seven days to six months) depending on the immediate cash requirement of the Group, and earn interest at the respective short-term time deposit rates of 0.3% to 3.5% (2011: 0.78% to 12%) per annum.

The directors of the Company considered that the fair values of the cash at banks/other financial institutions and short-term deposits are not materially different from their carrying amounts because of the short maturity period on their inception.

As at 31 March 2012, the Group had deposits and cash and pledged deposits denominated in Renminbi ("RMB") amounting to approximately HK\$611,076,000 (2011: HK\$424,774,000), which were deposited with banks/other financial institutions in the PRC or held in hand. The RMB is not freely convertible into foreign currencies. Under the PRC Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sales and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for foreign currencies through banks that are authorised to conduct foreign exchange business.

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#### TRADE AND BILLS PAYABLES - GROUP 32.

The credit terms of trade and bills payables vary according to the terms agreed with different suppliers. Based on the invoice dates, the ageing analysis of the Group's trade and bills payables as at the reporting date is as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
0 to 90 days	109,537	84,728
91 to 180 days	82,781	34,905
Over 180 days	262,329	227,074
	454,647	346,707

As at 31 March 2012, the bills payables of HK\$15,243,000 (2011: HK\$5,102,000) were secured by the pledged bank deposits of HK\$4,696,000 (2011: HK\$1,534,000).

#### ACCRUED LIABILITIES, DEPOSITS RECEIVED AND OTHER PAYABLES - GROUP AND 33. **COMPANY**

	Group		Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Accrued liabilities	27,148	29,357	8,360	6,132
Deposits received (note)	800,293	214,448	_	_
Other payables	581,799	501,899	22,694	17,839
	1,409,240	745,704	31,054	23,971

Note: Deposits received mainly included (i) deposit from disposal of Xinhui Water of HK\$141,358,000 (2011: HK\$Nil) (Note 45); and (ii) deposits of HK\$274,225,000 (2011: HK\$Nil) in respect of the Group's property development and investment businesses.

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#### **BORROWINGS - GROUP** 34.

Notes	Original currency	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
(ii)	RMB	41,975	79,762
(i), (ii)	RMB	401,000	324,631
(iii)	RMB	31,093	76,649
(i), (iii)	RMB	50,617	69,048
(iii), (iv)(a)	USD	54,410	54,410
(v)	RMB	55,184	18,897
		634,279	623,397
(ii), (iv)(b)	RMB	232,099	35,714
(i), (ii)	RMB	902,753	871,548
(ii), (iv)(b)	USD	322,444	_
(iii)	RMB	63,507	50,762
(i), (iii)	RMB	8,642	10,714
(iii), (iv)(a)	USD	108,670	163,229
(v)	RMB	117,517	79,167
		1,755,632	1,211,134
		2,389,911	1,834,531
	(ii) (i), (ii) (iii) (iii) (ii), (iii) (iii), (iv)(a) (v)  (ii), (iv)(b) (i), (ii) (ii), (iv)(b) (iii) (ii), (iii) (iii), (iv)(a)	(ii) RMB (i), (ii) RMB (iii) RMB (iii) RMB (iii) RMB (iii), (iiii) RMB (iii), (iv)(a) USD (v) RMB  (ii), (iv)(b) RMB (ii), (iv)(b) USD (iii) RMB (i), (iii) RMB (ii), (ivi)(a) USD	(ii) RMB 41,975 (i), (iii) RMB 401,000 (iii) RMB 31,093 (i), (iiii) RMB 50,617 (iii), (iv)(a) USD 54,410 (v) RMB 55,184  (ii), (ii) RMB 902,753 (ii), (iii) RMB 902,753 (ii), (iii) RMB 63,507 (i), (iii) RMB 8,642 (iii), (iv)(a) USD 108,670 (v) RMB 117,517

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#### **BORROWINGS – GROUP** (Continued) 34.

GROUP	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Analysed into:		
Bank loans repayable:		
Within one year or on demand	442,975	404,393
In the second year	180,812	319,048
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	809,456	429,107
Beyond five years	467,028	159,107
	1,900,271	1,311,655
Other loans repayable:		
Within one year or on demand	136,120	200,107
In the second year	73,484	73,993
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	106,101	150,712
Beyond five years	1,234	
	316,939	424,812
Government loans repayable:		
Within one year or on demand	55,184	18,897
In the second year	33,423	27,818
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	33,903	25,995
Beyond five years	50,191	25,354
	172,701	98,064

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#### 34. **BORROWINGS – GROUP** (Continued)

COMPANY	Notes	Original currency	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Non-current Bank loans – unsecured	(ii), (iv)(b)	USD	322,444	
Analysed into:  Bank loans repayable:  In the third to fifth years, inclusive Beyond five years			142,282 180,162 	

#### Notes:

- (i) The Group's bank loans and other loans at 31 March 2012 and 2011 were secured by:
  - pledge of water and sewage treatment revenue of certain subsidiaries; (a)
  - (b) guarantees by 江西省水利水電開發總公司 and 常州市武進供水總公司 at 31 March 2012 and by You Tao, Lin Hua Dong, Li Huang Xin and Qi Xiao Qiang (being senior management of certain subsidiaries), 江西省 水利水電開發總公司 and 常州市武進供水總公司 at 31 March 2011;
  - charges over property, plant and equipment in which their aggregate carrying amount as at 31 March (c) 2012 was HK\$161,890,000 (2011: HK\$164,158,000) (note 16);
  - (d) charges over interests in land use rights in which their aggregate carrying amounts as at 31 March 2012 was HK\$145,355,000 (2011: HK\$64,368,000) (note 17);
  - charges over investment properties in which their aggregate carrying amounts as at 31 March 2011 was (e) HK\$282,143,000 (note 18);
  - (f) charges over properties held for sale in which their aggregate carrying amount as at 31 March 2011 was HK\$21,039,000 (note 26);
  - (g) charges over other intangible assets in which their aggregate carrying amount as at 31 March 2012 was HK\$192,942,000 (2011: HK\$178,665,000) (note 23); and
  - (h) charges over the Group's bank deposits in amount of HK\$6,173,000 as at 31 March 2012 (2011: HK\$20,011,000) (note 31).
- (ii) The effective interest rates of the Group's bank loans ranged from 5.13% to 8.53% (2011: 4.78% to 9.18%) per annum at 31 March 2012.
- (iii) The effective interest rates of the Group's other loans ranged from 2.80% to 10.23% (2011: 2.82% to 11%) per annum at 31 March 2012.

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#### 34. **BORROWINGS – GROUP** (Continued)

Notes (Continued):

(iv) (a) On 18 December 2007, the Company entered into a term facility agreement with DEG - Deutsche Investitions – Und Entwicklungsgesellschaft MBH ("DEG") and Nederlandse Financierings-Maatschappij Voor Ontwikkelingslanden N.V. ("FMO") for a loan facility of up to US\$36 million (the "DEG Loan Agreement"). On 13 August 2008, the Company and its subsidiary, DEG and FMO entered into amended and restated term facility agreement to amend the DEG Loan Agreement (the "Amended DEG Loan Agreement"). In connection with the Amended DEG Loan Agreement, the Company acted as guarantor and issued to DEG and FMO warrant instrument with the right to subscribe for the ordinary shares of the Company (the "Warrants") (note 36).

> The facility of US\$36 million was fully utilised (the "DEG and FMO Loan") and there was repayment of US\$7.2 million during the year ended 31 March 2012 (2011: US\$7.2 million). The DEG and FMO Loan bears floating rate of 2.10% per annum above the London Inter-Bank Offer Rates. The subscription monies for the Warrants shall be satisfied by way of set off of any outstanding amount under the Amended DEG Loan Agreement. The loan facility under the Amended DEG Loan Agreement is secured by (i) shares of certain subsidiaries of the Group; (ii) the Group's equity interests in Water Property (note 20); and (iii) a bank account of the Group.

> During the year ended 31 March 2012, certain provisions of the Amended DEG Loan Agreement were breached which could cause the DEG and FMO Loan becomes payable on demand. The Group has been granted the waiver in respect of the breached provisions effective from 31 March 2012. In the opinion of the directors of the Company and after taking into account the waiver, the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the DEG and FMO Loan until 1 April 2013.

(b) On 8 July 2011, the Company and its subsidiary, Shanghai Silver Dragon, entered into a term facility agreement with Asian Development Bank ("ADB Loan Agreement") for a loan facility of up to US\$100 million (the "ADB Loan").

The Group and the Company has utilised the loan facility of approximately HK\$554,543,000 and HK\$322,444,000 as at 31 March 2012 respectively. The ADB Loan bears floating rates ranging from 1.875% per annum above the London inter-bank offer rates to 1.875% per annum above the Shanghai inter-bank offer rates.

During the year ended 31 March 2012, certain provisions of the ADB Loan Agreement were breached which could cause the ADB Loan becomes payable on demand. The Group has been granted the waiver in respect of the breached provisions effective from 31 March 2012. In the opinion of the directors of the Company and after taking into account the waiver, the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the ADB Loan until 1 April 2013.

(v) The government loans bore interests at effective interest rates ranging from 1.72% to 6.88% (2011: 0.75% to 5.0%) per annum at 31 March 2012.

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#### 35. DUE FROM/(TO) NON-CONTROLLING EQUITY HOLDERS OF SUBSIDIARIES - GROUP AND COMPANY

All the balances were unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand except for (a) the amount due to non-controlling equity holder of subsidiary with carrying amount of HK\$33,444,000 (2011: HK\$37,371,000) as at 31 March 2012 which bears interest rate of 6.8% (2011: 6.6%) per annum and repayable on or before 30 June 2015; and (b) the amount due from non-controlling equity holder of subsidiary with carrying amount of HK\$91,926,000 as at 31 March 2011 which bears interest rate of 7.20% to 7.47% per annum and repayable on 31 December 2011.

#### **DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL LIABILITIES – GROUP AND COMPANY** 36.

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Warrants (note)  Derivative component of convertible bonds issued	-	1
by the Company (note 37)	37,960	25,981
	37,960	<u>25,982</u>

Note: The Company issued the Warrants with the right to subscribe for the ordinary shares of the Company at subscription price of HK\$7 during the subscription period from 18 December 2008 to 18 December 2011 (both days inclusive) up to US\$10.8 million in connection with the Amended DEG Loan Agreement (note 34(iv)(a)).

The fair value of the Warrants was calculated using the Black-Scholes-Merton Option Pricing Model with the major inputs used in the model as follows:

	2012	2011
Stock price	N/A	HK\$2.96
Expected volatility	N/A	30.608%
Risk free rate	N/A	0.246%

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### 37. CONVERTIBLE BONDS - GROUP AND COMPANY

The carrying values of the liability component and derivative component of the convertible bonds are as follows:

	2012 Convertible Bonds (note a) HK\$'000	2015 Convertible Bonds (note b) HK\$'000
Liability component		
Net carrying amounts at 1 April 2010	257,252	-
Arising from repurchases/redemption	(262,312)	-
Issue of 2015 Convertible Bonds	_	531,632
Interest expenses	5,060	45,009
Interest on convertible bonds paid		(7,500
Net carrying amounts at 31 March 2011 and at 1 April 2011	_	569,141
Arising from repurchases	-	(62,401
Interest expenses	-	44,239
Interest on convertible bonds paid		(14,964
Net carrying amounts at 31 March 2012		536,015
Derivative component-classified as current liabilities		
Net carrying amounts at 1 April 2010	252	_
Arising from repurchases/redemption	(252)	-
Issue of 2015 Convertible Bonds	-	55,338
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments		(29,357
Net carrying amounts at 31 March 2011 and at 1 April 2011	_	25,981
Arising from repurchases	-	(4,148
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments		16,127
Net carrying amounts at 31 March 2012	_	37,960

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#### 37. **CONVERTIBLE BONDS – GROUP AND COMPANY (Continued)**

Pursuant to announcement dated 18 July 2007 and information memorandum (the "2007 Information Memorandum") of the Company dated 3 August 2007, the Company issued HK\$650,000,000 zero coupon convertible bonds (the "2012 Convertible Bonds") at 100% of principal amount to DBS Bank Limited ("DBS") on 3 August 2007.

The 2012 Convertible Bonds are convertible at any time on or after 2 September 2007 and up to the close of business on 20 July 2012 by the bondholders into ordinary share of the Company of HK\$0.01 each at the option of the bondholder at an initial conversion price of HK\$7 per share (the "Conversion Price"). The conversion price is subject to adjustment on the occurrence of dilutive or concentrative event. If on 3 February 2009, the average of the closing prices of the share of the Company on each trading day in the period of 15 consecutive trading days ending on (and including) the day immediately prior to 3 February 2009 (the "Reference Price") is less than the Conversion Price on such date, the Conversion Price shall be reset to the Reference Price (the "2012 Conversion Price Reset") provided that the Conversion Price shall not be reduced on 3 February 2009 to below HK\$5.45. On 3 February 2009, the Conversion Price was reset to the Reference Price at HK\$5.45. Unless previously redeemed, converted or purchased and cancelled, the Company will redeem the 2012 Convertible Bonds at 132.77 per cent of its principal amount on 3 August 2012.

Both the Company and the bondholders have redemption options on the 2012 Convertible Bonds pursuant to the 2007 Information Memorandum.

On or after 3 February 2009 and on or prior to 2 August 2010, the Company may redeem all or some of the 2012 Convertible Bonds at their accreted principal amount, in whole but not in part if on each of not less than 20 consecutive trading days ending not earlier than 14 days prior to the date on which the notice of redemption is given to bondholders, the aggregate value on each trading day shall have been at least 150 per cent of the accreted principal amount in respect of each HK\$100,000 on such trading day.

On or after 3 August 2010 and on or prior to 24 July 2012, the Company may redeem all or some of the 2012 Convertible Bonds at their accreted principal amount, in whole but not in part if on each of not less than 20 consecutive trading days ending not earlier than 14 days prior to the date on which the notice of redemption is given to bondholders, the aggregate value on each trading day shall have been at least 130 per cent of the accreted principal amount in respect of each HK\$100,000 on such trading day.

On 3 August 2010, the bondholders of the 2012 Convertible Bonds will have the right at such holder's option, to require the Company to redeem all or some of the 2012 Convertible Bonds at 118.538 per cent of their unpaid principal amount as at 3 August 2010.

In the event that the Company's shares cease to be listed or admitted to trading on the Stock Exchange, each bondholder shall have the right, at such bondholder's option, to require the Company to redeem all or some of such holder's 2012 Convertible Bonds at their accreted principal amount.

During the year ended 31 March 2011, the Company repurchased the 2012 Convertible Bonds and certain bondholders also exercised their right to require the Company to redeem the 2012 Convertible Bonds. After the completion of repurchases and redemption, the outstanding principal amount of the 2012 Convertible Bonds of HK\$236,900,000 were fully repaid as at 31 March 2011. The Group recognised a loss on redemption of the 2012 Convertible Bonds of HK\$16,460,000 during the year ended 31 March 2011.

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#### 37. **CONVERTIBLE BONDS – GROUP AND COMPANY (Continued)**

(b) On 10 March 2010, the Company entered into a subscription agreement with DBS pursuant to which DBS agreed to subscribe for the convertible bonds of the Company in an aggregate principal amount of HK\$600 million (the "2015 Convertible Bonds") at 2.5% coupon rate per annum with maturity on 15 April 2015. The 2015 Convertible Bonds are convertible at any time on or after 26 May 2010 and up to the close of business on 5 April 2015 by the bondholders into ordinary share of the Company of HK\$0.01 each at the option of the bondholders, at an initial conversion price of HK\$4 per share (the "2015 Convertible Price"). The conversion price is subject to adjustment on the occurrence of dilutive or concentrative event. If on 15 April 2011, the average of the volume weighted average price (the "Average Market Price") of the shares of the Company on each trading day in the period of 20 consecutive trading days before the day immediately prior to 15 April 2011 is less than the 2015 Conversion Price on the 15 April 2011, the 2015 Conversion Price shall be reset to the Average Market Price (the "2015 Conversion Price Reset") provided that the 2015 Conversion Price shall not be reduced on 15 April 2011 to below HK\$3.15. On 17 September 2010, 16 December 2010, 15 April 2011 and 6 September 2011, the 2015 Convertible Price was reset to HK\$3.96, HK\$3.93, HK\$3.10 and HK\$3.07 respectively. Unless previously redeemed, converted or purchased and cancelled, the Company will redeem the 2015 Conversion Bonds at 120.06 per cent of its principal amount on 15 April 2015.

On or after 15 April 2013, the Company may redeem all or some of the 2015 Convertible Bonds at their accreted principal amount, in whole but not in part if the closing price of the shares of the Company for each of the 20 consecutive trading days ending not more than 20 days prior to the date upon which notice of such redemption is given, is at least 135 per cent of the 2015 Conversion Price on such trading day.

On 15 April 2013, the bondholders of the 2015 Convertible Bonds will have the right at such holders' option, to require the Company to redeem all or some of the 2015 Convertible Bonds (in whole but not in part) at 111.32 per cent of their unpaid principal amount as at 15 April 2013.

In the event that the Company's shares cease to be listed or admitted to trading on the Stock Exchange, each bondholder shall have the right, at such bondholder's option, to require the Company to redeem all or some of such holder's 2015 Convertible Bonds at their accreted principal amount.

During the year ended 31 March 2012, the Company repurchased 2015 Convertible Bonds in principle amount of HK\$64,500,000 at an aggregate amount of HK\$58,050,000. After completion of the above repurchase, the outstanding principal amount of the 2015 Convertible Bond is HK\$535,500,000. The Group recognised a gain on redemption of the 2015 Convertible Bonds of HK\$8,419,000 (after bank charges) during the year ended 31 March 2012.

The Group determined that the above 2012 and 2015 Conversion Price Reset will not result in settlement by the exchange of a fixed amount of cash for a fixed number of the Company's shares. In accordance with requirement of HKAS 32, the bond contracts are separated into two components: a compound derivative component consisting of the conversion option and the redemption option, and a liability component consisting of the straight debt element.

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#### 37. **CONVERTIBLE BONDS – GROUP AND COMPANY (Continued)**

The fair value of the derivative component of the 2015 Convertible Bonds was calculated using the Binominal Model with the major inputs used in the model as follows:

	2012	2011
Stock price Expected volatility Risk free rate	HK\$2.68 26.300% 0.336%	HK\$2.96 14.025% 1.529%

Any changes in the major inputs into the model will result in changes in the fair value of the derivative component. The change in the fair value of the derivative component during the year ended 31 March 2012 results in a fair value loss of HK\$16,127,000 (2011: gain of HK\$29,357,000) which has been included in the "Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments" in the income statement for the year ended 31 March 2012.

Interest expenses are calculated using the effective interest method by apply the effective interest rate 7.51% to 8.65% (2011: 8.65%) to the adjusted liability component.

#### 38. **DEFERRED GOVERNMENT GRANTS - GROUP**

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
At beginning of the year Additions during the year Amortisation during the year Exchange realignment	54,603 741 (2,844) 2,022	51,446 3,140 (2,449) 2,466
At end of the year	54,522	54,603

The Group's deferred government grants mainly related to the Group's acquisition of property, plant and equipment.

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#### 39. **DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES - GROUP**

Deferred tax liabilities are calculated in full on temporary differences under the liability method using a principal taxation rate of 25% (2011: 25%).

The movement on deferred tax liabilities during the year is as follows:

on assets recognised under	adjustments arising from other financial assets HK\$'000	Fair value adjustments arising from acquisition of subsidiaries HK\$'000	Revaluation of properties HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
1,941	8,369	25,119	160,708	196,137
_	(8,564)	-	23,671	15,107
92	195	1,195	8,218	9,700
2,033	-	26,314	192,597	220,944
-	_	(437)	10,136	9,699
75 		974	7,132	8,181
2,108		26,851	209,865	238,824
	on assets recognised under IFRIC)-Int 12 HK\$'000 1,941 - 92 2,033	on assets recognised under under IFRIC)-Int 12 assets HK\$'000 HK\$'000  1,941 8,369  - (8,564) 92 195  2,033 75	on assets recognised under IFRIC)-Int 12 HK\$'000         arising from financial acquisition of subsidiaries HK\$'000         assets HK\$'000         HK\$'000         HK\$'000         HK\$'000           1,941         8,369         25,119         -	recognised under lFRIC)-Int 12 HK\$'000         other financial acquisition of subsidiaries subsidiaries of properties HK\$'000         HK\$'0000         HK\$'000         HK\$'000         HK\$'000

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#### SHARE CAPITAL 40.

Notes	Number of shares '000	Par value HK\$'000
		, , , , , ,
	20,000,000	200,000
	1,327,672	13,277
(a)	58,200	582
	1 385 877	13,859
(h)		2,356
		(1,694)
(C)	(109,366)	(1,094)
	1,452,082	14,521
		Notes 7000  20,000,000  20,000,000  1,327,672 58,200  1,385,872 (b) 235,598 (c) (169,388)

### Notes:

- (a) During the year ended 31 March 2011, the subscription rights attaching to 50,000,000, 1,600,000 and 6,600,000 share options issued pursuant to the share option scheme of the Company were exercised at the subscription price of HK\$1.02, HK\$1.16 and HK\$1.45 per share respectively, resulting in the issue of 58,200,000 shares of HK\$0.01 each for a total cash consideration of approximately HK\$62,426,000 (before expenses) (note 41). The premium received was credited to the share premium account.
- (b) On 19 May 2011, the Company and ORIX Corporation ("ORIX") entered into a subscription agreement pursuant to which ORIX agreed to subscribe 235,598,277 new ordinary shares of the Company at the price of HK\$3.40 per share. On 30 May 2011, the subscription completed and raised total consideration of approximately HK\$801,034,000 (before expenses). The premium received was credited to the share premium account.
- (c) During the year ended 31 March 2012, the Company repurchased a total of 169,388,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each in the capital of the Company at an aggregate price of approximately HK\$417,788,000. The highest price paid and the lowest price paid was HK\$2.88 and HK\$1.80 respectively. All repurchased shares were cancelled and the issued share capital of the Company was reduced by the nominal value of these shares accordingly. The premium payable on repurchase was charged against the share premium account. An amount equivalent to the nominal value of the shares cancelled was transferred from retained earnings to the capital redemption reserve.

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### 41. SHARE OPTION SCHEME

On 6 September 2002, the share option scheme of the Company adopted on 22 September 1999 ceased to operate and a new share option scheme (the "Scheme") was adopted on the same date to comply with the new requirements of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules regarding share option scheme of a company.

The Company operates the Scheme for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. Eligible participants of the Scheme include the Company's directors, including independent non-executive directors, other employees of the Group, suppliers of goods or services to the Group, customers of the Group, and any non-controlling equity holders in the Company's subsidiaries. The Scheme became effective on 6 September 2002 and, unless otherwise cancelled or amended, will remain in force for 10 years from that date.

The maximum number of unexercised share options currently permitted to be granted under the Scheme is an amount equivalent, upon their exercise, to 10% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time. The maximum number of shares issuable under share options to each eligible participant in the Scheme within any 12-month period, is limited to 1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time. Any further grant of share options in excess of this limit is subject to shareholders' approval in advance in a general meeting.

Share options granted to a director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company, or to any of their associates, are subject to approval in advance by the independent non-executive directors. In addition, any share options granted to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or to any of their associates, in excess of 0.1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time and with an aggregate value (based on the price of the Company's shares at the date of the grant) in excess of HK\$5,000,000, within any 12-month period, are subject to shareholders' approval in advance in a general meeting.

The offer of a grant of share options may be accepted within 28 days from the date of the offer, upon payment of a nominal consideration of HK\$1 in total by the grantee. The exercise period of the share options granted is determinable by the directors, and commences after a certain vesting period and ends on a date which is not later than 10 years from the date of the offer of the share options. The method of settlement is by delivery of ordinary shares of the Company.

The exercise price of the share options is determinable by the directors, but may not be less than the higher of (i) the Stock Exchange closing price of the Company's shares on the date of the offer of the share options; (ii) the average Stock Exchange closing price of the Company's shares for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of the offer; and (iii) the nominal value of an ordinary share.

Share options do not confer rights on the holders to dividends or to vote at shareholders' meetings.

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#### 41. **SHARE OPTION SCHEME** (Continued)

Movement in share options during the year ended 31 March 2012 are as follows:

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Name of category of participant	At 1 April 2011	Lapsed during the year	At 31 March 2012	Date of grant of share options (note a)	Exercise period of share options	Exercise price of share options (HK\$) (note b)
Directors						
Mr. Li Ji Sheng	1,000,000	(1,000,000)		10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
Mr. Chen Guo Ru	500,000	(500,000)		10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
Mr. Zhao Hai Hu	1,000,000	(1,000,000)		10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi	500,000	(500,000)		10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
Mr. Wu Jiesi	500,000	(500,000)		10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
	3,500,000	(3,500,000)				
Other employees In aggregate	8,500,000	(8,500,000)		10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
<b>Suppliers/Advisors</b> In aggregate	2,000,000	(2,000,000)		10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
	14,000,000	(14,000,000)				

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### 41. SHARE OPTION SCHEME (Continued)

Movement in share options during the year ended 31 March 2011 are as follows:

### Number of share options

Name or category of participant	At 1 April 2010	Exercised during the year (Note 41)	Lapsed during the year	At 31 March 2011	Date of grant of share options (note a)	Exercise period of share options	Exercise price of share options (HK\$) (note b)
Directors							
Mr. Duan Chuan Liang	50,000,000	(50,000,000)			12 January 2009	Period 3	1.02
Mr. Li Ji Sheng	1,000,000			1,000,000	10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
Mr. Chen Guo Ru	500,000			500,000	10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
Mr. Zhao Hai Hu	1,000,000			1,000,000	10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
Mr. Zhou Wen Zhi	500,000			500,000	10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
Mr. Wu Jiesi	6,000,000 500,000	(6,000,000)	-	- 500,000	29 March 2006 10 December 2009	Period 1 Period 4	1.45 2.85
	6,500,000	(6,000,000)		500,000			
	59,500,000	(56,000,000)		3,500,000			
Other employees In aggregate	1,600,000 900,000 8,500,000 11,000,000	(1,600,000) (600,000) ————————————————————————————————	(300,000)	8,500,000 8,500,000	17 March 2006 29 March 2006 10 December 2009	Period 2 Period 1 Period 4	1.16 1.45 2.85
<b>Suppliers/Advisors</b> In aggregate	2,000,000	_		2,000,000	10 December 2009	Period 4	2.85
	72,500,000	(58,200,000)	(300,000)	14,000,000			

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#### 41. **SHARE OPTION SCHEME** (Continued)

Notes:

- Period 1 29 March 2006 to 28 March 2011 Period 2 17 March 2006 to 16 March 2011 Period 3 12 January 2009 to 11 January 2012 Period 4 10 December 2009 to 9 December 2011
- (a) The vesting date of the share options for Period 1 to 4 is the date of grant.
- The exercise price of the share options is subject to adjustment in the case of rights or bonus issues, or other (b) similar changes in the Company's share capital.
- No share option was exercised during the year. The weighted average share price for share options exercised (c) during the year ended 31 March 2011 at the date of exercise was HK\$2.85.
- (d) The weighted average exercise prices of share option is set out below:

	2012	2011
	HK\$	HK\$
At beginning of the year	2.85	1.42
Granted during the year	_	_
Exercised during the year	_	1.07
Lapsed during the year	2.85	1.45
At end of the year	_	2.85

<sup>(</sup>e) No share option was outstanding at 31 March 2012. The weighted average remaining contractual life of share options outstanding at 31 March 2011 was approximately 0.69 years.

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#### 42. **RESERVES**

#### (a) Group

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein for the current and prior year are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

The capital redemption reserve of the Group represents the nominal value of the share capital of the Company repurchased and cancelled.

The contributed surplus of the Group represents (i) the difference between the reduction in the issued share capital of HK\$0.0995 for every issued share at a nominal value of HK\$0.10 each of the Company and amount to be set-off against the accumulated losses of the Company pursuant to a capital restructuring on 25 July 2003; and (ii) the share premium reduction during the year ended 31 March 2010.

The share premium account mainly includes shares issued at a premium.

Other reserves represent (i) the difference between the consideration and the carrying amount of the net assets attributable to the additional and reduction of interests in subsidiaries being acquired from and disposed to non-controlling equity holders respectively; and (ii) share of the other reserve of associates.

The share options reserve comprises (i) the fair value of share options granted which are yet to be exercised. The amount will either be transferred to the share premium account when the related options are exercised, or be transferred to retained profits should the related options expire or be forfeited; and (ii) share the share options reserve of associates.

In accordance with relevant PRC regulations, certain subsidiaries of the Company are required to appropriate not less than 10% of their profits after tax to the respective statutory reserves, until the respective balances of the fund reach 50% of the respective registered capitals. Subject to certain restrictions as set out in the relevant PRC regulations, these statutory reserves may be used to offset against their respective accumulated losses, if any.

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### **42. RESERVES** (Continued)

(b) Company

	Share premium HK\$'000	Contributed surplus HK\$'000	Capital redemption reserve HK\$'000	Share option reserve HK\$'000	Available- for-sale financial assets revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve HK\$'000	losses)/ Retained earnings HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
Balance at 1 April 2010	1,405	1,315,149	341	23,009	82,709	(618)	(28,831)	1,393,164
Share options exercised (note 41)	78,682	-	-	(16,838)		-	-	61,844
Share options lapsed	-	- (2.45)	-	(141)	-	-	141	- (2.17)
Final dividend 2010 (note 13)	-	(645)		-	-	-	-	(645)
Interim dividend 2011 (note 13)		(27,289)						(27,289)
Transactions with owners	78,682	(27,934)	-	(16,979)	-	-	141	33,910
Proposed final dividend 2011 (note 13)	-	(41,576)	-	-	-	-	-	(41,576)
Profit for the year Other comprehensive income – Change in fair value of available-for-sale	-	-	-	-	-	-	32,230	32,230
financial assets	-	-	-	_	(41,748)	_	_	(41,748)
– Currency translation						(569)		(569)
Total comprehensive income for the year					(41,748)	(569)	32,230	(10,087)
Balance at 31 March 2011 and 1 April 2011	80,087	1,245,639	341	6,030	40,961	(1,187)	3,540	1,375,411
Subscription of new shares (note 40)	798,678	_	_	_	_	_	_	798,678
Share issuance expenses	(22,226)	_	_	_	_	_	_	(22,226)
Share repurchase (note 40)	(416,094)		-	-	-	_	-	(416,094)
Share repurchase expenses	(1,744)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,744)
Share options lapsed	-	-	-	(6,030)	-	-	6,030	-
Final dividend 2011 (note 13)	-	(4,464)		-	-	-	-	(4,464)
Interim dividend 2012 (note 13)		(29,608)						(29,608)
Transactions with owners	358,614	(34,072)	-	(6,030)	-	-	6,030	324,542
Proposed final dividend 2012 (note 13)	-	(43,562)	-	-	-	-	-	(43,562)
Transfer to capital redemption reserve	-	-	1,694	-	-	-	(1,694)	-
Profit for the year	_	_	_	_	_	_	19,557	19,557
Other comprehensive income  — Change in fair value of available-for-sale							.5,557	15/557
financial assets	-	-	-	_	1,136	_	-	1,136
– Currency translation						(489)		(489)
Total comprehensive income for the year					1,136	(489)	19,557	20,204
Balance at 31 March 2012	438,701	1,168,005						

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#### 42. **RESERVES** (Continued)

#### (b) Company (Continued)

The share premium account mainly included shares issued at a premium.

The capital redemption reserve of the Company represents the nominal value of the share capital of the Company repurchased and cancelled.

The share options reserve comprises the fair value of share options granted which are yet to be exercised. The amount will either be transferred to the share premium account when the related options are exercised, or be transferred to retained profits should the related options expire or be forfeited.

The contributed surplus represented (i) reduction in issued share capital pursuant to a capital restructuring on 25 July 2003; and (ii) the share premium reduction during the year ended 31 March 2010. Under the Companies Law of Bermuda, the contributed surplus of the Company is available for distribution. However, the Company cannot declare of pay a dividend, or make a distribution out of contributed surplus if: (a) it is, or would after the payment be, unable to pay its liabilities as they become due; or (b) the realisable value of its assets would thereby be less than the aggregate of its liabilities and its issued share capital and share premium accounts.

#### 43. **BUSINESS COMBINATIONS**

(a) On 22 July 2011, the Group acquired 70% equity interest in Jian Water and its subsidiaries (together the "Jian Group") at a consideration of RMB120,880,000 (approximately HK\$145,498,000). Jian Group is principally engaged in businesses of water supply and construction of water supply infrastructure. The acquisition was made as part of the Group's strategy to expand its market share of water supply business in the PRC. The Group has elected to measure the non-controlling interest in Jian Group at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of Jian Group's identifiable net assets.

Details of the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	HK\$'000
Purchase consideration	133,594
Deposit paid (note 24 (i)(d))	11,904
Total purchase consideration	145,498
Fair value of net assets acquired	(152,673)
Excess over the cost of business combination recognised	
in profit or loss	(7,175)

The excess over the cost of business combination recognised in profit or loss was attributable to the bargain purchase with the seller and the seller was willing to accept less than business fair value as consideration.

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#### **BUSINESS COMBINATIONS** (Continued) 43.

(a) (Continued)

The assets and liabilities arising from the acquisition are as follows:

<b>Fair value</b> HK\$′000	Carrying amount HK\$'000
225 153	225,153
	39,904
, and the second	11,716
	3,701
9,560	9,560
26,405	26,405
(1,960)	(1,960)
(26,425)	(26,425)
(71,055)	(71,055)
(65,432)	(65,100)
152,673	151,899
	26,405
	(133,594)
	(107,189)
	HK\$'000  225,153 41,010 11,716 3,701 9,560 26,405 (1,960) (26,425) (71,055) (65,432)

None of the receivables have been impaired and it is expected the full contractual amounts can be collected.

Since its acquisition, Jian Group contributed revenue of HK\$63,787,000 and net profit of HK\$23,027,000 to the Group for the period from 22 July 2011 to 31 March 2012.

Had the combination taken place on 1 April 2011, the revenue and the net profit of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2012 would have been HK\$1,928,341,000 and HK\$546,560,000 respectively. These pro forma information are illustrative purposes only and are not necessarily an indication of revenue and result of operations of the Group that actually would have been achieved had the acquisition been completed on 1 April 2011, nor are they intended to be a projection of future results.

The acquisition-related costs have been expensed and are included in administrative expenses.

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#### 43. **BUSINESS COMBINATIONS** (Continued)

On 22 July 2011, the Group entered into an agreement with 萍鄉市供水公司("Pingxiang Water (b) Company"), that the Group and Pingxiang Water Company shall establish a new company, Pingxiang Water, to run a water supply business. The Group shall contribute 51% registered capital of Pingxiang Water by way of cash (RMB136,170,000) and Pingxiang Water Company shall contribute the remaining 49% interest of Pingxiang Water by way of assets and the water supply business in Pingxiang Water Company and its subsidiaries. The above transaction was completed on 1 December 2011.

The transaction was made as part of the Group's strategy to expand its market share of water supply business in the PRC. The Group has elected to measure the non-controlling interest in Pingxiang Water at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of Pingxiang Water's identifiable net assets.

The transaction was treated by the management as business combination without the transfer of consideration because the cash contribution from the Group to Pingxiang Water remained under the Group's control, and no goodwill was resulted.

The assets and liabilities arising from the business combination are as follows:

		Carrying
	Fair value	amount
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Property, plant and equipment	223,659	223,659
Prepaid land lease payments	61,015	61,015
Inventories	13,365	13,365
Trade receivables	1,718	1,718
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	11,687	11,687
Bank and cash balances	18,194	18,194
Trade and bills payables	(1,512)	(1,512)
Accrued liabilities, deposits received and other payables	(97,333)	(97,333)
Borrowings	(71,102)	(71,102)
Non-controlling interests	(159,691)	(159,691)
Net assets attributed to the Group acquired		
Bank and cash balances acquired and net inflow		18,194

None of the receivables have been impaired and it is expected the full contractual amounts can be collected.

Since its acquisition, Pingxiang Water contributed revenue of HK\$18,625,000 and net loss of HK\$332,000 to the Group for the period from 1 December 2011 to 31 March 2012.

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#### 43. **BUSINESS COMBINATIONS** (Continued)

(b) (Continued)

> Had the combination taken place on 1 April 2011, the revenue and the net profit of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2012 would have been HK\$1,952,819,000 and HK\$531,473,000 respectively. These pro forma information are illustrative purposes only and are not necessarily an indication of revenue and result of operations of the Group that actually would have been achieved had the acquisition been completed on 1 April 2011, nor are they intended to be a projection of future results.

The acquisition-related costs have been expensed and are included in administrative expenses.

(c) On 6 April 2011, the Group acquired 60% equity interest in Ningxiang Shunfa at a consideration of RMB6,900,000 (approximately HK\$8,214,000). Ningxiang Shunfa is principally engaged in manufacture and sale of concrete products. The acquisition was made as part of the Group's strategy to expand its market share of concrete products business in the PRC. The Group has elected to measure the non-controlling interest in at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of Ningxiang Shunfa's identifiable net assets.

Details of the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	HK\$'000
Purchase consideration	4,047
Deposit paid (note 24(i)(b))	4,167
Total purchase consideration	8,214
Fair value of net assets acquired	(5,370)
Goodwill	2,844

The goodwill of HK\$2,844,000 which is not deductible for tax purposes, comprises the acquired workforce and the value of expected synergies arising from the combination of acquired business with the existing operations of the Group.

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#### 43. **BUSINESS COMBINATIONS** (Continued)

#### (c) (Continued)

The assets and liabilities arising from the acquisition are as follows:

<b>Fair value</b> HK\$'000	amount HK\$'000
438	438
4,008	4,008
1,258	1,258
(2,476)	(2,476)
(2,584)	(2,584)
(124)	(124)
(3,580)	(3,580)
5,370	5,370
	1,258
	(4,047)
	(2,789)
	8,430 438 4,008 1,258 (2,476) (2,584) (124) (3,580)

None of the receivables have been impaired and it is expected the full contractual amounts can be collected.

Since its acquisition, Ningxiang Shunfa contributed revenue of HK\$65,214,000 and net profit of HK\$1,884,000 to the Group for the period from 6 April 2011 to 31 March 2012.

Had the combination taken place on 1 April 2011, the revenue and the net profit of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2012 would have been HK\$1,896,944,000 and HK\$532,469,000 respectively. These pro forma information are illustrative purposes only and are not necessarily an indication of revenue and result of operations of the Group that actually would have been achieved had the acquisition been completed on 1 April 2011, nor are they intended to be a projection of future results.

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#### 43. **BUSINESS COMBINATIONS** (Continued)

On 12 May 2010, the Group acquired 90% equity interest in Yongchuan Jiahe at a consideration of RMB9,000,000 (approximately HK\$10,227,000). Yongchuan Jiahe is principally engaged in water supply. The acquisition was made as part of the Group's strategy to expand its market share of water supply business in the PRC. The Group has elected to measure the non-controlling interest in Yongchuan Jiahe at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of Yongchuan Jiahe's identifiable net assets.

Details of the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	HK\$'000
Purchase consideration	_
Deposit paid	10,227
Total purchase consideration	10,227
Fair value of net assets acquired	(5,492)
Goodwill	4,735

The goodwill of HK\$4,735,000, which is not deductible for tax purposes, comprises the acquired workforce and the value of expected synergies arising from the combination of acquired business with the existing operations of the Group.

The assets and liabilities arising from the acquisition are as follows:

Carry	
Fair value	amount
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
5,542	5,542
9	9
497	497
1,520	1,520
2,188	2,188
(9)	(9)
(3,645)	(3,645)
(610)	(610)
5,492	5,492
	2,188
	5,542 9 497 1,520 2,188 (9) (3,645) (610)

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#### 43. **BUSINESS COMBINATIONS** (Continued)

(e) On 29 October 2010, the Group acquired 55% assets and the water supply business in 宜豐縣自來水 公司("Yifeng Water Supply") at a consideration of RMB20,287,000 (approximately HK\$23,980,000). The Group also entered into an agreement with 宜豐縣國有資產管理局("Yifeng SAAA"), the equity holder of Yifeng Water Supply, that the Group and Yifeng SAAA shall establish a new company, Yifeng Water, to run the relevant business. The Group shall contribute 55% registered capital of Yifeng Water by of way the relevant assets acquired and Yifeng SAAA shall contribute the remaining 45% interest of Yifeng Water by way of 45% assets and the water supply business in Yifeng Water Supply. The above transactions are completed on 1 December 2010.

The acquisition was made as part of the Group's strategy to expand its market share of water supply business in the PRC. The Group has elected to measure the non-controlling interest in Yifeng Water at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of Yifeng Water's identifiable net assets.

Details of the net assets acquired and goodwill are as follows:

	HK\$'000
Total purchase consideration	23,980
Fair value of net assets acquired	(23,980)
Goodwill	

The assets and liabilities arising from the acquisition are as follows:

	Fair value	Carrying amount
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Droposty, plant and aguinment	22.044	27 501
Property, plant and equipment	32,844	27,591
Prepaid land lease payments	3,260	3,260
Inventories	659	646
Trade receivables	6	6
Prepayments, deposit and other receivables	4,947	4,947
Bank and cash balances	1,883	1,883
Non-controlling interests	(19,619)	(17,250)
Net assets attributed to the Group acquired	23,980	21,083
Bank and cash balances acquired		1,883
Cash consideration		(23,980)
Net outflow	:	(22,097)

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#### 44. DEEMED/PARTIAL DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES

- (a) Upon the capital injection in Chongging Qiaoli Pipeline by the non-controlling equity holders, the Group's effective interest in Chongging Qiaoli Pipeline was diluted from 100% to 80.44% on 24 November 2011. During the year ended 31 March 2012 as a result of such dilution, a deemed disposal loss of HK\$7,084,000 was charged to other reserves.
- (b) Upon the capital injection in Xinyu Property Development by the non-controlling equity holders, the Group's effective interest in Xinyu Property Development and its subsidiaries was diluted from 54.43% to 53.26% on 31 October 2011. During the year ended 31 March 2012 as a result of such dilution, a deemed disposal loss of HK\$11,811,000 was charged to other reserves.
- (c) Upon the transfer of the 48% equity interests in Jianghe Xuanlong to the non-controlling equity holders, the Group's effective interest in Jianghe Xuanlong was diluted from 100% to 52% on 20 December 2010. During the year ended 31 March 2011 as a result of such dilution, a partial disposal gain of HK\$56,000 was credited to other reserves.
- (d) Upon the capital injection in Xinyu Property Development by the non-controlling equity holders, the Group's effective interest in Xinyu Property Development and its subsidiaries was diluted from 58% to 54.43% on 15 November 2010. During the year ended 31 March 2011 as a result of such dilution, a deemed disposal loss of HK\$7,255,000 was charged to other reserves.
- (e) Upon the capital injection in 新余市銀龍機電科技有限公司("Xinyu Engineering") by the noncontrolling equity holders, the Group's effective interest in Xinyu Engineering and its subsidiary was diluted from 31.2% to 8.3% on 15 March 2011. During the year ended 31 March 2011 as a result of such dilution and loss control of the board, a deemed disposal gain of HK\$133,000 was credited to profit or loss and the equity interests of Xinyu Engineering became available-for-sale financial assets. In the opinion of the directors, the Group has the power to cast the majority of votes of meetings of the board of directors in respect of the financial and operating policies of Xinyu Engineering before 15 March 2011.

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### ASSETS AND LIABILITIES CLASSIFIED AS HELD FOR SALE

On 20 March 2012, the Company and Shanghai Beichen entered into agreement with 江門市新會 (a) 區國有資產管理辦公室 to sell 50% equity interest in Xinhui Water and its subsidiaries (collectively "Xinhui Group") at the consideration of RMB114.5 million. Further details of which are disclosed in the Company's announcement dated 20 March 2012.

During the year ended 31 March 2012, the disposal of 50% equity interest in Xinhui Group was not completed and the relevant assets and liabilities attributable to disposals were presented as "assets and liabilities classified as held for sale" as at 31 March 2012. The major classes of assets and liabilities of Xinhui Group classified as held for sale as at 31 March 2012 are as follows:

	2012
	HK\$'000
Assets	
Property, plant and equipment	188,876
Prepaid land lease payments	42,046
Goodwill	828
Investment properties	13,333
Inventories	14,380
Trade receivable	15,594
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	113,527
Pledged deposits	12,651
Cash and cash equivalents	6,036
Assets classified as held for sale	407,271
Liabilities	
Trade payables	27,462
Accrued liabilities, deposits received and other payables	48,707
Borrowings	39,136
Provision for tax	2,005
Liabilities classified as held for sale	117,310

On 20 May 2010, the Company entered into conditional agreement with China Water Group (HK) (b) Limited, a direct wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and AES China Hydropower Investment Co. Pre. Ltd ("AES") (i) to sell the entire issued share capital in China Hydropower Development Limited ("China Hydropower"), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company which held 35% equity interest in 江河農村電氣化發展有限公司("Jianghe Longchuan"), and the shareholder's loan due from China Hydropower to the Company in the sum of approximately HK\$197.94 million to AES at the consideration of RMB238 million in cash, and (ii) to procure Henan Water, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, to sell 15% of the equity interest in Jianghe Longchuan at the consideration of RMB102 million. Further details of which are disclosed in the Company's announcement dated 23 May 2010.

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### ASSETS AND LIABILITIES CLASSIFIED AS HELD FOR SALE (Continued)

#### (b) Continued

During the year ended 31 March 2011, the disposal of 35% equity interest in Jianghe Longchuan was completed and the Group recognised a gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale of HK\$73,997,000. As at 31 March 2011, the assets classified as held for sale represented the carrying amount of HK\$ 84,158,000 of 15% equity interest in Jianghe Longchuan.

During the year ended 31 March 2012, the disposal of the remaining 15% equity interest in Jianghe Longchuan was completed and the Group recognised a gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale of HK\$32,148,000.

(c) On 30 June 2010, the Company entered into an agreement with Jiangvin Chang Jiang Steel Pipes Company Limited to sell 13.228% equity interest in 中國水務投資有限公司 ("Water Affairs Investment"), at the consideration of RMB236.4 million in cash. During the year ended 31 March 2011, the disposal of 13.228% equity interest in Water Affairs Investment was completed. The disposal of the remaining 3.857% equity interest in Water Affairs Investment at a consideration of HK\$41,255,000 was also completed in June 2010. The Group recognised a gain in disposal of assets classified as held for sale of HK\$127,192,000 during the year ended 31 March 2011.

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENTS 46.

#### Disposal of subsidiaries (a)

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Net assets disposed of:		
Goodwill	_	155
Property, plant and equipment	_	309
Bank and cash balances	_	833
Trade receivables	_	586
Inventories	_	7,256
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	-	9,657
Trade and bills payables	_	(2,957)
Provision for tax	_	(736)
Accrued liabilities and other payables	_	(6,339)
Non-controlling interests		(5,722)
	-	3,042
Release of exchange fluctuation reserve upon disposal	_	(458)
Release of statutory reserves upon disposal	_	(583)
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries		391
Total consideration		2,392
Satisfied by: Reclassify to available-for-sales financial assets		2,392
Total consideration		2,392

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#### 46. NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENTS (Continued)

(a) **Disposal of subsidiaries** (Continued)

> An analysis of the net outflow of cash and cash equivalents in respect of the disposal of subsidiaries is as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Cash consideration Bank and cash balances disposed of	-	(833)
Net outflow		(833)

No subsidiary was disposed of during the year ended 31 March 2012. The disposed subsidiaries during the year ended 31 March 2011 contributed revenue of HK\$8,518,000 and net profit of HK\$1,423,000 respectively to the Group for the period from 1 April 2010 to 15 March 2011 (being effective date of disposal).

#### (b) Major non-cash transactions

In addition to those disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the Group had the following major non-cash transactions:

- During the year ended 31 March 2012, the amount due from a non-controlling equity holder (i) of a subsidiary of the Group were settled by assigning the Group's other borrowings of HK\$66,667,000 and other payables of HK\$64,563,000 to it.
- (ii) During the year ended 31 March 2011, registered capitals of certain subsidiaries of the Group in the PRC were paid up by transfer of the property, plant and equipment of HK\$14,780,000, prepaid land lease payments of HK\$1,467,000 and certain current assets of HK\$3,372,000.
- During the year ended 31 March 2011, trade receivables of HK\$267,857,000 were settled by (iii) transfer the loan balance of RMB225 million (equivalent to HK\$267,857,000) to 仙女湖區城市 建設投資開發有限公司.

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#### **COMMITMENTS** 47.

At 31 March 2012, the Group/Company had the following outstanding commitments:

#### **Capital commitments** (i)

At the reporting date, the Group had the following capital commitments:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Contracted, but not provided for		
<ul> <li>Investment properties under construction</li> </ul>	122,569	-
– Construction in progress	28,916	31,677
– Plant and machinery	13,405	1,942
– Water pipelines	104,215	78,909
	269,105	112,528

#### (ii) **Operating lease arrangement**

As lessee

The Group leases certain of its leasehold land, office premises, properties, water pipelines, plant and machinery under operating lease arrangements for terms ranging from one to ten years. Certain leases contain an option to renew the lease and renegotiated the terms at the expiry dates or at dates mutually agreed between the Group and the landlords. None of the leases include contingent rentals.

At the reporting date, the Group had total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Within one year In the second to fifth years, inclusive After five years	19,443 68,503 217,976	14,512 36,441 69,802
	305,922	120,755

The Company does not have any significant minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases.

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#### 47. **COMMITMENTS** (Continued)

Operating lease arrangement (Continued)

### As lessor

The Group leases its investment properties under operating lease arrangements for terms ranging from one to five years. Certain leases contain an option to renew the lease and renegotiated the terms at the expiry dates or at dates mutually agreed between the Group and the lessees. None of the leases include contingent rentals.

At the reporting date, the Group had total future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Within one year In the second to fifth years, inclusive After five years	3,640 2,920 271	839 304 —
	6,831	1,143

The Company does not have any significant minimum lease receipts under non-cancellable operating leases.

- (iii) At 31 March 2012, the Company had commitment to make direct capital injections to its equity ventures operating in the PRC of approximately HK\$23,242,000 (2011: HK\$16,158,000).
- (iv) At 31 March 2012, the Company had commitment to make direct capital injections to its associates operating in the PRC of approximately HK\$8,262,000 (2011: HK\$Nil).
- (v) At 31 March 2011, the Group had commitment, which is contracted but not provided for to make acquisition of equity securities of approximately HK\$337,058,000. The relevant deposits of approximately HK\$166,309,000 were paid at 31 March 2011 (note 24(i)).

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#### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Group does not have written risk management policies and guidelines. However, the board of directors meets periodically to analyse and formulate measures to manage the Group's exposure to market risk (including principally changes in interest rates, currency exchange rates and other prices), credit risk and liquidity risk. Generally, the Group employs a conservative strategy regarding its risk management. The Group has not used any derivatives or other instruments for hedging purposes. It is not the Group's policy to actively engage in the trading of financial instruments for speculative purpose.

#### (a) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument would fail to discharge its obligation under the terms of the financial instrument and cause a financial loss to the Group. The Group's exposure to credit risk mainly arises from granting credit to customers in the ordinary course of its operations and from its investing activities.

The Group's bank balances are deposited with Hong Kong and the PRC banks.

There is no requirement for collateral or other credit enhancement by the Group and the Company.

The Group's policy is to deal only with credit worthy counterparties. Credit terms are granted to new customers/counterparties after a credit worthiness assessment by the credit control department. When considered appropriate, customers may be requested to provide proof as to their financial position. Customers who are not considered creditworthy are required to pay in advance or on delivery of goods. Payment record of customers is closely monitored. Overdue balances and significant trade and other receivables are highlighted. The finance director will determine the appropriate recovery actions.

#### (b) Foreign currency risk

Currency risk refers to the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

The Group's exposure to currency exchange rate is minimal as majority of the subsidiaries of the Group operates in the PRC with most of the transaction denominated and settled in RMB. Accordingly, the Group does not use derivative financial instruments to hedge its foreign currency risk.

Further, the Group has cash and cash equivalents denominated in US\$. Since HK\$ are pegged to US\$, there is no significant exposure expected on US\$ transactions and balances arising in Hong Kong.

The Company does not have significant exposures to foreign currencies at the reporting date.

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#### FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued) 48.

#### (c) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk relates to the risk that the fair value or cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk mainly arises on unlisted debt securities investment (note 21), bank deposits (note 31) and borrowings which bore floating interests (note 34). The Group has not used any derivative contracts to hedge its exposure to interest rate risk. The Group has not formulated a policy to manage the interest rate risk.

The policies to manage interest rate risk have been followed by the Group since prior year are considered to be effective.

### Sensitivity analysis

If the interest rates had been increased by 100 basis points at the beginning of the year and all other variables were held constant, the Group's profit after income tax and retained earnings would decrease by approximately HK\$8,604,000 (2011: HK\$4,275,000) and the Company's profit after income tax and retained earnings would increase by approximately HK\$2,375,000 (2011: HK\$3,530,000). The assumed changes have no impact on the Group's and the Company's other components of equity.

The same % decrease in the interest rate would have the same magnitude on the Group's and Company's profit after income tax and retained earnings as shown above but of opposite effect, on the basis that all variables remain constant.

The assumed changes in interest rates are considered to be reasonably possible based on observation of current market conditions and represents management's assessment of a reasonably possible change in interest rate over the next twelve month period.

The sensitivity analysis included in the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2011 has been prepared on the same basis.

#### (d) Price risk

Price risk relates to the risk that the fair values or futures cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than changes in interest rates and foreign exchange rates).

The financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, the available-for-sale financial assets and derivative financial instruments expose the Group and the Company to price risk.

The Group's investments in listed equity securities are primarily listed on the stock exchanges of Hong Kong and the PRC. The underlying shares of the derivative financial instruments are listed on the Stock Exchange.

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#### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

#### (d) Price risk (Continued)

Sensitivity analysis

At 31 March 2012, it is estimated that a general increase of 10% of the price of the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and the value of derivative financial instruments, with all other variables held constant, would increase the Group's profit after income tax and retained earnings by approximately HK\$7,267,000 (2011: HK\$2,547,000) and no change of other component of equity.

At 31 March 2012, it is estimated that a general increase of 10% of the price of the available-forsale financial assets at fair value and financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and the value of derivative financial instruments, with all other variables held constant, would decrease the Company's profit after income tax and retained earnings by approximately HK\$3,796,000 (2011: approximately HK\$2,560,000) and increase of other component of equity by HK\$24,041,000 (2011: HK\$8,428,000).

A decrease of 10% in the price of the above financial assets and financial liabilities would have had equal but opposite effect to the amounts shown above, on the basis that all other variables remain constant.

The assumed changes in market prices represent management's assessment of a reasonably possible change in market prices over the next twelve month period.

The sensitivity analysis included in the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2011 has been prepared on the same basis.

#### (e) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk relates to the risk that the Group will not be able to meet its obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset.

The Group monitors and maintains a level of cash and cash equivalents deemed adequate by the management to finance the Group's operations and mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows. The Group relies on internally generated funding, borrowings and convertible bonds as significant sources of liquidity. The Group is exposed to liquidity risk arising from certain redemption rights of the convertible bonds (note 37).

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#### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

#### (e) **Liquidity risk** (Continued)

The maturity profile of the Group's and Company's financial liabilities as at the reporting dates, based on the contracted undiscounted payments, was as follows:

### Group

	Over	Three to	Less than		
Takal	Over	twelve	three	0	
Total	one year	months	months	On demand	
HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
					At 31 March 2012
482,109	8,030	20,923	63,700	389,456	Trade and bills payables
625,756	6,893	-	3,302	615,561	Other payables
27,148	_	90	27,020	38	Accrued liabilities
5,581	_	-	_	5,581	Due to an associate
2,834,003	2,154,978	379,480	251,778	47,767	Borrowings
					Due to non-controlling equity holders
204,031	33,444	_	_	170,587	of subsidiaries
689,778	676,390	6,694	6,694		Convertible bonds
4,868,406	2,879,735	407,187	352,494	1,228,990	
					At 31 March 2011
346,707	5,936	5,062	52,057	283,652	Trade and bills payables
501,899	, _	254	4,725	496,920	Other payables
29,357	_	10	29,347	, _	Accrued liabilities
2,098,684	1,454,668	521,587	29,131	93,298	Borrowings
					Due to non-controlling equity holders
106,268	37,371	-	_	68,897	of subsidiaries
787,860	772,860	7,500	7,500		Convertible bonds
3,870,775	2,270,835	534,413	122,760	942,767	

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#### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

**Liquidity risk** (Continued)

Company

	Less than	Three to	Over	
On demand				Total
HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
22,676	18	-	_	22,694
-	8,360	-	_	8,360
-	_	_	361,154	361,154
228,050	_	-	_	228,050
	6,694	6,694	676,390	689,778
250,726	15,072	6,694	1,037,544	1,310,036
16,245	1,594	-	_	17,839
_	6,132	_	_	6,132
303,915	_	_	_	303,915
	7,500	7,500	772,860	787,860
320,160	15,226	7,500	772,860	1,115,746
	22,676 228,050 250,726 303,915	three months HK\$'000  22,676 18 - 8,360 228,050 - 6,694  250,726 15,072  16,245 1,594 - 6,132 303,915 - 7,500	On demand HK\$'000       three months HK\$'000       twelve months HK\$'000         22,676       18       -         -       8,360       -         -       -       -         228,050       -       -         -       6,694       6,694         250,726       15,072       6,694         16,245       1,594       -         -       6,132       -         303,915       -       -         -       7,500       7,500	On demand HK\$'000         three months HK\$'000         twelve months HK\$'000         Over one year HK\$'000           22,676         18         -         -           -         8,360         -         -           -         -         -         361,154           228,050         -         -         -           -         6,694         6,694         676,390           250,726         15,072         6,694         1,037,544           -         -         6,132         -         -           -         6,132         -         -         -           -         7,500         7,500         772,860

#### Fair value measurements recognised in the statement of financial position (f)

The following table presents financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value in the statement of financial position in accordance with the fair value hierarchy. The hierarchy groups financial assets and liabilities into three levels based on the relative reliability of significant inputs used in measuring the fair value of these financial assets and liabilities. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets and liabilities;
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

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#### FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued) 48.

(f) Fair value measurements recognised in the statement of financial position (Continued) The level in fair value hierarchy within which the financial asset or liability is categorised in its entirety is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

At 31 March 2012, the financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value in the statement of financial position are grouped into the fair value hierarchy as follows:

	Level 1 HK\$'000	Level 2 HK\$'000	Level 3 HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Group				
Assets				
Available-for-sale financial assets Financial assets at fair value through	_	59,861	_	59,861
profit or loss	1,617	-	-	1,617
Derivative financial instruments		109,012		109,012
	1,617	168,873		170,490
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments		(37,960)		(37,960)
Net fair values	1,617	130,913		132,530
Company				
Assets Available-for-sale financial assets	240,411			240,411
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments		(37,960)		(37,960)
Net fair values	240,411	(37,960)		202,451

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#### FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued) 48.

Fair value measurements recognised in the statement of financial position (Continued)

At 31 March 2011, the financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value in the statement of financial position are grouped into the fair value hierarchy as follows:

	<b>Level 1</b> HK\$'000	<b>Level 2</b> HK\$'000	<b>Level 3</b> HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Group				
Assets				
Available-for-sale financial assets Financial assets at fair value through	_	63,475	-	63,475
profit or loss	4,062	_	_	4,062
Derivative financial instruments		47,390		47,390
	4,062	110,865		114,927
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments		(25,982)		(25,982)
Net fair values	4,062	84,883		88,945
Company				
Assets				
Available-for-sale financial assets Financial assets at fair value through	84,285	-	_	84,285
profit or loss	380			380
	84,665			84,665
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments		(25,982)		(25,982)
Net fair values	84,665	(25,982)	_	58,683

There have been no significant transfers between the levels in the reporting period.

The methods and valuation techniques used for the purpose of measuring fair value are unchanged compared to the previous reporting periods.

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#### 48. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

Categories of financial assets and liabilities (q)

> The carrying amounts presented in the statements of financial position relate to the following categories of financial assets and financial liabilities:

### Financial assets

	Gro	oup	Com	pany
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Loan and receivables  – Trade receivables	204 044	250 147		
<ul><li>– Trade receivables</li><li>– Amounts due from grantors for</li></ul>	381,011	359,147	_	_
contract work	106,546	103,910	_	_
<ul> <li>Loan and other receivables</li> </ul>	540,101	399,710	7,431	5,400
– Due from subsidiaries	-	, _	1,022,407	874,804
– Due from associates	108,679	_	_	_
<ul> <li>Due from non-controlling equity</li> </ul>				
holders of subsidiaries	169,318	198,102		
Deals and sade balances	1,305,655	1,060,869	1,029,838	880,204
<ul> <li>Bank and cash balances (including pledged deposits)</li> </ul>	1,104,675	874,508	409,358	353,089
(including pleaged deposits)	1,104,073		409,336	
	2,410,330	1,935,377	1,439,196	1,233,293
At fair value				
<ul> <li>Available-for-sale financial assets</li> </ul>	59,861	63,475	240,411	84,285
<ul> <li>Financial assets at fair value</li> </ul>				
through profit or loss				
(held for trading)	1,617	4,062	_	380
<ul> <li>Derivative financial instruments (held for trading)</li> </ul>	100.012	47 200		
(field for tradifig)	109,012	47,390		
	170,490	114,927	240,411	84,665
At cost				
<ul> <li>Available-for-sale financial assets</li> </ul>	60,516	59,715	40,032	40,032
	2,641,336	2,110,019	1,719,639	1,357,990

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#### FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued) 48.

Categories of financial assets and liabilities (Continued)

### **Financial liabilities**

	Gro	oup	Company	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At amortised cost				
– Trade and bills payables	482,109	346,707	_	_
– Other payables	625,756	501,899	22,694	17,839
<ul> <li>Accrued liabilities</li> </ul>	27,148	29,357	8,360	6,132
– Borrowings	2,429,047	1,834,531	322,444	_
<ul> <li>Due to subsidiaries</li> </ul>	_	_	228,050	303,915
– Due to an associate	5,581	_	_	_
<ul> <li>Due to non-controlling equity</li> </ul>				
holders of subsidiaries	204,031	106,268	_	-
<ul> <li>Convertible bonds</li> </ul>	536,015	569,141	536,015	569,141
	4,309,687	3,387,903	1,117,563	897,027
At fair value				
<ul> <li>Derivative financial instruments</li> </ul>				
(held for trading)	37,960	25,982	37,960	25,982
	4,347,647	3,413,885	1,155,523	923,009

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### 49. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Group's capital management objectives include:

- (i) to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it continues to provide returns for owners and benefits for other stakeholders;
- (ii) to support the Group's stability and growth; and
- (iii) to provide capital for the purpose of strengthening the Group's risk management capability.

The Group actively and regularly reviews and manages its capital structure to ensure optimal capital structure and owners' returns, taking into consideration the future capital requirements of the Group and capital efficiency, prevailing and projected profitability, projected operating cash flows, projected capital expenditures and projected strategic investment opportunities. The Group currently does not adopt any formal dividend policy.

No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes during the current and previous years. The Group sets the amount of equity capital in proportion to its overall financing structure. The Group manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in the light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividends paid to owners, return capital to owners, issue new shares or raise new debts, or sell assets to reduce debt.

The capital-to-overall financing ratio at the reporting date was as follows:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Capital Total equity	5,041,441	4,333,329
Overall financing Borrowings Convertible bonds Derivative financial instruments Due to an associate Due to non-controlling equity holders of subsidiaries	2,389,911 536,015 37,960 5,581 204,031	1,834,531 569,141 25,982 – 106,268
Capital-to-overall financing ratio	3,173,498 ————————————————————————————————————	2,535,922 ———————————————————————————————————

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#### 50. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to the transactions and balances disclosed elsewhere in these financial statements, the Group had the following material related party transactions:

(a) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group:

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Total remuneration of directors and other members of key management during the year		
<ul><li>Short term employee benefits</li><li>Retirement scheme contribution</li></ul>	27,911 79	42,207 36
	27,990	42,243

- (b) During the year ended 31 March 2011, the Group entered into a sale and purchase agreement with 北京義利食品公司, a non-controlling equity holder of a subsidiary of the Group, to acquire the remaining 33% of equity interest in Beijing Water at consideration of RMB260,000,000 (approximately HK\$311,443,000). A deposit of RMB126,200,000 (approximately HK\$150,238,000) paid by the Group as at 31 March 2011 in relation to the acquisition was included in "deposits for acquisition of equity securities" in note 24(i)(a). The transaction was completed on 11 May 2011. The difference between the consideration and the carrying amount of the net assets attributable to the additional interests in subsidiary being acquired from the non-controlling equity holder has been dealt with in the other reserves.
- (c) During the year ended 31 March 2012, the Group acquired additional 8.28% equity interest in Xinyu Property Development from the non-controlling equity holder at a consideration of RMB64,500,000 (approximately HK\$79,628,000). The difference between the consideration and the carrying amount of the net assets attributable to the additional interests in subsidiaries being acquired from the noncontrolling equity holder has been dealt with in the other reserves.
- (d) During the year ended 31 March 2011, the Group acquired additional 49% equity interest in China Kolon from the non-controlling equity holder at a consideration of HK\$14,343,000. The difference between the consideration and the carrying amount of the net assets attributable to the additional interests in subsidiaries being acquired from the non-controlling equity holder has been dealt with in the other reserves.
- (e) During the year ended 31 March 2011, the Group acquired additional 34% equity interest in China Fortune from the non-controlling equity holder at a consideration of HK\$34,000. The difference between the consideration and the carrying amount of the net assets attributable to the additional interests in subsidiaries being acquired from the non-controlling equity holder has been dealt with in the other reserves.

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#### 50. **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS** (Continued)

- (f) During the year ended 31 March 2011, the Group acquired additional 49% equity interest in Xinyu Gelin from the non-controlling equity holder at a consideration of RMB5,550,000 (approximately HK\$6.607.000). The difference between the consideration and the carrying amount of the net assets attributable to the additional interests in subsidiaries being acquired from the non-controlling equity holder has been dealt with in the other reserves.
- (q) During the year ended 31 March 2010, the Group entered into a sale and purchase agreement with 惠州市投資管理公司, a non-controlling equity holder of a subsidiary of the Group, to acquire additional 25.62% equity interest in Dayawan Yiyuan at consideration of RMB65,650,000. The transaction was completed in September 2010.

#### 51. POST REPORTING DATE EVENTS

In addition to those disclosed elsewhere in these financial statements, the Group had the following material events after 31 March 2012:

- In April 2012, the Group completed the disposal of 50% equity interest in Xinhui Water which is (a) principally engaged in water supply business. Because the disposal of Xinhui Water was completed close to the date of approval of these financial statements, it is not practicable to disclose further details in relation to the disposal as at the date of the approval of these financial statements.
- On 18 May 2012, Mitsumaru announced it has entered into a conditional sale and purchase (b) agreement with an independent third party, pursuant to which Mitsumaru conditionally agreed to sell to the independent third party its equity interest in certain subsidiaries engaged in the design, assembly and trading of colour televisions. The completion of the disposal is conditional upon, among the others:
  - (i) the passing by the Mitsumaru's shareholders of ordinary resolution to approve the agreement and the transactions contemplated thereunder in accordance with the Listing Rules and the applicable laws and regulations; and
  - (ii) all necessary approvals, authorisations and consents required on the part of the Mitsumaru in connection with the agreement and the disposal having been obtained.

At the approval date of these financial statements, the Group has not released the Debenture. Among others, the Group will take into account the recent status and prospect of the resumption and/or the recoverability of the Loan for releasing the Debenture.

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#### 51. **POST REPORTING DATE EVENTS** (Continued)

On 8 June 2012 and 19 June 2012, the Group signed the letters of support with Mitsumaru (the "Letters"). Pursuant to the Letters, the Group has confirmed (i) not to exercise its overriding right of repayment on demand of the Loan for the twenty four months period ending 7 June 2014; (ii) to provide financial support to Mitsumaru to settle other loans of HK\$15,000,000 and HK\$15,000,000 to be matured on 28 September 2012 and 31 December 2012 respectively; and (iii) to provide continuing financial support to Mitsumaru with maximum amount of HK\$100,000,000, so as to meet its financial obligations as they due for the twenty four months period ending 18 June 2014.

# **Particulars** of Properties for Investment

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		Lot number/ Land use rights certificate	
Location	Туре	number	Lease term
中國江西省新余市新欣大道以東,高新大道以北	Commercial	E13-2	40 years
中國江西省新余市清宜公路以南界水河東側	Commercial/ residential	106	40 years/ 70 years
中國江西省新余市清宜公路以南天仙路東側	Commercial/ residential	107	40 years/ 70 years
中國江西省新余市仙女湖大道北側	Commercial/ residential	202	40 years/ 70 years
中國江西省新余市仙女湖大道北側	Commercial/ residential	203	40 years/ 70 years
中國江西省新余市仙女湖大道北側	Commercial/ residential	204	40 years/ 70 years
中國江西省新余市仙女湖大道南側	Commercial/ residential	205	50 years
中國江西省新余市仙女湖大道南側	Commercial/ residential	206	50 years
中國江西省新余市仙女湖大道南側	Commercial/ residential	207	50 years
中國江西省新余市科環東路南側	Residential	1-14-7	70 years
中國湖北省荊州市城南開發區南環路	Commercial/ residential	W10401000	40 years/ 70 years

# **Financial** Summary

RESULTS						
	Year ended 31 March					
	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000	2010 HK\$'000	2009 HK\$'000	2008 HK\$'000 (Restated)	
Revenue Continuing operations Discontinued operation	1,896,944	1,478,163 	1,398,168	1,033,199	765,538 6,960	
	1,896,944	1,478,163	1,398,168	1,033,199	772,498	
Profit before income tax Continuing operations Discontinued operation	687,116 	725,218 	520,134 	326,617 	310,484 344,631	
	687,116	725,218	520,134	326,617	655,115	
Income tax expense Continuing operations Discontinued operation	(154,647)	(124,726)	(75,431) 	(97,943)	(135,111)	
	(154,647)	(124,726)	(75,431)	(97,943)	(135,111)	
Profit for the year Continuing operations Discontinued operation	532,469 _	600,492	444,703 	228,674	175,373 344,631	
	532,469	600,492	444,703	228,674	520,004	
Attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests	315,280 217,189	421,905 178,587	301,571 143,132	115,037 113,637	427,242 92,762	
	532,469	600,492	444,703	228,674	520,004	
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES						
	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000	<b>At 31 Marcl</b> 2010 HK\$'000	2009 HK\$'000	2008 HK\$'000	
Total assets Total liabilities Non-controlling interests	10,678,668 (5,637,227) (1,794,072)	8,361,436 (4,028,107) (1,468,697)	7,776,110 (3,949,332) (1,277,124)	5,545,417 (2,857,580) (811,677)	4,426,432 (2,200,088) (468,760)	
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	3,247,369	2,864,632	2,549,654	1,876,160	1,757,584	