The Directors are pleased to present shareholders with the annual report together with the audited financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31st December, 2006.

## **Principal Activities**

The Group's principal activities during the year are development, investment and operation of infrastructure businesses in Hong Kong, the Mainland, Australia and the United Kingdom.

#### **Results and Dividends**

Results of the Group for the year ended 31st December, 2006 are set out in the consolidated income statement on page 104.

The Directors recommend the payment of a final dividend of HK\$0.75 per share which, together with the interim dividend of HK\$0.25 per share paid on 29th September, 2006, makes the total dividend of HK\$1.00 per share for the year.

## **Property, Plant and Equipment and Leasehold Land**

Movements in the Group's property, plant and equipment and leasehold land during the year are set out in notes 17 and 19 to the financial statements on pages 130 to 132.

#### Reserves

Details of changes in the reserves of the Group are set out in note 34 to the financial statements on page 152.

## **Group Financial Summary**

Results, assets and liabilities of the Group for the last ten years are summarised on pages 2 and 3.

#### **Properties**

Particulars of major properties held by the Group are set out in Appendix 4 on page 164.

#### **Directors**

The Directors of the Company in office at the date of this report are listed on page 174 and their biographical information is set out on pages 38 to 43.

On 1st December, 2006, Mr. Andrew John Hunter was appointed as Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer.

Mr. Kwan Bing Sing, Eric will retire as Deputy Managing Director and Executive Director of the Company on 31st March, 2007.

The Company's Bye-laws provides that any Director appointed by the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting of the Company and shall then be eligible for re-election at that meeting. Accordingly, Mr. Andrew John Hunter being the Director so appointed, shall hold office until the forthcoming annual general meeting and, being eligible, offer himself for re-election.

Further, in accordance with the Company's Bye-laws, the Directors of the Company (including Non-executive Directors) shall be subject to retirement by rotation at each annual general meeting. Accordingly, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor, Mr. Kam Hing Lam, Mr. Ip Tak Chuen, Edmond, Mrs. Chow Woo Mo Fong, Susan and Mr. Frank John Sixt will retire from office and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

Each of the Independent Non-executive Directors has made an annual confirmation of independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"). The Company is of the view that all Independent Non-executive Directors meet the independence guidelines set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and are independent in accordance with the terms of the guidelines.

## **Directors' Interests and Short Positions in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures**

As at 31st December, 2006, the interests or 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 Futures Ordinance ("SFO")) which were notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 352 of the SFO, or which were required, pursuant to

the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors adopted by the Company (the "Model Code"), to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, were as follows:

## (1) Long Positions in Shares

				Nu	mber of Ordina	ary Shares		
Name of Company	Name of Director	Capacity	Personal Interests	Family Interests	Corporate Interests	Other Interests	Total	Approximate % of Shareholding
Company	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Beneficiary of trusts	-	-	-	1,912,109,945 (Note 1)	1,912,109,945	84.82%
	Kam Hing Lam	Beneficial owner	100,000	-	-	-	100,000	0.004%
Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Interest of controlled corporations & beneficiary of trusts	-	-	1,086,770 (Note 3)	2,141,698,773 (Note 2)	2,142,785,543	50.26%
	Kam Hing Lam	Beneficial owner	60,000	-	-	-	60,000	0.001%
	Fok Kin Ning, Canning	Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	4,310,875 (Note 5)	-	4,310,875	0.10%
	Chow Woo Mo Fong, Susan	Beneficial owner	150,000	-	-	-	150,000	0.003%
	Frank John Sixt	Beneficial owner	50,000	-	-	-	50,000	0.001%
	Lan Hong Tsung, David	Beneficial owner	20,000	-	-	-	20,000	0.0004%
	Lee Pui Ling, Angelina	Beneficial owner	38,500	-	-	-	38,500	0.0009%
	George Colin Magnus	Beneficial owner, interest of child or spouse & founder & beneficiary of a discretionary trust	40,000	9,900	-	950,100 (Note 6)	1,000,000	0.02%
Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Interest of child or spouse & beneficiary of trusts	-	151,000	-	829,599,612 (Note 4)	829,750,612	38.88%
	Lee Pui Ling, Angelina	Beneficial owner	8,800	-	-	-	8,800	0.0004%

# **Directors' Interests and Short Positions in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures (Cont'd)**

## (1) Long Positions in Shares (Cont'd)

	Number of Ordinary Shares							
Name of Company	Name of Director	Capacity	Personal Interests	Family Interests	Corporate Interests	Other Interests	Total	Approximate % of Shareholding
Hutchison Harbour Ring Limited	Fok Kin Ning, Canning	Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	5,000,000 (Note 5)	-	5,000,000	0.07%
Hutchison Telecommunications (Australia) Limited	Fok Kin Ning, Canning	Beneficial owner & interest of controlled corporation	4,100,000	-	1,000,000 (Note 5)	-	5,100,000	0.75%
	Frank John Sixt	Beneficial owner	1,000,000	-	-	-	1,000,000	0.15%

## (2) Long Positions in Underlying Shares

				Number o	f Underlying Sh	ares	
Name of Company	Name of Director	Capacity	Personal Interests	Family Interests	Corporate Interests	Other Interests	Total
Company	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Beneficiary of trusts	-	-	-	31,644,803 (Note 7)	31,644,803
Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Beneficiary of trusts	-	-	-	18,613,202 (Note 8)	18,613,202
	Lan Hong Tsung, David	Beneficial owner	23,484 (Note 9)	-	-	-	23,484
Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Beneficiary of trusts	-	-	-	20,990,201 (Note 10)	20,990,201
Hutchison Telecommunications (Australia) Limited	Fok Kin Ning, Canning	Beneficial owner & interest of controlled corporation	134,000	-	1,340,001 (Note 5)	-	1,474,001 (Note 11)

## (3) Short Positions in Underlying Shares

				Number o	f Underlying Sh	ares	
Name of Company	Name of Director	Capacity	Personal Interests	Family Interests	Corporate Interests	Other Interests	Total
Company	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Beneficiary of trusts	-	-	-	31,644,801 (Note 7(b))	31,644,801
Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Beneficiary of trusts	-	-	-	18,613,202 (Note 8)	18,613,202
Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Beneficiary of trusts	-	-	-	20,990,201 (Note 10)	20,990,201

## (4) Long Positions in Debentures

				Am	ount of Debenture	es	
Name of Company	Name of Director	Capacity	Personal Interests	Family Interests	Corporate Interests	Other Interests	Total
Hutchison Whampoa International (01/11) Limited	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	US\$12,000,000 7% Notes due 2011 (Note 3)	-	US\$12,000,000 7% Notes due 2011
Hutchison Whampoa International (03/13) Limited	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	US\$21,000,000 6.5% Notes due 2013 (Note 3)	-	US\$21,000,000 6.5% Notes due 2013
	Fok Kin Ning, Canning	Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	US\$2,500,000 6.5% Notes due 2013 (Note 5)	-	US\$2,500,000 6.5% Notes due 2013

# **Directors' Interests and Short Positions in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures (Cont'd)**

## (4) Long Positions in Debentures (Cont'd)

				Am	ount of Debenture	es	
Name of Company	Name of Director	Capacity	Personal Interests	Family Interests	Corporate Interests	Other Interests	Total
Hutchison Whampoa International (03/33) Limited	Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	US\$8,000,000 6.25% Notes due 2014 (Note 3)	-	US\$8,000,000 6.25% Notes due 2014
		Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	US\$15,000,000 7.45% Notes due 2033 (Note 3)	-	US\$15,000,000 7.45% Notes due 2033
	Fok Kin Ning, Canning	Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	US\$2,500,000 5.45% Notes due 2010 (Note 5)	-	U\$\$2,500,000 5.45% Notes due 2010
		Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	US\$2,500,000 6.25% Notes due 2014 (Note 5)	-	U\$\$2,500,000 6.25% Notes due 2014
		Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	US\$2,000,000 7.45% Notes due 2033 (Note 5)	-	US\$2,000,000 7.45% Notes due 2033
Hutchison Whampoa Finance (05) Limited	Fok Kin Ning, Canning	Interest of controlled corporation	-	-	Euro 4,600,000 4.125% Notes due 2015 (Note 5)	-	Euro 4,600,000 4.125% Notes due 2015

#### Notes:

1. The 1,912,109,945 shares in the Company comprise 1,906,681,945 shares held by a subsidiary of Hutchison Whampoa Limited ("HWL") and 5,428,000 shares held by Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustee Company Limited ("TUT1") as trustee of The Li Ka-Shing Unity Trust ("UT1").

The discretionary beneficiaries of each of The Li Ka-Shing Unity Discretionary Trust ("DT1") and another discretionary trust ("DT2") are, inter alia, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor, his wife and children, and Mr. Li Tzar Kai, Richard. Each of Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustee Corporation Limited ("TDT1", which is the trustee of DT1) and Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustcorp Limited ("TDT2", which is the trustee of DT2) holds units in UT1 but is not entitled to any interest or share in any particular property comprising the trust assets of the said unit trust. TUT1 as trustee of UT1 and its related companies in which TUT1 as trustee of UT1 is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of one-third or more of the voting power at their general meetings ("TUT1 related companies") hold more than one-third of the issued share capital of Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited ("CKH"). Certain subsidiaries of CKH in turn together hold more than one-third of the issued share capital of HWL.

The entire issued share capital of TUT1 and of the trustees of DT1 and DT2 are owned by Li Ka-Shing Unity Holdings Limited ("Unity Holdco"). Each of Mr. Li Ka-shing, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor and Mr. Li Tzar Kai, Richard is interested in one-third of the entire issued share capital of Unity Holdco. TUT1 is only interested in the shares of CKH by reason only of its obligation and power to hold interests in those shares in its ordinary course of business as trustee and, when performing its functions as trustee, exercises its power to hold interests in the shares of CKH independently without any reference to Unity Holdco or any of Mr. Li Ka-shing, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor and Mr. Li Tzar Kai, Richard as a holder of the shares of Unity Holdco as aforesaid.

By virtue of the above and as a discretionary beneficiary of each of DT1 and DT2 and as a director of CKH, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor is taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the shares of CKH held by TUT1 as trustee of UT1 and TUT1 related companies, the shares of HWL held by the subsidiaries of CKH and the shares of the Company held by each of the subsidiary of HWL and TUT1 as trustee of UT1 under the SFO as a Director of the Company. Although Mr. Li Tzar Kai, Richard is interested in one-third of the entire issued share capital of Unity Holdco and is a discretionary beneficiary of each of DT1 and DT2, he is not a director of CKH and has no duty of disclosure in relation to the shares of CKH held by TUT1 as trustee of UT1 and TUT1 related companies under the SFO.

# Directors' Interests and Short Positions in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures (Cont'd)

Notes (Cont'd):

- 2. The 2,141,698,773 shares in HWL comprise:
  - (a) 2,130,202,773 shares held by certain subsidiaries of CKH. By virtue of the interests in shares of CKH in relation to which Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor has a duty of disclosure under the SFO in the issued share capital of CKH as described in Note 1 above and as a Director of the Company, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor is taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the said shares of HWL under the SFO; and
  - (b) 11,496,000 shares held by Li Ka-Shing Castle Trustee Company Limited ("TUT3") as trustee of The Li Ka-Shing Castle Trust ("UT3"). The discretionary beneficiaries of each of the two discretionary trusts ("DT3" and "DT4") are, inter alia, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor, his wife and children, and Mr. Li Tzar Kai, Richard. Each of the trustees of DT3 and DT4 holds units in UT3 but is not entitled to any interest or share in any particular property comprising the trust assets of the said unit trust.

The entire issued share capital of TUT3 and the trustees of DT3 and DT4 are owned by Li Ka-Shing Castle Holdings Limited ("Castle Holdco"). Each of Mr. Li Ka-shing, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor and Mr. Li Tzar Kai, Richard is interested in one-third of the entire issued share capital of Castle Holdco. TUT3 is only interested in the shares of HWL by reason only of its obligation and power to hold interests in those shares in its ordinary course of business as trustee and, when performing its functions as trustee, exercises its power to hold interests in the shares of HWL independently without any reference to Castle Holdco or any of Mr. Li Ka-shing, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor and Mr. Li Tzar Kai, Richard as a holder of the shares of Castle Holdco as aforesaid.

By virtue of the above and as a discretionary beneficiary of each of DT3 and DT4 and as a director of HWL, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor is taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the said shares of HWL held by TUT3 as trustee of UT3 under the SFO as a Director of the Company. Although Mr. Li Tzar Kai, Richard is interested in one-third of the entire issued share capital of Castle Holdco and is a discretionary beneficiary of each of DT3 and DT4, he is not a Director of the Company and has no duty of disclosure in relation to the shares of HWL held by TUT3 as trustee of UT3 under the SFO.

3. Such interests are held by certain companies of which Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor is interested in the entire issued share capital.

- 4. By virtue of being a Director of the Company and his deemed interest in those shares of the Company as described in Note 1 above, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor is taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to those shares of Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited ("Hongkong Electric") held through the Company under the SFO.
- 5. These interests are held by a company which is equally owned by Mr. Fok Kin Ning, Canning and his wife.
- 6. Such interests are indirectly held by a trust of which Mr. George Colin Magnus is the settlor and a discretionary beneficiary.
- 7. Such underlying shares of the Company are held by an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CKH comprising:
  - (a) 2 underlying shares by virtue of the HK\$300,000,000 capital guaranteed notes due 2009; and
  - (b) 31,644,801 underlying shares by virtue of the HK Dollar equity-linked notes due 2007 issued under HK\$10,000,000,000 retail note issuance programme.

By virtue of the interests in the shares of CKH taken to have by Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor under the SFO as described in Note 1 above and as a Director of the Company, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor is taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the said interest and short position in the underlying shares of the Company under the SFO.

- 8. Such underlying shares of HWL are held by an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CKH comprising:
  - (a) 10,463,201 underlying shares by virtue of the HK Dollar equity-linked notes due 2007 issued under HK\$10,000,000,000 retail note issuance programme; and
  - (b) 8,150,001 underlying shares by virtue of the HK Dollar equity-linked notes due 2008 issued under HK\$10,000,000,000 retail note issuance programme.

By virtue of the interests in the shares of CKH taken to have by Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor under the SFO as described in Note 1 above and as a Director of the Company, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor is taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the said interest and short position in the underlying shares of HWL under the SFO.

9. Such underlying shares in HWL are derived from the US\$200,000 Quanto Range Accrual Equity Linked Note due 2008 issued by Macquarie Bank Limited.

# Directors' Interests and Short Positions in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures (Cont'd)

Notes (Cont'd):

- 10. Such underlying shares of Hongkong Electric are held by an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CKH by virtue of the HK Dollar equity-linked notes due 2007 issued under HK\$10,000,000,000 retail note issuance programme.
  - By virtue of the interests in the shares of CKH taken to have by Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor under the SFO as described in Note 1 above and as a Director of the Company, Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor is taken to have a duty of disclosure in relation to the said interest and short position in the underlying shares of Hongkong Electric under the SFO.
- 11. Such underlying shares in Hutchison Telecommunications (Australia) Limited are derived from the listed and physically settled 5.5% unsecured convertible notes due 2007 issued by Hutchison Telecommunications (Australia) Limited.

Mr. Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor, by virtue of being a Director of the Company and his interests in the share capital of the Company as a discretionary beneficiary of certain discretionary trusts as described in Note 1 above, is deemed to be interested in those securities of subsidiaries and associated companies of the Company held through the Company and in those securities of the subsidiaries of HWL held through HWL under the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors or chief executives of the Company had, as at 31st December, 2006, any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which would have to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 352 of the SFO, or which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

No other contracts of significance to which the Company or a subsidiary was a party and in which a Director of the Company had a material interest subsisted at the balance sheet date or at any time during the year.

At no time during the year was the Company or subsidiary a party to any arrangements which enabled any Director of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company or of any other body corporate.

None of the Directors of the Company has any service contract with the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

## **Interests and Short Positions of Shareholders**

So far as is known to any Directors or chief executives of the Company, as at 31st December, 2006, shareholders (other than Directors or chief executives of the Company) who had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO were as follows:

## (1) Long Positions of Substantial Shareholders in the Shares and Underlying Shares of the Company

Name	Capacity	Number of Ordinary Shares	Number of Underlying Shares	Total	Approximate % of Shareholding
Hutchison Infrastructure Holdings Limited	Beneficial owner	1,906,681,945 (Note i)	-	1,906,681,945	84.58%
Hutchison International Limited	Interest of controlled corporation	1,906,681,945 (Note ii)	-	1,906,681,945	84.58%
Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Interest of controlled corporations	1,906,681,945 (Note ii)	-	1,906,681,945	84.58%
Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited	Interest of controlled corporations	1,906,681,945 (Note iii)	31,644,803 (Note vi)	1,938,326,748	85.98%
Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustee Company Limited as trustee of The Li Ka-Shing Unity Trust	Trustee	1,912,109,945 (Note iv)	31,644,803 (Note vi)	1,943,754,748	86.22%
Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustee Corporation Limited as trustee of The Li Ka-Shing Unity Discretionary Trust	Trustee & beneficiary of a trust	1,912,109,945 (Note v)	31,644,803 (Note vi)	1,943,754,748	86.22%
Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustcorp Limited as trustee of another discretionary trust	Trustee & beneficiary of a trust	1,912,109,945 (Note v)	31,644,803 (Note vi)	1,943,754,748	86.22%
Li Ka-shing	Founder of discretionary trusts	1,912,109,945 (Note v)	31,644,803 (Note vi)	1,943,754,748	86.22%

## Interests and Short Positions of Shareholders (Cont'd)

## (2) Short Positions of Substantial Shareholders in the Underlying Shares of the Company

Name	Capacity	Number of Underlying Shares
Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited	Interest of controlled corporation	31,644,801 (Note vi(b))
Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustee Company Limited as trustee of The Li Ka-Shing Unity Trust	Trustee	31,644,801 (Note vi(b))
Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustee Corporation Limited as trustee of The Li Ka-Shing Unity Discretionary Trust	Trustee & beneficiary of a trust	31,644,801 (Note vi(b))
Li Ka-Shing Unity Trustcorp Limited as trustee of another discretionary trust	Trustee & beneficiary of a trust	31,644,801 (Note vi(b))
Li Ka-shing	Founder of discretionary trusts	31,644,801 (Note vi(b))

## Notes:

- i. 1,906,681,945 shares of the Company are held by Hutchison Infrastructure Holdings Limited, a subsidiary of HWL. Its interests are duplicated in the interests of HWL in the Company described in Note ii below.
- ii. HWL is deemed to be interested in the 1,906,681,945 shares of the Company referred to in Note i above as it holds more than one-third of the issued share capital of Hutchison International Limited, which holds more than one-third of the issued share capital of Hutchison Infrastructure Holdings Limited.
- iii. CKH is deemed to be interested in the 1,906,681,945 shares of the Company referred to in Note ii above as certain subsidiaries of CKH hold more than one-third of the issued share capital of HWL.
- iv. TUT1 as trustee of UT1 is deemed to be interested in those shares of the Company described in Note iii above as TUT1 as trustee of UT1 and TUT1 related companies hold more than one-third of the issued share capital of CKH and TUT1 as trustee of UT1 holds 5,428,000 shares of the Company.

- v. By virtue of the SFO, each of Mr. Li Ka-shing, being the settlor and may being regarded as a founder of each of DT1 and DT2 for the purpose of the SFO, TDT1 as trustee of DT1 and TDT2 as trustee of DT2 is deemed to be interested in the same block of shares TUT1 as trustee of UT1 is deemed to be interested in as referred to in Note iv above as all issued and outstanding units in UT1 are held by TDT1 as trustee of DT1 and by TDT2 as trustee of DT2. More than one-third of the issued share capital of TUT1 and of the trustees of the said discretionary trusts are owned by Unity Holdco. Mr. Li Ka-shing owns one-third of the issued share capital of Unity Holdco.
- vi. Such underlying shares of the Company are held by an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CKH comprising:
  - (a) 2 underlying shares by virtue of the HK\$300,000,000 capital guaranteed notes due 2009; and
  - (b) 31,644,801 underlying shares by virtue of the HK Dollar equity-linked notes due 2007 issued under HK\$10,000,000,000 retail note issuance programme.

By virtue of the SFO, each of Mr. Li Ka-shing, TDT1, TDT2 and TUT1 is deemed to be interested in the same block of interest and short position in the 31,644,803 underlying shares and 31,644,801 underlying shares of the Company respectively held by CKH as described in Note v above.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31st December, 2006, the Company has not been notified by any persons (other than Directors or chief executives of the Company) who had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO.

#### **Continuing Connected Transactions**

The following transactions of the Group constituted continuing connected transactions ("Continuing Connected Transactions") under the Listing Rules during the financial year ended 31st December, 2006:

(a) A sponsors/shareholders' undertaking has been provided by each of CKH and HWL in relation to the loan facilities in relation to the Zhuhai Power Plant. Pursuant to the sponsors/shareholders' undertaking, each of CKH and HWL shall be severally liable for 50 per cent. of certain obligations of the foreign party (the "Zhuhai Foreign Party") to the PRC project company undertaking the Zhuhai Power Plant. The Zhuhai Foreign Party, which is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, has a 45 per cent. interest in the PRC project company. Pursuant to a deed of counter-indemnity given by the Company in favour of CKH and HWL, the Company has agreed with each of CKH and HWL to meet all future funding obligations of each of them which may be required under such sponsors/shareholders' undertaking and to counter-indemnify each of CKH and HWL in respect of any sum provided by each of them and generally in respect of each of their liabilities and obligations under such sponsors/shareholders' undertaking.

## **Continuing Connected Transactions (Cont'd)**

("Turbo Top"), which is a connected person of the Company within the meaning of the Listing Rules by virtue of its being a wholly-owned subsidiary of HWL, which in turn is a substantial shareholder of the Company, in respect of the lease of Office Unit 1202, 12th Floor, Cheung Kong Center, 2 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong with a lettable floor area of approximately 10,079 square feet as the principal business office of the Group in Hong Kong for a term of three years commencing from 1st September, 2005 to 31st August, 2008 at a monthly rental of HK\$360,829, exclusive of Government rates and other charges. The aggregate rent and service charges payable under the tenancy agreement are subject to an annual cap of HK\$5,355,000 taking into account of the possible adjustment on the service charges. During the year, HK\$4,559,748 has been paid/payable by the Company to Turbo Top pursuant to the aforesaid tenancy agreement.

On 12th August, 1996, the Stock Exchange granted conditional waivers to the Company from strict compliance with the disclosure and shareholders' approval requirements under the Listing Rules in respect of the above transaction in paragraph (a) on, inter alia, a condition that brief details of the transaction shall be disclosed in the Company's subsequent annual report for financial years in which the transaction is subsisting. An announcement (the "Announcement") in respect of the above transaction in paragraph (b) was published in the newspapers on 19th December, 2005 in accordance with the Listing Rules.

The Continuing Connected Transactions have been reviewed by the Independent Non-executive Directors. The Independent Non-executive Directors have confirmed that for the year 2006 the Continuing Connected Transactions have been entered into (i) in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Company; (ii) either on normal commercial terms or on terms no less favourable to the Company than terms available to (or from) independent third parties; and (iii) in accordance with the relevant agreements governing them on terms that are fair and reasonable and in the interest of the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

Pursuant to Rule 14A.38 of the Listing Rules, the Company has engaged the auditors of the Company to perform certain factual finding procedures in respect of the Continuing Connected Transactions of the Group in accordance with the Hong Kong Standard on Related Services 4400 "Engagements to Perform Agreed-Upon Procedures Regarding Financial Information" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The auditors have reported their factual findings on these procedures to the Board of Directors and confirmed that for the year 2006 the Continuing Connected Transactions (i) have received the approval of the Board of Directors of the Company; and (ii) have been entered into in accordance with the relevant agreements governing the transactions; and the Continuing Connected Transaction in paragraph (b) above has not exceeded the cap as disclosed in the Announcement.

## **Major Customers and Suppliers**

During the year, 35.4 per cent. of the Group's sales were attributable to the Group's five largest customers with the largest customer accounting for 15.3 per cent. of the Group's sales. The Group's purchases attributable to the Group's five largest suppliers were less than 30 per cent. of the Group's purchases.

For the year ended 31st December, 2006, Alliance Construction Materials Limited, of which the Company is interested in 50 per cent. of the issued share capital and Mr. Ip Tak Chuen, Edmond, Director of the Company, acts as a Director, was one of the Group's five largest customers. Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors, their associates or any shareholder (which to the knowledge of the Directors owns more than 5 per cent. of the Company's issued share capital) has any interest in the Group's five largest customers.

### **Competing Business Interests of Directors**

During the year, the interests of Directors in the businesses which compete or are likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the businesses of the Group (the "Competing Business") as required to be disclosed pursuant to the Listing Rules were as follows:

#### (a) Core Business Activities of the Group

- (1) Development, investment and operation of energy infrastructure;
- (2) Development, investment and operation of transportation infrastructure;
- (3) Development, investment and operation of water infrastructure;
- (4) Development, investment and operation and commercialisation of infrastructure related business;
- (5) Investment holding and project management;
- (6) Securities investment; and
- (7) Information technology, e-commerce and new technology.

## **Competing Business Interests of Directors (Cont'd)**

## (b) Interests in Competing Business

			Competing Business
Name of Director	Name of Company	Nature of Interest	(Note)
Li Tzar Kuoi, Victor	Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited	Managing Director and Deputy Chairman	(5), (6) & (7)
	Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Deputy Chairman	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Executive Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	CK Life Sciences Int'l., (Holdings) Inc.	Chairman	(6) & (7)
Kam Hing Lam	Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited	Deputy Managing Director	(5), (6) & (7)
	Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Executive Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Executive Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	CK Life Sciences Int'l., (Holdings) Inc.	President and Chief Executive Officer	(6) & (7)
	Spark Infrastructure Group	Non-executive Director	(1) & (5)
lp Tak Chuen, Edmond	Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited	Deputy Managing Director	(5), (6) & (7)
	CK Life Sciences Int'l., (Holdings) Inc.	Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Officer	(6) & (7)
	TOM Group Limited	Non-executive Director	(5), (6) & (7)
	CATIC International Holdings Limited	Non-executive Director	(5) & (6)
	Excel Technology International Holdings Limited	Non-executive Director	(5), (6) & (7)
	Shougang Concord International Enterprises Company Limited	Non-executive Director	(1), (5) & (6)
	The Ming An (Holdings) Company Limited	Non-executive Director	(5) & (6)
Fok Kin Ning, Canning	Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited	Non-executive Director	(5), (6) & (7)
	Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Group Managing Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Chairman	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	Hutchison Harbour Ring Limited	Chairman	(7)
	Hutchison Telecommunications International Limited	Chairman	(7)
Kwan Bing Sing, Eric	Spark Infrastructure Group	Non-executive Director (resigned on 1st December, 2006)	(1) & (5)

Name of Director	Name of Company	Nature of Interest	Competing Business (Note)
Andrew John Hunter	Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited Spark Infrastructure Group	Executive Director Non-executive Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7) (1) & (5)
Chow Woo Mo Fong, Susan	Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Deputy Group Managing Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Executive Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	TOM Group Limited	Non-executive Director	(5), (6) & (7)
	Hutchison Harbour Ring Limited	Executive Director	(7)
	Hutchison Telecommunications International Limited	Alternate Director	(7)
	TOM Online Inc.	Alternate Director	(7)
Frank John Sixt	Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited	Non-executive Director	(5), (6) & (7)
	Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Group Finance Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Executive Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	Hutchison Telecommunications International Limited	Non-executive Director	(7)
	TOM Group Limited	Chairman	(5), (6) & (7)
	TOM Online Inc.	Chairman	(7)
Tso Kai Sum	Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Group Managing Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
Lee Pui Ling, Angelina	TOM Group Limited	Non-executive Director	(5), (6) & (7)
George Colin Magnus	Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited	Non-executive Director	(5), (6) & (7)
	Hutchison Whampoa Limited	Non-executive Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)
	Hongkong Electric Holdings Limited	Non-executive Director	(1), (5), (6) & (7)

Note: Such businesses may be made through subsidiaries, associated companies or by way of other forms of investments.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors is interested in any business apart from the Group's businesses which competes or is likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with businesses of the Group.

### **Pre-emptive Rights**

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's Bye-laws although there are no restrictions against such rights under the laws of Bermuda.

### **Purchase, Sale or Redemption of Shares**

The Company has not redeemed any of its shares during the year ended 31st December, 2006. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased or sold any of the Company's shares during the year.

#### **Public Float**

As announced by the Company on 8th January, 1997 and 17th February, 1997, the Stock Exchange granted a waiver from strict compliance with Rule 8.08 of the Listing Rules to the Company on 9th January, 1997 subject to approximately not less than 15.2 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company being held in public hands. Based on information available and within the knowledge of the Directors, the obligation has been complied with.

## **Donations**

Donations made by the Group during the year amounted to HK\$165,000.

## **Disclosure under Chapter 13 of the Listing Rules**

The following information is disclosed in accordance with Rules 13.21 and 13.22 of Chapter 13 of the Listing Rules:

- (1) The Group has entered into a syndicated loan facility agreement of HK\$3.8 billion, of which the whole amount was drawn as at 31st December, 2006. The facility will mature in 2007. Under the provision of the loan agreement, it is an event of default if HWL (the Company's controlling shareholder) ceases to own (directly or indirectly) at least 35 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company. The obligation has been complied with.
- (2) A sponsors/shareholders' undertaking referred to under the section headed "Continuing Connected Transactions" has been provided by HWL, the Zhuhai Foreign Party and the other parties in relation to two loan facilities of US\$125.5 million and US\$670 million granted to the PRC project company undertaking the Zhuhai Power Plant. The two loans with the outstanding amounts of US\$18.9 million and US\$332.4 million as at 31st December, 2006, are repayable by installments with the final repayment due in 2008 and 2012 respectively. It is an event of default for both facilities if CKH and HWL collectively own directly or indirectly less than 51 per cent. of the shareholding in the Zhuhai Foreign Party. The obligation has been complied with.

- (3) The Group has entered into a long term syndicated facility agreement of A\$400 million with the loan balance of A\$209.9 million remained outstanding as at 31st December, 2006. The facility will mature in 2008. Under the provision of the loan agreement, it is an event of default if HWL ceases to own (directly or indirectly) at least 30 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company. The obligation has been complied with.
- (4) The Group has entered into a long term syndicated facility agreement of A\$300 million, of which the whole amount was drawn as at 31st December, 2006. The facility will mature in 2009. Under the provision of the loan agreement, it is an event of default if HWL ceases to own (directly or indirectly) at least 30 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company. The obligation has been complied with.
- (5) As at 31st December, 2006, the Group's financial assistance to certain affiliated companies and its guarantee given for a facility granted to an affiliated company together in aggregate exceeded the assets ratio of 8 per cent. A combined balance sheet of the affiliated companies as at 31st December, 2006 is set out below:

HK\$ million	
Non-current assets	63,525
Current assets	3,970
Current liabilities	(8,136)
Non-current liabilities	(56,101)
Net assets	3,258
Share capital	1,085
Reserves	2,173
Capital and reserves	3,258

As at 31st December, 2006, the consolidated attributable interest of the Group in these affiliated companies amounted to HK\$7,283 million.

## **Audit Committee**

The Group's annual report for the year ended 31st December, 2006 has been reviewed by the Audit Committee. Information on the work of Audit Committee and its composition are set out in the Corporate Governance Report on pages 90 to 95.

## **Auditors**

The financial statements for the year have been audited by Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu who retire and offer themselves for re-appointment.

On behalf of the Board

## **Kam Hing Lam**

Group Managing Director

Hong Kong, 15th March, 2007