

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 December 2023

	<i>Notes</i>	2023 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2022 <i>HK\$'000</i>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit before tax		2,380	25,889
Adjustments for:			
Finance costs	6	7,744	2,338
Finance costs included in cost of sales	6	149	35
Interest income	5	(23,329)	(6,722)
Loss on disposal and write-off of items of property, plant and equipment	7	8,182	2,826
Equity-settled share option expense	7	4,298	9,647
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	7	56,583	49,726
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	7	13,565	13,378
Write-down of inventories to net realisable value	7	–	2,989
Impairment of items of property, plant and equipment	7	–	798
Impairment of trade receivables	7	657	1,427
Impairment/(write-back of impairment) of contract assets	7	106	(693)
		70,335	101,638
Decrease in inventories		1,400	96,368
Decrease/(increase) in trade receivables		(1,705)	143,379
Decrease/(increase) in contract assets		188,716	(189,850)
Decrease/(increase) in prepayments, deposits and other receivables		(1,870)	3,156
Increase/(decrease) in trade and retention payables, accruals and provision		(124,415)	72,497
Increase/(decrease) in other payables, deposits received and receipts in advance		3,203	(750)
Decrease in contract liabilities		(13,799)	(51,369)
Cash generated from operations		121,865	175,069
Taxes paid in the People's Republic of China:			
Hong Kong		(2,149)	(4,577)
Elsewhere		(28)	(12)
Net cash flows from operating activities		119,688	170,480

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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest received	18,725	4,488
Purchases of items of property, plant and equipment	(68,242)	(47,515)
Deposits paid for acquisition of items of property, plant and equipment	(3,340)	(716)
Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment	2,799	966
Increase in a pledged time deposit	–	(5,460)
Increase in non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of more than three months when acquired	(87,329)	(91,420)
Net cash flows used in investing activities	<u>(137,387)</u>	<u>(139,657)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Interest paid	(7,126)	(1,365)
Interest element of lease payments	(591)	(951)
New bank borrowings	50,000	140,000
Repayment of bank borrowings	(74,116)	(45,075)
Principal portion of lease payments	(9,921)	(9,349)
Dividends paid	(50,491)	(84,151)
Net cash flows used in financing activities	<u>(92,245)</u>	<u>(891)</u>
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
	(109,944)	29,932
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	678,879	650,890
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	(632)	(1,943)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	<u>568,303</u>	<u>678,879</u>
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash and bank balances	201,916	170,379
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of less than three months when acquired	366,387	508,500
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the consolidated statement of financial position	<u>568,303</u>	<u>678,879</u>

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