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China Conch Venture Holdings Limited
中國海螺創業控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

Stock Code : 586

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DEFINITIONS

In this report, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

2021 Annual General Meeting:	the annual general meeting to be convened by the Company on 25 June 2021, or any adjournment thereof
Articles of Association:	the articles of association of the Company
Associated corporation(s):	has the meaning ascribed thereto under the SFO
Audit Committee:	the audit committee of the Board
Bangda Environmental:	陝西邦達環保工程有限公司 (Shaanxi Bangda Environmental Protection Engineering Co., Ltd.*)
Board:	the board of Directors of the Company
BOT:	build-operate-transfer, a type of business arrangement used in the construction of a facility
Bozhou Conch Venture Green:	亳州海創新型節能建築材料有限責任公司 (Bozhou Conch Venture New Energy-saving Building Material Co., Ltd.*)
Conch Venture Green:	安徽海創新型節能建築材料有限責任公司 (Anhui Conch Venture New Energy-saving Building Material Co., Ltd.*)
China or the PRC:	the People's Republic of China
CK Engineering:	安徽海螺川崎工程有限公司 (Anhui Conch Kawasaki Engineering Co., Ltd.*)
CK Equipment:	安徽海螺川崎節能設備製造有限公司 (Anhui Conch Kawasaki Energy Conservation Equipment Manufacturing Co., Ltd.*)
CKEM:	安徽海螺川崎裝備製造有限公司 (Anhui Conch Kawasaki Equipment Manufacturing Co., Ltd.*)
CNBM:	中國建材股份有限公司 (China National Building Material Company Limited*)
Company/Conch Venture:	China Conch Venture Holdings Limited (中國海螺創業控股有限公司)
Conch Cement:	安徽海螺水泥股份有限公司 (Anhui Conch Cement Co., Ltd.*)
Conch Design Institute:	安徽海螺建材設計研究院有限責任公司 (Anhui Conch Construction Materials Design Institute Co., Ltd.*)

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Conch Group:	Conch Holdings and its affiliates (primarily Conch Cement and Conch Profiles)
Conch Holdings:	安徽海螺集團有限責任公司 (Anhui Conch Holdings Co., Ltd.*)
Conch IT Engineering:	安徽海螺信息技術工程有限責任公司 (Anhui Conch IT Engineering Co., Ltd.*)
Conch Profiles:	蕪湖海螺型材科技股份有限公司 (Wuhu Conch Profiles and Science Co., Ltd.*)
Conch Venture BVI:	China Conch Venture Holdings International Limited (中國海創控股國際有限公司)
Connected person(s):	has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules
CV (Shanghai):	海螺創業環保科技(上海)有限公司 (Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.*)
CV Investment:	安徽海螺創業投資有限責任公司 (Anhui Conch Venture Investment Co., Ltd.*)
Director(s):	the director(s) of the Company
Group:	the Company and its subsidiaries
Haizhong Environmental:	安徽海中環保有限責任公司 (Anhui Haizhong Environmental Company Limited*)
HKD:	Hong Kong dollar, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
Hong Kong:	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
Jinyuan Environmental Protection:	三明南方金圓環保科技有限公司 (Sanming Nanfang Jinyuan Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd.*)
Kawasaki HI:	Kawasaki Heavy Industries Ltd. (川崎重工業株式會社)
Listing Rules:	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (as amended from time to time)
Management:	the operating management of the Company
Mengxi Cement:	內蒙古蒙西水泥股份有限公司 (Inner Mongolia Mengxi Cement Co., Ltd.*)

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Haimeng Technology:	內蒙古海創蒙西科技發展有限公司 (Inner Mongolia Mengxi Technology Development Limited*)
Remuneration and Nomination Committee:	the Remuneration and Nomination Committee of the Board
Reporting Period:	from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020
RMB:	the lawful currency of the PRC
SA Conch:	安徽海螺集團有限責任公司工會委員會 (The Staff Association of Anhui Conch Holdings Co., Ltd.*)
SFO:	Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (as amended from time to time)
Shanghai Nengyuan Environmental:	上海能遠環境科技發展有限公司 (Shanghai Nengyuan Environmental Technology Development Co., Ltd.*)
Shanshui Cement:	China Shanshui Cement Group Limited (中國山水水泥集團有限公司)
Shareholders:	the shareholders of the Company
Sinochem International:	中化國際(控股)股份有限公司 (Sinochem International Corporation*)
Splendor Court:	Splendor Court Holdings Limited (華廷控股有限公司)
Stock Exchange:	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee:	the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee of the Board
WH Environmental Protection:	蕪湖海創環保科技有限責任公司 (Wuhu Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd.*)
Yaobai Environmental:	西安堯柏環保科技工程有限公司 (Xi'an Yaobai Environmental Protection Technology Engineering Co., Ltd.*)
Yaobai Special Cement:	堯柏特種水泥集團有限公司 (Shanxi Yaobai Special Cement Co., Ltd.*)

* For identification purpose only

1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

(I)	REGISTERED CHINESE NAME OF THE COMPANY:	中國海螺創業控股有限公司
	CHINESE ABBREVIATION:	海螺創業
	REGISTERED ENGLISH NAME OF THE COMPANY:	CHINA CONCH VENTURE HOLDINGS LIMITED
	ENGLISH ABBREVIATION:	CONCH VENTURE
(II)	EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS:	Mr. Guo Jingbin (<i>Chairman</i>) Mr. Ji Qinying (<i>Chief Executive Officer</i>) Mr. Li Jian Mr. Li Daming
(III)	NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:	Mr. Chang Zhangli
(IV)	INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS:	Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan) Mr. Chan Kai Wing Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex
(V)	AUDIT COMMITTEE:	Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan) (<i>Chairman</i>) Mr. Chan Kai Wing Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex
(VI)	REMUNERATION AND NOMINATION COMMITTEE:	Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex (<i>Chairman</i>) Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan) Mr. Chan Kai Wing Mr. Ji Qinying (<i>resigned on 29 March 2021</i>) Mr. Chang Zhangli (<i>appointed on 29 March 2021</i>)
(VII)	STRATEGY, SUSTAINABILITY AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (Established on 29 March 2021):	Mr. Guo Jingbin (<i>Chairman</i>) Mr. Ji Qinying Mr. Chang Zhangli Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan)

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(VIII) COMPANY SECRETARY:	Mr. Shu Mao
(IX) AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVES:	Mr. Guo Jingbin Mr. Ji Qinying
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(XVII) INTERNATIONAL AUDITOR:	KPMG
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(XX) STOCK CODE:	00586

2. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW (FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020)

1. Operation results

Item	2020	2019	2018	Unit: RMB'000	
				2017	2016
Revenue	6,604,573	5,120,281	2,889,592	2,064,951	2,032,213
Profit before taxation	8,052,715	7,413,779	6,251,536	3,631,109	2,281,837
Share of profit of associates	6,387,437	6,008,155	5,275,171	2,955,569	1,535,505
Net profit attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company	7,617,627	6,995,831	5,947,269	3,403,002	1,980,612

2. Assets and liabilities

Item	2020	2019	2018	Unit: RMB'000	
				2017	2016
Total assets	54,327,572	42,171,561	33,216,302	23,176,217	20,213,073
Total liabilities	14,350,393	9,409,165	6,750,441	1,964,902	1,866,483
Equity attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company	38,564,985	31,852,952	25,752,817	20,577,751	17,747,317

02.21

Conch Venture was newly listed as a constituent stock of the Hang Seng China Enterprises Index.



04.28

Conch Venture and Sinochem (Zhejiang) Membrane Industry Development Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Sinochem International, entered into a cooperation agreement to jointly develop the fly ash treatment business to achieve win-win development.



03.30

Conch Venture again entered the list of the Third "New Fortune — Best IR of Hong Kong Listed Company" Award.

07.06

On the mid-year ranking of Chinese listed companies by market value, Conch Venture ranked 335th on the list of top 500 Chinese listed companies with a total market value of RMB53.9 billion.

TOP 500
335th

06.29

The annual general meeting of Conch Venture was successfully held in Wuhu, Anhui Province.



08.28

Conch Venture successfully signed a contract for a domestic waste incineration power generation project in Gampaha District, Western Province, Sri Lanka, which was the Group's first project in Sri Lanka and marked a major breakthrough in overseas business expansion.

12.16

Conch Venture entered into an investment framework agreement with Leizhou Municipal Government. The Group will build an oilfield waste treatment and resource utilization project in Leizhou Economic Development Zone, Guangdong Province.



12.16

The first fly ash washing project of Conch Venture, the Wuhu Project, was officially completed.



12.21

The 2020 Hong Kong Listed Company Development Summit Forum and the 8th Top 100 Hong Kong Stock Award Ceremony was held in Hong Kong and Conch Venture won the "Top 100 Comprehensive Strength" award.

TOP 100
COMPREHENSIVE STRENGTH

Milestones of Conch Venture

2020 CHRONICLE OF EVENTS

02.18

Conch Venture and Qingyang Baili Environmental Protection Petroleum Engineering Co., Ltd. in Gansu Province successfully signed a cooperation agreement for the treatment of 80,000 tonnes of oil-bearing sludge and other sludge.



05.13

Conch Venture entered Forbes 2020 Global 2000 list.

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Forbes

06.08

Conch Venture successfully acquired 70% equity interest in Bangda Environmental in Yulin, Shaanxi Province, which marked the Group's entry into the oil-bearing sludge treatment industry.



06.09

Conch Venture signed a capital increase agreement for a hazardous waste treatment project in Jinzhou, Liaoning Province, which marked the Group's official entry into the hazardous waste treatment field in the three eastern provinces.



10.19

Conch Venture and the People's Government of Fugou County, Henan Province signed a franchise agreement for the domestic waste incineration power generation project in Fugou County. The project was the Group's first waste treatment project in Henan Province with a planned capacity of 600 tonnes per day.



11.04

Conch Venture successfully held a reverse roadshow in Chongqing and invited nearly 30 domestic securities firms and investors to participate.



11.27

Conch Venture and Shanghai Nengyuan Environmental entered into a cooperation agreement. In the future, the two parties will give full play to their respective competitive advantages and jointly promote the strategic development of soil remediation, terminal treatment and oil-bearing sludge treatment industries.



4. BUSINESS REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

(I) MACRO ENVIRONMENT

In 2020, facing the severe impact of COVID-19 and the fierce and complex domestic and international situations, the PRC government coordinated its efforts in both pandemic prevention and control as well as socio-economic development. While the pandemic has been effectively brought under control, the national economy has also remained stable, with GDP growth of about 2.3% over the previous year.

During the Reporting Period, under the negative impact of the COVID-19, the Group seized the development opportunities, adhered to a diversified strategic layout, and further expanded its industry scale. For construction works, the Group implemented various pandemic precautionary measures in a stringent manner to facilitate epidemic prevention and control and orderly proceed with construction works. For project operations, taking technological improvements as the starting point, the Group continuously strengthened its internal impetus and enhanced the quality of operations.

During the Reporting Period, with concerted efforts of the Group to operate against the gloomy prospect, the net profit (excluding share of profits of associates) of the principal businesses attributable to the parent amounted to RMB1.23 billion, representing an increase by 24.55% compared with that for the same period of last year.

(II) BUSINESS REVIEW

Environmental Protection Business

The year 2020 is a key year for the Group to implement its five-year plan. The Group fulfilled its development targets for the year by aligning with its established planning objectives and focusing on the dual engines of “solid waste solutions” and “waste incineration solutions” under the environmental protection business.

As at the date of this report, the Group had newly added 48 environment protection projects including 29 solid waste treatment projects with a production capacity of approximately 3.23 million tonnes/year and 19 waste treatment projects with a production capacity of approximately 3.20 million tonnes/year (9,200 tonnes/day).

As at the date of this report, the Group had promoted 158 environment protection projects in 23 provinces, cities and autonomous regions nationwide, Vietnam and Sri Lanka, including 79 solid waste projects, 61 grate furnace power generation projects, 16 waste treatment by cement kilns projects and 2 black and odorous water treatment projects, with a treatment capacity of approximately 8.95 million tonnes of solid and hazardous waste/year and approximately 13.01 million tonnes (37,500 tonnes/day) of municipal waste/year.

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Solid Waste Treatment

1) Project expansion

Since 2020, the Group has made a substantial breakthrough in multi-channels integration development. In respect of collaborative treatment by cement kilns, the Group focused on expanding the coverage of the projects of Conch Cement and steadily promoted the progress of cooperation with companies in the cement industry such as CNBM and Mengxi Cement. Meanwhile, the Group cooperated with Sinochem International and Shanghai Nengyuan Environmental to build a business platform for fly ash washing, soil remediation and terminal treatment, and also seized the opportunity to acquire the oil-bearing sludge treatment project of Bangda Environmental, thus further expanding its solid waste treatment business. The Group's efforts in expanding into new business areas of treatment without kilns was a new highlight of its strategic layout of environmental protection business for 2020.

As at the date of this report, the Group secured 29 new solid waste treatment projects with an additional treatment capacity of approximately 3.23 million tonnes per annum. Among them, there were 15 projects using cement kilns for the collaborative treatment of industrial solid waste and hazardous waste, which were in Quanjiao, Anhui Province, Zongyang, Anhui Province, Qingyuan, Guangdong Province, Longkou, Shandong Province, Ganzhou, Jiangxi Province, and Baoding, Hebei Province, Yunfu, Guangdong Province, Tengzhou, Shandong Province, Rizhao, Shandong Province, Fuzhou, Jiangxi Province, Wolong, Henan Province, Dengzhou, Henan Province, Anyang, Henan Province, Xin'an, Henan Province under the platform of Haizhong Environmental, and Arong Banner, Inner Mongolia under the platform of Haimeng Technology, with a production capacity of approximately 1.76 million tonnes/year. In terms of treatment without kilns, the Group secured 14 projects, including oil-bearing sludge treatment in Dongying, Shandong Province, Yulin, Shaanxi Province, Qingyang, Gansu Province, and Yan'an, Shaanxi Province, fly ash treatment via water washing in Rizhao, Shandong Province, Quanjiao, Anhui Province, Jining, Shandong Province, Longyan, Fujian Province, Anyang, Henan Province, Dengzhou, Henan Province, Xin'an, Henan Province, and Qingzhen, Guizhou Province, incineration and oil-bearing sludge treatment in Jinzhou, Liaoning Province, and oil-bearing sludge treatment and comprehensive utilization of resources in Leizhou, Guangdong Province, with a production capacity of approximately 1.47 million tonnes/year.

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2) Project operation

In 2020, with the increasing number of projects in operation, the Group's efforts to improve the treatment efficiency of projects and enhance the overall quality of operations became a top priority. On the one hand, the Group enhanced its market development, strengthened regional joint operation, expanded the channels for input of solid and hazardous waste and increased its market share. On the other hand, the Group devoted its efforts to overcome the adverse impact brought about by the pandemic, actively communicated and coordinated with cement collaborating units, and implemented technical transformation measures while maintaining stable kiln conditions, so as to increase treatment volume.

During the Reporting Period, our solid waste treatment segment received a total of approximately 1,493,000 tonnes of solid waste and hazardous waste, including approximately 432,000 tonnes of hazardous waste and approximately 1,061,000 tonnes of general solid waste.

Details of other hazardous waste treatment projects are set out in the following table:

No.	Status of Construction	Project Location	Capacity	Hazardous Waste Qualification	Actual/Expected Completion Date	Cooperation Methods	Remarks	
1	In operation	Fuping, Shaanxi Province	100,000 tonnes/year	100,000 tonnes/year	April 2016	Yaobai Environmental holding 100%		
2		Qian County, Shaanxi Province	70,000 tonnes/year	63,600 tonnes/year	April 2017			
3		Qianyang, Shaanxi Province	100,000 tonnes/year	100,000 tonnes/year	October 2018			
4		Tongchuan, Shaanxi Province	100,000 tonnes/year	81,500 tonnes/year	August 2019			
5		Wuhu, Anhui Province	2x100,000 tonnes/year	130,000 tonnes/year (two phases)	December 2017	Wholly-owned projects		
6		Yiyang, Jiangxi Province	2x100,000 tonnes/year	170,000 tonnes/year (two phases)	May 2018			
7		Xingye, Guangxi Region	2x100,000 tonnes/year	161,500 tonnes/year (two phases)	August 2018			
8		Suzhou, Anhui Province	2x100,000 tonnes/year	125,000 tonnes/year (two phases)	August 2018			
9		Wenshan, Yunnan Province (Phase 1)	100,000 tonnes/year	66,000 tonnes/year	August 2019			
10		Sishui, Shandong Province	100,000 tonnes/year	13,950 tonnes/year	January 2020			
11		Qiyang, Hunan Province	100,000 tonnes/year	59,000 tonnes/year	January 2020			
12		Yangchun, Guangdong Province	100,000 tonnes/year	70,000 tonnes/year	August 2020			
13		Zhong County, Chongqing City	2x100,000 tonnes/year	90,000 tonnes/year (two phases)	June 2019		The Group holding 65%	
14		Qingzhen, Guizhou Province	100,000 tonnes/year	100,000 tonnes/year	September 2019		The Group holding 85%	
15		Long'an, Guangxi Region	100,000 tonnes/year	Certificate to be obtained	December 2020		Wholly-owned projects	
16		Linxiang, Hunan Province	100,000 tonnes/year	Certificate to be obtained	January 2021			
Subtotal			2,070,000 tonnes/year	1,330,600 tonnes/year				

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No.	Status of Construction	Project Location	Capacity	Hazardous Waste Qualification	Actual/Expected Completion Date	Cooperation Methods	Remarks
17	Under construction	Ningguo, Anhui Province	100,000 tonnes/year	/	June 2021	Wholly-owned project	Municipal waste treatment by cement kiln changed to solid waste treatment
Subtotal			100,000 tonnes/year				
18	Under approval and planning	Wenshan, Yunnan Province (Phase 2)	100,000 tonnes/year			Wholly-owned project	
19		Ganzhou, Jiangxi Province	2x100,000 tonnes/year			The Group holding 70%	
20	Pipeline projects	Baoshan, Yunnan Province	100,000 tonnes/year	/	/	Wholly-owned project	Municipal waste treatment by cement kiln changed to solid waste treatment
21		Qingyuan, Guangdong Province	100,000 tonnes/year			The Group holding 65%	
22		Dazhou, Sichuan Province	200,000 tonnes/year			The Group holding 80%	
Subtotal			700,000 tonnes/year				
Total			2,870,000 tonnes/year	1,330,600 tonnes/year			

Details of other solid waste treatment projects are set out in the following table:

No.	State of Construction	Project Location	Capacity	Actual/Expected Completion Date	Cooperation Methods
1	In operation	Mian County, Shaanxi Province	45,000 tonnes/year	October 2017	Yaobai Environmental holding 100%
2		Huaining, Anhui Province	70,000 tonnes/year	September 2017	Wholly-owned projects
3		Huaibei, Anhui Province	70,000 tonnes/year	December 2017	
4		Xianyang, Shaanxi Province	300,000 tonnes/year	August 2019	
5		Liangping, Chongqing City	75,000 tonnes/year	September 2019	
6		Guangyuan, Sichuan Province	70,000 tonnes/year	January 2020	
7		Fanchang, Anhui Province	210,000 tonnes/year	July 2020	
8		Chizhou, Anhui Province	100,000 tonnes/year	November 2020	
9		Yiyang, Hunan Province	70,000 tonnes/year	January 2021	
Subtotal			1,010,000 tonnes/year		
10	Under construction	Quanjiao, Anhui Province	60,000 tonnes/year	June 2021	Wholly-owned projects
11		Zongyang, Anhui Province (Phase 1)	100,000 tonnes/year	July 2021	
12		Xinhua, Hunan Province	100,000 tonnes/year	August 2021	
13	Pipeline project	Zongyang, Anhui Province (Phase 2)	100,000 tonnes/year	/	
Subtotal			360,000 tonnes/year		
Total			1,370,000 tonnes/year		

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Details of the solid waste treatment projects cooperated with CNBM and Mengxi Cement are set out in the following table:

No.	State of Construction	Cooperative Entity	Project Location	Capacity	Hazardous Waste Qualification	Actual/Expected Completion Date	Cooperation Methods	Remarks
1	In operation	South Cement	Sanming, Fujian Province	100,000 tonnes/year	20,500 tonnes/year	August 2019	Haizhong Environmental holding 35%	
2			Yixing, Jiangsu Province	100,000 tonnes/year	100,000 tonnes/year	December 2019		
3			Chongzuo, Guangxi Region	100,000 tonnes/year	85,000 tonnes/year	March 2021		
4		China United Cement	Luoyang, Henan Province	100,000 tonnes/year	72,000 tonnes/year	December 2020	Haizhong Environmental holding 100%	
5			Jiyuan, Henan Province	100,000 tonnes/year	50,000 tonnes/year	December 2020		
6			Dezhou, Shandong Province	100,000 tonnes/year	75,000 tonnes/year	December 2020	Haizhong Environmental holding 89%	
7			Tai'an, Shandong Province	100,000 tonnes/year	100,000 tonnes/year	December 2020	Haizhong Environmental holding 51%	
8			Baoding, Hebei Province	100,000 tonnes/year	/	March 2021		Polluted soil project
Subtotal				800,000 tonnes/year	502,500 tonnes/year			
9	Under construction	China United Cement	Dengfeng, Henan Province	100,000 tonnes/year	/	June 2021	Haizhong Environmental holding 100%	
10		South Cement	Guilin, Guangxi Region	100,000 tonnes/year		May 2021		
11			Fuyang, Zhejiang Province	200,000 tonnes/year		October 2021	Haizhong Environmental holding 65%	
12		Mengxi Cement	Hulun Buir, Inner Mongolia	50,000 tonnes/year		September 2021	Haimeng Technology holding 100%	
13			Arong Banner, Inner Mongolia	100,000 tonnes/year		June 2022		
Subtotal				550,000 tonnes/year				

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No.	State of Construction	Cooperative Entity	Project Location	Capacity	Hazardous Waste Qualification	Actual/Expected Completion Date	Cooperation Methods	Remarks
14	Under approval and planning	China United Cement	Xin'an, Henan Province	50,000 tonnes/year	/	/	Haizhong Environmental holding 100%	General solid waste
15			Rizhao, Shandong Province	100,000 tonnes/year			Haizhong Environmental holding 70%	Polluted soil project
16		Sinoma Cement	Luoding, Guangdong Province	80,000 tonnes/year			Haizhong Environmental holding 40%	
17			Yunfu, Guangdong Province	100,000 tonnes/year			Haizhong Environmental holding 100%	
18		Qilianshan Cement	Jiayuguan, Gansu Province	200,000 tonnes/year				
19		South Cement	Quzhou, Zhejiang Province	100,000 tonnes/year			Haizhong Environmental holding 100%	General solid waste
20			Fuzhou, Jiangxi Province	100,000 tonnes/year			Haizhong Environmental holding 29.4%	
21		Pipeline projects	China United Cement	Wolong, Henan Province			100,000 tonnes/year	/
22	Dengzhou, Henan Province			50,000 tonnes/year				
23	Anyang, Henan Province			100,000 tonnes/year				
24	Tengzhou, Shandong Province			201,500 tonnes/year	Haizhong Environmental holding 51%	Polluted soil project		
25	Mengxi Cement		Erdos, Inner Mongolia	100,000 tonnes/year	Haimeng Technology holding 100%			
26	Fanlin Cement		Longkou, Shandong Province	200,000 tonnes/year	The Group holding 53%			
Subtotal				1,481,500 tonnes/year				
Total				2,831,500 tonnes/year	502,500 tonnes/year			

4. BUSINESS REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

Details of the fly ash treatment via water washing, oil-bearing sludge treatment, dry distillation, and comprehensive utilization of resources projects are set out in the following table:

No.	State of Construction	Project Type	Project Location	Capacity	Actual/Expected Completion Date	Remarks	
1	In operation	Fly ash treatment via water washing	Wuhu, Anhui Province	100,000 tonnes/year	December 2020		
2	Under construction		Yiyang, Hunan Province	50,000 tonnes/year	November 2021		
3			Yiyang, Jiangxi Province	100,000 tonnes/year	December 2021		
4			Quanjiao, Anhui Province	100,000 tonnes/year	December 2021		
5			Under approval and planning	Qian County, Shaanxi Province	100,000 tonnes/year	/	
6	Jining, Shandong Province			100,000 tonnes/year	Haizhong Environmental holding 100%		
7	Xin'an, Henan Province			50,000 tonnes/year	Haizhong Environmental holding 70%		
8	Rizhao, Shandong Province			100,000 tonnes/year	The Group holding 85%		
9	Qingzhen, Guizhou Province			100,000 tonnes/year	Haizhong Environmental holding 100%		
10	Pipeline projects		Dengzhou, Henan Province	50,000 tonnes/year			
11			Anyang, Henan Province	100,000 tonnes/year			
12			Longyan, Fujian Province	100,000 tonnes/year	The Group holding 51%		
Subtotal				1,050,000 tonnes/year			
13	In operation	Oil-bearing sludge treatment	Yulin, Shaanxi Province	100,000 tonnes/year	May 2020		The Group holding 70%
14		Dry distillation	Wuhu, Anhui Province	15,000 tonnes/year	January 2021		
15	Under construction	Comprehensive utilization of resources	Ninghai, Zhejiang Province	40,000 tonnes/year	May 2021		The Group holding 70%
16		Oil-bearing sludge treatment + incineration	Jinzhou, Liaoning Province	Oil-bearing sludge: 20,000 tonnes/year Incineration: 42,000 tonnes/year	October 2021	CV (Shanghai) holding 80%	
17		Oil-bearing sludge treatment	Dongying, Shandong Province	160,000 tonnes/year	/	The Group holding 70%	
18		Oil-bearing sludge treatment + Comprehensive utilization of resources	Leizhou, Guangdong Province	Oil-bearing sludge treatment: 150,000 tonnes/year Comprehensive utilization of resources: 50,000 tonnes/year			
19	Oil-bearing sludge treatment	Yan'an, Shaanxi Province	170,000 tonnes/year	The Group holding 60%			
20	Pipeline project	Oil-bearing sludge treatment	Qingyang, Gansu Province	80,000 tonnes/year			The Group holding 80%
Subtotal				827,000 tonnes/year			
Total				1,877,000 tonnes/year			

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As at the date of this report, the Group has reached a treatment capacity of approximately 8.95 million tonnes of solid hazardous waste per year, the details of which are set out in the following table:

Unit: 10,000 tonnes/year

Category	Hazardous waste									Solid waste	
	Collaborative treatment by cement kilns						Fly ash (completed and under construction)	Dry distillation and comprehensive utilization of resources (completed and under construction)	Oil-bearing sludge (completed and under construction)	In operation	Under construction
	Conch project			Cooperation project							
	In operation	Hazardous waste qualification	Under construction	In operation	Hazardous waste qualification	Under construction					
	170	98.55	80	121.5	84.76	203.15	105	14.7	68	96.5	36

Grate Furnace Power Generation

1) Project expansion

The Group has long focused on securing quality projects, and is gradually entering the international market while rapidly expanding its projects in China. As at the date of this report, the Group has successfully secured 19 projects in Binzhou, Naiman Banner, Jinning, Xichou, Pingguo, Luzhai, Du'an, Shulan, Zhangjiakou, Fengning, Longkou, Suzhou, He County, Nanyang, Fugou, Qingzhen, Wushan, Taonan and Gampaha in Sri Lanka, with a production capacity of approximately 3.20 million tonnes/year (9,200 tonnes/day).

2) Project operation

In 2020, through implementation of benchmarking management, the Group continued to optimize the economic indicators of its projects. Moreover, the Group further scaled up its electricity generation in tonne and on-grid electricity generation through various measures such as technical transformation measures and expansion of sources of high quality waste. During the Reporting Period, the Group received a total of approximately 2,830,000 tonnes of municipal waste, of which approximately 2,310,000 tonnes of municipal waste were treated, and achieved approximately 799 million kwh of on-grid electricity. The average on-grid electricity calculated according to the volume processed in furnace is 346 kwh, representing a year-on-year increase of 27 kwh.

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No.	State of Construction	Project Location	Capacity	Actual/Expected Completion Date	Cooperation Methods
1	In operation	Jinzhai, Anhui Province	2×100,000 tonnes/year (2×300 tonnes/day)	January 2016	Wholly-owned projects
2		Tongren, Guizhou Province	2×100,000 tonnes/year (2×300 tonnes/day)	July 2017	
3		Yanshan, Yunnan Province	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	August 2017	
4		Huoqiu, Anhui Province	2×140,000 tonnes/year (2×400 tonnes/day)	January 2018	
5		Li County, Hunan Province	2×140,000 tonnes/year (2×400 tonnes/day)	April 2018	
6		Songming, Yunnan Province (Phase 1)	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	January 2019	
7		Shanggao, Jiangxi Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	February 2019	
8		Yiyang, Jiangxi Province	2×100,000 tonnes/year (2×300 tonnes/day)	June 2019	
9		Shache, Xinjiang	2×100,000 tonnes/year (2×300 tonnes/day)	June 2019	
10		Sishui, Shandong Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	June 2019	
11		Bole, Xinjiang	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	July 2019	
12		Yang County, Shaanxi Province	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	October 2019	
13		Baoshan, Yunnan Province	2×140,000 tonnes/year (2×400 tonnes/day)	January 2020	
14		Fuquan, Guizhou Province (Phase 1)	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	January 2020	
15		Lujiang, Anhui Province (Phase 1)	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	January 2020	
16		Xianyang, Shaanxi Province	2×250,000 tonnes/year (2×750 tonnes/day)	July 2020	
17		Xishui, Guizhou Province (Phase 1)	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	July 2020	
18		Shizhu, Chongqing City	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	August 2020	
19		Huoshan, Anhui Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	August 2020	
20		Tengchong, Yunnan Province	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	November 2020	
21		Ningguo, Anhui Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	November 2020	
22		Luxi, Yunnan Province (Phase 1)	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	January 2021	
23		Mangshi, Yunnan Province	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	March 2021	
24		Luoping, Yunnan Province	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	March 2021	
25		Dexing, Jiangxi Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	November 2020	The Group holding 90%
Subtotal			4,160,000 tonnes/year (12,200 tonnes/day)		

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No.	State of Construction	Project Location	Capacity	Actual/Expected Completion Date	Cooperation Methods	
26	Under construction	Zongyang, Anhui Province (Phase 1)	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	April 2021	Wholly-owned project	
27		Shahe, Hebei Province (Phase 1)	2×180,000 tonnes/year (2×500 tonnes/day)	April 2021	The Group holding 66%	
28		Shimen, Hunan Province	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	May 2021	Wholly-owned projects	
29		Lujiang, Anhui Province (Phase 2)	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	May 2021		
30		Suiyang, Guizhou Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	June 2021	The Group holding 70%	
31		Manzhouli, Inner Mongolia	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	July 2021	Wholly-owned projects	
32		Hanshou, Hunan Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	July 2021		
33		Jiuquan, Gansu Province	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	July 2021		
34		Panshi, Jilin Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	August 2021		
35		Tongchuan, Shaanxi Province	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	September 2021		
36		Fuquan, Guizhou Province (Phase 2)	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	September 2021		
37		Hejin, Shanxi Province	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	October 2021		
38		Zhenxiong, Yunnan Province (Phase 1)	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	October 2021		
39		Pingguo, Guangxi Region	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	November 2021		
40		Wuwei, Anhui Province (Phase 1)	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	November 2021		
41		Shuangfen, Hunan Province	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	November 2021		
42		Pingliang, Gansu Province	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	January 2022		
43		Tongzi, Guizhou Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	March 2022		The Group holding 70%
44		Binzhou, Shaanxi Province	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	March 2022		Wholly-owned projects
45		Zhangjiakou, Hebei Province	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	May 2022		
46		Bac Ninh, Vietnam	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	May 2022	The Group holding 95%	
Subtotal			3,440,000 tonnes/year (9,700 tonnes/day)			

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No.	State of Construction	Project Location	Capacity	Actual/Expected Completion Date	Cooperation Methods		
47	Under approval and planning	Jinning, Yunnan Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)	/	Wholly-owned projects		
48		Xishui, Guizhou Province (Phase 2)	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)				
49		Luxi, Yunnan Province (Phase 2)	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)				
50		Luzhai, Guangxi Region	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)				
51		Zongyang, Anhui Province (Phase 2)	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)				
52		Naiman Banner, Inner Mongolia	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)				
53		Suzhou, Anhui Province	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)				
54		Du'an, Guangxi Region	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)				
55		Fugou, Henan Province	200,000 tonnes/year (600 tonnes/day)				
56		Xichou, Yunnan Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)				
57		Shulan, Jilin Province	140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)				
58		He County, Anhui Province	200,000 tonnes/year (600 tonnes/day)				
59		Qingzhen, Guizhou Province	2×180,000 tonnes/year (2×500 tonnes/day)				
60		Songming, Yunnan Province (Phase 2)	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)				
61		Fengning, Hebei Province	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)		The Group holding 70%		
62		Longkou, Shandong Province	200,000 tonnes/year (600 tonnes/day)		The Group holding 60%		
63		Gampaha District, Sri Lanka	180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)		The Group holding 97.5%		
64		Pipeline projects	Zhenxiong, Yunnan Province (Phase 2)		180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	/	Wholly-owned projects
65			Wuwei, Anhui Province (Phase 2)		180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)		The Group holding 66%
66			Shahe, Hebei Province (Phase 2)		2×180,000 tonnes/year (2×500 tonnes/day)		Wholly-owned projects
67	Nanyang, Henan Province		200,000 tonnes/year (600 tonnes/day)				
68	Wushan, Chongqing City		140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)				
69	Taonan, Jilin Province		140,000 tonnes/year (400 tonnes/day)				
70	Thai Nguyen, Vietnam		180,000 tonnes/year (500 tonnes/day)	The Group holding 51%			
Subtotal			4,160,000 tonnes/year (11,900 tonnes/day)				
Total			11,760,000 tonnes/year (33,800 tonnes/day)				

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Waste Treatment by Cement Kilns

During the Reporting Period, 16 projects of waste treatment by cement kilns were completed, with a treatment capacity of approximately 1.25 million tonnes/year, and an actual annual municipal waste treatment volume of approximately 745,800 tonnes.

Details of waste treatment by cement kilns projects are set out in the following table:

No.	State of Construction	Project Location	Business Model	Capacity	Cooperation Methods
1	Completed	Pingliang, Gansu Province	BOT	100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	Wholly-owned projects
2		Qingzhen, Guizhou Province		100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	
3		Yangchun, Guangdong Province		70,000 tonnes/year (200 tonnes/day)	
4		Yuping, Guizhou Province		30,000 tonnes/year (100 tonnes/day)	The Group holding 70%
5		Xishui, Guizhou Province		100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	
6		Qiyang, Hunan Province		100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	Wholly-owned projects
7		Shimen, Hunan Province		70,000 tonnes/year (200 tonnes/day)	
8		Shuicheng, Guizhou Province		70,000 tonnes/year (200 tonnes/day)	
9		Fusui, Guangxi Region		70,000 tonnes/year (200 tonnes/day)	
10		Shuangfeng, Hunan Province		70,000 tonnes/year (200 tonnes/day)	
11		Nanjiang, Sichuan Province		70,000 tonnes/year (200 tonnes/day)	
12		Lingyun, Guangxi Region		30,000 tonnes/year (100 tonnes/day)	
13		Ningguo, Anhui Province		100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	
14		Linxia, Gansu Province		100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	
15		Xing'an, Guangxi Region		100,000 tonnes/year (300 tonnes/day)	
16		Yingjiang, Yunnan Province		70,000 tonnes/year (200 tonnes/day)	
Total				1,250,000 tonnes/year (3,700 tonnes/day)	

As at the date of this report, the Group has a municipal waste treatment capacity of approximately 13.01 million tonnes/year (37,500 tonnes/day), including approximately 5.41 million tonnes/year (15,900 tonnes/day) completed and approximately 7.60 million tonnes/year (21,600 tonnes/day) under construction and under approval and planning.

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New Building Materials and Port Logistics

In 2020, the Group adhered to the market demand oriented approach to take forward the development of product application in a systematic manner and made every effort to enhance the production capacity for all products and to build a competitive advantage in substrate products. Meanwhile, the Group took an active move to build a new ecological and green image for the port, and achieved cost reduction and efficiency enhancement by expanding regional markets, tapping into quality source of supply and optimizing the workflow.

During the Reporting Period, the Group recorded new building materials product sales of approximately 8.69 million square meters, with an operating income of RMB123.38 million, and port logistic throughput of approximately 31.94 million tonnes, with an operating income of RMB216.15 million.

(III) FUTURE PLAN AND OUTLOOK

The year 2021 is the in-between year for the Group's five-year development plan and an important stage in the development of the environmental protection business. With the vision of the PRC of achieving peak carbon dioxide emissions and carbon neutrality, the pace of accelerating the comprehensive deepening of reform and the development of the energy conservation and environmental protection industry will be continued. The Group will closely keep up with the national strategy, consolidate the market position of its existing businesses with competitive edges, focus on value creation and promote a new stage of higher-quality development. The Group will focus its efforts in the following areas:

Explore new technologies and cultivate new competitive advantages for the Group's development

The Group will firstly aim at the development of new technologies, new techniques and new equipment for the domestic solid and hazardous waste treatment industry, and strengthen exchanges and cooperation with domestic universities and research institutes in order to leverage the complementary strengths of one another and jointly enhance the level of research and development. The second is to carry out analysis of capacity enhancement and operation of the collaborative solid and hazardous waste treatment by cement kilns to formulate effective measures and means. Last but not least, the Group will continue to step up efforts to investigate technologies for sludge treatment and collaborative municipal waste treatment and conversion of solid waste by cement kilns, and explore the advancement and application of new technologies.

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Focus on new areas of the environmental protection business and consolidate new momentum for development

For the solid waste treatment business, firstly, the Group will fully utilize the resources of our cooperation partners, and take new technologies such as fly ash treatment via water washing, oil-bearing sludge treatment, soil remediation and terminal treatment as entry points to identify suitable projects, deepen cooperation in the environmental protection field and cultivate new profit growth drivers. The second is to accelerate the cooperation with the cement industry on collaborative treatment projects and continue to keep track of projects in provinces of strategic importance such as Guangdong Province, Jiangsu Province and Shandong Province. The third is to make full use of the advantages of the integrated development of the Conch system to achieve full coverage of the collaborative treatment by cement kilns of Conch and expand the market layout.

For the municipal waste treatment business, firstly, the Group will increase its efforts in tracking projects and strive to secure more quality projects. The second is to adopt an international vision and make use of its environmental technology features and competitive cost advantage to accelerate the cultivation of overseas waste power generation markets such as Southeast Asia. The third is to explore the extension of business in resource utilization, such as steam supply, gas-fired power generation and sludge power generation, in order to continue to broaden the Group's business development landscape.

Strive to open up markets and optimize technical transformation measures to ensure further improvement in operational quality

For the solid waste treatment business, firstly, the Group will strengthen the development of primary market and actively expand the channels for input of solid and hazardous waste; secondly, optimize technical transformation measures to ensure stable kiln conditions while enhancing treatment volume and improving operational quality and economic benefits; thirdly, rationally allocate treatment capacity and resources in different regions, coordinate regional market prices and promote the transfer of hazardous waste across provinces in unexplored markets to maximize efficiency.

For the domestic waste treatment business, firstly, the Group will intensify benchmarking management, address shortcomings and enhance quality and efficiency; secondly, plan ahead for the source of waste for newly-commissioned projects, and to develop multiple channels for input of general waste to ensure sufficient waste volume; thirdly, introduce innovative sales strategies, coordinate the distribution of waste volume among different regions and improve operational efficiency.

Keep up with the development trend and achieve further improvement in profitability for new building materials and port logistics businesses

For the new building materials business, the Group will give top priority on increasing the sales volume and market share of panels, and focus on improving production efficiency. At the same time, the Group will conduct benchmarking management and strictly control the costs so as to facilitate the growth of its advantageous products.

For the port logistics business, the Group will take the initiative to drive forward green technology transformation and intensify market development of regional sources of cargo. At the same time, the Group will strengthen its efforts in intellectualized transformation and build an information management system to improve the operational efficiency of equipment.

5. MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

PROFITS

Item	2020 Amount (RMB'000)	2019 Amount (RMB'000)	Changes between the Reporting Period and the corresponding period of the previous year (%)
Revenue	6,604,573	5,120,281	28.99
Profit before taxation	8,052,715	7,413,779	8.62
Share of profits of associates	6,387,437	6,008,155	6.31
Profit before taxation from principal businesses	1,665,278	1,405,624	18.47
Net profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	7,617,627	6,995,831	8.89
Net profit from principal businesses attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	1,230,190	987,676	24.55

During the Reporting Period, the Group recorded a revenue of RMB6,604.57 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 28.99%. Profit before taxation amounted to RMB8,052.72 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 8.62%. Share of profits of associates amounted to RMB6,387.44 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 6.31%. Profit before taxation from principal businesses amounted to RMB1,665.28 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 18.47%. Net profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company amounted to RMB7,617.63 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 8.89%, among which, net profit from principal businesses attributable to equity shareholders amounted to RMB1,230.19 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 24.55%. Basic earnings per share amounted to RMB4.22, and diluted earnings per share amounted to RMB4.06.

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Revenue by business segments

Item	2020		2019		Change in amount (%)	Change in percentage (percentage points)
	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)		
Solid waste solutions	1,150,125	17.41	738,141	14.42	55.81	2.99
Waste incineration solutions	4,798,543	72.66	3,698,481	72.23	29.74	0.43
Energy saving equipment	316,374	4.79	361,714	7.06	-12.53	-2.27
New building materials	123,380	1.87	104,201	2.04	18.41	-0.17
Port logistics	216,151	3.27	217,744	4.25	-0.73	-0.98
Total	6,604,573	100.00	5,120,281	100.00	28.99	-

During the Reporting Period, the revenue from solid waste solutions and waste incineration solutions maintained a year-on-year rapid increase, whereas the revenue from energy saving equipment recorded a year-on-year decrease. With a breakdown by segments:

- (i) The revenue from solid waste solutions amounted to RMB1,150.13 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 55.81%, which was mainly attributable to the year-on-year growth in the revenue of the new commencement of operation of the Group's projects in Yangchun and Qiyang, the acquisition of Bangda Environmental and the commencement of operation of projects in Chongqing, Wenshan and Guiyang last year, leading to a rapid growth in revenue from such segment.
- (ii) The revenue from waste incineration solutions amounted to RMB4,798.54 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 29.74%, which was mainly attributable to the new commencement of operation of the Group's projects in Xianyang, Fuquan, Xishui, Huoshan, Yang County and the increase in the number of projects under construction, resulting in the growth in revenue.
- (iii) The revenue from energy saving equipment amounted to RMB316.37 million, representing a year-on-year decrease of 12.53%, which was mainly due to the delays in shipment for overseas orders from India and Laos, leading to the decline in revenue.
- (iv) The revenue from new building materials recorded a year-on-year increase of 18.41%, which was mainly attributable to the increase in volume and price as a result of proactive market expansion, resulting in the growth in revenue.
- (v) The revenue from port logistics amounted to RMB216.15 million, representing a year-on-year decrease of 0.73%.

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Breakdown of revenue from solid waste solutions



During the Reporting Period, the hazardous waste input volume amounted to approximately 432,000 tonnes, with a revenue of RMB817.26 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 32.66%; and the general solid waste input volume amounted to approximately 1,061,000 tonnes, with a revenue of RMB332.86 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 172.68%.

Breakdown of revenue from waste incineration solutions

Revenue breakdown	2020		2019		Change in amount (%)	Change in percentage (percentage points)
	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)		
Construction revenue	4,089,923	85.23	3,321,940	89.82	23.12	-4.59
Waste treatment by cement kilns	18,602	0.39	25,190	0.68	-26.15	-0.29
Grate furnace power generation	4,071,321	84.84	3,296,750	89.14	23.49	-4.30
Operation revenue	560,251	11.68	259,051	7.00	116.27	4.68
Waste treatment by cement kilns	50,282	1.05	49,427	1.33	1.73	-0.28
Grate furnace power generation	509,969	10.63	209,624	5.67	143.28	4.96
Interest revenue	148,369	3.09	117,490	3.18	26.28	-0.09
Waste treatment by cement kilns	47,265	0.97	64,880	1.76	-27.15	-0.79
Grate furnace power generation	101,104	2.12	52,610	1.42	92.18	0.70
Total	4,798,543	100.00	3,698,481	100.00	29.74	-

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During the Reporting Period, the revenue from waste incineration solutions segment during the construction period amounted to RMB4,089.92 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 23.12%, which was mainly due to the increase in the number of the Group's grate furnace power generation projects which are under construction, such as projects in Shahe, Jiuquan, Tongchuan and Wuwei. The operation revenue from waste incineration solutions segment amounted to RMB560.25 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 116.27%, which was mainly due to the commencement of operation of new projects in Xianyang, Fuquan, Xishui, Huoshan and Yang County.

Revenue by geographical locations

Item	2020		2019		Change in amount (%)	Change in Percentage (percentage points)
	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)		
Mainland China	6,532,368	98.91	4,985,598	97.37	31.02	1.54
Asia-Pacific (except Mainland China)	70,816	1.07	134,502	2.63	-47.35	-1.56
South America	1,389	0.02	-	-	-	0.02
North America	-	-	18	-	-	-
Africa	-	-	163	-	-	-
Total	6,604,573	100.00	5,120,281	100.00	28.99	-

During the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue derived from Mainland China market recorded a year-on-year increase of 31.02%, with its proportion in total revenue increased by 1.54 percentage points year-on-year, which was mainly due to the increase in the number of projects commencing operation and projects under construction and the sustained growth in revenue from the principal activities. The revenue derived from Asia-Pacific (except Mainland China) market amounted to RMB70.82 million, representing a year-on-year decrease of 47.35%, with its proportion in total revenue decreased by 1.56 percentage points year-on-year, which was mainly due to the delays in work progress of overseas project and late delivery of orders for energy saving equipment of the Group, leading to the decrease in the revenue.

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Gross profit and gross profit margin

Item	2020		2019		Change in amount (%)	Change in percentage (percentage points)
	Gross profit (RMB'000)	Gross profit margin (%)	Gross profit (RMB'000)	Gross profit margin (%)		
Solid waste solutions	768,234	66.80	541,521	73.36	41.87	-6.56
Waste incineration solutions	1,180,314	24.60	963,135	26.04	22.55	-1.44
Energy saving equipment	77,818	24.60	96,360	26.64	-19.24	-2.04
New building materials	29,208	23.67	17,802	17.08	64.07	6.59
Port logistics	134,897	62.41	132,813	61.00	1.57	1.41
Total	2,190,471	33.17	1,751,631	34.21	25.05	-1.04

During the Reporting Period, the consolidated gross profit margin of the Group's products was 33.17%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 1.04 percentage points. With a breakdown by segments:

- (i) The gross profit margin for solid waste solutions was 66.80%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 6.56 percentage points, which was mainly caused by increased proportion of general solid waste, intensified market competition and lower prices in northwest and eastern regions. Among which, the gross profit margin for hazardous waste was 70.21%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 6.47 percentage points; the gross profit margin for general solid waste was 58.41%, representing a year-on-year increase of 0.59 percentage points.
- (ii) The gross profit margin for waste incineration solutions was 24.60%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 1.44 percentage points. Among which, gross profit margin for operating period was 73.34%, representing a year-on-year increase of 7.49 percentage points, which was attributable to strengthened management of operational quality and enhanced on-grid electricity generated by each tonne of waste; gross profit margin for construction period was 16.15%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 5.38 percentage points, which was mainly due to an increase in material procurement costs, leading to a decrease in gross profit margin of equipment.
- (iii) The gross profit margin for energy saving equipment was 24.60%, representing a year-on-year decrease of 2.04 percentage points. The gross profit margin for new building materials was 23.67%, representing a year-on-year increase of 6.59 percentage point, which was mainly attributable to the thorough development of building materials market and higher sales prices, resulting in an increase in gross profit margin.
- (iv) The gross profit margin for port logistics was 62.41%, representing a year-on-year increase of 1.41 percentage point.

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Other income

During the Reporting Period, the Group's other income amounted to RMB241.17 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB41.98 million, or 21.08%, which was mainly due to the year-on-year increase in government subsidies received by the Group.

Distribution costs

During the Reporting Period, the Group's distribution costs amounted to RMB136.99 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB47.37 million, or 52.86%, which was mainly due to the proactive effort of the Group in market expansion and increase in number of projects commencing operation, resulting in the increase in distribution costs.

Administrative expenses

During the Reporting Period, the Group's administrative expenses amounted to RMB394.95 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB117.06 million, or 42.12%, which was mainly due to an increase in employees' remuneration and an increase in the number of operating companies.

Finance costs

During the Reporting Period, the Group's finance costs amounted to RMB234.42 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB56.73 million, or 31.93%, which was mainly due to the new bank loans raised by the Group, resulting in the increase in finance costs.

Profit before taxation

During the Reporting Period, the Group's profit before taxation amounted to RMB8,052.72 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB638.94 million, or 8.62%, which was mainly due to the increase in the share of profits of associates and net profits from principal businesses. Share of profits of associates amounted to RMB6,387.44 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 6.31%, and profit before taxation from principal businesses amounted to RMB1,665.28 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 18.47%.

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FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's total assets amounted to RMB54,327.57 million, representing an increase of RMB12,156.01 million as compared to the end of the previous year. The equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company amounted to RMB38,564.99 million, representing an increase of RMB6,712.03 million as compared to the end of the previous year. Gearing ratio of the Group (total liabilities/total assets) was 26.41%, representing an increase of 4.10 percentage points as compared to the end of the previous year. The balance sheet items of the Group are as follows:

Item	31 December 2020 (RMB'000)	31 December 2019 (RMB'000)	Change between the end of the Reporting Period and the end of the previous year (%)
Property, plant and equipment	3,714,696	2,443,912	52.00
Non-current assets	47,921,606	36,706,956	30.55
Current assets	6,405,966	5,464,605	17.23
Current liabilities	5,687,738	3,878,313	46.65
Non-current liabilities	8,662,655	5,530,852	56.62
Net current assets	718,228	1,586,292	-54.72
Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	38,564,985	31,852,952	21.07
Total assets	54,327,572	42,171,561	28.83
Total liabilities	14,350,393	9,409,165	52.52

Non-current assets and current assets

As at 31 December 2020, non-current assets of the Group amounted to RMB47,921.61 million, representing an increase of 30.55% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to the increase in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets. Current assets of the Group amounted to RMB6,405.97 million, representing an increase of 17.23% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to the increase in trade and other receivables.

Non-current liabilities and current liabilities

As at 31 December 2020, non-current liabilities of the Group amounted to RMB8,662.66 million, representing an increase of 56.62% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to the new long-term loans raised by the Group during the Reporting Period.

Current liabilities of the Group amounted to RMB5,687.74 million, representing an increase of 46.65% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to the increase in projects under construction of the Group and the year-on-year increase in trade and other payables.

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As at 31 December 2020, current ratio (calculated by dividing total amount of current assets by current liabilities) and debt-to-equity ratio (calculated by dividing total amount of loans by total equity) of the Group were 1.13 and 0.16, respectively, as compared to 1.41 and 0.08, respectively, as at the end of the previous year.

Net current assets

As at 31 December 2020, net current assets of the Group amounted to RMB718.23 million, representing a decrease of RMB868.06 million as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to the increase in trade and other payables of the Group.

Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company amounted to RMB38,564.99 million, representing an increase of 21.07% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to increases in net profit from principal businesses attributable to the equity shareholders and share of interests in associates of the Group.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL SOURCES

During the Reporting Period, the Group took full advantage of the capital size and enhanced returns of the stock funds through enhancing capital planning and management and reasonable allocation of project loans, so as to fully satisfy the Company's capital needs. As at 31 December 2020, the Group's cash and cash equivalents amounted to RMB3,350.54 million, which were mainly denominated in RMB, Hong Kong dollars and US dollars.

Bank loans

Item	31 December 2020 (RMB'000)	31 December 2019 (RMB'000)
Due within one year	1,282,264	664,700
Due after one year but within two years	1,223,516	816,737
Due after two years but within five years	2,192,600	732,090
Due after five years	1,708,342	369,710
Total	6,406,722	2,583,237

As at 31 December 2020, the balance of bank loans of the Group amounted to RMB6,406.72 million, representing an increase of RMB3,823.49 million as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to the new bank loans raised by the Group during the Reporting Period. As at 31 December 2020, the Group's bank loans were denominated in RMB, and most of the loan interests were subject to variable interest rate.

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Cash flows

Item	2020 (RMB'000)	2019 (RMB'000)
Net cash generated from operating activities	715,084	365,359
Net cash used in investing activities	-3,124,103	-514,118
Net cash generated from financing activities	2,849,706	385,648
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	440,687	236,889
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	-52,348	51,466
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	2,962,200	2,673,845
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	3,350,539	2,962,200

Net cash generated from operating activities

During the Reporting Period, net cash generated from operating activities of the Group amounted to RMB715.08 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB349.73 million, which was mainly due to an increase in the number of operating projects of solid waste solutions and waste incineration solutions.

Net cash used in investing activities

During the Reporting Period, net cash used in investing activities of the Group amounted to RMB3,124.10 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB2,609.99 million, which was mainly due to the increase in investments in projects under construction and the year-on-year decrease in bank deposits with maturity over three months.

Net cash generated from financing activities

During the Reporting Period, net cash generated from financing activities of the Group amounted to RMB2,849.71 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB2,464.06 million, which was mainly due to the increase in proceeds from bank loans.

COMMITMENTS

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had outstanding purchase commitments related to BOT construction contracts and capital commitments not provided for in the consolidated financial statements were as follows:

Item	31 December 2020 (RMB'000)	31 December 2019 (RMB'000)
Contracted for	2,868,376	1,976,373
Authorized but not contracted for	3,585,630	2,345,775
Total	6,454,006	4,322,148

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE RISK

The Group's functional currency is RMB. Foreign exchange risks faced by the Group were mainly derived from account receivables and account payables arising from sales and procurement which were mainly denominated in currencies including US dollars and Hong Kong dollars. Other than that, most of the assets and transactions of the Group were denominated in RMB, and the capital expenditures of the Group's domestic business were generally funded with the revenue in RMB. As a result, the Group is not exposed to significant foreign exchange risks.

During the Reporting Period, the Group did not use any financial derivatives to hedge against any foreign exchange risks.

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2020, the Group did not have any material contingent liabilities.

PLEDGE OF ASSETS

As at 31 December 2020, right-of-use assets with carrying amount of RMB9.48 million were pledged as collaterals for certain bank loans.

MATERIAL INVESTMENTS, ACQUISITIONS OR DISPOSALS

On 8 June 2020, the Group acquired 70% of the equity interest in Bangda Environmental in Yulin, Shaanxi Province for a total consideration of RMB216,020,000 to develop new business in hazardous waste and solid waste treatment.

Save as disclosed above, during the Reporting Period, the Group did not make any other material investments, acquisitions or disposals.

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CONVERTIBLE BONDS

On 5 September 2018, Conch Venture BVI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, issued zero coupon guaranteed convertible bonds (“**Bonds**”) with an aggregate amount of HKD3,925,000,000, the net proceeds from which amounted to approximately RMB3,376.40 million (“**Net Proceeds**”). As at 31 December 2020, out of the Net Proceeds, the Company had accumulatively used approximately RMB3,376.40 million and all the Net Proceeds raised have been utilized according to the intended use as disclosed previously. During the Reporting Period, the Company had further utilized the Net Proceeds of approximately RMB635.30 million in the manners set out in the table below.

Intended use of the unutilized Net Proceeds as disclosed in the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2019 issued by the Company previously	Actual use of the Net Proceeds during the Reporting period	Intended use of the unutilized Net Proceeds	Note
(i) Approximately RMB222.00 million is intended to be utilized for investing in two to three solid waste treatment projects in the PRC for the year ended 31 December 2020, so as to coordinate with the actual development and progress of solid waste treatment projects in the same year.	Approximately RMB222.00 million was utilized for the purpose of development of solid waste treatment projects in Anhui Province, Hunan Province, etc. in the PRC during the Reporting Period.	N/A	There was no material change or delay in the intended use of the Net Proceeds previously disclosed.
(ii) Approximately RMB413.30 million is intended to be utilized for investing in one to two grate furnace power generation projects in the PRC for the year ended 31 December 2020, so as to coordinate with the actual development and progress of grate furnace power generation projects in the same year.	Approximately RMB413.30 million was utilized for development of grate furnace power generation projects in Anhui Province, Yunnan Province, Shaanxi Province, etc. in the PRC during the Reporting Period.	N/A	There was no material change or delay in the intended use of the Net Proceeds previously disclosed.

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Intended use of the unutilized Net Proceeds as disclosed in the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2019 issued by the Company previously	Actual use of the Net Proceeds during the Reporting period	Intended use of the unutilized Net Proceeds	Note
(iii) No Net Proceeds is intended to be utilized for general corporate purpose.	No Net Proceeds was utilized for general corporate purpose during the Reporting Period.	N/A	There was no material change or delay in the intended use of the Net Proceeds previously disclosed.

During the Reporting Period, the holders of the Bonds did not exercise any conversion rights, and no redemption of any amounts of the Bonds has been made by Conch Venture BVI.

HUMAN RESOURCES

The Group is constantly exploring ways to optimise its management model based on its strategic development needs, while at the same time offering competitive remuneration packages and a wide range of training programmes which are in line with its management practices to its employees. During the Reporting Period, the Group optimized and adjusted its established remuneration system and established a new model that adapts to the Group's regionalized management, with particular emphasis on the salary assessment and incentive management of middle and senior management staff, to establish a top-to-bottom vertical management system to give full play to the incentive and restraining effect of the remuneration mechanism of the Group. In addition, the Group has implemented regionalised management based on the actual geographical and operational condition of the project companies, which has facilitated the integration of the human resources of the Group and further enhanced the management effectiveness and efficiency of project companies. The Group endeavours to build a diversified and professional training system by organising the declaration and assessment of middle and senior technical titles in the engineering division, training in professional knowledge and business skills, as well as organizing safety qualification examinations, and arranging for middle and senior management staff to receive on-the-job training, so as to strongly promote professional training and skills enhancement and build up a professional and multi-level talent management team to secure manpower for the Group's promising future development.

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had 5,459 employees. The remuneration of employees is determined by qualifications, experience, work performance and market conditions. As required by the PRC regulations on social insurance, the Group participated in the social insurance schemes operated by local government authorities which include pension insurance, medical insurance, unemployment insurance, industrial injuries insurance and maternity insurance. For the year ended 31 December 2020, the total remuneration of employees (including the remuneration of the Directors) was approximately RMB462.31 million (2019: RMB306.58 million).

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The Board is hereby pleased to present the corporate governance report of the Group for the year.

(I) CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Company is committed to achieving high standard of corporate governance in order to protect the interests of the Shareholders and improve corporate value and accountability. The Company acknowledges the importance of the Board in effectively leading and managing the business of the Company and ensuring the transparency and accountability of the Company's operation.

The Company has adopted the Corporate Governance Code ("**CG Code**") set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules as the corporate governance code of the Company. The Board confirmed that during the Reporting Period, the Company has complied with the principles and code provisions of the CG Code to formulate its operation and the Company has further refined the corporate governance structure and enhanced its corporate governance under the guidance of the regulatory documents including the Listing Rules and the Articles of Association.

The Company will regularly review and improve its corporate governance practices in order to be continuously in compliance with the CG Code.

(II) MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding the transactions of securities of the Company by the Directors and the relevant employees (who likely possess inside information of the Company) ("**Securities Dealing Code**") on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers ("**Model Code**") set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. Having made specific enquiries by the Company, except Mr. Li Daming (details are set out in the section headed "Deviation from Rules A.3(a)(ii) and B.8 of the Model Code" below), all the Directors confirmed that they have complied with the Model Code and the Securities Dealing Code during the Reporting Period.

The Company has also issued an insider dealing warning ("**Insider Dealing Warning**") for securities transactions by employees.

Deviation from Rules A.3(a)(ii) and B.8 of the Model Code

On 12 August 2020, the Company was informed by Mr. Li Daming that on 12 August 2020, Mr. Li Daming first became aware of the following transactions ("**Transactions**") that had taken place and had been made by his spouse ("**Ms. Zhang**") (without consulting or informing Mr. Li Daming prior to such Transactions):

- (1) on 24 July 2020, Ms. Zhang caused 88,000 shares in the Company to be purchased through a securities account maintained under Mr. Li Daming's name on the open market;

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- (2) on 24 July 2020, Ms. Zhang purchased 8,500 shares in the Company through a securities account maintained under her own name on the open market; and
- (3) on 10 August 2020 (during the blackout period), Ms. Zhang purchased 1,500 shares in the Company through the said securities account on the open market.

Approvals or acknowledgments from the chairman of the Board ("**Chairman**") were not obtained prior to the execution of the Transactions. The Company through its legal adviser promptly informed the Stock Exchange of the Transactions and related matters. The Company confirmed that both Mr. Li Daming and Ms. Zhang were not in possession of any inside information in relation to the Company when the Transactions took place. On 2 September 2020, the Stock Exchange issued a guidance letter to Mr. Li Daming indicating that the Stock Exchange did not propose to take any further action on this occasion and reminding Mr. Li Daming of the relevant requirements under the Model Code.

Mr. Li Daming has taken the following remedial measures to ensure his compliance with the Securities Dealing Code/Model Code in the future:

- (1) explained and reminded Ms. Zhang of their obligations in connection with the Model Code/ Securities Dealing Code, and circulated to her the training materials and the Insider Dealing Warning and the Securities Dealing Code;
- (2) requested Ms. Zhang to seek Mr. Li Daming's prior agreement and formal written approval from the Company before dealing in shares of the Company in the future; and
- (3) undertook to continue to participate in training sessions in relation to requirements and restrictions under the Model Code and other relevant rules and regulations with respect to securities dealings by listed companies' directors.

The Company has taken the following remedial actions to improve its internal control system to ensure compliance of the Model Code by the Company and the Directors and prevent similar incidents in the future:

- (1) through an email sent on 12 August 2020, reminding all Directors of their obligations in relation to dealings in securities as set out in the Securities Dealing Code;
- (2) recommending all the Directors to circulate the training materials and the Insider Dealing Warning and the Securities Dealing Code regarding securities dealings by the Directors, which include the relevant requirements and prohibitions that are applicable to their spouses;
- (3) circulating the template of a notification letter which would be required to be submitted by the Director at least 5 working days before any proposed dealing of the securities of the Company. Any dealing by the Director (or his close associates) can only proceed after receiving the written approval or acknowledgement from the Chairman; and

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- (4) engaged its legal adviser, Chiu & Partners, to organize a training session on 22 December 2020 for all the Directors and senior management of the Company, which put emphasis on, among other topics, the requirements under the Insider Dealing Warning and the Securities Dealing Code.

(III) THE BOARD

The composition of the Board during the Reporting Period is as follows:

Name	Position
Mr. Guo Jingbin	Executive Director and Chairman of the Board
Mr. Ji Qinying	Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Li Jian	Executive Director and Deputy General Manager
Mr. Li Daming	Executive Director and Deputy General Manager
Mr. Chang Zhangli	Non-executive Director
Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan)	Independent Non-executive Director
Mr. Chan Kai Wing	Independent Non-executive Director
Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex	Independent Non-executive Director

Detailed biographies of the current Directors are set out in the section headed “Biographies of Directors and Senior Management” of this report.

There is no financial, business, family or other material/relevant relationship among all members of the Board.

Independence of Independent Non-executive Directors

During the Reporting Period, the Board had complied with the requirements under Rules 3.10 and 3.10A of the Listing Rules, having at least three independent non-executive Directors (representing at least one-third of the Board) with at least one of whom possessing appropriate professional qualifications, or accounting and related financial management expertise. The Company has received written annual confirmations from the independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan), Mr. Chan Kai Wing and Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex, on their independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 and the Company considers all independent non-executive Directors are independent. The three independent non-executive Directors have duly performed their duties, protected Shareholders’ interests independently and objectively, and provided checks and balances in the decision-making of the Board in accordance with relevant laws and regulations.

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According to Code Provision A.1.1 of the CG Code, the board of directors of any listed company should meet regularly and board meetings should be held at least four times a year at approximately quarterly intervals. During the Reporting Period, the Board had held four meetings (one for each quarter), two of which were routine meetings to approve the final results for the year ended 31 December 2019 and the interim results for the period ended 30 June 2020. The Board was of the view that each Director was given sufficient time to supervise the matters of the Company at the meetings held during the year. In 2021, the Company will continue to comply with Code Provision A.1.1 of the CG Code in holding one regular board meeting for each quarter to discuss or approve matters in relation to, among other things, operating strategies, external expansion, financial planning.

During the Reporting Period, the attendance records of each Director at the meetings of the Board, the Audit Committee, the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and the annual general meeting are set forth as below:

Name of Director	Number of attendance/ Number of meetings during term of office			
	Board Meeting	Audit Committee	Remuneration and Nomination Committee	Annual General Meeting
Mr. Guo Jingbin	4/4	N/A	N/A	1/1
Mr. Ji Qinying	4/4	N/A	1/1	1/1
Mr. Li Jian	4/4	N/A	N/A	1/1
Mr. Li Daming	4/4	N/A	N/A	1/1
Mr. Chang Zhangli	4/4	N/A	N/A	0/1
Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan)	4/4	2/2	1/1	0/1
Mr. Chan Kai Wing	4/4	2/2	1/1	0/1
Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex	4/4	2/2	1/1	0/1

During the Reporting Period, the Chairman also held meeting with the independent non-executive Directors without the presence of other Directors.

(IV) FUNCTIONS, OPERATION AND ACCOUNTABILITIES OF THE BOARD AND MANAGEMENT

The Board is responsible for the leadership, control and management of the Company. Its primary role is to provide strategic guidance for the Company and effectively supervise the administrative staff of the Company. Each Director shall perform their duties objectively and prudently in the interest of the Company and shall be accountable to Shareholders.

The Board reserves its right to make decisions on all major matters of the Company, including to approve and supervise the policies, overall strategies and budgets, internal control and risk management systems, material transactions (in particular those which may involve conflict of interests), financial information, appointment of Directors and other significant financial and operational matters.

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The management of the Company is responsible for the daily management of the business operation of the Company, the implementation of strategies, plans and business targets of the Company, and the formulation of business plans and budgets and making recommendation on such issues to the Board.

All Directors, including non-executive Director and independent non-executive Directors, have brought a wide spectrum of valuable business experiences, knowledge and professionalism to the Board for its efficient and effective functioning.

All Directors have full and timely access to all relevant information as well as the advice and services from the company secretaries, with a view to ensuring that Board procedures and all applicable rules and regulations are followed. Besides, each Director may seek independent professional advice in appropriate circumstances at the Company's expenses, upon making request to the Board.

The Directors shall disclose to the Company details of other offices held by them and the Board regularly reviews the contribution required from each Director to perform his responsibilities to the Company.

(V) CONTINUOUS TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF DIRECTORS

The Company continuously updates Directors on the latest developments of the Listing Rules and other applicable regulatory requirements and provides training to improve and update the Directors' knowledge and skills.

Certain senior management of the Company attended the "Advanced Seminar for Board Secretaries of Chinese A+H Share Companies and the 52nd Session of the Enhanced Continuing Professional Development Seminar for Affiliated Members" held by The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries and The Shanghai Stock Exchange through webinar from 5 to 7 August 2020, and circulated relevant information to our Directors. On 22 December 2020, the Directors and senior management of the Company attended an online training on rules and regulations relating to securities trading and inside information and case studies organized by Chiu & Partners to further enhance the legal awareness and compliance awareness of the Directors and senior management in dealing in securities. In addition, the Company regularly circulates the weekly news of the environmental protection industry to update the Directors on the industry development during the year.

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A summary of training received by the Directors during the year ended 31 December 2020 according to the records provided by the Directors is as follows:

Name of Director	Attending courses/ seminars/conferences	Reading books/ journals/articles
Mr. Guo Jingbin	✓	✓
Mr. Ji Qinying	✓	✓
Mr. Li Jian	✓	✓
Mr. Li Daming	✓	✓
Mr. Chang Zhangli	✓	✓
Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan)	✓	✓
Mr. Chan Kai Wing	✓	✓
Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex	✓	✓

During the Reporting Period, all the Directors were in compliance with the Code Provision A.6.5 of the CG Code. All the Directors were consistently provided with the latest information regarding legal and regulatory developments as well as business and market environment for their performance of duties.

(VI) CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Under the Code Provision A.2.1 of the CG Code, the duties and responsibilities of the Chairman to manage the Board should be clearly separated from those of the Chief Executive Officer to manage the business operation of the Company and should not be performed by the same individual.

The Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company (i.e. general manager) are served by Mr. Guo Jingbin and Mr. Ji Qinying respectively so as to ensure a clear division of the duties between them. Mr. Guo Jingbin is mainly responsible for formulating the overall strategic development of the Group, leading the Board and ensuring the effectiveness of the Board when performing his duties as the Chairman of the Board. Mr. Ji Qinying is mainly responsible for the daily operation and management of the Company and the implementation of the Board's decisions, strategies, plans and business targets of the Company.

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(VII) APPOINTMENT AND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The procedures of appointment, re-election and removal of Directors are stipulated in the Articles of Association.

As at the date of this report, the Company has entered into service agreements with all executive Directors and appointment letters with the non-executive Director and all independent non-executive Directors respectively, all for a term of not more than three years. Such appointment may be terminated by not less than three months' written notice from either party.

Pursuant to article 105(A) of the Articles of Association, at each annual general meeting, one third of the Directors for the time being (or if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest to but not less than one-third) shall retire from office by rotation provided that every Director shall be subject to retirement at least once every three years. Retiring Directors are eligible to offer themselves for re-election. The Directors to retire in every year shall be those who have been longest in office since their last re-election or appointment but as between persons who became or were last re-elected Directors on the same day, those to retire shall (unless otherwise agreed among themselves) be determined by lot. Any Director appointed by the Board to fill up temporary positions or to be new members of the Board shall hold office only until the next following general meeting and shall then be eligible for re-election at the meeting.

Hence, after discussion among the Directors, Mr. Ji Qinying, Mr. Li Daming and Mr. Chang Zhangli will retire at the 2021 Annual General Meeting and all of them, being eligible for nomination and re-election pursuant to the Articles of Association, the Company's board diversity policy and director nomination policy, will offer themselves for re-election thereat.

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(VIII) COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

As at the date of this report, the Board has established three committees, namely the Audit Committee, the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee and formulated the relevant written terms of references for overseeing particular aspects of affairs of the Company. Each committee of the Board is established with defined written terms of reference. The terms of reference of the committees of the Board are posted on the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) and the website of the Company (www.conchventure.com) and are available to Shareholders.

1. Audit Committee

(1) Members

The three independent non-executive Directors are members of the Audit Committee and their positions are as follows:

Name	Position
Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan)	Chairman
Mr. Chan Kai Wing	Member
Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex	Member

None of the members of the Audit Committee is a former partner of the current external auditors of the Company.

The Terms of Reference of the Audit Committee of the Board clearly defines the duties and rules of the committee. In accordance with the Terms of Reference of the Audit Committee of the Board, the chairman of the committee shall be acted by an independent non-executive Director.

(2) Summary of Functions and Work

The Company adopted the latest revised Terms of Reference of the Audit Committee with effect from 29 March 2021 to remove its risk management function. The new Terms of Reference of the Audit Committee of the Board stipulates that the primary duties of the Audit Committee are mainly to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment and dismissal of the external auditor, review the financial statements and information, provide advice in respect of financial reporting and oversee the internal control system of the Company and consider any significant or unusual matters and report to the Board for consideration.

For the year ended 31 December 2020, the work done by the Audit Committee was set forth below:

- a. reviewed the audited consolidated annual results as at 31 December 2019 and the interim results as at 30 June 2020, together with the announcements and reports related to the results, and other matters or issues as proposed by the external auditor;
- b. reviewed the audit results as submitted by the external auditor;

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- c. reviewed the independence of the external auditor and consider the appointment of an external auditor for the annual audit services;
- d. reviewed the effectiveness of the risk management system and internal control system of the Group, including all material controls in particular financial, operational, and compliance controls and risk management functions;
- e. reviewed and approved the continuing connected transactions of the Group; and
- f. supervised, improved, reviewed and regulated the risk management system of the Group.

2. Remuneration and Nomination Committee

(1) Members

During the Reporting Period, the Chief Executive Officer and the three independent non-executive Directors of the Company were the members of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee. With effect from 29 March 2021, the committee has comprised one non-executive Director and three independent non-executive Directors. Their positions are as follows:

Name	Position
Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex	Chairman
Mr. Ji Qinying	Member (Resigned on 29 March 2021)
Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan)	Member
Mr. Chan Kai Wing	Member
Mr. Chang Zhangli	Member (Appointed on 29 March 2021)

The Terms of Reference of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee of the Board clearly defines the duties and rules of the committee. In accordance with the Terms of Reference of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee of the Board, the chairman of the committee shall be acted by an independent non-executive Director.

(2) Summary of Functions and Work

The primary functions of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee are to make recommendation to the Board on the overall remuneration policy and the structure relating to all Directors and senior management of the Group; make recommendation to the Board on the remuneration packages for each of the executive Directors and senior management; and review performance-based remuneration and ensure none of the Directors participate in deciding their own remuneration; to review the structure, size and composition (including the skills, knowledge and experiences) of the Board at least annually; to make recommendation to the Board on any proposed changes to the Board to complement the Company's corporate strategy; to identify and select individuals suitably qualified as potential Board members or make recommendations to the Board on the selection of individuals nominated for directorships; to assess the independence of independent non-executive Directors; and to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment or re-appointment of Directors and succession planning of Directors, in particular that of the chairman/chief executive officer/general manager.

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For the year ended 31 December 2020, the work done by the Remuneration and Nomination Committee was set forth below:

- a. reviewed the remuneration policies and structure of the Directors and senior management of the Company;
- b. reviewed and evaluated the independence of the independent non-executive Directors;
- c. reviewed the structure, size, and composition of the Board (including the skills, knowledge, and experience);
- d. discussed the composition of the Board from the aspect of diversity, and implemented the measurable objectives for Board diversity; and
- e. reviewed and approved the resolutions on the re-election and appointment of Directors.

(3) Director Nomination Policy

On 13 December 2018, the Company adopted a director nomination policy which sets out the selection criteria and process and the Board succession planning considerations in relation to nomination and appointment of Directors. When assessing and selecting candidates of Directors, the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and the Board will consider the integrity, qualification (including professional qualification, skills, knowledge and experience related to the business and strategy of the Company) of the candidates and the diversity element as described in the Board Diversity Policy. For appointment of independent non-executive Directors, the Company will also consider the independence of the candidates in accordance with the Listing Rules and the commitment of sufficient time in order to discharge the duties as the member of the Board and the Board Committees.

For appointment of Directors, the Remuneration and Nomination Committee should recommend to the Board to appoint suitable candidates for directorship. For person nominated by Shareholders for election as a Director at the general meeting of the Company, the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and/or the Board should assess such candidate based on the above selection criteria to determine the eligibility of such candidate to be appointed as a Director, and thus make recommendation to the Shareholders on the proposal of election of Director at the general meeting.

For re-election of Director at the general meeting, the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and/or the Board should review the overall contribution and services made by the retiring Director to the Company, and consider whether their level of engagement and performance in the Board meet the above standards, and make recommendation to the Shareholders on the proposed re-election of Director at the general meeting.

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(4) Board Diversity Policy

The Company has adopted a Board diversity policy since 3 December 2013, and made amendment to such policy on 13 December 2018.

As the Company recognizes and embraces the benefits of having a diverse Board to enhance the quality of its performance, the Board adopted a Board diversity policy, whereby setting forth principles adopted to realize the Board diversity. In determining the composition of the Board, the Company takes into consideration the skills, industry experience, background, race, expertise, culture, independence, age and gender of the members of the Board, in order to establish and maintain a diverse Board. The Company strives to maintain diversified opinions in every aspect in the Board, especially the opinions that are consistent with the strategy and objectives of the Company, and conduct regular assessment on the Board diversity and progress in achieving the objective of diversity.

The Company has formulated the following measurable objectives for the Board diversity policy:

- (a) at least 80% of Board members have college education background;
- (b) at least 60% of Board members have acquired accounting or other professional qualifications;
- (c) at least 80% of Board members have relevant working experiences in China; and
- (d) at least one third of the Board members are independent non-executive Directors.

As at the date of this report, the Company had achieved the above targets. The Remuneration and Nomination Committee will regularly review the relevant policies and the measurable objectives to ensure the diversity of the Board.

The Company considers that the compositions of the current Board are consistent with the diversity principles under the Board diversity policy, taking into account the skills, regions, genders, and other qualities of the existing Directors. The composition of the Board could accommodate the operation and development needs of the Company. To cope with the future development, the Company will consider the aforesaid differences when considering changes to the composition and the portfolio of the Board. The appointment of a Board member is dependent on merit, and the diversity is also taken into consideration.

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3. Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee

The Company has established the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee on 29 March 2021, details of which are as follows.

(1) Members

The Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, one non-executive Director and one independent non-executive Director of the Company are the current members of the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee and their positions are as follows:

Name	Position
Mr. Guo Jingbin	Chairman
Mr. Ji Qinying	Member
Mr. Chang Zhangli	Member
Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan)	Member

The Terms of Reference of the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee clearly defines the duties and rules of the committee.

(2) Duties

The Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee is mainly responsible for formulating the mid and long-term planning of development strategies of the Group, considering and making recommendations on policies for the sustainable development, monitoring and reviewing the implementation of strategic development plans and policies related to sustainable development, overseeing and reviewing the risk management system, and assisting the Board in fulfilling its management and supervision responsibilities related to the sustainable development of the Group.

(IX) CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FUNCTIONS

The Board is responsible for performing the functions set out in Code Provision D.3.1 of the CG Code.

The Board has reviewed the corporate governance policies and practices of the Company, the training and continuous professional development of the Directors and senior management, the policies and practices of the Company on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the compliance by the Directors and employees of the code of the Group's securities dealing conduct, and the compliance of the Company with the CG Code and the disclosures in this corporate governance report.

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(X) AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

The statement of the external auditor of the Company about its reporting responsibilities on the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 of the Group is set out in the section headed "Independent Auditor's Report" on pages 80 to 91.

The fee paid/payable to KPMG, the auditor, by the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020 is set out below:

Services	Fee paid/payable (RMB'000)
Audit Services — audit fee for 2020	2,226
Non-audit Services (consultation services on the preparation of the Environmental, Social and Governance Report)	405
Total	2,631

(XI) DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR PREPARING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for preparing the financial statements of the Company for each financial year. The financial statements have truly and fairly reflected the financial position of the Group and the Company and the results of operation and cash flows of the Group in the year. During the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020, the Board had adopted suitable accounting policies and ensured consistent application of such accounting policies, made prudent, fair and reasonable judgments and estimates, and prepared the accounts on a going concern basis. The Directors believe after making reasonable inquiries that the Group has sufficient fund to meet the constant operations in the foreseeable future, therefore the ongoing basis is suitable for the preparation of the financial statements.

(XII) RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS

The Board is fully responsible for, and assesses the risk management and internal control systems of the Group so as to protect the investments of the Shareholders and the assets of the Group. During the Reporting Period, the Board had complied with the code provisions regarding risk management and internal control systems as set out in the CG Code.

The Group has formulated internal audit functions and established appropriate risk management and internal control systems to record accounting, risk management and management information in a comprehensive, accurate and timely manner and to review the effectiveness of such system through the Audit Committee on annual basis (the risk management function of the Audit Committee has been undertaken by the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee since its establishment on 29 March 2021). The management is responsible for the design, implementation and supervision of the Group's risk management and internal control systems and shall confirm the effectiveness of the system to the Board. These systems are designed to manage the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and only provide reasonable but not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

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The Company has established an audit department to evaluate the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems, and the independent organization will examine the risk management and internal control systems of the Company and its subsidiaries and will report to the Audit Committee, Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee and the Board of Directors directly and take reasonable measures and make rectifications in a timely manner in case that serious internal control defaults are found.

During the Reporting Period, the Company formulated an annual risk management and internal control implementation plan at the end of February 2020, setting out the overall objectives and major tasks of risk management and fulfilling the main responsibilities. In the course of implementation, the Company highlighted financial control, operational control and safety control, improved the disposal plan for force majeure and unexpected events, continued to focus on improving the quality of internal control of important businesses such as investment and development, market share, engineering projects, production and operation, safety and environmental protection, human resources, organisational structure and asset security, and consolidated and enriched the internal control model and content of “setting targets + focusing on key points + prioritizing key points + implementing measures and plans” with a focus on investment, operation and compliance. Regulations for “benchmarking management” of production operations were formulated, internal organisational structure was further improved, and the authority of the three-level internal control system of departments, regions and subsidiaries was clarified. The co-ordination of the regional management of the environmental segment was evident. The Company formulated and issued a risk management and internal control self-assessment programme in July and December 2020 respectively. The Audit Department was responsible for organizing the comprehensive risk-based internal control self-assessment and supervising the rectification of internal control deficiencies in each unit. Based on the results of the two internal control self-assessment tests, the Company and its subsidiaries had no significant internal control deficiencies in financial reporting and non-financial reporting, no significant incidents related to compliance, safety, environmental or litigation, no reported incidents of improper financial reporting, internal control or other misconduct by employees, and in particular, the Company and its subsidiaries had no suspected or confirmed cases in the context of outbreak of the COVID-19 early in the year and the normalisation of the epidemic. During the Reporting Period, the risk management and internal control systems of the Company and its subsidiaries were proved to be effective and adequate.

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The Board will continue to supervise the risk management and internal control systems of the Company, and review the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems of the Company and its subsidiaries annually. The Board has received the confirmation from the management in respect of the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems of the Company and its subsidiaries, and considered that such systems were effective and sufficient. At the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 29 March 2021, the management had confirmed that the risk management and internal control systems of the Group were effective, and the Board had also, through the Audit Committee, examined the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems of the Group, including controls of all important aspects especially financial control, operation control and compliance control, and considered the adequacy of resources, staff qualifications and experience, training programs in respect of the Company's accounting, internal audit and financial reporting function, so as to ensure the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems and risks identification and prevention, thereby providing reasonable protection to the effective operation of the Group.

The Company has formulated the Measures for the Administration of Information Disclosure, which provided relevant requirements on the processing and disclosure procedures of corporate information (including inside information) such as confidentiality measures for inside information and management of insiders, and will update the statistics of insiders from time to time and provide explanation to them on relevant rules in a timely manner, so as to monitor and handle the inside information effectively.

(XIII) COMPANY SECRETARY

Mr. Shu Mao is the company secretary of the Company and has met the qualification requirements of a company secretary under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules. Detailed biographies of Mr. Shu Mao are set out in the section headed "Directors and Senior Management" of this report.

For the year ended 31 December 2020, Mr. Shu Mao had taken no less than 15 hours of relevant professional training in accordance with Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules.

(XIV) SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

Procedures for Shareholders to convene an extraordinary general meeting

The following procedures for Shareholders to convene an extraordinary general meeting of the Company are prepared in accordance with article 64 of the Articles of Association.

1. One or more Shareholders ("**Requisitionist(s)**") holding, at the date of deposit of the requisition, not less than one tenth of the paid up capital of the Company having the right of voting at general meetings shall have the right, by written notice, to require an extraordinary general meeting to be called by the Directors for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition.

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- Such requisition shall be made in writing to the Board or the company secretary of the Company at the following:

Address: No. 1011 Jiuhoa South Road, Wuhu City, Anhui Province the
People's Republic of China
Email: shumao@conchventure.com
Attention: The Board of Directors/Company Secretary

- The extraordinary general meeting shall be held within two months after the deposit of such requisition.
- If the Directors fail to proceed to convene such meeting within twenty-one (21) days upon such deposit, the Requisitionist(s) himself (themselves) may do so in the same manner, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the Requisitionist(s) as a result of the failure of convening such meeting by the Directors shall be reimbursed to the Requisitionist(s) by the Company.

Procedures for raising enquiries

- Shareholders should direct their questions about their shareholdings, share transfer and registration, and payment of dividend to the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, details of which are as follows:

Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited

Address: Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre
183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong
Email: hkinfo@computershare.com.hk
Tel: (852) 2862 8555
Fax: (852) 2865 0990/2529 6087

- Shareholders may at any time make any enquiry to the Company at the following designated contacts, correspondence address, email address and enquiry hotlines of the Company:

Address: No. 1011 Jiuhoa South Road, Wuhu City, Anhui Province
the People's Republic of China
Email: shumao@conchventure.com
Tel: 86–553–8399461/8399135
Fax: 86–553–8399065
Attention: The Board of Directors/Company Secretary

- Shareholders of the Company are encouraged to make enquires via the online enquiry form available on the Company's website at www.conchventure.com.
- Shareholders are reminded to lodge their questions together with their detailed contact information for the prompt response from the Company at the appropriate time.

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Procedures and contact details for putting forward proposals at shareholders' meetings

1. To put forward proposals at a general meeting of the Company, a Shareholder should lodge a written notice of his/her/its proposal ("**Proposal**") with his/her/its detailed contact information at the Company's principal place of business at Suite 4018, 40/F, Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Central, Hong Kong.
2. The request will be verified with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong and upon their confirmation that the request is proper and effective, the Board will include the Proposal in the agenda for the general meeting.
3. The notice period to be given to all the Shareholders for consideration of the Proposal raised by the Shareholder concerned at the general meeting varies according to the nature of the Proposal as follows:
 - (1) Notice of not less than 21 clear days and not less than 20 clear business days in writing if the Proposal requires an ordinary resolution or a special resolution of the Company at an annual general meeting of the Company;
 - (2) Notice of not less than 21 clear days and not less than 10 clear business days in writing if the Proposal requires to be passed as of a special resolution at an extraordinary general meeting of the Company;
 - (3) Notice of not less than 14 clear days and not less than 10 clear business days in writing if the Proposal requires to be passed as an ordinary resolution at an extraordinary general meeting of the Company.

At the annual general meeting held by the Company on 29 June 2020 ("**2020 Annual General Meeting**"), all resolutions were approved by the Shareholders by way of poll. The resolutions in relation to the payment of final dividends, re-election of retiring Directors, and re-appointment of auditors were approved at the 2020 Annual General Meeting.

(XV) CONSTITUTIONAL DOCUMENTS

During the Reporting Period, no change has been made to the Articles of Association. The latest version of the Articles of Association is available on the websites of the Company (www.conchventure.com) and Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk).

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(XVI) COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND INVESTORS

The Company recognizes its timely disclosure of corporate information, which enables Shareholders and investors to make investment decisions in their best interests. The Company believes that effective communication with Shareholders is essential for enhancing investor relations and investors' understanding of the Group's business performance and strategies.

The Company maintains a website at www.conchventure.com as a communication platform with Shareholders and investors, where the financial information and other relevant information of the Company are available for public access. Shareholders and investors may send written enquiries or requests to the Company through the following channels:

Address: **Office and Correspondence Address:**
No. 1011 Jiuhua South Road, Yijiang District, Wuhu City, Anhui Province, China
Representative Office in Hong Kong:
Suite 4018, 40/F, Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Central, Hong Kong
Tel: 86-553-8399461/8399135
Fax: 86-553-8399065
Email: hlcy@conchventure.com

In order to be valid, Shareholder(s) shall deposit and send the duly signed original written requisition, notice or statement, or enquiry (as the case may be) to the above address and provide their full name, contact details and identification. Information of Shareholders may be disclosed as required by law.

7. REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

Directors hereby present the annual report and the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2020.

(1) PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The Company is an investment holding company engaged in the provision of the “package” solutions on energy-saving and environmental-protection. Details of the activities of the subsidiaries of the Company are set out in notes 3 and 14 to the financial statements.

(2) BUSINESS MODELS AND STRATEGIES

The Group’s principal activities consist of three major segments, namely environmental protection, new building materials and port logistics. The Group focuses on the environmental protection industry development driven by the dual wheel of “collaborative treatment of solid and hazardous waste by cement kilns + grate furnace power generation”. The Group has set up two production bases in Wuhu and Bozhou, Anhui Province for the production and sale of new energy-saving wall materials such as fiber cement boards. The port logistics business represents the Jiangdu Haichang sea-to-river transshipment port owned by the Group in Yangzhou City, Jiangsu Province.

To consolidate its position as a leading integrated supplier of and environmental protection solutions, the Group has implemented the following strategies, including: (i) further developing the project promotion for solid waste treatment and R&D of new technology; (ii) further promoting the project of grate furnace power generation, deepening project benchmarking management and improving operation quality; (iii) establishing a comprehensive and standardized construction management system, and developing unique architectural style for main structure of environmental protection projects; and (iv) making selective yet prudent acquisitions to complement the business composition.

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(3) RELATIONS WITH THE SUBSTANTIAL STAKEHOLDERS

The Group fully understands that staff, customers and suppliers are key to the sustainability and stability of the Group's development. The Group is committed to working closely with the staff, cooperating with the suppliers and providing the customers with products and services of high quality, so as to achieve a sustainable corporate development.

The Group values the experience and development of the staff, and provides good working environment, competitive compensation system and warm supporting benefits to them. At the same time, the Group has also actively built a fair and balanced strategy platform full of opportunities for the development of diversified talents, so as to stimulate the initiative and enthusiasm of staff.

In terms of customer relationship, the Group continues to explore potential customers while maintaining the relationship with our existing customers. The principle of customer relationship management is a truthful marketing and active communication. The Group conducts regular customer satisfaction surveys and after-sales visits, adjust marketing strategy at any time, and continuously promote product and service quality.

The Group's main service providers include system and equipment suppliers, engineering construction entities, external consultants providing professional services and other business partners providing value-added services for the Group. The Group hopes to establish common cooperation values with suppliers, and is committed to building a responsible supply chain to achieve long-term cooperation and responsible cooperation.

(4) RESULTS

The results of the Group during the Reporting Period are set out in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income on page 93 of this report.

(5) BUSINESS REVIEW

A fair review of the business of the Group and a discussion on the Group's future business development are set out in the "Business Review and Outlook" section on pages 10 to 23 of this report.

An analysis of the Group's performance during the year using financial key performance indicators is set out in the "Management Discussion and Analysis" section on pages 24 to 35 of this report.

The relationships with substantial stakeholders, description of major risk and uncertainties facing the Company, compliance with laws and regulations, the Group's environmental policies and performance and significant events after the Reporting Period are included in the "Report of Directors" section on pages 55 and 71 to 73 respectively of this report.

These information forms part of the Report of the Directors.

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(6) RESERVES AND DIVIDEND

Details of other changes in reserves are set out in note 26 to the financial statements and the consolidated statement of changes in equity on page 96 of this report.

As at 31 December 2020, the Company's reserves available for distribution to its Shareholders amounted to approximately RMB7.2 million (31 December 2019: RMB14.0 million). The Directors recommend the distribution of final dividend of HKD0.7 per share for the year ended 31 December 2020 (2019: HKD0.65 per share) to the Shareholders.

Subject to the approval of Shareholders at the 2021 Annual General Meeting, the above proposed final dividend will be paid to the Shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company at the close of business on 8 July 2021. The proposed final dividend is expected to be paid on 15 July 2021.

On 13 December 2018, the Board adopted a dividend policy which sets out the principles and guidelines of the Group. The Company intends to declare and pay the dividend to its Shareholders on an annual basis. The declaration, payment and amount of dividends shall be determined at the absolute sole discretion of the Board subject to the Company's financial results, cash flow position, business condition and strategy, future operation and income, capital need and expenditure plan, interest of the Shareholders, any restriction on dividend payment and any other factors deemed relevant by the Board. The dividend amount in each financial year shall represent approximately 20% of the net profit available for distribution attributable to the Group. The Board may recommend and/or declare interim dividend, annual special dividend and any net profit distribution deemed fit by the Board for or during the financial year.

(7) PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

As at 31 December 2020, the property, plant and equipment of the Group amounted to approximately RMB3,715 million. Details of the changes in property, plant and equipment of the Group during the Reporting Period are set out in note 11 to the financial statements.

(8) SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

Details of the major subsidiaries and associated companies of the Company are set out in notes 14 and 15 to the financial statements.

(9) SHARE CAPITAL

Details of the Company's capital structure are set out in note 26(c) to the financial statements. As at 31 December 2020, the Company had a total of 1,804,750,000 shares in issue.

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(10) DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

1. Substantial Shareholders' Interests or Short Positions

As at 31 December 2020, as far as the Directors were aware, the interests or short positions of the persons other than the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of part XV of the SFO as recorded in the register of substantial shareholders required to be kept by the Company under section 336 of the SFO were as follows:

Name of Shareholders	Nature of interests	Number of shares	Approximate percentage of shareholdings (%)
SA Conch	Interest of controlled corporation	126,651,500(L) (note 1)	7.02
CV Investment	Beneficial owner	41,560,000(L)	2.30
	Interest of controlled corporation	85,091,500(L) (note 2)	4.72
	Sub-total	126,651,500 (L)	7.02

Notes:

- Among the aforesaid shares, 41,560,000 shares are directly owned by CV Investment and the remaining 75,643,500 shares, 5,182,000 shares, 3,229,500 shares, 991,500 shares and 45,000 shares are owned respectively by (i) 海螺創投控股（珠海）有限公司 (Conch Venture Holdings (Zhuhai) Co., Ltd.*) ("**CV Holdings (Zhuhai)**"), (ii) 安徽海螺創業醫療投資管理有限責任公司 (Anhui Conch Venture Medical Investment Management Co., Ltd.*) ("**CV Medical**"), (iii) 海螺創業國際有限公司 (Conch Venture International Limited*) ("**CVI**"), (iv) 上海弋江投資有限公司 (Shanghai Yijiang Investment Limited*) ("**SHYJ**") and (v) 上海新永鎰資產管理有限公司 (Shanghai Xinyongyi Asset Management Limited*) ("**SHXY**"), all of which are wholly-owned by CV Investment. CV Investment is deemed to be interested in the shares in which CV Holdings (Zhuhai), CV Medical, CVI, SHYJ and SHXY are interested by virtue of the SFO. As 82.93% of CV Investment's registered capital is held by SA Conch, SA Conch is deemed to be interested in the shares in which CV Investment is interested by virtue of the SFO.
 - Among these shares, 75,643,500 shares, 5,182,000 shares, 3,229,500 shares, 991,500 shares and 45,000 shares are owned respectively by CV Holdings (Zhuhai), CV Medical, CVI, SHYJ and SHXY. CV Investment is deemed to be interested in the shares in which CV Holdings (Zhuhai), CV Medical, CVI, SHYJ and SHXY are interested by virtue of the SFO.
 - The letter "L" denotes a long position ("L") in the shares.
- * For identification purpose only

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2020, the Directors were not aware of any other persons, other than the Directors and chief executive of the Company, who had interests or short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO as recorded in the register of substantial shareholders required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO.

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2. Directors' and Chief Executive's Interests and Short Positions

As at 31 December 2020, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which they have taken, or are deemed to have taken, under such provisions of the SFO), or recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 352 of the SFO, or otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code were set out below:

The Company

Name of Directors	Nature of interests	Number of shares (long positions)	Approximate percentage of shareholdings (%)
Mr. Guo Jingbin	Interest of controlled corporation (note 1)	47,680,000	2.64
Mr. Ji Qinying	Interest of spouse (note 2)	35,033,752	1.94
Mr. Li Jian	Beneficial owner	7,396,370	0.41
	Interest of spouse (note 3)	105,346	0.01
	Sub-total	7,501,716	0.42
Mr. Li Daming	Beneficial owner	6,200,563	0.34
	Interest of spouse (note 4)	10,000	0.00
	Sub-total	6,210,563	0.34

Notes:

- These shares are owned by Splendor Court which is wholly owned by Mr. Guo Jingbin. Mr. Guo Jingbin is deemed to be interested in the shares held by Splendor Court by virtue of the SFO.
- These shares are owned by Ms. Yan Zi. Mr. Ji Qinying is deemed to be interested in the shares held by his spouse, Ms. Yan Zi, by virtue of the SFO.
- These shares are owned by Ms. Wang Zhenying. Mr. Li Jian is deemed to be interested in the shares held by his spouse, Ms. Wang Zhenying, by virtue of the SFO.
- These shares are owned by Ms. Zhang Qingmei. Mr. Li Daming is deemed to be interested in the shares held by his spouse, Ms. Zhang Qingmei, by virtue of the SFO.

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3. Interests and Short Positions of Senior Management

As at 31 December 2020, interests of the senior management of the Company were as follows:

Name of senior management	Nature of interests	Number of shares (long positions)	Approximate percentage of shareholdings (%)
Mr. Wang Xuesen	Beneficial owner	3,286,918	0.18
Mr. Shu Mao	Beneficial owner	143,000	0.01
Mr. Zhang Keke	Beneficial owner	3,000,000	0.17
Mr. Chen Xingqiang	Beneficial owner	4,000	0.00

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2020, none of the Directors and chief executive of the Company had interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions they have taken, or are deemed to have taken, under such provisions of the SFO), or recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 352 of the SFO, or otherwise required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, pursuant to the Model Code.

(11) MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

During the Reporting Period, the sales to the largest customer of the Group and the sales to the five largest customers of the Group in aggregate accounted for 5.69% and 19.12% of the total sales of the Group respectively.

During the Reporting Period, the procurement from the largest supplier of the Group and the procurement from the five largest suppliers of the Group in aggregate accounted for 5.74% and 18.43% of the total procurement of the Group respectively.

To the best knowledge of the Directors, none of the Directors and their close associates or Shareholders who held more than 5% of the Company's issued share capital as at 31 December 2020 has any interest in any of the five largest customers and suppliers mentioned above.

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(12) PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

During the Reporting Period, neither the Company nor its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

(13) MINIMUM PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and to the best knowledge of the Directors, the Directors confirmed that during the year under review and as at the date of this report, the Company has maintained the level of public float as required by the Listing Rules.

(14) EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had approximately 5,459 employees. The following table shows a breakdown of the employees by function and educational background as at 31 December 2020:

Function	Number of individuals in 2020	Number of individuals in 2019
Production and Operation	4,039	3,050
Management	598	429
Finance and Administration	290	181
Others	532	281
Total	5,459	3,941

Educational background	Number of individuals in 2020	Number of individuals in 2019
Master degree	72	56
Bachelor degree	1,408	1,004
Associate degree	1,715	1,724
Below associate degree	2,264	1,157
Total	5,459	3,941

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The remuneration of employees of the Group is based on qualifications, experience, work performance and market conditions. As required by the PRC regulations on social insurance, the Group participated in the social insurance schemes operated by local government authorities which include pension insurance, medical insurance, unemployment insurance, industrial injuries insurance and maternity insurance. For the year ended 31 December 2020, the total remuneration of employees (including the remuneration of the Directors) was approximately RMB462.31 million (2019: RMB306.58 million).

The Company has adopted a share option scheme, details of which are set out in the section headed “(24) Share Option Scheme” in this section, so that the Group may grant options to selected participants as incentives or rewards for their contributions to the Group.

(15) DIRECTORS (FOR THIS FINANCIAL YEAR AND UP TO THE DATE OF THIS REPORT)

Name	Position	Date of appointment
Mr. Guo Jingbin	Executive Director, Chairman	Appointed on 24 June 2013
Mr. Ji Qinying	Executive Director, Chief Executive Officer	Appointed on 18 July 2013
Mr. Li Jian	Executive Director, Deputy general manager (Note)	Appointed on 18 July 2013
Mr. Li Daming	Executive Director, Deputy general manager	Appointed on 18 July 2013
Mr. Chang Zhangli	Non-executive Director	Appointed on 21 March 2019
Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan)	Independent non-executive Director (Note)	Appointed on 3 December 2013
Mr. Chan Kai Wing	Independent non-executive Director	Appointed on 3 December 2013
Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex	Independent non-executive Director (Note)	Appointed on 3 December 2013

Note: Mr. Li Jian was re-elected as executive Director, and Mr. Chan Chi On and Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex were re-elected as independent non-executive Director at the 2020 Annual General Meeting.

As at the date of this report, the Company had entered into services contracts with all executive Directors and had signed appointment letters with the non-executive Director and all independent non-executive Directors for a term of not exceeding three years. Such appointment may be terminated by either party by written notice of not less than three months.

Pursuant to the Articles of Association, Mr. Ji Qinying, Mr. Li Daming and Mr. Chang Zhangli shall retire at the 2021 Annual General Meeting. All of the retiring Directors, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election thereat.

The Company has received annual confirmation of independence from each of the existing independent non-executive Directors in accordance with Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. The Company considers that all the independent non-executive Directors are independent in accordance with the Listing Rules and believes that they are able to provide independent advice on the business strategy, operating results and management of the Company, therefore protecting the interest of the Company and its Shareholders.

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(16) DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS, ARRANGEMENTS OR CONTRACTS

Saved as disclosed in this report, during the Reporting Period, none of the Directors had any interests, directly or indirectly, in any transactions, arrangements or contracts entered into by the Company, its holding company or any of its subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries which was significant to the business of the Group.

None of the Directors proposed to be re-elected at the 2021 Annual General Meeting had entered into any service contract with the Company or any of its subsidiaries which was not determinable within one year without payment of compensation (other than statutory compensation).

(17) INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS IN COMPETING BUSINESS

As at the date of this report, to the best knowledge of the Directors, none of the Directors or their respective close associates had any interests in any business which compete or is likely to compete (either directly or indirectly) with the business of the Group.

(18) DIRECTORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS

The remunerations of Directors are determined by the Board based on the recommendation of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee with reference to the salaries paid by comparable companies, their time commitment and responsibilities and the performance of the Group. The Directors and senior management receive compensation in the form of salaries, benefits in kind and/or discretionary bonuses relating to the performance of the Group. The Company also reimburses them for expenses which are reasonably and necessarily incurred for providing services to the Company or performing their duties in relation to the operation of the Company. The Company regularly reviews and determines the remuneration packages of the Directors and senior management.

Details of the Directors' remuneration and the five highest paid individuals of the Company during the Reporting Period are set out in notes 8 and 9 to the financial statements.

During the Reporting Period, individual remuneration of the senior management of the Company was within the following bands:

Band (RMB)	Number of individuals
0–1,000,000	2
1,000,000–2,000,000	3

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(19) THE BOARD AND BOARD COMMITTEES

As at 31 December 2020, the Board comprised eight Directors. The biographies of the Directors are set out in the section headed “Biographies of Directors and Senior Management” in this report.

As at the date of this report, the Board has three committees, namely the Audit Committee, the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee. Details of the committees are set out in the section headed “Corporate Governance Report”.

(20) CHANGES IN DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

During the Reporting Period, details of changes in the Directors and senior management of the Company were as follows:

- The Board passed a resolution at the meeting convened on 22 December 2020 to appoint Mr. Han Jiwu, Mr. Shu Mao and Mr. Zhang Keke as deputy general managers of the Company and to appoint Mr. Chen Xingqiang as the chief financial officer of the Company.

(21) MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

Save for the service contracts of the Directors and senior management of the Company, during the Reporting Period, the Company had not entered into any contract with any individual, company or corporation for management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company.

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(22) CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

1. Connected Persons

Kawasaki HI holds 49% equity interests in each of CK Engineering and CK Equipment, both being the indirect non-wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company. As Kawasaki HI holds more than 30% equity interests in each of CK Engineering and CK Equipment, it is a connected person of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

CKEM is an entity jointly controlled by Kawasaki HI (which is, as mentioned above, a substantial shareholder of non-wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company) and Conch Cement, and each of them holding 50% equity interests. As CKEM is an associate of Kawasaki HI and more than 30% of its equity is held by Kawasaki HI, it is a connected person of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

The respective dates of establishment and principal businesses of Kawasaki HI and CKEM are as follows:

Name of Connected Person	Date of Establishment	Principal Business
Kawasaki HI	9 October 1896	Manufacture of a wide range of technological products, including industrial plants, environmental protection facilities, industrial equipment, construction machinery and steel structures
CKEM	21 May 1997	Design, purchase, manufacture, sales and provision of maintenance and after-sale services of cement equipment

Pursuant to the Listing Rules, details of the major connected transactions of the Group during the Reporting Period are as follows:

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2. Continuing Connected Transactions

(1) Transactions with Kawasaki HI

On 27 December 2017, the Group (through CK Engineering and CK Equipment, collectively, the “**CK Subsidiaries**”) entered into an agreement (the “**Kawasaki Master Agreement**”) with Kawasaki HI, whereby the CK Subsidiaries and Kawasaki HI agreed to (i) provide to the other party certain design services and technical assistance; and (ii) supply to the other party equipment, parts and products related to, among other things, residual heat power generation. The total amount under such contracts under the Kawasaki Master Agreement for the year ended 31 December 2020 is RMB68.90 million.

According to the Kawasaki Master Agreement, the price of the goods and/or services concerned will be determined by the parties (on arm’s length basis and in good faith) with reference to the then prevailing market prices of identical and/or similar goods or services which may be supplied to or sourced from other Independent Third Parties. The price shall be no less favorable than the prices of identical and/or similar goods or services available to or from other Independent Third Parties.

During the Reporting Period, the amount of the above transactions under the Kawasaki Master Agreement was RMB32.86 million, which did not exceed the annual cap of RMB68.90 million for this year.

On 22 December 2020, the Group (through the CK Subsidiaries) entered into an agreement (the “**2021-2023 Kawasaki Master Agreement**”) with Kawasaki HI, pursuant to which, the transactions contemplated under the Kawasaki Master Agreement will continue between 2021 and 2023. For details of the 2021-2023 Kawasaki Master Agreement, please refer to announcements of the Company dated 22 December 2020 and 28 December 2020 respectively.

(2) Transactions with CKEM

On 27 December 2017, the Group (through the CK Subsidiaries) entered into an agreement (the “**CKEM Master Agreement**”) with CKEM, whereby the CK Subsidiaries have agreed to supply waste parts, processing services and leasing of certain equipment to CKEM, while CKEM have agreed to supply certain equipment and products, processing services and leasing of certain equipment to the CK Subsidiaries. The total amount under such contracts under the CKEM Master Agreement for the year ended 31 December 2020 is RMB14.70 million.

On 26 September 2019, the Group (through the CK Subsidiaries) entered into a supplemental agreement (the “**CKEM Supplement Master Agreement**”) with CKEM to amend the CKEM Master Agreement by revising the annual caps for the transactions contemplated under the CKEM Master Agreement and all other terms and conditions under the CKEM Master Agreement remain unchanged. Pursuant to the CKEM Supplemental Master Agreement, the total amount under such contracts for the year ended 31 December 2020 will not exceed RMB32.30 million.

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According to the CKEM Master Agreement, the price of the goods and/or services concerned will be determined by the parties (on arm's length basis and in good faith) with reference to the then prevailing market prices of identical and/or similar goods or services which may be supplied to or sourced from other Independent Third Parties. The price shall be no less favorable than the prices of identical and/or similar goods or services available to or from other Independent Third Parties.

During the Reporting Period, the actual amount of the above transaction under the CKEM Master Agreement (as amended by the CKEM Supplemental Master Agreement) was RMB12.38 million, which did not exceed the annual cap of RMB32.30 million for this year.

On 22 December 2020, the Group (through the CK Subsidiaries) entered into an agreement ("**2021-2023 CKEM Master Agreement**") with CKEM, pursuant to which, the transactions contemplated under the CKEM Master Agreement will continue between 2021 and 2023. For details of the 2021–2023 CKEM Master Agreement, please refer to announcements of the Company dated 22 December 2020 and 28 December 2020 respectively.

3. Connected Transactions Exempted from Reporting, Announcement and Independent Shareholders' Approval Requirements

(1) Kawasaki RH Licensing Agreement

On 8 February 2007, CK Engineering and Kawasaki Partner entered into a technical licensing agreement (as supplemented by supplementary agreements dated 27 September 2010, 25 September 2008 and 7 August 2013) (collectively, the "**Kawasaki RH Licensing Agreement**"), whereby Kawasaki Partner granted CK Engineering an exclusive license to use the technology knowhow in respect of residual heat power generation systems and the use of technical information such as drawings and technical data calculation software in China. The initial licensing fee was RMB22.00 million of which RMB6.00 million was paid to Kawasaki Partner before the track record period. To reduce the labour cost incurred by Kawasaki Partner in relation to the technical personnel arrangements between the parties in 2010, they agreed to reduce the licensing fee to RMB13.20 million. Having taken into account the RMB6.00 million paid, and the then outstanding licensing fee was RMB7.20 million. In another project carried out by Kawasaki Partner and CK Engineering together, RMB3.60 million was payable by Kawasaki Partner to CK Engineering in 2010. The parties agreed that RMB3.60 million payable by Kawasaki Partner to CK Engineering was settled through the reduction of the outstanding consideration under the Kawasaki RH Licensing Agreement from RMB7.20 million to RMB360 million.

Subsequently, licensing fees of RMB1.20 million were paid by CK Engineering to Kawasaki Partner during each of the three years ended 31 December 2012. Since then there was no outstanding licensing fees in respect of the Kawasaki RH Licensing Agreement. The license is valid until 15 October 2026.

Since all licensing fees in respect of the Kawasaki RH Licensing Agreement were fully paid by CK Engineering to Kawasaki HI (a Connected Person) by 31 December 2012, no licensing fees are payable on or after 1 January 2013 until the expiry of such agreement. The transactions contemplated under the agreement is a continuing connected transaction and is exempt from the reporting, announcement and independent shareholders' approval requirements under the Listing Rules.

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(2) Kawasaki VM Licensing Agreement

On 7 April 2008, CK Equipment and Kawasaki Partner entered into a technical licensing agreement (the “**Kawasaki VM Licensing Agreement**”), whereby Kawasaki Partner granted CK Equipment an exclusive license to use the technology knowhow in respect of vertical mill and the use of technical information such as drawings and technical data calculation software in China. Such license is without licensing fee and is valid until 21 September 2027.

Since no licensing fees is payable by CK Equipment to Kawasaki HI (a Connected Person) in respect of the license during the term of the Kawasaki VM Licensing Agreement, such continuing connected transaction is exempt from the reporting, announcement and independent shareholders’ approval requirements under the Listing Rules.

For disclosure of connected persons, please refer to note 30 to the financial statements.

Pursuant to Rule 14A.56 of the Listing Rules, the Company has engaged its independent external auditor, KPMG, to perform the engagement in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (Revised) “Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information” and with reference to Practice Note 740 “Auditor’s Letter on Continuing Connected Transactions under the Hong Kong Listing Rules”, that was, to perform assurance engagement regarding the continuing connected transactions of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2020, and KPMG has issued a letter to the Board to confirm that, no following matters were identified regarding the continuing connected transactions: (1) the transactions were not approved by the Board; (2) for transactions involving the provision of goods or services by the Group, the transactions were not conducted, in all material respects, in accordance with the pricing policies of the Group; (3) the transactions were not entered into, in all material respects, in accordance with the agreements related to such transactions; and (4) the transactions exceeded the annual caps.

Pursuant to Rule 14A.55 of the Listing Rules, the independent non-executive Directors have reviewed the above mentioned continuing connected transactions and the report from KPMG, and recognized that the transactions have been entered into:

- a. in the ordinary course of business of the Group;
- b. on normal commercial terms or better; and
- c. according to the agreements governing them on terms that were fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Shareholders as a whole.

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(23) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Save as disclosed in the section headed “Connected Transactions” of this report and in note 30 to the financial statements, no related party transactions were conducted by the Group during the year under review.

In connection with the major related party transactions set out in note 30 to the financial statements, save for the transactions with each of Conch Cement, Conch IT Engineering, Conch Design Institute, Conch Holdings, Conch Profiles, Jinyuan Environmental Protection, and Yaobai Special Cement, these related party transactions constituted continuing connected transactions within the meaning of Chapter 14A of Listing Rules. For the year ended 31 December 2020, the Company has complied with the disclosure requirements of Chapter 14A of Listing Rules.

(24) SHARE OPTION SCHEME

Save as the Share Option Scheme set out below, during the year ended 31 December 2020, the Company did not have newly entered or existing equity-linked agreements.

The Company has conditionally adopted a share option scheme (“**Share Option Scheme**”) pursuant to a resolution in writing passed by all Shareholders on 3 December 2013 for the purpose of granting options to selected participants as incentives or rewards for their contribution to the Group.

The Directors consider the Share Option Scheme, with its broadened basis of participation, will enable the Group to reward the employees, the Directors and other selected participants for their contributions to the Group. Given that the Directors are entitled to determine any performance targets to be achieved as well as the minimum period that an option must be held before an option can be exercised on a case by case basis, and that the exercise price of an option cannot in any event fall below the price stipulated in the Listing Rules or such higher price as may be fixed by the Directors, it is expected that grantees of an option will make an effort to contribute to the development of the Group so as to bring about an increased market price of the Shares in order to capitalize on the benefits of the options granted.

Eligible participants of the Share Option Scheme include:

- (1) any employee (whether full-time or part-time and including any executive Director but excluding non-executive Director) of the Company, any of its subsidiaries or any entity (“**Invested Entity**”) in which any member of the Group holds an equity interest;
- (2) any non-executive Directors (including independent non-executive Directors), any of its subsidiaries or any Invested Entity;
- (3) any supplier of goods or services to any member of the Group or any Invested Entity;
- (4) any customer of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity;

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- (5) any person or entity that provides research, development or other technological support to any member of the Group or any Invested Entity;
- (6) any shareholder of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity or any holder of any securities issued by any member of the Group or any Invested Entity;
- (7) any advisor (professional or otherwise) or consultant to any area of business or business, development of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity;
- (8) any other group or classes of participants who have contributed or may contribute by way of joint venture, business alliance or other business arrangement to the development and growth of the Group;

and, for the purposes of the Share Option Scheme, the offer for the grant of option may be made to any company wholly owned by one or more persons belonging to any of the above classes of participants.

As at the date of this report, the aggregate number of shares of the Company available for issue under the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group must not in aggregate exceed 10% of the shares in issue on the day on which trading of the shares of the Company commenced on the Stock Exchange, i.e. 176,500,000 shares, representing 9.78% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this report.

The total number of shares issued and which may fall to be issued upon the exercise of the options granted under the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group (including both exercised or outstanding options) to each grantee in any 12-month period shall not exceed 1% of the issued share capital of the Company for the time being (“**Individual Limit**”). Any further grantor options in excess of the Individual Limit in any 12-month period up to and including the date of such further grant must be separately approved by the Shareholders in general meeting of the Company with such grantee and his close associates abstaining from voting.

Any grant of options under the Share Option Scheme to a Director, chief executive or substantial Shareholder of the Company or any of their respective close associates must be approved by independent non-executive Directors (excluding independent non-executive Director(s) who or whose close associates is/are the proposed grantee(s) of the options). Where any grant of options to a substantial Shareholder or an independent non-executive Director or any of their respective close associates would result in the shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of all options already granted and to be granted (including options exercised, cancelled and outstanding) to such person in the 12-month period up to and including the date of such grant: (i) representing in aggregate over 0.1% of the shares of the Company in issue; and (ii) having an aggregate value, based on the closing price of the shares of the Company at the date of each offer for the grant, in excess of HKD5 million; such further grant of options must be approved by Shareholders in general meeting.

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An option may be accepted by a participant within 21 days from the date of the offer of grant of the option. A nominal consideration of HKD1 is payable by the grantee on acceptance of the grant of an option. The exercise periods of options shall be determined by the Board, which may commence from the date of the offer for the grant of options is made, but shall end in any event not later than 10 years from the date of grant of the options subject to the provisions for early termination of the Share Option Scheme.

The subscription price under the Share Option Scheme shall be determined by the Directors, but shall not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of the offer for the grant; (ii) the average closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of the offer for the grant; and (iii) the nominal value of a share of the Company.

Unless there is an early termination of the Share Option Scheme pursuant to the rules of the Share Option Scheme, the Share Option Scheme will remain in force for a period of 10 years commencing on the date on which the Share Option Scheme is adopted, i.e., expiring on 2 December 2023.

Since the listing, the Group has not granted any share option under the Share Option Scheme.

(25) PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Articles of Association or the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands (place of incorporation of the Company) which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro-rata basis to the current Shareholders.

(26) AUDITOR

In 2020, the Company appointed KPMG as its international auditor for the year ended 31 December 2020. The consolidated financial statements have been audited by KPMG.

The term of office of KPMG will expire at the 2021 Annual General Meeting and KPMG will retire and offer themselves for re-appointment thereat. A resolution for the reappointment of KPMG as the auditor of the Company is to be proposed at the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

The Board and the Audit Committee had mutual consent on the re-appointment of external auditor of the Company.

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(27) ARRANGEMENTS TO PURCHASE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Save as the Share Option Scheme disclosed in this report, at no time during the Reporting Period was the Company or any of its subsidiaries or holding companies a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

(28) MAJOR RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Group's principal activities include provision of energy-saving and environmental-protection "package" solutions, manufacturing of new building materials and engaging in port logistics business, which face a variety of major risks and uncertainties, including: (1) macroeconomic downturn pressure continues to increase; the fact that the COVID-19 outbreak has not yet been fully controlled and eliminated will also have an adverse impact on the production and operation of the Company; intensified competitions in waste treatment project market resulted in increase of uncertainty in obtaining projects; the investment and environmental protection safety supervision in the operation of solid waste treatment projects continue to increase; the waste treatment projects outside China have a long investment cycle and are subject to the changes in politics, economy and law in these countries where it invests in, and thus may not be able to commence operation on time and generate revenue; (2) the Group's operating results are considerably affected by the business performance of the associated company of which the Group only has minority interests, and the operations of the associated company is beyond the control of the Group; (3) the residual heat power generation and waste incineration solutions of the Group relied on the proprietary technologies jointly designed and co-developed by the Group and Kawasaki HI, therefore the Group has to maintain good relationship with Kawasaki HI; (4) the operational quality or effectiveness problem of the Group's waste incineration power generation systems may result in a decrease in turnover and a relatively small-sized single waste treatment system may result in an increase in management and operating costs; and (5) the expansion of the Group's operating scale outside China involves risk, including difficulties in transnational operation, currency exchange rate fluctuations, etc.

(29) COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Group recognizes the importance of compliance with regulatory requirements. The risk of non-compliance of such requirements may result in termination of operation license. The Group has assigned systems and human resources to ensure continued compliance with rules and regulations, and maintain good working relationships with the regulatory authorities through effective communication.

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During the year under review, to the best knowledge of the Group, the Group has: (1) for environmental protection, complied with the Environmental Protection Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國環境保護法》), the Laws of the People's Republic of China on the Prevention and Control of Water Pollution (《中華人民共和國水污染防治法》), the Law of the People's Republic of China on Prevention and Control of Atmospheric Pollution (《中華人民共和國大氣污染防治法》), the Law of the People's Republic of China on Prevention and Control of Environmental Pollution by Solid Waste (《中華人民共和國固體廢物污染環境防治法》), the Law of the People's Republic of China on Prevention and Control of Soil Pollution (《中華人民共和國土壤污染防治法》), the Law of the People's Republic of China on Prevention and Control of Noise Pollution (《中華人民共和國環境噪聲污染防治法》) and the Marine Environment Protection Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國海洋環境保護法》); (2) for cement production, complied with the Product Quality Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國產品質量法》), the Regulation of the People's Republic of China on the Administration of Production License for Industrial Products (《中華人民共和國工業產品生產許可證管理條例》), the Catalog of Products Subject to the System of Production License for Industrial Products (《實行生產許可證制度管理的產品目錄》) and Measures for Administration of Bulk Cement (《散裝水泥管理辦法》); (3) for port operation, complied with the Port Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國港口法》) and the Regulations on the Administration of Port Operation (《港口經營管理規定》); (4) for manufacturing of special equipment, complied with the Regulations on Safety Supervision of Special Equipment (《特種設備安全監察條例》) and the Supervision and Administration Measures for the Manufacturing of Boilers and Compressed Containers (《鍋爐壓力容器製造監督管理辦法》); (5) for import and export of goods, complied with the Customs Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國海關法》), the Provisions of the Customs of the People's Republic of China for the Administration of Registration of Declaration Entities (《中華人民共和國海關對報關單位註冊登記管理規定》) and the Law of the People's Republic of China on Imported and Exported Commodity Inspection (《中華人民共和國進出口商品檢驗法》) and its implementation rules; (6) for contracting foreign projects, complied with the Foreign Trade Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國對外貿易法》), the Administrative Regulation on Contracting Foreign Projects (《對外承包工程管理條例》) and the Administrative Measures on the Qualification for Contracting Foreign Projects (《對外承包工程資格管理辦法》); and (7) for labour and production safety, complied with the Production Safety Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國安全生產法》), the Fire Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國消防法》), the Prevention and Control of Occupational Diseases Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國職業病防治法》), the Labour Contract Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國勞動合同法》), the Electric Power Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國電力法》) and other related rules and regulations.

(30) ENVIRONMENT POLICIES AND PERFORMANCES

The Group has realized the importance of environmental protection, and has taken stringent environmental measures to ensure that the Group complies with existing environmental laws and regulations. For details of the environmental policies and performance of the Group, please refer to our Environmental, Social and Governance Report to be published separately.

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(31) DONATION

During the Reporting Period, the Group did not make any charitable or any other kind of donations (2019: nil).

(32) PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISIONS

Pursuant to the Articles of Association, the Directors (including other persons) can be indemnified when any act, costs, expenses, damages, compensation and expenditure are caused or suffered by actions of approval or omission made by their respective jobs or trusts or assumed duties, except that by their own deceit or fraud. The Company has maintained Directors' liability insurance throughout the year to provide proper insurance cover in case of certain legal actions against the Directors.

(33) PROFESSIONAL TAX ADVICE RECOMMENDED

If the Shareholders are unsure about the taxation implications of purchasing, holding, disposing of, dealing in, or the exercise of any rights in relation to the shares of the Company, they are advised to consult an expert.

(34) SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

No significant subsequent events occurred in the Group after 31 December 2020 and up to the date of this report except as disclosed in note 32 to the financial statements.

By Order of the Board
Guo Jingbin
Chairman of the Board

Wuhu, China
29 March 2021

8. BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

(I) DIRECTORS

1. Executive Directors

Mr. Guo Jingbin (郭景彬), aged 63, was appointed as a Director with effect from 24 June 2013. He is currently an executive Director and the chairman of the Board. He has been appointed as the chairman of the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee with effect from 29 March 2021. He is primarily responsible for overall strategic development of the Group. Mr. Guo graduated from Shanghai Construction Materials College and joined the predecessor of Conch Group in 1980. In July 1998, Mr. Guo received a Master of Business Administration degree from the Post-graduate College of the Social Science Institute of China (中國社會科學院). Mr. Guo held various mid to senior managerial positions including head of automatic measurement department, head of personnel department and deputy plant manager of the former Ningguo Cement Plant and the secretary to the board of and deputy general manager of Conch Cement. He has over 30 years' experience in the building materials industry and rich experience in capital markets, particularly specializing in corporate strategic planning, marketing planning and general administrative management. He has been a director and chairman of the board of directors of CV Investment from February 2011 and May 2013 respectively until the end of April 2015. Mr. Guo has been an executive director of Conch Cement from October 1997 to 19 June 2014 and a non-executive director of Conch Cement from 20 June 2014 to 2 June 2016. Mr. Guo has been a director of Conch Holdings since January 1997. He is currently an independent non-executive director of China Logistics Property Holdings Co., Ltd (a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 01589) and China Tian Yuan Healthcare Group Limited (previously known as City e-Solutions Limited) (a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 00557).

Mr. Ji Qinying (紀勤應), aged 64, was appointed as a Director with effect from 18 July 2013. He is currently an executive Director and the chief executive officer of the Company who is primarily responsible for day-to-day management of the Group's business operations. He has ceased to act as a member of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and has been appointed as a member of the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee with effect from 29 March 2021. Mr. Ji joined the predecessor of Conch Cement Group after he graduated from Shanghai Construction Materials College in 1980. He held various leading positions including deputy plant operating director of the Ningguo Cement Plant, general manager and executive director of Conch Cement, and general manager and chairman of Conch Profiles. Mr. Ji served as a director of CV Investment from November 2002 to February 2016. He also served as the general manager of CV Investment from May 2013 to April 2015 and the chairman of CV Investment from May 2015 to February 2016. Mr. Ji has over 30 years' experience in the building materials industry specializing in project investment, construction management, market development, production, general operation and industrial management.

8. BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Mr. Li Jian (李劍), aged 59, was appointed as a Director with effect from 18 July 2013. He is currently an executive Director and a deputy general manager of the Company. He joined the Group in March 2011 and is primarily responsible for strategic development of the Group and general operation of Conch Venture Green and Bozhou Conch Venture Green. He is also a director of Conch Venture Green and Bozhou Conch Venture Green and acted as the chairman of both companies since July 2015. He graduated from Anhui Broadcast and Television University (安徽廣播電視大學) in July 1994, majoring in electrical engineering. Mr. Li joined the Anhui Conch Group in 1995, and joined the Group in 2011 and was a director of CK Equipment from March 2011 to March 2012. During the period from February 2011 to March 2012, Mr. Li was an assistant to general manager of CV Investment. He has also been a director and deputy general manager of CV Investment from May 2013 to the end of April 2015. Mr. Li has over 20 years' experience in the building materials industry specializing in market development, sales network development and management, building materials production and corporate management. He also has extensive experience in the production and operation management in the new building materials industry.

Mr. Li Daming (李大明), aged 55, was appointed as a Director with effect from 18 July 2013. He is currently an executive Director and a deputy general manager of the Company. He is also a director of CK Equipment and CK Engineering and is primarily responsible for energy preservation and environmental protection businesses including residual heat power generation and waste incineration projects, general operation of CK Engineering and CK Equipment. He graduated from Anhui Mechanical and Electrical College (安徽機電學院) in July 1986, majoring in manufacture of electrical equipment. Mr. Li joined the Group in December 2006 and has been a director of CK Equipment since September 2007, a director of CK Engineering since November 2006 and deputy general manager of CK Engineering since December 2006. Mr. Li has over 20 years' experience in the building materials industry. He also has extensive experience in residual heat power generation and waste management and has established good cooperation relationship with Kawasaki HI in developing the residual heat power generation business.

8. BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

2. Non-executive Director

Mr. Chang Zhangli (常張利), aged 50, was appointed as a non-executive Director on 21 March 2019. He has been appointed as a member of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee with effect from 29 March 2021. Mr. Chang has accumulated approximately 30 years of experience in handling affairs of listed companies. Mr. Chang has been the deputy general manager of China National Building Material Group Co., Ltd. since July 2018, and a non-executive director of CNBM, whose H shares are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 03323), since June 2018. Mr. Chang has been a director of China Jushi Co., Ltd (中國巨石股份有限公司), a company listed on the main board of the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 600176) since July 2005, and the chairman of the board and an executive director of Shanshui Cement, whose shares are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 00691), since May 2018. From November 2011 to June 2018, Mr. Chang has served as an executive director of CNBM and from August 2006 to June 2018, as the vice-president and from March 2005 to June 2018 as the secretary of the board of CNBM, and from July 2008 to April 2019, as a director of Beijing New Building Material Public Limited (北新集團建材股份有限公司), a company listed on the main board of the Shenzhen Stock Exchange (stock code: 000786). Mr. Chang is an engineer and he obtained a bachelor's degree in engineering from Wuhan Polytechnic University (武漢工業大學) (now known as Wuhan University of Technology (武漢理工大學)) in July 1994 and obtained a master of business administration degree from Tsinghua University in July 2005. Mr. Chang currently is the vice president of the Listed Companies Association of Beijing (北京上市公司協會) and the vice president of China Association for Public Companies (中國上市公司協會). Mr. Zhang ceased to act as the vice president of China Association for Work Safety (中國安全生產協會) starting from October 2020. Mr. Chang was awarded the first prize of National Corporate Management Modernization and Innovation Achievements (國家級企業管理現代化創新成果).

8. BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

3. Independent non-executive Directors

Mr. Chan Chi On (陳志安) (alias Derek CHAN), aged 57, was appointed as an independent non-executive Director with effect from 3 December 2013. He is also the chairman of the Audit Committee and a member of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and has been appointed as a member of the Strategy, Sustainability and Risk Management Committee with effect from 29 March 2021. Mr. Chan is currently engaging in corporate finance and securities businesses and serving as the chairman of Halcyon Capital Limited and Halcyon Securities Limited respectively. Mr. Chan graduated from the University of Hong Kong with a Bachelor degree in Social Sciences (majoring in Economics) and from the Hong Kong University of Science & Technology with a Master degree in Business Administration. Mr. Chan worked for the Stock Exchange for seven years, and subsequently served as an executive director in Haitong International Securities Group Limited (previously known as Taifook Securities Group Limited) and head of its corporate finance division for 16 years and was responsible for businesses in listing of enterprises, financing and mergers and acquisition. Mr. Chan is currently an independent non-executive director of Yuexiu REIT Asset Management Ltd. (manager of Yuexiu Real Estate Investment Trust which is listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 00405) and Longfor Group Holdings Limited (formerly known as Longfor Properties Co. Ltd.) (a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 00960). He served as an independent non-executive director of Tianli Holdings Group Limited (a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 00117) from 14 July 2016 to 6 April 2018. Mr. Chan has more than 30 years of experience in financial services industry.

Mr. Chan Kai Wing (陳繼榮), aged 60, was appointed as an independent non-executive Director with effect from 3 December 2013. He is also a member of the Audit Committee and the Remuneration and Nomination Committee. Mr. Chan is currently the managing director of Mandarin Capital Enterprise Limited, a company that Mr. Chan founded in 2004, and is specialized in providing financial advisory services to companies in the area of accounting services, merger and acquisition, corporate restructuring, and other corporate finance matters. Mr. Chan obtained a bachelor degree in economics from Macquarie University in Sydney, Australia in April 1986 and is a fellow member of CPA Australia. From 1988 to 1991, Mr. Chan worked in the audit department of Ernst & Young in Hong Kong. Mr. Chan is currently an independent non-executive director of China Assurance Finance Group Limited (a company listed on the Growth Enterprise Market of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 08090) and Nanfang Communication Holdings Limited (a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 01617). He was an independent non-executive director of Sino Golf Holdings Limited (a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 00361) from 24 August 2015 to 9 November 2018, and an independent non-executive director of Bisu Technology Group International Limited (formerly known as Excel Development (Holdings) Limited) (a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 01372) from 20 July 2015 to 28 February 2019.

8. BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex (劉志華), aged 57, was appointed as an independent non-executive Director with effect from 3 December 2013. He is also the chairman of the Remuneration and Nomination Committee and a member of the Audit Committee. Mr. Lau has over 25 years of experience in the field of corporate finance and accounting in managing initial public offerings and fund-raising exercises and advising listed companies on mergers and acquisitions, takeovers, buyouts and other corporate transactions. He has been the managing director of Ballas Capital Limited since February 2017. Mr. Lau has been an associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales since June 1988 and an associate of Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants since 1990. He graduated from the University of East Anglia in the United Kingdom in July 1984 with a bachelor degree in Science. He also obtained Corporate Finance Qualification from the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales in 2006. He is currently an independent non-executive director of One Media Group Limited (a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, stock code: 00426).

(II) SENIOR MANAGEMENT

1. Senior Management

Mr. Wang Xuesen (汪學森), aged 56, is the chairman of board of directors of Haichang Port and a deputy general manager of the Company. He is primarily responsible for general operation of Haichang Port. He graduated from Anhui Finance and Trade College (安徽財貿學院) in May 1988, majoring in statistical science. He also obtained a Master of Business Administration from Shanghai Shipping College (上海海運學院) in September 2003. Mr. Wang joined the Group in 2006 and has since then been the general manager of Haichang Port.

Mr. Han Jiwu (韓繼武), aged 58, is a deputy general manager and the head of Strategic Planning Department of the Company. He is mainly responsible for formulating and implementing strategic planning for the Company's development. He obtained a Master of Business Administration from Anhui Institute of Business Administration in 2001. Mr. Han joined the Company in 2015. Prior to this, Mr. Han held leading positions in Anhui Provincial Building Materials Bureau (建材局) and Quality and Technical Supervision Bureau (質量技術監督局). He has extensive experiences in building materials industry and management.

Mr. Zhang Keke (張可可), aged 58, is a deputy general manager of the Company. He graduated from the Correspondence School of Party School of the Central Committee of CPC in 1992, majoring in economic management. Mr. Zhang joined the Company in 2016, and is mainly responsible for the operational management of solid waste treatment business of the Company. Before joining the Company, he held various leadership roles in Ningguo Cement Plant, Conch Cement and Conch Profiles and gained more than 30 years of extensive experiences in construction material industry and management. Mr. Zhang has served as the chairman of board of directors and general manager of WH Environmental Protection since May 2016.

8. BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Mr. Chen Xingqiang (陳興強), aged 40, is the chief financial officer and head of the finance department of the Company. He graduated from Xi'an Technological University (西安工業大學) in 2005, majoring in accounting. He joined Conch Cement in July 2005 and joined the Company in 2013. He served as the deputy head of the finance department and the head of the finance department of the Company, and was responsible for the day-to-day financial work such as the management of the budget and financial reporting of the Company. He has been the chief financial officer of the Company since December 2020. With over 15 years of experience in finance, Mr. Chen has extensive experience and management skills.

2. Company Secretary

Mr. Shu Mao (疏茂), aged 35, was appointed as the joint company secretary on 3 December 2013 and has served as the sole company secretary since 13 April 2017. He graduated from Anhui Engineering Science College (安徽工程科技學院) in 2008, majoring in business administration. Mr. Shu joined Anhui Conch Group in February 2008 and has served as the assistant to manager of the Board of Directors' Office of Anhui Conch Group and the assistant manager of the office of general manager of CV Investment. Mr. Shu has also served as the head of the General Management Department of the Company since August 2013 and the deputy general manager of the Company since December 2020. On 2 March 2021, he became an affiliated person of The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



To the shareholders of China Conch Venture Holdings Limited

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

OPINION

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of China Conch Venture Holdings Limited ("the Company") and its subsidiaries ("the Group") set out on pages 81 to 208, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020, the consolidated statement of profit or loss, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated cash flow statement for the year then ended and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2020 and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSA") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA's *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* ("the Code") together with any ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in the Cayman Islands, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

KEY AUDIT MATTERS

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Accounting for construction revenue in service concession arrangements

Refer to notes 3 and 18 and the accounting policies set out in notes 1(w) and 1(n) to the consolidated financial statements.

The Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

The Group has entered into service concession arrangements with local governments of different locations in Mainland China in respect of its waste incineration projects on a Build-Operate-Transfer ("BOT") basis. Under the service concession arrangements, the Group constructs waste incineration plants (construction services) and operates these plants (operation services) for concession periods ranging from 20 to 30 years. The Group is paid for its services over the operation period of these arrangements.

Although no cash is received during the construction phase of BOT projects, the Group recognises construction service revenue when project construction commences pursuant to the requirements of the prevailing accounting standards. The Group recognises construction service revenue at fair value based on construction costs plus a mark-up margin for the project.

Our audit procedures to assess the accounting for construction revenue in service concession arrangements included the following:

- evaluating the Group's process for applying the requirements of the prevailing accounting standards and inspecting the associated contracts for projects which commenced construction in the current year to assess whether these fell within the scope of the prevailing accounting standards;
- assessing the impact of any changes to the terms of arrangements entered into in previous years which could affect the accounting for BOT projects in the current year;
- assessing the design, implementation and operating effectiveness of key internal controls relating to management contract reviews, assessing the percentage of completion of construction services and reviewing updates and changes to total budgeted contract costs;

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Accounting for construction revenue in service concession arrangements *(Continued)*

Refer to notes 3 and 18 and the accounting policies set out in notes 1(w) and 1(n) to the consolidated financial statements.

The Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

Where construction services are not completed at the end of a reporting period, construction service revenue is recognised using the percentage of completion method, measured by reference to the percentage of actual costs incurred to date to estimated budgeted costs of the entire construction project. The total budgeted costs are estimated based principally on management's assessment of market conditions, the cost of raw materials and equipment and other operating costs.

Accounting for BOT arrangements pursuant to the requirements of the prevailing accounting standards can be complex in their implementation which requires the exercise of significant management judgement, particularly in respect of the determination of total budgeted construction costs for each project, determining the stage of completion of each project at the reporting date and assessing the fair value of construction services of each BOT project.

We identified accounting for construction revenue in service concession arrangements as a key audit matter because the application of the requirements of the prevailing accounting standards can be complex and involves the exercise of significant management judgement which could give rise to errors in the recognition of construction revenue or could be subject to manipulation to meet targets and expectations.

- engaging our internal valuation specialists to assist us in evaluating the assumptions adopted by management in determining the fair value of construction services delivered, including the mark-up margins for construction services by benchmarking against mark-up margins for comparable companies with similar projects;

- comparing the data used by management in determining the fair value of construction services delivered, including forecast construction costs, with management's budgets and supplier contracts;

- inspecting underlying documents, on a sample basis, for actual costs incurred during the construction phase of contracts and assessing whether there is any indication of management bias in the total contract costs estimation by performing a retrospective review of the historical accuracy of contract costs for similar contracts; and

- re-calculating the percentage of completion of incomplete construction contracts at the end of the reporting period by comparing the actual costs incurred to date with total estimated costs on completion.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Loss allowance for trade receivables

Refer to note 19 and the accounting policy set out in note 1(k)(i) to the consolidated financial statements.

The Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

At 31 December 2020, the Group's gross trade receivables totalled RMB1,101 million against which a loss allowance of RMB56 million was recorded.

Management measured loss allowance at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit loss, using a provision matrix based on past due status, for the receivables existed at 31 December 2020 in accordance with IFRS 9, Financial Instruments.

As the historical credit loss experience of the Group does not indicate significantly different loss patterns for different customers in different segments, the loss allowance based on past due status are not further distinguished between the Group's different customer bases.

We identified loss allowance for trade receivables as a key audit matter because estimation of expected credit losses which is inherently subjective and requires the exercise of significant management judgement.

Our audit procedures to assess the loss allowance of trade receivables included the following:

- obtaining an understanding of and assessing the design, implementation and operating effectiveness of management's key internal controls relating to credit control, debt collection, estimate of expected credit losses and recording related loss allowances in the financial statements;
- assessing the appropriateness of the expected credit loss model adopted by management with reference to the requirements of the prevailing accounting standards;
- assessing the reasonableness of management's assumptions in estimating loss rates by assessing the basis of the segmentation of the trade receivables based on credit risk characteristics and evaluating whether the historical loss rates are appropriately adjusted based on current economic conditions and forward-looking information;

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Loss allowance for trade receivables *(Continued)*

Refer to note 19 and the accounting policy set out in note 1(k)(i) to the consolidated financial statements.

The Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

- evaluating the data relevance and reliability by assessing whether the items were appropriately categorised in the trade receivables past due report by comparison with sales invoices, credit terms as agreed with customers and other relevant underlying documentation, on a sample basis, and testing the completeness and accuracy of the historical default data; and
- re-calculating the Group's loss allowance with reference to the past due report and expected loss rates.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Accounting for the interests in associates

Refer to note 15 and the accounting policy set out in note 1(f) to the consolidated financial statements.

The Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

The Group's 49% interest in Anhui Conch Holdings Co., Ltd. ("Conch Holdings") is accounted for in the consolidated financial statements under the equity method. The Group's share of the profit of Conch Holdings for the year ended 31 December 2020 was RMB6,367 million and the carrying value of the Group's interest in Conch Holdings was RMB30,903 million, which accounted for 84% of the Group's net profit attributable to equity shareholders and 57% of the Group's total assets as at 31 December 2020.

Anhui Conch Cement Co., Ltd. ("Conch Cement") is a significant associate of Conch Holdings and contributed substantially all of the Group's share of profit of Conch Holdings for the year ended 31 December 2020. Conch Cement is a public company listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Our audit procedures to assess the accounting for the interest in Conch Holdings included the following:

- evaluating the design, implementation and operating effectiveness of key group-wide internal controls and the consolidation process for equity accounting for the interest in Conch Holdings;
- comparing consolidation and reclassification journal adjustments in respect of the interest in Conch Holdings with relevant underlying documentation;
- recalculating the Group's share of net assets and the Group's share of profit for the year with reference to the financial information of Conch Holdings;

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Accounting for the interests in associates *(Continued)*

Refer to note 15 and the accounting policy set out in note 1(f) to the consolidated financial statements.

The Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

- We identified the accounting for the interest in Conch Holdings as a key audit matter because of its material impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements, particularly in respect of Conch Holding's investment in Conch Cement, and because of the significant judgements required to be exercised by management of Conch Cement in the preparation of Conch Cement's consolidated financial statements, in particular in relation to revenue recognition.
- sending detailed group audit instructions to the auditors of Conch Cement ("the component auditors") requesting them to perform a full scope audit of the financial information of Conch Cement;
 - participating in the component auditors' risk assessment process to identify significant risks of material misstatement of the financial information of Conch Cement and discussing with the component auditors their responses to address such risks; and
 - discussing with the component auditors their findings and conclusions with regard to their audit and evaluating the sufficiency and appropriateness of the audit evidence for purpose of our audit of the consolidated financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Assessing potential impairment of non-current assets in the new building materials segment

Refer to note 11 and the accounting policy set out in note 1(k)(ii) to the consolidated financial statements.

The Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

The Group's new building materials segment commenced operations in 2015 and sustained operating losses in the past five years primarily due to low utilisation of its production capacity.

Our audit procedures to assess potential impairment of non-current assets in the new building materials segment included the following:

There is a risk that the carrying value of the non-current assets, which solely comprise of property, plant and equipment ("PP&E") and right-of-use assets, in this segment may not be recoverable in full through the future cash flows to be generated from operations or disposal of these assets.

Management determined that there was an indicator of impairment of the PP&E and right-of-use assets allocated to one of the cash-generating units ("CGU") within this segment at the reporting date and, therefore, assessed the recoverable amounts of the relevant assets with reference to the higher of value-in-use ("VIU") and fair value less costs of disposal ("FVLCD"). Management determined FVLCD based on a valuation performed by an independent external valuer.

- engaging our internal valuation specialists to assist us in evaluating the appropriateness of methodology used by management in the preparation of the discounted cash flow forecast supporting the VIU with reference to the requirements of the prevailing accounting standards;
- challenging management's assumptions adopted in the discounted cash flow forecast, including growth rates for future revenue and future gross profit margins and operating expenses, with the historical performance of this segment, management's budgets and industry reports, and evaluating the discount rate adopted by benchmarking against other comparable companies in the same industry;
- performing sensitivity analyses of key assumptions, including the discount rate and the gross profit margins, and considering the resulting impact on the impairment testing;

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Assessing potential impairment of non-current assets in the new building materials segment

(Continued)

Refer to note 11 and the accounting policy set out in note 1(k)(ii) to the consolidated financial statements.

The Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

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| <p>We identified assessing potential impairment of non-current assets as a key audit matter because determining the amount of impairment, if any, involves significant management judgement, particularly in forecasting future cash flows, determining the discount rate and estimating the recoverable amounts of these assets, all of which are inherently uncertain and because the selection of these assumptions and data could be subject to management bias.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • performing a retrospective review of the forecast prepared as at 31 December 2019 by comparing the forecast results with the current year's actual results, discussing material variances with management and considering the impact of these variances on the current year's forecast to assess where there is any indication of management bias; • evaluating the independence, competence and objectivity of the independent external valuer engaged by management to perform the valuation of FVLCD; • engaging our internal valuation specialists to assist us in evaluating the appropriateness of the valuation methodology adopted by the independent external valuer with reference to the requirements of the prevailing accounting standards, and assessing the key assumptions and data applied, including comparable market transactions, remaining economic useful lives and price volatility of the relevant assets and future costs of disposal; and • assessing the reasonableness of the relevant disclosures with reference to the requirements of the prevailing accounting standards. |
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

INFORMATION OTHER THAN THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDITOR'S REPORT THEREON

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises all the information included in the annual report, other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRSs issued by the IASB 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.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors are assisted by the Audit Committee in discharging their responsibilities for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. This report is made solely to you, as a body, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(Continued)*

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSA's will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSA's, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(Continued)*

We communicate with the Audit Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Audit Committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence and communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence and, where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with the Audit Committee, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Au Yat Fo.

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29 March 2021

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

for the year ended 31 December 2020
(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

	Note	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Revenue	3	6,604,573	5,120,281
Cost of sales		(4,414,102)	(3,368,650)
Gross profit		2,190,471	1,751,631
Other income	4	241,166	199,186
Distribution costs		(136,993)	(89,619)
Administrative expenses		(394,948)	(277,890)
Profit from operations		1,899,696	1,583,308
Finance costs	5(a)	(234,418)	(177,684)
Share of profits of associates	15	6,387,437	6,008,155
Profit before taxation	5	8,052,715	7,413,779
Income tax	6(a)	(300,101)	(267,256)
Profit for the year		7,752,614	7,146,523
Attributable to:			
Equity shareholders of the Company		7,617,627	6,995,831
Non-controlling interests		134,987	150,692
Profit for the year		7,752,614	7,146,523
Earnings per share	10		
Basic (RMB)		4.22	3.88
Diluted (RMB)		4.06	3.73

The notes on pages 98 to 208 form part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the year ended 31 December 2020
(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

	Note	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Profit for the year		7,752,614	7,146,523
Other comprehensive income for the year (after tax and reclassification adjustments)	7		
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Share of other comprehensive income of associates, net of tax		9,569	(583)
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Share of other comprehensive income of associates, net of tax		(29,621)	4,729
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of overseas subsidiaries		169,651	(26,144)
		149,599	(21,998)
Total comprehensive income for the year		7,902,213	7,124,525
Attributable to:			
Equity shareholders of the Company		7,767,226	6,973,833
Non-controlling interests		134,987	150,692
Total comprehensive income for the year		7,902,213	7,124,525

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

at 31 December 2020
(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

	Note	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	11	3,714,696	2,443,912
Right-of-use assets	12	590,650	403,559
Intangible assets	13	6,366,195	3,917,798
Interests in associates	15	31,085,116	25,920,942
Non-current portion of service concession assets	18	4,945,952	3,353,103
Non-current portion of trade and other receivables	19	1,073,404	613,562
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit and loss ("FVPL")	16	82,500	–
Deferred tax assets	23(b)	63,093	54,080
		47,921,606	36,706,956
Current assets			
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit and loss ("FVPL")	16	13,239	–
Inventories	17	269,957	233,883
Service concession assets	18	137,088	102,126
Trade and other receivables	19	1,908,676	1,295,171
Restricted bank deposits		44,767	28,253
Bank deposits with original maturity over three months		681,700	842,972
Cash and cash equivalents	20(a)	3,350,539	2,962,200
		6,405,966	5,464,605
Current liabilities			
Bank loans	21	1,282,264	664,700
Trade and other payables	22	4,201,641	3,071,108
Contract liabilities		62,153	27,515
Lease liabilities	25	2,652	2,968
Income tax payables	23(a)	139,028	112,022
		5,687,738	3,878,313
Net current assets		718,228	1,586,292
Total assets less current liabilities		48,639,834	38,293,248

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Continued)

at 31 December 2020
(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

	Note	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Non-current liabilities			
Bank loans	21	5,124,458	1,918,537
Convertible bonds	24	3,470,110	3,574,266
Lease liabilities	25	397	3,049
Deferred tax liabilities	23(b)	67,690	35,000
		8,662,655	5,530,852
Net assets			
		39,977,179	32,762,396
Capital and reserves			
	26		
Share capital		14,347	14,347
Reserves		38,550,638	31,838,605
Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company			
		38,564,985	31,852,952
Non-controlling interests			
		1,412,194	909,444
Total equity			
		39,977,179	32,762,396

Approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 29 March 2021.

Guo Jingbin
Director

Ji Qinying
Director

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

for the year ended 31 December 2020
(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

	Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company									
	Note	Share capital	Share premium	Capital reserve	PRC statutory reserves	Exchange reserve	Retained earnings	Sub-total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
		RMB'000 (Note 26(c))	RMB'000 (Note 26(d)(i))	RMB'000 (Note 26(d)(ii))	RMB'000 (Note 26(d)(iii))	RMB'000 (Note 26(d)(iv))	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Balance at 1 January 2019		14,347	502,533	1,936,574	580,120	(1,851)	22,721,094	25,752,817	713,044	26,465,861
Profit for the year		-	-	-	-	-	6,995,831	6,995,831	150,692	7,146,523
Other comprehensive income	7	-	-	4,146	-	(26,144)	-	(21,998)	-	(21,998)
Total comprehensive income		-	-	4,146	-	(26,144)	6,995,831	6,973,833	150,692	7,124,525
Non-controlling interest arising from establishment of subsidiaries		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	119,135	119,135
Acquisition of a subsidiary with non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,677	25,677
Appropriation to reserves	26(d)(iii)	-	-	-	84,833	-	(84,833)	-	-	-
Profit distribution to non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(99,104)	(99,104)
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year	26(b)	-	(502,533)	-	-	-	(371,165)	(873,698)	-	(873,698)
Balance at 31 December 2019		14,347	-	1,940,720	664,953	(27,995)	29,260,927	31,852,952	909,444	32,762,396

	Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company									
	Note	Share capital	Share premium	Capital reserve	PRC statutory reserves	Exchange reserve	Retained earnings	Sub-total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
		RMB'000 (Note 26(c))	RMB'000 (Note 26(d)(i))	RMB'000 (Note 26(d)(ii))	RMB'000 (Note 26(d)(iii))	RMB'000 (Note 26(d)(iv))	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Balance at 1 January 2020		14,347	-	1,940,720	664,953	(27,995)	29,260,927	31,852,952	909,444	32,762,396
Profit for the year		-	-	-	-	-	7,617,627	7,617,627	134,987	7,752,614
Other comprehensive income	7	-	-	(20,052)	-	169,651	-	149,599	-	149,599
Total comprehensive income		-	-	(20,052)	-	169,651	7,617,627	7,767,226	134,987	7,902,213
Non-controlling interest arising from establishment of subsidiaries		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	362,536	362,536
Acquisition of subsidiaries with non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	111,666	111,666
Appropriation to reserves	26(d)(iii)	-	-	-	113,822	-	(113,822)	-	-	-
Profit distribution to non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(106,439)	(106,439)
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year	26(b)	-	-	-	-	-	(1,055,193)	(1,055,193)	-	(1,055,193)
Balance at 31 December 2020		14,347	-	1,920,668	778,775	141,656	35,709,539	38,564,985	1,412,194	39,977,179

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CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the year ended 31 December 2020
(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

	Note	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Operating activities:			
Cash generated from operations	20(b)	974,192	596,978
Income tax paid	23(a)	(259,108)	(231,619)
Net cash generated from operating activities		715,084	365,359
Investing activities:			
Payment for purchase of property, plant and equipment, construction in progress and intangible assets		(4,267,362)	(2,670,048)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets		1,634	1,969
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	28(b)	(20,129)	–
Payment for purchase of right-of-use assets		(192,142)	(112,949)
Payment for investments in associates		(1,200)	(166,000)
Payment for purchase of financial assets measured at FVPL		(103,145)	–
Proceeds from maturity of bank deposits over three months		842,972	2,104,308
Payment for bank deposits with maturity over three months		(681,700)	(842,972)
Dividends received from associates		1,204,950	1,055,950
Interest received		92,019	115,624
Net cash used in investing activities		(3,124,103)	(514,118)
Financing activities:			
Proceeds from bank loans	20(c)	5,088,489	2,132,537
Repayment of bank loans	20(c)	(1,265,004)	(816,800)
Profit distribution to non-controlling interests		(82,439)	(99,104)
Dividends paid to equity shareholders of the Company	26(b)	(1,055,193)	(873,698)
Interest paid	20(c)	(195,429)	(73,168)
Capital contribution from non-controlling interests		362,536	119,135
Capital element of lease rentals paid	20(c)	(2,968)	(2,834)
Interest element of lease rentals paid	20(c)	(286)	(420)
Net cash generated from financing activities		2,849,706	385,648
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		440,687	236,889
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		(52,348)	51,466
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		2,962,200	2,673,845
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	20(a)	3,350,539	2,962,200

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”), which collective term includes all applicable individual International Financial Reporting Standards, International Accounting Standards (“IAS”) and related interpretations, promulgated by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”), and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. These financial statements also comply with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Significant accounting policies adopted by the Group is set out below.

The IASB has issued certain amendments to IFRSs that are first effective or available for early adoption for the current accounting period of the Group. Note 1(c) provides information on any changes in accounting policies resulting from initial application of these developments to the extent that they are relevant to the Group for the current and prior accounting periods reflected in these financial statements.

(b) Basis of preparation and presentation

The consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the “Group”) and the Group’s interests in associates.

The measurement basis used in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements is the historical cost basis except that equity investments are stated at their fair value (see note 1(g)).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRSs requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Judgements made by management in the application of IFRSs that have significant effect on the financial statements and major sources of estimation uncertainty are discussed in note 2.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(c) Changes in accounting policies

The IASB has issued a number of standards and amendments to IFRSs that are first effective for the current accounting period of the Group. None of the developments have had a material effect on how the Group's results and financial position for the current or prior periods have been prepared or presented in this financial report.

The Group has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for the current accounting period.

(d) Business combination

The Group accounts for business combination using the acquisition method when control is transferred to the Group. The consideration transferred in the acquisition is generally measured at fair value, which is calculated as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred by the Group, liabilities incurred by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Any goodwill that arises is tested annually for impairment. Any gain on a bargain purchase is recognised in profit and loss immediately. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred, except if related to the issue of debt or equity securities.

Any contingent consideration is measured at fair value at the date of acquisition. If an obligation to pay contingent consideration that meets the definition of a financial instrument is classified as equity, then it is not remeasured and settlement is accounted for within equity. Otherwise, other contingent consideration is remeasured at fair value at each reporting date and subsequent changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration are recognised in the profit and loss.

(e) Subsidiaries and non-controlling interests

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Group. The Group controls an entity when it is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. When assessing whether the Group has power, only substantive rights (held by the Group and other parties) are considered.

An investment in a subsidiary is consolidated into the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases. Intra-Group balances, transactions and cash flows and any unrealised profits arising from intra-Group transactions are eliminated in full in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised losses resulting from intra-Group transactions are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gain but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(e) Subsidiaries and non-controlling interests *(Continued)*

Non-controlling interests represent the equity in a subsidiary not attributable directly or indirectly to the Company, and in respect of which the Group has not agreed any additional terms with the holders of those interests which would result in the Group as a whole having a contractual obligation in respect of those interests that meets the definition of a financial liability. For each business combination, the Group can elect to measure any non-controlling interests either at fair value or at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of the subsidiary's net identifiable assets.

Non-controlling interests are presented in the consolidated statement of financial position within equity, separately from equity attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company. Non-controlling interests in the results of the Group are presented on the face of the consolidated statement of profit or loss and the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as an allocation of the total profit or loss and total comprehensive income for the year between non-controlling interests and the equity shareholders of the Company. Loans from holders of non-controlling interests and other contractual obligations towards these holders are presented as financial liabilities in the consolidated statement of financial position in accordance with notes 1(q), 1(r) or 1(s) depending on the nature of the liability.

Changes in the Group's interests in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions, whereby adjustments are made to the amounts of controlling and non-controlling interests within consolidated equity to reflect the change in relative interests, but no adjustments are made to goodwill and no gain or loss is recognised.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, it is accounted for as a disposal of the entire interest in that subsidiary, with a resulting gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss. Any interest retained in that former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is recognised at fair value and this amount is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition of a financial asset (see note 1(g)) or, when appropriate, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate (see note 1(f)).

In the Company's statement of financial position, an investment in a subsidiary is stated at cost less impairment losses (see note 1(k)(ii)).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(f) Associates

An associate is an entity in which the Group or the Company has significant influence, but not control or joint control, over its management, including participation in the financial and operating policy decisions.

An investment in an associate is accounted for in the consolidated financial statements under the equity method, unless it is classified as held for sale. Under the equity method, the investment is initially recorded at cost, adjusted for any excess of the Group's share of the acquisition-date fair values of the investee's identifiable net assets over the cost of the investment (if any). The cost of the investment includes purchase price, other costs directly attributable to the acquisition of the investment, and any direct investment into the associate that forms part of the Group's equity investment. Thereafter, the investment is adjusted for the post acquisition change in the Group's share of the investee's net assets and any impairment loss relating to the investment (see note 1(k)(ii)). At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether there is any objective evidence that the investment is impaired. Any acquisition-date excess over cost, the Group's share of the post-acquisition, post-tax results of the investees and any impairment losses for the year are recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss, whereas the Group's share of the post-acquisition post-tax items of the investees' other comprehensive income is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

When the Group's share of losses exceeds its interest in the associate, the Group's interest is reduced to nil and recognition of further losses is discontinued except to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the investee. For this purpose, the Group's interest is the carrying amount of the investment under the equity method together with any other long-term interests that in substance form part of the Group's net investment in the associate after applying the ECL model to such other long-term interests where applicable (see note 1(k)(i)).

Unrealised profits and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and its associate is eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the investee, except where unrealised losses provide evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred, in which case they are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

In all other cases, when the Group ceases to have significant influence over an associate, it is accounted for as a disposal of the entire interest in that investee, with a resulting gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss. Any interest retained in that former investee at the date when significant influence is lost is recognised at fair value and this amount is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition of a financial asset (see note 1(g)).

In the Company's statement of financial position, investments in associates are stated at cost less impairment losses (see note 1(k)(ii)).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(g) Other investments in debt and equity securities

The Group's policies for investments in debt and equity securities, other than investments in subsidiaries and associates, are set out below:

Investments in debt and equity securities are recognised/derecognised on the date the Group commits to purchase/sell the investment. The investments are initially stated at fair value, plus directly attributable transaction costs, except for those investments measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL) for which transaction costs are recognised directly in profit or loss. These investments are subsequently accounted for as follows, depending on their classification:

(i) Investments other than equity investments

Non-equity investments held by the Group are classified into one of the following measurement categories:

- amortised cost, if the investment is held for the collection of contractual cash flows which represent solely payments of principal and interest. Interest income from the investment is calculated using the effective interest method (see note 1(w)(v)).
- fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) — recycling, if the contractual cash flows of the investment comprise solely payments of principal and interest and the investment is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both the collection of contractual cash flows and sale. Changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income, except for the recognition in profit or loss of expected credit losses, interest income (calculated using the effective interest method) and foreign exchange gains and losses. When the investment is derecognised, the amount accumulated in other comprehensive income is recycled from equity to profit or loss.
- fair value at profit or loss (FVPL) if the investment does not meet the criteria for being measured at amortised cost or FVOCI (recycling). Changes in the fair value of the investment (including interest) are recognised in profit or loss.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(g) Other investments in debt and equity securities *(Continued)*

(ii) Equity investments

An investment in equity securities is classified as FVPL unless the equity investment is not held for trading purposes and on initial recognition of the investment the Group makes an irrevocable election to designate the investment at FVOCI (non-recycling) such that subsequent changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income. Such elections are made on an instrument-by-instrument basis, but may only be made if the investment meets the definition of equity from the issuer's perspective. Where such an election is made, the amount accumulated in other comprehensive income remains in the fair value reserve (non-recycling) until the investment is disposed of. At the time of disposal, the amount accumulated in the fair value reserve (non-recycling) is transferred to retained earnings. It is not recycled through profit or loss. Dividends from an investment in equity securities, irrespective of whether classified as at FVPL or FVOCI, are recognised in profit or loss as other income in accordance with the policy set out in note 1(w)(vi).

(h) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses (see note 1(k)(ii)).

The cost of self-constructed items of property, plant and equipment includes the cost of materials, direct labour, the initial estimate, where relevant, of the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located, and an appropriate proportion of production overheads and borrowing costs (see note 1(y)).

Gains or losses arising from the retirement or disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment are determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the item and are recognised in profit or loss on the date of retirement or disposal.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of items of property, plant and equipment, less their estimated residual value, if any, using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Plant and buildings	20–30 years
Machinery and equipment	10–15 years
Office and other equipment	5 years
Motor vehicles	5 years

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, the cost of the item is allocated on a reasonable basis between the parts and each part is depreciated separately. Both the useful life of an asset and its residual value, if any, are reviewed annually.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(h) Property, plant and equipment *(Continued)*

Construction in progress represents property, plant and equipment under construction, which is stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses (see note 1(k)(ii)).

Capitalisation of construction in progress costs ceases and the construction in progress is transferred to property, plant and equipment when substantially all of the activities necessary to prepare the assets for their intended use are completed.

No depreciation is provided in respect of construction in progress until it is substantially completed and ready for its intended use.

(i) Intangible assets

The Group recognises an operating right arising from a service concession arrangement when it has a right to charge for use of the concession infrastructure. An operating right received as consideration for providing construction services in a service concession arrangement is measured at fair value on initial recognition with reference to the fair value of the services provided. Subsequent to initial recognition, the operating right is measured at cost, which includes capitalised borrowing costs (see note 1(y)), less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses (see note 1(k)(ii)).

Other intangible assets that are acquired by the Group are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation (where the estimated useful life is finite) and impairment losses (see note 1(k)(ii)).

Amortisation of intangible assets with finite useful lives is charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the assets' estimated useful lives. The following intangible assets with finite useful lives are amortised from the date they are available for use and their estimated useful lives are as follows:

Software	2–10 years
Waste incineration project operating rights	26–30 years
Customer relationship	10 years

Both the period and method of amortisation are reviewed annually.

Expenditure on research and development activities is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(j) Leased assets

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether the contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Control is conveyed where the customer has both the right to direct the use of the identified asset and to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from that use.

(i) As a lessee

Where the contract contains lease component(s) and non-lease component(s), the Group has elected not to separate non-lease components and accounts for each lease component and any associated non-lease components as a single lease component for all leases.

At the lease commencement date, the Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability, except for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets which, for the Group are primarily leased apartment for employees. When the Group enters into a lease in respect of a low-value asset, the Group decides whether to capitalise the lease on a lease-by-lease basis. The lease payments associated with those leases which are not capitalised are recognised as an expense on a systematic basis over the lease term.

Where the lease is capitalised, the lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments payable over the lease term, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, using a relevant incremental borrowing rate. After initial recognition, the lease liability is measured at amortised cost and interest expense is calculated using the effective interest method. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or rate are not included in the measurement of the lease liability and hence are charged to profit or loss in the accounting period in which they are incurred.

The right-of-use asset recognised when a lease is capitalised is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability plus any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, and any initial direct costs incurred. Where applicable, the cost of the right-of-use assets also includes an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, discounted to their present value, less any lease incentives received. The following items of right-of-use asset are subsequently stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses (see note 1 (k)(ii)).

- right-of-use assets arising from leasehold properties where the Group is not the registered owner of the property interest;
- prepaid costs of land use rights paid to the PRC government authorities or third parties.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(j) Leased assets *(Continued)*

(i) As a lessee *(Continued)*

The lease liability is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, or there is a change in the Group's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or there is a change arising from the reassessment of whether the Group will be reasonably certain to exercise a purchase, extension or termination option. When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The lease liability is also remeasured when there is a change in the scope of a lease or the consideration for a lease that is not originally provided for in the lease contract ("lease modification") that is not accounted for as a separate lease. In this case the lease liability is remeasured based on the revised lease payments and lease term using a revised discount rate at the effective date of the modification. The only exceptions are any rent concessions which arose as a direct consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic and which satisfied the conditions set out in paragraph 46B of IFRS 16 *Leases*. In such cases, the group took advantage of the practical expedient set out in paragraph 46A of IFRS 16 and recognised the change in consideration as if it were not a lease modification.

In the consolidated statement of financial position, the current portion of long-term lease liabilities is determined as the present value of contractual payments that are due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period.

(k) Credit losses and impairment of assets

(i) Credit losses from financial instruments, contract assets and lease receivables

The Group recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses (ECLs) on the following items:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost (including cash and cash equivalents, bank deposits and trade receivables and other receivables); and
- service concession assets (see note 1(n));

Other financial assets measured at fair value, including units in bond funds, equity securities measured at FVPL, equity securities designated at FVOCI (non-recycling) and derivative financial assets, are not subject to the ECL assessment.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(k) Credit losses and impairment of assets *(Continued)*

(i) Credit losses from financial instruments, contract assets and lease receivables

(Continued)

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all expected cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the Group in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive).

The expected cash shortfalls are discounted using the following discount rates where the effect of discounting is material:

- fixed-rate financial assets, trade and other receivables and contract assets: effective interest rate determined at initial recognition or an approximation thereof;
- variable-rate financial assets: current effective interest rate;

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Group is exposed to credit risk.

In measuring ECLs, the Group takes into account reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort. This includes information about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

ECLs are measured on either of the following bases:

- 12-month ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from possible default events within the 12 months after the reporting date; and
- lifetime ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from all possible default events over the expected lives of the items to which the ECL model applies.

Loss allowances for trade receivables are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. ECLs on these financial assets are estimated using a provision matrix based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors and an assessment of both the current and forecast general economic conditions at the reporting date.

For all other financial instruments, the Group recognises a loss allowance equal to 12-month ECLs unless there has been a significant increase in credit risk of the financial instrument since initial recognition, in which case the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(k) Credit losses and impairment of assets *(Continued)*

(i) Credit losses from financial instruments, contract assets and lease receivables

(Continued)

Significant increases in credit risk

In assessing whether the credit risk of a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of default occurring on the financial instrument assessed at the reporting date with that assessed at the date of initial recognition. In making this reassessment, the Group considers that a default event occurs when the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Group in full, without recourse by the Group to actions such as realising security (if any is held). The Group considers both quantitative and qualitative information that is reasonable and supportable, including historical experience and forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort.

In particular, the following information is taken into account when assessing whether credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition:

- failure to make payments of principal or interest on their contractually due dates ;
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in a financial instrument's external or internal credit rating (if available);
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the operating results of the debtor; and
- existing or forecast changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment that have a significant adverse effect on the debtor's ability to meet its obligation to the Group.

Depending on the nature of the financial instruments, the assessment of a significant increase in credit risk is performed on either an individual basis or a collective basis. When the assessment is performed on a collective basis, the financial instruments are grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics, such as past due status and credit risk ratings.

ECLs are remeasured at each reporting date to reflect changes in the financial instrument's credit risk since initial recognition. Any change in the ECL amount is recognised as an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss. The Group recognises an impairment gain or loss for all financial instruments with a corresponding adjustment to their carrying amount through a loss allowance account, except for investments in debt securities that are measured at FVOCI (recycling), for which the loss allowance is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the fair value reserve (recycling).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(k) Credit losses and impairment of assets *(Continued)*

(i) Credit losses from financial instruments, contract assets and lease receivables

(Continued)

Basis of calculation of interest income

Interest income recognised in accordance with note 1(w)(v) is calculated based on the gross carrying amount of the financial asset unless the financial asset is credit-impaired, in which case interest income is calculated based on the amortised cost (i.e. the gross carrying amount less loss allowance) of the financial asset.

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether a financial asset is credit-impaired. A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable events:

- Significant financial difficulties of the debtor;
- A breach of contract, such as a default or past due event;
- It becoming probable that the borrower will enter into bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation;
- Significant changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment that have an adverse effect on the debtor; or
- The disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties of the issuer.

Write-off policy

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the group determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off.

Subsequent recoveries of an asset that was previously written off are recognised as a reversal of impairment in profit or loss in the period in which the recovery occurs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(k) Credit losses and impairment of assets *(Continued)*

(ii) Impairment of other non-current assets

Internal and external sources of information are reviewed at the end of each reporting period to identify indications that the following assets may be impaired or, an impairment loss previously recognised no longer exists or may have decreased:

- property, plant and equipment;
- right-of-use assets;
- intangible assets; and
- investments in subsidiaries and associates in the Company's statement of financial position.

If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. In addition, for intangible assets that are not yet available for use, the recoverable amount is estimated annually whether or not there is any indication of impairment.

— *Calculation of recoverable amount*

The recoverable amount of an asset is the greater of its fair value less costs of disposal 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 assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. Where an asset does not generate cash inflows largely independent of those from other assets, the recoverable amount is determined for the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows independently (i.e. a cash-generating unit).

— *Recognition of impairment losses*

An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss if the carrying amount of an asset, or the cash-generating unit to which it belongs, exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the cash-generating unit (or group of units) and then, to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (or group of units) on a pro rata basis, except that the carrying value of an asset will not be reduced below its individual fair value less costs of disposal (if measurable) or value in use (if determinable).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(k) Credit losses and impairment of assets *(Continued)*

(ii) Impairment of other non-current assets *(Continued)*

— Reversals of impairment losses

An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a favourable change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount.

A reversal of an impairment loss is limited to the asset's carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years. Reversals of impairment losses are credited to profit or loss in the year in which the reversals are recognised.

(iii) Interim financial reporting and impairment

Under the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, the Group is required to prepare an interim financial report in compliance with IAS 34, *Interim financial reporting*, in respect of the first six months of the financial year. At the end of the interim period, the Group applies the same impairment testing, recognition, and reversal criteria as it would at the end of the financial year (see notes 1(k)(i) and 1(k)(ii)).

(l) Inventories and other contract costs

(i) Inventories

Inventories are assets which are held for sale in the ordinary course of business, in the process of production for such sale or in the form of materials or supplies to be consumed in the production process or in the rendering of services.

Cost is calculated using the weighted average cost formula and comprises all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

When inventories are sold, the carrying amount of those inventories is recognised as an expense in the period in which the related revenue is recognised.

The amount of any write-down of inventories to net realisable value and all losses of inventories are recognised as an expense in the period the write-down or loss occurs. The amount of any reversal of any write-down of inventories is recognised as a reduction in the amount of inventories recognised as an expense in the period in which the reversal occurs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(l) Inventories and other contract costs *(Continued)*

(ii) Other contract costs

Other contract costs are either the incremental costs of obtaining a contract with a customer or the costs to fulfil a contract with a customer which are not capitalised as inventory (see note 1(l)(i)), property, plant and equipment (see note 1(h)) or intangible assets (see note 1(i)).

Incremental costs of obtaining a contract are those costs that the Group incurs to obtain a contract with a customer that it would not have incurred if the contract had not been obtained e.g. an incremental sales commission. Incremental costs of obtaining a contract are capitalised when incurred if the costs relate to revenue which will be recognised in a future reporting period and the costs are expected to be recovered. Other costs of obtaining a contract are expensed when incurred.

Costs to fulfil a contract are capitalised if the costs relate directly to an existing contract or to a specifically identifiable anticipated contract; generate or enhance resources that will be used to provide goods or services in the future; and are expected to be recovered. Costs that relate directly to an existing contract or to a specifically identifiable anticipated contract may include direct labour, direct materials, allocations of costs, costs that are explicitly chargeable to the customer and other costs that are incurred only because the Group entered into the contract (for example, payments to sub-contractors). Other costs of fulfilling a contract, which are not capitalised as inventory, property, plant and equipment or intangible assets, are expensed as incurred.

Capitalised contract costs are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. Impairment losses are recognised to the extent that the carrying amount of the contract cost asset exceeds the net of (i) remaining amount of consideration that the Group expects to receive in exchange for the goods or services to which the asset relates, less (ii) any costs that relate directly to providing those goods or services that have not yet been recognised as expenses.

Amortisation of capitalised contract costs is charged to profit or loss when the revenue to which the asset relates is recognised. The accounting policy for revenue recognition is set out in note 1(w).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(m) Contract assets and contract liabilities

A contract asset is recognised when the Group recognises revenue (see note 1(w)) before being unconditionally entitled to the consideration under the payment terms set out in the contract. Contract assets are assessed for expected credit losses (ECL) in accordance with the policy set out in note 1(k)(i) and are reclassified to receivables when the right to the consideration has become unconditional (see note 1(o)).

A contract liability is recognised when the customer pays non-refundable consideration before the Group recognises the related revenue (see note 1(w)). A contract liability would also be recognised if the Group has an unconditional right to receive non-refundable consideration before the Group recognises the related revenue. In such cases, a corresponding receivable would also be recognised (see note 1(o)).

For a single contract with the customer, either a net contract asset or a net contract liability is presented. For multiple contracts, contract assets and contract liabilities of unrelated contracts are not presented on a net basis.

When the contract includes a significant financing component, the contract balance includes interest accrued under the effective interest method (see note 1(w)(v)).

(n) Service concession assets

The Group recognises a asset arising from a service concession arrangement when it has an unconditional contractual right to receive cash or other financial asset from or at the direction of the grantor for the construction services provided. During the construction phase, the Group recognises a contract asset and accounts for the significant financing component in the arrangement in accordance with the accounting policy set out in notes 1(m) and 1(w). Once the construction is complete, the amounts due from the grantor are accounted for in accordance with IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* as receivables. Such financial assets are measured at fair value on initial recognition. Subsequent to initial recognition, the financial assets are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The contractual right to receive cash from the grantor for the services and the right to charge users for the public services should be regarded as two separate assets. Therefore, in service concession arrangement, it is necessary to divide the Group's contract assets during the construction phase into two components — a financial asset component based on the guaranteed amount and an intangible asset (see note 1(i)) for the remainder. When the construction services are completed, the two components of the contract assets would be classified and measured as a financial asset and an intangible asset accordingly.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(o) Trade and other receivables

A receivable is recognised when the Group has an unconditional right to receive consideration. A right to receive consideration is unconditional if only the passage of time is required before payment of that consideration is due. If revenue has been recognised before the Group has an unconditional right to receive consideration, the amount is presented as a contract asset (see note 1(m)).

Receivables are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method less allowance for credit losses (see note 1(k)(i)).

(p) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other financial institutions, and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, having been within three months of maturity at acquisition. Cash and cash equivalents are assessed for expected credit losses (ECL) in accordance with the policy set out in note 1(k)(i).

(q) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are initially recognised at fair value. Trade and other payables are subsequently stated at amortised cost unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost.

(r) Interest-bearing borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are measured initially at fair value less transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, interest-bearing borrowings are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense is recognised in accordance with the group's accounting policy for borrowing costs (see note 1(y)).

(s) Convertible bonds

Convertible bonds that can be converted into ordinary shares at the option of the holder, where the number of shares to be issued is fixed, are accounted for as compound financial instruments, i.e. they contain both a liability component and an equity component.

At initial recognition the liability component of the convertible bonds is measured at fair value based on the future interest and principal payments, discounted at the prevailing market rate of interest for similar non-convertible instruments. The equity component is the difference between the initial fair value of the convertible bonds as a whole and the initial fair value of the liability component. Transaction costs that relate to the issue of a compound financial instrument are allocated to the liability and equity components in proportion to the allocation of proceeds.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(s) Convertible bonds *(Continued)*

The liability component is subsequently carried at amortised cost. Interest expense recognised in profit or loss on the liability component is calculated using the effective interest method. The equity component is recognised in the capital reserve until either the bonds are converted or redeemed.

If the bonds are converted, the capital reserve, together with the carrying amount of the liability component at the time of conversion, is transferred to share capital and share premium as consideration for the shares issued. If the bonds are redeemed, the capital reserve is released directly to retained profits.

(t) Employee benefits

(i) Short-term employee benefits and contributions to defined contribution retirement plans

Salaries, annual bonuses, paid annual leave, contributions to defined contribution retirement plans and the cost of non-monetary benefits are accrued in the year in which the associated services are rendered by employees. Where payment or settlement is deferred and the effect would be material, these amounts are stated at their present values.

(ii) Defined contribution retirement plans

Contributions to PRC local retirement schemes pursuant to the relevant labour rules and regulations in the PRC are recognised as an expense in profit or loss as incurred.

(u) Income tax

Income tax for the year comprises current tax and movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities. Current tax and movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that they relate to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case the relevant amounts of tax are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the end of each reporting period, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities arise from deductible and taxable temporary differences respectively, being the differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and their tax bases. Deferred tax assets also arise from unused tax losses and unused tax credits.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(u) Income tax *(Continued)*

Apart from certain limited exceptions, all deferred tax liabilities, and all deferred tax assets to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised, are recognised. Future taxable profits that may support the recognition of deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences include those that will arise from the reversal of existing taxable temporary differences, provided those differences relate to the same taxation authority and the same taxable entity, and are expected to reverse either in the same period as the expected reversal of the deductible temporary difference or in periods into which a tax loss arising from the deferred tax asset can be carried back or forward. The same criteria are adopted when determining whether existing taxable temporary differences support the recognition of deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses and credits, that is, those differences are taken into account if they relate to the same taxation authority and the same taxable entity, and are expected to reverse in a period, or periods, in which the tax loss or credit can be utilised.

The limited exceptions to recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities are those temporary differences arising from goodwill not deductible for tax purpose, the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit (provided they are not part of a business combination), and temporary differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that, in the case of taxable differences, the Group controls the timing of the reversal and it is probable that the differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future, or in the case of deductible differences, unless it is probable that they will reverse in the future.

The carrying amount of a deferred tax asset is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and is reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow the related tax benefit to be utilised. Any such reduction is reversed to the extent that it becomes probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available.

Additional income taxes that arise from the distribution of dividends are recognised when the liability to pay the related dividends is recognised.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(u) Income tax *(Continued)*

Current tax balances and deferred tax balances, and movements therein, are presented separately from each other and are not offset. Current tax assets are offset against current tax liabilities, and deferred tax assets against deferred tax liabilities, if the Company or the Group has the legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the following additional conditions are met:

- in the case of current tax assets and liabilities, the Company or the Group intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously; or
- in the case of deferred tax assets and liabilities, if they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either:
 - the same taxable entity; or
 - different taxable entities, which, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered, intend to realise the current tax assets and settle the current tax liabilities on a net basis or realise and settle simultaneously.

(v) Provision and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation arising as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made. Where the time value of money is material, provisions are stated at the present value of the expenditure expected to settle the obligation.

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 of economic benefits is remote. Possible obligations, whose existence 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(w) Revenue and other income

Income is classified by the Group as revenue when it arises from the sale of goods, the provision of services or the use by others of the Group's assets under leases in the ordinary course of the Group's business.

Revenue is recognised when control over a product or service is transferred to the customer, or the lessee has the right to use the asset, at the amount of promised consideration to which the Group is expected to be entitled, excluding those amounts collected on behalf of third parties. Revenue excludes value added tax or other sales taxes and is after deduction of any trade discounts.

Where the contract contains a financing component which provides a significant financing benefit to the customer for more than 12 months, revenue is measured at the present value of the amount receivable, discounted using the discount rate that would be reflected in a separate financing transaction with the customer, and interest income is accrued separately under the effective interest method. Where the contract contains a financing component which provides a significant financing benefit to the Group, revenue recognised under that contract includes the interest expense accreted on the contract liability under the effective interest method. The Group takes advantage of the practical expedient in paragraph 63 of IFRS 15 and does not adjust the consideration for any effects of a significant financing component if the period of financing is 12 months or less.

Further details of the Group's revenue and other income recognition policies are as follows:

(i) Sale of goods

Revenue is recognised when the customer takes possession of and accepts the products. If the products are a partial fulfilment of a contract covering other goods and/or services, then the amount of revenue recognised is an appropriate proportion of the total transaction price under the contract, allocated between all the goods and services promised under the contract on a relative stand-alone selling price basis.

(ii) Revenue from construction contracts

A contract with a customer is classified by the Group as a construction contract when the contract relates to work on construction projects under the control of the customer and therefore the Group's construction activities create or enhance an asset under the customer's control.

When the outcome of a construction contract can be reasonably measured, revenue from the contract is recognised progressively over time using the percentage of completion method, i.e. based on the proportion of the actual costs incurred relative to the estimated total costs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(w) Revenue and other income *(Continued)*

(ii) Revenue from construction contracts *(Continued)*

The likelihood of the Group earning contractual bonuses for early completion or suffering contractual penalties for late completion are taken into account in making these estimates, such that revenue is only recognised to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur.

When the outcome of the contract cannot be reasonably measured, revenue is recognised only to the extent of contract costs incurred that are expected to be recovered.

(iii) Revenue from service concession arrangement

Revenue relating to construction services under a service concession arrangement is recognised based on the stage of completion of the work performed, consistent with the Group's accounting policy on recognising revenue from construction contracts. Revenue from operation services is recognised at a single point in time when control over the services is transferred to customers. When the Group provides more than one service in a service concession arrangement the consideration received is allocated by reference to the relative fair values of the services delivered when the amounts are separately identifiable.

(iv) Revenue from services

Revenue from solid waste solutions services and logistics services is recognised at a single point in time when control over the services is transferred to customers.

(v) Interest income

Interest income is recognised as it accrues using the effective interest method. For financial assets measured at amortised cost or FVOCI (recycling) that are not credit-impaired, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset. For credit-impaired financial assets, the effective interest rate is applied to the amortised cost (i.e. gross carrying amount net of loss allowance) of the asset (see note 1(k)(i)).

(vi) Dividends

Dividend income from unlisted investments is recognised when the shareholder's right to receive payment is established.

(vii) Government grants

Government grants are recognised in the statement of financial position initially 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 income 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.

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1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(x) Translation of foreign currencies

Foreign currency transactions during the year are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the end of the reporting period. Exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. The transaction date is the date on which the Group initially recognises such non-monetary assets or liabilities. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are stated at fair value are translated using the foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates the fair value was measured.

The results of foreign operations are translated into Renminbi at the exchange rates approximating the foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates of transactions. Statement of financial position items, including goodwill, are translated into Renminbi at the closing foreign exchange rates at the end of the reporting period. The resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated separately in equity in the exchange reserve.

Exchange differences arising on a monetary item that forms part of an entity's net investment in a foreign operation are recognised in profit or loss in the separate financial statements of the relevant entity or the individual financial statements of the foreign operation. In the consolidated financial statements that include the foreign operation and the relevant entity, such exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income.

On disposal of a foreign operation, the cumulative amount of the exchange differences relating to that foreign operation is reclassified from equity to profit or loss when the profit or loss on disposal is recognised.

(y) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset which necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale are capitalised as part of the cost of that asset. Other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

The capitalisation of borrowing costs as part of the cost of a qualifying asset commences when expenditures for the asset are being incurred, borrowing costs are being incurred and activities that are necessary to prepare the asset for its intended use or sale are in progress. Capitalisation of borrowing costs is suspended or ceases when substantially all the activities necessary to prepare the qualifying asset for its intended use or sale are interrupted or complete.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(z) 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 the key management personnel of the Group or the Group's parent.
- (b) An entity is related to the Group if any of the following conditions applies:
- (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 party.
 - (v) The entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either 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 the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity).
 - (viii) The entity, or any member of a Group of which it is a part, provides key management personnel services to the Group or to the Group's parent.

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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

(aa) Segment reporting

Operating segments, and the amounts of each segment item reported in the financial statements, are identified from the financial information provided regularly to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of allocating resources to, and assessing the performance of, the Group's various lines of business and geographical locations.

Individually material operating segments are not aggregated for financial reporting purposes unless the segments have similar economic characteristics and are similar in respect of the nature of products and services, the nature of production processes, the type or class of customers, the methods used to distribute the products or provide the services, and the nature of the regulatory environment. Operating segments which are not individually material may be aggregated if they share a majority of these criteria.

2 ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENT AND ESTIMATES

(a) Critical accounting judgements in applying the Group's accounting policies

In the progress of applying the Group's accounting policies, management had made the following accounting judgements:

Service concession arrangements

The Group entered into Build-Operate-Transfer ("BOT") arrangements in respect of its waste incineration projects.

The Group concluded that all the BOT arrangements are service concession arrangements under International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee 12 because the local governments control and regulate the services that the Group must provide with the infrastructure at a pre-determined service charge. In respect of BOT arrangements upon expiry of concession right agreement, the infrastructure for BOT arrangements is used in the service concession arrangements for its entire or substantial useful life.

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2 ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENT AND ESTIMATES *(Continued)*

(b) Source of estimation uncertainty

Note 27(e) contains information about the assumptions and their risk factors relating to the fair value of financial instruments. Other key sources of estimation uncertainty are as follows:

(i) Construction contracts

As explained in accounting policy note 1(w)(ii), revenue recognition on an uncompleted project 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. As a result, until this point is reached contract assets will not include profit which the Group may eventually realise from the work done to date. In addition, actual outcomes in terms of total cost or revenue may be higher or lower than estimated at each of the reporting period, which would affect the revenue and profit recognised in future years as an adjustment to the amounts recorded to date.

(ii) Depreciation and amortisation

As described in note 1(h) and 1(j), property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets, after taking into account the estimated residual value. As described in note 1(i), intangible assets are amortised on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives. Management reviews annually the useful lives of the assets and residual values, if any, in order to determine the amount of depreciation and amortisation expenses to be recorded during any reporting period.

The useful lives and residual values are based on the Group's historical experience with similar assets and taking into account anticipated technological and other changes. The depreciation and amortisation expenses for future periods are adjusted if there are significant changes from previous estimates.

(iii) Net realisable value of inventories

As described in note 1(l), net realisable value of inventories is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and estimated costs necessary to make the sale. These estimates are based on the current market condition and historical experience of selling products of similar nature. It could change significantly as a result of changes in market conditions.

Management reassesses these estimations at the end of reporting period to ensure inventory is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

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2 ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENT AND ESTIMATES *(Continued)*

(b) Source of estimation uncertainty *(Continued)*

(iv) Loss allowance of trade receivables

Management measures loss allowance for trade receivables at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. Management estimates ECLs on these financial assets by using a provision matrix based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors and assesses both the current and forecast general economic conditions at the reporting date. Management reassesses the loss allowance of trade receivables at the end of reporting period.

(v) Loss allowance of service concession assets

Management measures loss allowance for service concession assets at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs unless there has been a significant increase in credit risk of the financial instrument since initial recognition, in which case the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. Management reassesses the loss allowance of service concession assets at the end of reporting period.

(vi) Impairment of other non-current assets

In considering the impairment losses that may be required for certain of the Group's assets which include property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, intangible assets and investments in its subsidiaries and associates, recoverable amount of the assets need to be determined. The recoverable amount is the greater of the net selling price and the value in use. It is difficult to precisely estimate selling price because quoted market prices for these assets may not be readily available. In determining the value in use, expected cash flows generated by the assets are discounted to their present value, which requires significant judgement relating to items such as level of estimated sales volume, selling price and the amount of operating costs. The Group uses all readily available information in determining an amount that is a reasonable approximation of recoverable amount, including estimates based on reasonable and supportable assumptions and projections of items such as sales volume, selling price and the amount of operating costs.

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3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING

(a) Revenue

The principal activities of the Group are solid waste solutions, construction and operation of waste-to-energy projects, port logistics services, the manufacturing and sales of new building materials and investments.

Disaggregation of revenue

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers by major products or service lines is as follows:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Waste-to-energy projects		
Waste incineration solutions (i)	4,798,543	3,698,481
Energy saving equipment	316,374	361,714
Subtotal	5,114,917	4,060,195
Solid waste solutions	1,150,125	738,141
Port logistics services	216,151	217,744
Sale of new building materials	123,380	104,201
Total	6,604,573	5,120,281

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING *(Continued)*

(a) Revenue *(Continued)*

Disaggregation of revenue *(Continued)*

- (i) Revenue of waste incineration solutions under BOT arrangements mainly represents the revenue for construction services, revenue from waste incineration project operation services and finance income. The amount of each significant category of revenue during the year is as follows:

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Revenue from waste incineration project construction services	4,089,923	3,321,940
Revenue from waste incineration project operation services	560,251	259,051
Finance income	148,369	117,490
Total	4,798,543	3,698,481

The Group had transactions with certain PRC local government authorities which in aggregate exceeded 10% of the Group's revenue. Revenue from waste incineration solutions under BOT arrangement derived from these local government authorities in the PRC for the year ended 31 December 2020 amounting to RMB4,270,115,000 (2019: RMB3,471,565,000). Details of concentration of credit risk arising from these customers are set out in note 27(a).

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3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING *(Continued)*

(b) Segment reporting

The Group manages its businesses by divisions, which are organised by business lines. In a manner consistent with the way in which information is reported internally to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resources allocation and performance assessment, the Group has presented the following five reportable segments. In year 2020, the Group identified a new reportable segment of solid waste solutions, which was previously included in the segment of waste-to-energy projects (previously called "energy preservation and environmental protection solutions) in prior years. Comparative disclosures have been restated on a consistent basis.

- (1) Solid waste solutions: this segment mainly engages in solid and hazardous waste solutions.
- (2) Waste-to-energy projects: this segment includes waste incineration solutions, manufacturing and sales of residual heat power generation, vertical mill and related after-sales services.
- (3) Port logistics services: this segment mainly engages in cargo handling, trans-shipment and warehousing services.
- (4) New building materials: this segment mainly engages in alternative wall building materials, such as the cellulose fiber cement sheets, autoclaved boards and wood wool cement boards.
- (5) Investments: this segment comprises investments in Anhui Conch Holdings Co., Ltd. ("Conch Holdings") and other associates. Details of the principal activities of Conch Holdings are set out in note 15.

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3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING *(Continued)*

(b) Segment reporting *(Continued)*

- (i) For the purposes of assessing segment performance and allocating resources between segments, the Group's senior executive management monitors the results, assets and liabilities attributable to each reportable segment on the following basis:

Segment assets include all current assets and non-current assets. Segment liabilities include trade and other payables, income tax payable and bank loans managed directly for the segments.

Revenue and expenses are allocated to the reportable segments with reference to sales generated by those segments and the expenses incurred by those segments. Inter-segment revenue includes sales of environmental protection equipments by one segment to another.

The measure used by the Group's senior executive management to assess segment results is the profit before taxation. Information regarding the Group's reportable segments as provided to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resources allocation and assessment of segment performance for the years ended 31 December 2020 and 2019 is set out below:

	Year ended 31 December 2020						Total RMB'000
	Solid waste solutions RMB'000	Waste-to- energy projects RMB'000	Port logistics services RMB'000	New building materials RMB'000	Investments RMB'000	Unallocated RMB'000	
Disaggregated by timing of revenue recognition							
Point in time	1,150,125	1,002,104	216,151	123,380	-	-	2,491,760
Over time	-	4,112,813	-	-	-	-	4,112,813
Revenue from external customers	1,150,125	5,114,917	216,151	123,380	-	-	6,604,573
Inter-segment revenue	-	432,631	-	-	-	-	432,631
Reportable segment revenue	1,150,125	5,547,548	216,151	123,380	-	-	7,037,204
Reportable segment profit/(losses)	592,887	1,109,259	117,468	(2,953)	6,387,437	(104,866)	8,099,232
Interest income	9,927	57,363	109	355	-	28,615	96,369
Interest expenses	9,547	106,980	-	-	-	117,891	234,418
Depreciation and amortisation	96,653	120,771	45,837	15,402	-	279	278,942
Provision for loss allowance — trade and other receivables	2,242	9,438	-	-	-	-	11,680
Reportable segment assets	4,721,602	18,119,790	425,824	1,689,956	31,085,116	2,395,755	58,438,043
Reportable segment liabilities	2,714,869	10,535,556	126,283	1,484,837	-	3,599,319	18,460,864

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3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)**(b) Segment reporting** (Continued)**(i)** (Continued)

	Year ended 31 December 2019 (restated)						
	Solid waste solutions RMB'000	Waste-to-energy projects RMB'000	Port logistics services RMB'000	New building materials RMB'000	Investments RMB'000	Unallocated RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Disaggregated by timing of revenue recognition							
Point in time	738,141	709,281	217,744	104,201	-	-	1,769,367
Over time	-	3,350,914	-	-	-	-	3,350,914
Revenue from external customers	738,141	4,060,195	217,744	104,201	-	-	5,120,281
Inter-segment revenue	-	224,651	-	-	-	-	224,651
Reportable segment revenue	738,141	4,284,846	217,744	104,201	-	-	5,344,932
Reportable segment profit/(losses)	458,198	963,245	115,005	(43,647)	6,008,155	(55,622)	7,445,334
Interest income	4,732	38,732	127	482	-	63,760	107,833
Interest expenses	4,694	63,146	-	-	-	109,844	177,684
Depreciation and amortisation	48,737	55,985	44,279	15,965	-	279	165,245
Reversal of loss allowance							
— trade and other receivables	-	(5,744)	-	-	-	-	(5,744)
Reportable segment assets	2,250,924	11,626,992	472,101	1,032,968	25,920,942	3,023,446	44,327,373
Reportable segment liabilities	1,052,938	5,837,418	110,574	922,857	-	3,641,190	11,564,977

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3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING *(Continued)***(b) Segment reporting** *(Continued)***(ii) Reconciliations of reportable segment revenues, profit or loss, assets and liabilities**

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000 (restated)
Revenue		
Reportable segment revenue	7,037,204	5,344,932
Elimination of inter-segment revenue	(432,631)	(224,651)
Consolidated revenue (note 3(a))	6,604,573	5,120,281
Profit		
Reportable segment profit	8,099,232	7,445,334
Elimination of inter-segment profits	(46,517)	(31,555)
Consolidated profit before taxation	8,052,715	7,413,779
Assets		
Reportable segment assets	58,438,043	44,327,373
Elimination of inter-segment receivables	(4,110,471)	(2,155,812)
Consolidated total assets	54,327,572	42,171,561

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3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING *(Continued)*

(b) Segment reporting *(Continued)*

(ii) Reconciliations of reportable segment revenues, profit or loss, assets and liabilities *(Continued)*

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000 (restated)
Liabilities		
Reportable segment liabilities	18,460,864	11,564,977
Elimination of inter-segment payables	(4,110,471)	(2,155,812)
Consolidated total liabilities	14,350,393	9,409,165

(iii) Geographic information

The following table sets out information about the geographical location of (i) the Group's revenue from external customers and (ii) the Group's property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, intangible assets, interests in associates, non-current portion of service concession assets and trade and other receivables ("specified non-current assets"). The geographical location of customers is based on the location at which the services were provided or the goods were delivered. The geographical location of the specified non-current assets is based on the physical location of the assets, in the case of right-of-use assets, property, plant and equipment, the location of the operation to which they are allocated, in the case of intangible assets and non-current portion of service concession assets and trade and other receivables, and the location of operations, in the case of interests in associates.

	Revenue from external customers		Specified non-current assets	
	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Mainland China	6,532,368	4,985,598	47,746,662	36,652,876
Asia-Pacific (except Mainland China)	70,816	134,502	29,351	–
South America	1,389	–	–	–
North America	–	18	–	–
Africa	–	163	–	–
	6,604,573	5,120,281	47,776,013	36,652,876

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4 OTHER INCOME

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Interest income on bank deposits and cash at bank	96,369	107,833
Government grants (i)	147,897	104,669
Net loss on disposal of right-of-use assets and property, plant and equipment	(82)	(26,259)
Recognition of negative goodwill as income	9,538	–
Exchange (loss)/gain	(6,396)	7,919
Net unrealised losses on financial assets measured at FVPL	(7,406)	–
Others	1,246	5,024
	241,166	199,186

- (i) Government grants mainly represented subsidies received from the local government authorities for encouraging the Group's development in the solid waste solutions segment, waste-to-energy segment and new building materials segment in the respective PRC cities.

5 PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

Profit before taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

(a) Finance costs:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Interest on bank loans (Note 20(c))	182,733	90,008
Interest on lease liabilities (Note 20(c))	286	420
Interest on convertible bonds (Note 20(c))	117,845	113,224
Total interest expense on financial liabilities not at fair value through profit or loss	300,864	203,652
Less: interest expense capitalised into construction in progress and intangible assets*	(66,446)	(25,968)
	234,418	177,684

* The borrowing costs were capitalised at a rate of 3.30%–4.65% per annum for the year ended 31 December 2020 (2019: 3.30%–4.46%).

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5 PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION (Continued)**(b) Staff costs:**

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Salaries, wages and other benefits	457,243	273,086
Contributions to defined contribution plans (i)	5,063	33,498
	462,306	306,584

- (i) Employees of the Group's PRC subsidiaries are required to participate in a defined contribution retirement scheme administered and operated by the local municipal government. The Group's PRC subsidiaries contribute funds which are calculated on certain percentages of the average employee salary as agreed by the local municipal government to the scheme to fund the retirement benefits of the employees.

The Group has no other material obligation for the payment of retirement benefits associated with the scheme beyond the annual contributions described above.

(c) Other items:

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost of inventories [#]	332,728	351,754
Cost of services provided [#]	4,081,374	3,016,896
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment [#]	165,786	121,724
Depreciation of right-of-use assets [#]	15,650	9,702
Amortisation of intangible assets [#]	97,506	33,819
Research and development costs	31,740	20,932
Loss allowance/(reversal of) loss allowance for trade receivables	11,680	(5,744)
Short-term lease payments not included in the measurement of lease liabilities	6,110	4,331
Auditors' remuneration	2,226	2,226

- [#] Cost of inventories and cost of services provided include RMB469,935,000 (2019: RMB274,572,000) relating to staff costs, depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment, depreciation of right-of-use assets and amortisation of intangible assets, which amount is also included in the respective total amounts disclosed separately above or in note 5(b) for each of these types of expenses.

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6 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS**(a) Current taxation in the consolidated statement of profit and loss represents:**

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Current tax — Hong Kong Profits Tax		
Provision for the year	615	334
Current tax — PRC income tax		
Provision for the year	287,580	235,888
Over provision in respect of prior years	(2,081)	(3,887)
	286,114	232,335
Deferred tax:		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences (Note 23(b))	13,987	34,921
	300,101	267,256

- (1) Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands, the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands.
- (2) The provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for 2020 is calculated at 16.5% (2019: 16.5%) of the estimated assessable profits for the year. The payments of dividends by Hong Kong companies are not subject to any Hong Kong withholding tax.
- (3) The PRC income tax law and its relevant regulations also impose a withholding tax at 10%, unless reduced by a tax treaty/arrangement, on dividend distributions made out of the PRC from earnings accumulated from 1 January 2008. Undistributed earnings generated prior to 1 January 2008 are exempted from such withholding tax.

Under the Arrangement between the Mainland of China and Hong Kong Special Administrative Region for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to taxes on Income, a qualified Hong Kong tax resident which is the “beneficial owner” and holds 25% or more of the equity interest in a PRC-resident enterprise is entitled to a reduced withholding tax rate of 5% on dividends received.

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6 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

(Continued)

(a) Current taxation in the consolidated statement of profit and loss represents:

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(3) (Continued)

Since the Group can control the quantum and timing of distribution of profits of the Group's PRC subsidiaries, deferred tax liabilities are only provided to the extent that such profits are expected to be distributed in the foreseeable future.

During the twelve months ended 31 December 2020, deferred tax expenses of RMB58,000,000 (2019: RMB35,000,000) have been recognised in respect of the withholding tax payable on the retained profits of the Group's PRC subsidiaries which the directors expect to distribute outside the Mainland China in the foreseeable future.

(4) The provision for PRC income tax is based on a statutory rate of 25% of the assessable income of the Company's mainland China subsidiaries as determined in accordance with the relevant income tax rules and regulations of the PRC, except for:

Name of companies (i)	Preferential income tax rate
Anhui Conch Kawasaki Energy Conservation Equipment Manufacturing Co., Ltd. ("CK Equipment") 安徽海螺川崎節能設備製造有限公司 (ii)	15%
Pingliang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Pingliang Environment") 平涼海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Yuping Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Yuping Environment") 玉屏海創環境科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Shanxi Bangda Environmental Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Bangda Environmental") 陝西邦達環保工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Shanxi Bangda Jieshun Logistics Co., Ltd. ("Jieshun Logistics") 陝西邦達捷順運輸有限責任公司 (iii)	15%

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6 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

(Continued)

(a) Current taxation in the consolidated statement of profit and loss represents:

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(4) (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Preferential income tax rate
Xishui Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Xishui Environment") 習水海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Shuicheng Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Shuicheng Environment") 水城海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Baoshan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Baoshan Environmental Protection") 保山海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Lingyun Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Lingyun Environment") 凌雲海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Guiyang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Guiyang Environment") 貴陽海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Xi'an Yaobai Environmental Protection Technology Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Yaobai Environmental") 西安堯柏環保科技工程有限公司 (iii)	15%
Xianyang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Xianyang Environment") 咸陽海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Tongren Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Tongren Environment") 銅仁海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%

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6 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

(Continued)

(a) Current taxation in the consolidated statement of profit and loss represents:

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(4) (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Preferential income tax rate
Hanzhong Yaobai Environmental Protection Technology Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Hanzhong Environmental") 漢中堯柏環保科技工程有限公司 (iii)	15%
Nanjiang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Nanjiang Environment") 南江海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Fusui Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Fusui Environment") 扶綏海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Yanshan Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Yanshan Environment") 硯山海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Kunming Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Kunming Environment") 昆明海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Qianyang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Qianyang Environmental Protection") 千陽海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Chongqing Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Chongqing Environmental Protection") 重慶海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Tongchuan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Tongchuan Environmental Protection") 銅川海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Liangping Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Liangping Environmental Protection") 重慶市梁平海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%

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6 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

(Continued)

(a) Current taxation in the consolidated statement of profit and loss represents:

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(4) (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Preferential income tax rate
Shache Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Shache Environment") 莎車海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Bole Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Bole Environment") 博樂市海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Xing'an Conch Venture Environment Technology Co., Ltd. ("Xing'an Environment") 興安海創環境科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Guangyuan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Guangyuan Environmental Protection") 廣元海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Xingye Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Xingye Environmental Protection") 興業海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Guiyang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Guiyang Environmental Protection") 貴陽海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Wenshan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Wenshan Environmental Protection") 文山海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Yangxian Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Yangxian Environmental Protection") 洋縣海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Shizhu Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Shizhu Environmental Protection") 石柱縣海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%

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6 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

(Continued)

(a) Current taxation in the consolidated statement of profit and loss represents:

(Continued)

(4) (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Preferential income tax rate
Xishui Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Xishui Environmental Protection") 習水海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Xianyang Conch Venture Environment Energy Co., Ltd. ("Xianyang Energy") 咸陽海創環境能源有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Fuquan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Fuquan Environmental Protection") 福泉海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Yingjiang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Yingjiang Environmental Protection") 盈江海創環保科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%

(i) The English translation of the names is for reference only. The official names of these entities are in Chinese.

(ii) CK Equipment was accredited as a "High and New Technology Enterprise" and was entitled to a preferential income tax rate of 15% for a period of three years from 2020 to 2022.

(iii) Pursuant to Notice No.14 issued by the State Administration of Taxation on 10 March 2015 and relevant local tax authorities' notices, these companies are entitled to a preferential income tax rate of 15% as qualifying companies located in western areas in the PRC.

(5) Pursuant to the PRC Enterprise Income Tax Law Implementing Regulations issued by State Council of the PRC, certain subsidiaries engaged in waste incineration solutions and solid waste solutions are eligible for a preferential tax treatment of income tax exemption for the first three years starting from which revenue is generated and 50% income tax reduction for the next three years.

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6 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS*(Continued)***(b) Reconciliation between income tax expense and accounting profit at applicable tax rates:**

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Profit before taxation	8,052,715	7,413,779
Notional tax on profit before taxation, calculated at the rates applicable to profit in the tax jurisdictions concerned	2,047,122	1,880,176
PRC tax concessions	(206,081)	(141,994)
PRC dividend withholding tax	58,000	35,000
Over provision in respect of prior years	(2,081)	(3,887)
Share of profits of associates	(1,596,859)	(1,502,039)
Income tax expense	300,101	267,256

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7 OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Tax effects relating to each component of other comprehensive income

	2020			2019		
	Before-tax amount RMB'000	Tax benefit RMB'000	Net-of-tax amount RMB'000	Before-tax amount RMB'000	Tax benefit RMB'000	Net-of-tax amount RMB'000
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:						
Share of other comprehensive income of associates(i)	9,569	–	9,569	(583)	–	(583)
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:						
Share of other comprehensive income of associates	(29,621)	–	(29,621)	4,729	–	4,729
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of overseas subsidiaries	169,651	–	169,651	(26,144)	–	(26,144)
Other comprehensive income	149,599	–	149,599	(21,998)	–	(21,998)

- (i) Share of other comprehensive income of associates that will not be reclassified to profit or loss represented the share of net movement in the fair value reserve of equity investments of the associate measured at FVOCI (non-recycling).

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8 DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

Directors' remuneration disclosed are as follows:

Year ended 31 December 2020

	Directors' fees RMB'000	Salaries allowance and benefits in kind RMB'000	Discretionary bonuses RMB'000	Contributions to retirement scheme RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Executive Directors:					
Mr. Guo Jingbin	–	585	1,336	–	1,921
Mr. Ji Qinying	–	526	1,336	–	1,862
Mr. Li Jian	–	481	912	5	1,398
Mr. Li Daming	–	481	1,154	5	1,640
Independent non-executive Directors:					
Mr. Chan Chi On	126	–	–	–	126
Mr. Chan Kai Wing	126	–	–	–	126
Mr. Lau Chi Wah	126	–	–	–	126
	378	2,073	4,738	10	7,199

Year ended 31 December 2019

	Directors' fees RMB'000	Salaries allowance and benefits in kind RMB'000	Discretionary bonuses RMB'000	Contributions to retirement scheme RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Executive Directors:					
Mr. Guo Jingbin	–	520	1,209	–	1,729
Mr. Ji Qinying	–	449	1,209	–	1,658
Mr. Li Jian	–	412	835	31	1,278
Mr. Li Daming	–	418	912	30	1,360
Independent non-executive Directors:					
Mr. Chan Chi On	134	–	–	–	134
Mr. Chan Kai Wing	134	–	–	–	134
Mr. Lau Chi Wah	134	–	–	–	134
	402	1,799	4,165	61	6,427

No directors of the Company waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year.

During the year, there were no amounts paid or payable by the Group to the directors or any of the five highest paid individuals set out in Note 9 below as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office.

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9 INDIVIDUALS WITH HIGHEST EMOLUMENTS

Of the five highest paid individuals of the Group during the year, four (2019: four) are directors of the Company whose emolument is disclosed in Note 8. The aggregate of the emoluments in respect of the remaining individual is as follows:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	510	523
Discretionary bonuses	758	762
Contributions to retirement benefit schemes	2	40
	1,270	1,325

The emoluments of the one (2019: one) individual with the highest emoluments are within the following bands:

	2020 Number of individuals	2019 Number of individuals
HKD 1,000,001–2,000,000	1	1

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10 EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Basic earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company of RMB7,617,627,000 (2019: RMB6,995,831,000) and 1,804,750,000 (2019: 1,804,750,000) ordinary shares in issue during the year.

(b) Diluted earnings per share

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company of RMB7,735,472,000 (2019: RMB7,105,767,000) and the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 1,905,454,000 (2019: 1,903,478,000), calculated as below:

(i) Profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company (diluted)

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders	7,617,627	6,995,831
After tax effect of effective interest on the liability component of convertible bonds	117,845	109,936
Profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders (diluted)	7,735,472	7,105,767

(ii) Weighted average number of ordinary shares (diluted)

	2020 '000	2019 '000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares at 31 December	1,804,750	1,804,750
Effect of conversion of convertible bonds (note 24)	100,704	98,728
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (diluted) at 31 December	1,905,454	1,903,478

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11 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Plant and buildings RMB'000	Machinery and equipment RMB'000	Office and other equipment RMB'000	Motor vehicles RMB'000	Construction in progress RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Cost:						
At 1 January 2019	1,004,333	773,591	32,262	73,857	308,474	2,192,517
Additions	45,890	21,154	14,301	36,967	724,228	842,540
Transfer from construction in progress	341,530	293,427	45	–	(635,002)	–
Disposals	–	(2,426)	(307)	(1,663)	–	(4,396)
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	1,391,753	1,085,746	46,301	109,161	397,700	3,030,661
Acquisition of subsidiaries	11,110	26,858	1,337	2,607	5,126	47,038
Additions	3,855	81,912	26,560	47,371	1,231,550	1,391,248
Transfer from construction in progress	249,993	195,302	94	–	(445,389)	–
Disposals	–	(1,391)	(534)	(937)	–	(2,862)
At 31 December 2020	1,656,711	1,388,427	73,758	158,202	1,188,987	4,466,085

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11 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

	Plant and buildings RMB'000	Machinery and equipment RMB'000	Office and other equipment RMB'000	Motor vehicles RMB'000	Construction in progress RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Accumulated depreciation:						
At 1 January 2019	(220,523)	(213,014)	(13,172)	(20,770)	–	(467,479)
Charge for the year	(38,406)	(61,187)	(5,582)	(16,549)	–	(121,724)
Written back on disposals	–	878	32	1,544	–	2,454
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	(258,929)	(273,323)	(18,722)	(35,775)	–	(586,749)
Charge for the year	(50,898)	(83,614)	(8,415)	(22,859)	–	(165,786)
Written back on disposals	–	395	157	594	–	1,146
At 31 December 2020	(309,827)	(356,542)	(26,980)	(58,040)	–	(751,389)
Net book value:						
At 31 December 2019	1,132,824	812,423	27,579	73,386	397,700	2,443,912
At 31 December 2020	1,346,884	1,031,885	46,778	100,162	1,188,987	3,714,696

Owing to the low utilisation of production capacity, one cash-generating unit (“CGU”) of the Group, Bozhou Conch Venture New Energy-saving Building Material Co., Ltd., which is under the new building materials segment, sustained operating losses in 2020 and prior years. The Group identified impairment indicators of its property, plant and equipment (“PP&E”) and right-of-use assets with total carrying amount of RMB185,118,000 as at 31 December 2020 (31 December 2019: RMB194,293,000), and performed an impairment assessment of the related assets based on their estimated recoverable amount.

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11 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT *(Continued)*

The Group determined the recoverable amounts of the relevant assets with reference to the higher of value-in-use (“VIU”) and fair value less costs of disposal (“FVLCD”). Management determined FVLCD based on a valuation performed by an independent external valuer, using the market approach with reference to comparable market transactions. The VIU is estimated using the present value of future cash flows based on the financial budget approved by management covering a five-year period. Cash flows beyond the five-year period are extrapolated using an estimated weighted average growth rate of 3% (2019: 3%), which is consistent with the long-term growth rate of the business in which the CGU operates. The pre-tax discount rate used is 15.9% (2019: 16.2%) which reflects specific risks relating to the business activities of the new building materials industry.

As a result of the assessment, no impairment loss was recognised in respect of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets in this CGU as at 31 December 2020 (2019: Nil).

12 RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

The analysis of the net book value of the Group’s right-of-use assets by class of underlying asset at the end of the reporting period is as follows:

	Note	2020 RMB’000	2019 RMB’000
Properties leased for own use, carried at depreciated cost	(i)	2,919	5,885
Leasehold land for own use, carried at depreciated cost	(ii)	587,731	397,674
		590,650	403,559

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12 RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS *(Continued)*

The analysis of expense items in relation to leases recognised in profit or loss is as follows:

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets by class of underlying asset:		
Properties leased for own use, carried at depreciated cost	2,966	2,966
Leasehold land for own use, carried at depreciated cost	12,684	6,736
	15,650	9,702
Interest on lease liabilities (note 5(a))	286	420
Expense relating to short-term leases	6,110	4,331

No new lease agreements qualified for capitalisation were entered into during the year.

Details of total cash outflow for leases and the maturity analysis of lease liabilities are set out in notes 20 and 25.

(i) Properties leased for own use

The Group has obtained the right to use properties as its office buildings through tenancy agreements. The leases typically run for an initial period of 1 to 5 years.

Some leases include an option to renew the lease for an additional period after the end of the contract term. Where practicable, the Group seeks to include such extension options exercisable by the Group to provide operational flexibility. The Group assesses at lease commencement date whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the extension options. If the Group is not reasonably certain to exercise the extension options, the future lease payments during the extension periods are not included in the measurement of lease liabilities.

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12 RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS *(Continued)*
(ii) Leasehold land for own use

	Leasehold land for own use RMB'000
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Cost:	
At 1 January 2019	306,559
Additions	165,110
Disposals	(35,616)
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At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	436,053
Acquisition of subsidiaries	10,600
Additions	192,141
Disposals	–
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At 31 December 2020	638,794
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Accumulated depreciation:	
At 1 January 2019	(35,205)
Charge for the year	(6,736)
Written back on disposals	3,562
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At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	(38,379)
Charge for the year	(12,684)
Written back on disposals	–
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At 31 December 2020	(51,063)
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Net book value:	
At 31 December 2019	397,674
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At 31 December 2020	587,731
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The Group has obtained land use rights in the PRC with lease period of 40-50 years when granted.

As at 31 December 2020, leasehold land for own use with carrying amount of RMB9,476,004 (2019: nil) were pledged as collaterals for certain bank loans (see note 21).

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13 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Software RMB'000	Waste incineration project operating rights RMB'000	Customer relationship RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Cost:				
At 1 January 2019	4,935	1,627,046	–	1,631,981
Additions	1,803	2,345,641	–	2,347,444
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	6,738	3,972,687	–	3,979,425
Acquisition of subsidiaries	12	–	66,078	66,090
Additions	1,333	2,478,480	–	2,479,813
At 31 December 2020	8,083	6,451,167	66,078	6,525,328
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2019	(3,776)	(24,032)	–	(27,808)
Charge for the year	(237)	(33,582)	–	(33,819)
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	(4,013)	(57,614)	–	(61,627)
Charge for the year	(469)	(93,394)	(3,643)	(97,506)
At 31 December 2020	(4,482)	(151,008)	(3,643)	(159,133)
Net book value:				
At 31 December 2019	2,725	3,915,073	–	3,917,798
At 31 December 2020	3,601	6,300,159	62,435	6,366,195

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13 INTANGIBLE ASSETS *(Continued)*

The cost of waste incineration project operating rights represented the fair value of operating rights acquired. The operating rights were deemed to be definite life intangible assets as the operation periods of the related BOT arrangements vary from 26 years to 30 years. They are expected to generate long-term net cash inflow to the Group.

For those waste incineration projects which have not yet commenced operation, the Group assessed the recoverable amount of each operating right at the end of each year. As at 31 December 2020, the recoverable amounts of the operating rights are estimated to be higher than their carrying amounts, therefore no provision for impairment loss was recognised (2019: nil).

14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

The following list contains the particulars of subsidiaries which principally affected the results, assets or liabilities of the Group.

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
China Conch Venture Holdings International Limited ("Conch Venture BVI") (中國海創控股國際有限公司)	USD10,000	100%	100%	–	Investment holding
China Conch Venture Holdings (HK) Limited ("Conch Venture HK") (中國海創控股(香港)有限公司)	HKD250,000,000	100%	–	100%	Investment holding
Conch Venture International Holdings (HK) Limited ("Conch Venture International") (海創國際控股(香港)有限公司)	Register capital: HKD 10,000 Paid up capital: –	100%	–	100%	Investment holding
Anhui Conch Venture New Energy-saving Building Material Co., Ltd. (“Conch Venture Green”) (安徽海創新型節能建築材料有限責任公司)	RMB200,000,000	100%	–	100%	Manufacturing and investment holding
Bozhou Conch Venture New Energy-saving Building Material Co., Ltd. (“Bozhou Conch Venture Green”) (亳州海創新型節能建築材料有限責任公司)	RMB125,000,000	100%	–	100%	Manufacturing and sales of new energy-saving building materials

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Wuhu Conch Venture Enterprise Limited ("Conch Venture Wuhu") (蕪湖海創實業有限責任公司)	RMB100,000,000	100%	-	100%	Design and construction of energy preservation and environmental protection projects and investment holding
Pingliang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Pingliang Environment") (平涼海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB35,000,000	100%	-	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Anhui Conch Kawasaki Engineering Co., Ltd. ("CK Engineering") (安徽海螺川崎工程有限公司)	RMB100,000,000	51%	-	51%	Design, sales, installation of energy preservation and environmental protection equipment and after sales service
Anhui Conch Kawasaki Energy Conservation Equipment Manufacturing Co., Ltd. ("CK Equipment") (安徽海螺川崎節能設備製造有限公司)	RMB100,000,000	51%	-	51%	Design, sales installation of energy preservation and environmental protection equipment and after sales service
Yangzhou Haichang Port Industrial Co., Ltd. ("Haichang Port") (揚州海昌港務實業有限責任公司)	RMB220,500,000	100%	-	100%	Cargo handling
Wuhu Conch Investment Ltd. ("Wuhu Investment") (蕪湖海螺投資有限公司)	RMB630,000,000	100%	-	100%	Investment holding
Jinzhai Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Jinzhai Environment") (金寨海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB100,000,000	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Guangdong Yangchun Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Yangchun Environment") (廣東陽春海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB32,000,000	100%	–	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Qiyang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Qiyang Environment") (祁陽海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB35,000,000	100%	–	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Shimen Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Shimen Environment") (石門海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB32,000,000	100%	–	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Nanjiang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Nanjiang Environment") (南江海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB35,000,000	100%	–	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Xianyang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Xianyang Environment") (咸陽海創環境工程有限公司)	RMB15,000,000	60%	–	60%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Shuangfeng Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Shuangfeng Environment") (雙峰海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB32,000,000	100%	–	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Fusui Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Fusui Environment") (扶綏海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB32,000,000	100%	–	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Shuicheng Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Shuicheng Environment") (水城海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB32,000,000	100%	-	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Baoshan Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Baoshan Environment") (保山海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB10,000,000	100%	-	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Lingyun Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Lingyun Environment") (凌雲海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB25,000,000	100%	-	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Xishui Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Xishui Environment") (習水海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB31,000,000	70%	-	70%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Yuping Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Yuping Environment") (玉屏海創環境科技有限責任公司)	RMB23,000,000	70%	-	70%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Yanshan Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Yanshan Environment") (硯山海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB30,000,000	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Guiyang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Guiyang Environment") (貴陽海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB33,000,000	100%	-	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Linxia Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Linxia Environment") (臨夏海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB35,000,000	100%	-	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Ningguo Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Ningguo Environment") (寧國海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB40,000,000	100%	-	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Xi'an Yaobai Environmental Protection Technology Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Yaobai Environmental") (西安堯柏環保科技工程有限公司)	RMB150,000,000	60%	-	60%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Shanghai Conch Kawasaki Engineering Co., Ltd. ("CK Shanghai") (上海海螺川崎節能環保工程有限公司)	RMB100,000,000	51%	-	51%	Design, sales, installation of energy preservation and environmental protection equipment and after sales service
Huoqiu Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Huoqiu Environment") (霍邱海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB60,000,000	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Shache Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Shache Environment") (莎車海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB100,000,000	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Tongren Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Tongren Environment") (銅仁海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB80,000,000	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Bole Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Bole Environment") (博樂市海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Lixian Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Lixian Environmental Protection") (濇縣海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Wuhu Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Wuhu Environmental Protection") (蕪湖海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB200,000,000	100%	-	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Suzhou Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Suzhou Environmental Protection") (宿州海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	100%	-	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Yiyang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Yiyang Environmental Protection") (弋陽海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	100%	-	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Tongzi Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Tongzi Environmental Protection") (桐梓海創環保科技有限責任公司)	Register capital: RMB60,000,000 Paid up capital: RMB46,400,000	70%	-	70%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Pingguo Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Pingguo Environmental Protection") (平果海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Binzhou Conch Venture Environmental Protection Energy Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Binzhou Environmental Protection") (彬州海創環保能源有限責任公司)	Register capital: RMB72,000,000 Paid up capital: -	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Qianyang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Qianyang Environmental Protection") (千陽海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	60%	-	60%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Xingye Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Xingye Environmental Protection") (興業海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	100%	-	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Xing'an Conch Venture Environment Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Xing'an Environment") (興安海創環境科技有限責任公司)	RMB20,000,000	100%	-	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Wenshan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Wenshan Environmental Protection") (文山海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB20,000,000	100%	-	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Kunming Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Kunming Environment") (昆明海創環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	-	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Jining Conch Venture Environment Technology Co., Ltd. ("Jining Environment") (濟寧海創創業環境科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	-	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Yiyang Conch Venture Environment Energy Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Yiyang Energy") (弋陽海創環境能源有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Yingjiang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Yingjiang Environmental Protection") (盈江海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB30,000,000	100%	–	100%	Garbage disposal and sludge residue operation management technical service
Qufu Masheng Conch Venture Environmental Technology Co., Ltd. (Qufu Environmental") (iii) (曲阜海創馬盛環境科技有限公司)	RMB33,000,000	100%	–	100%	Food waste collection and disposal service
Bac Ninh Vietnam-Conch Venture New Energy Co., Ltd ("Conch Venture EU") (北寧EU-海創新能源有限責任公司)	USD8,134,883	95%	–	95%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Chongqing Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Chongqing Environmental Protection") (重慶海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB20,000,000	65%	–	65%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Shanggao Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Shanggao Environmental Protection") (上海海創環保科技有限公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Alaer Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Alaer Environmental Protection") (阿拉爾市海創環保科技有限責任公司)	Register capital: RMB50,000,000 Paid up capital: –	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Yangxian Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Yangxian Environmental Protection") (洋縣海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB60,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Huoshan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Huoshan Environmental Protection") (霍山海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Qiyang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Qiyang Environmental Protection") (祁陽海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	100%	–	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Shizhu Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Shizhu Environmental Protection") (石柱縣海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Shucheng Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Shucheng Environmental Protection") (舒城海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Xishui Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Xishui Environmental Protection") (習水海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Tongchuan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Tongchuan Environmental Protection") (銅川海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	60%	–	60%	Solid waste treatment and technical service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Sishui Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Sishui Environment") (泗水海螺創業環境工程有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Guiyang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Guiyang Environmental Protection") (貴陽海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB30,000,000	85%	–	85%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Fuquan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Fuquan Environmental Protection") (福泉海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Tongchuan Conch Venture Environment Energy Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Tongchuan Environment") (銅川海創環境能源有限責任公司)	Register capital: RMB80,000,000 Paid up capital: RMB10,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Xianyang Conch Venture Environment Energy Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Xianyang Energy") (咸陽海創環境能源有限責任公司)	RMB270,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Baoshan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Baoshan Environmental Protection") (保山海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB80,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Manzhouli Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Manzhouli Environmental Protection") (滿洲里海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB80,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Zhengxiong Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Zhengxiong Environmental Protection") (鎮雄海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB80,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Yangchun Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Yangchun Environmental Protection") (陽春海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	100%	–	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Wuwei Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Wuwei Environmental Protection") (無為縣海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB60,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Lujiang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Lujiang Environmental Protection") (廬江海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB90,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Linxiang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Linxiang Environmental Protection") (臨湘海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB20,000,000	100%	–	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Dehong Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Dehong Environmental Protection") (德宏海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Jiuquan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Energy Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Jiuquan Environmental Protection") (酒泉海創環保能源有限責任公司)	RMB85,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Tengchong Conch Venture Energy Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Tengchong Energy Technology") (騰沖海創能源科技有限責任公司)	RMB60,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Longan Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Longan Environmental Protection") (隆安海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	100%	–	100%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Hanshou Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Hanshou Environmental Protection") (漢壽海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Luxi Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Luxi Environmental Protection") (瀘西海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Panshi Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Panshi Environmental Protection") (磐石海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Zhangjiakou Conch Venture Environmental Energy Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Zhangjiakou Energy") (張家口海創環境能源有限責任公司)	RMB80,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Jinzhou Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Jinzhou Environmental Protection") (錦州金利源環保科技有限公司)	RMB75,000,000	80%	–	80%	Solid waste treatment and technical service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Luoping Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Luoping Environmental Protection") (羅平海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Ninghai Xingyuantai Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Ninghai Environmental Protection") (寧海馨源泰環保科技有限公司)	RMB66,666,700	70%	–	70%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Luoyang Haizhong Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Luoyang Environmental Protection") (洛陽海中環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	50%	–	50%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Jiyuan Haizhong Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Jiyuan Environmental Protection") (濟源海中環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB15,000,000	50%	–	50%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Dexing Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Dexing Environmental Protection") (德興海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	90%	–	90%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Zongyang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Zongyang Environmental Protection") (縱陽海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB50,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Shahe Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Shahe Environmental Protection") (沙河海創環保科技有限責任公司)	Register capital: RMB120,000,000 Paid up capital: RMB100,000,000	66%	–	66%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of companies (i)	Registered and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities
		Group's effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by a subsidiary	
Shanxi Bangda Environmental Protection Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Bangda Environmental") (陝西邦達環保工程有限公司)	RMB130,000,000	70%	–	70%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Dongying Haiying Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Dongying Environmental Protection") (東營海瀛環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB30,000,000	70%	–	70%	Solid waste treatment and technical service
Suiyang Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Suiyang Environmental Protection") (綏陽海創環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB60,000,000	70%	–	70%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Hejin Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Hejin Environmental Protection") (河津海創環保能源有限責任公司)	RMB80,000,000	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Pingliang Conch Venture Energy Technology Co., Ltd. (iii) ("Pingliang Environmental Protection") (平涼海創能源科技有限責任公司)	Register capital: RMB85,000,000 Paid up capital: –	100%	–	100%	Waste disposal for energy and sludge treatment service
Chongzuo Haizhong Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Chongzuo Environmental Protection") (崇左海中環保科技有限責任公司)	RMB20,000,000	50%	–	50%	Solid waste treatment and technical service

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES *(Continued)*

- (i) Except for the Company, Conch Venture BVI, Conch Venture HK, Conch Venture International, Conch Venture CNBM and Conch Venture EU, the English translation of the companies' names is for reference only. The official names of the companies established in the PRC are in Chinese.
- (ii) Except for Conch Venture BVI, which is incorporated in British Virgin Islands, Conch Venture HK, Conch Venture International and Conch Venture CNBM, which are incorporated in Hong Kong and Conch Venture EU, which is incorporated in Vietnam, the above entities are incorporated as limited liability companies and operated in the PRC.
- (iii) The subsidiaries of the Group entered into service concession arrangements with the local government authorities in the PRC (the "grantors"). Pursuant to the service concession arrangements, the Group has to design, construct, operate and maintain waste incineration plants in the PRC for periods ranging from 20 to 30 years. The Group has the obligation to maintain the waste incineration plants in good condition. The grantors guarantee the Group will receive minimum annual payments in connection with the arrangements.

The service concession arrangements do not contain renewal options. The standard rights of the grantors to terminate the agreements include failure of the Group to construct or operate the waste incineration plants and in the event of a material breach of the terms of the agreements. The standard rights of the Group to terminate the agreements include failure to receive payments for solid waste treatment service from the grantors and in the event of a material breach of the terms of the agreements.

Revenue relates to the construction services provided in constructing the waste incineration projects is recognised as "Service concession assets" and "Waste incineration project operating rights" in the consolidated financial statements according to accounting policies as set out in notes 1(n) and 1(i).

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES *(Continued)*

The following table lists out the information relating to CK Engineering, CK Equipment and Yaobai Environmental as at 31 December 2019 and 2020, the subsidiaries of the Group which have material non-controlling interest ("NCI"). The summarised financial information presented below represents the amounts before any inter-company elimination.

CK Engineering

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
NCI percentage	49%	49%
Current assets	2,915,412	2,411,170
Non-current assets	8,509	9,937
Current liabilities	(2,108,467)	(1,603,407)
Net assets	815,454	817,700
Carrying amount of NCI	399,572	400,673
Revenue	2,013,858	1,730,922
Profit for the year	101,024	137,135
Total comprehensive income	101,024	137,135
Profit allocated to NCI	49,502	67,196
Dividend paid to NCI	50,602	43,949
Cash flows generated from/(used in) operating activities	206,213	(64,082)
Cash flows generated from investing activities	10,927	6,060
Cash flows used in financing activities	(103,270)	(89,693)

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14 INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)**CK Equipment**

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
NCI percentage	49%	49%
Current assets	810,014	681,023
Non-current assets	202,621	216,119
Current liabilities	(512,265)	(404,650)
Net assets	500,370	492,492
Carrying amount of NCI	245,181	241,321
Revenue	646,774	546,012
Profit for the year	30,804	32,751
Total comprehensive income	30,804	32,751
Profit allocated to NCI	15,094	16,048
Dividend paid to NCI	11,234	9,595
Cash flows generated from operating activities	59,481	77,799
Cash flows generated from/(used in) investing activities	2,022	(546)
Cash flows used in financing activities	(44,594)	(1,019)

Yaobai Environmental

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
NCI percentage	40%	40%
Current assets	150,097	151,004
Non-current assets	321,345	308,803
Current liabilities	(84,896)	(60,134)
Net assets	386,546	399,673
Carrying amount of NCI	154,618	159,869
Revenue	170,152	185,883
Profit for the year	83,143	114,724
Total comprehensive income	83,143	114,724
Profit allocated to NCI	33,257	45,890
Dividend paid to NCI	38,509	45,560
Cash flows generated from operating activities	77,351	80,876
Cash flows used in investing activities	(40,624)	(107,078)
Cash flows used in financing activities	(33,270)	(73,563)

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15 INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Share of net assets	31,085,116	25,920,942

The particulars of the material associate are as follows:

Name of associate	Form of business structure	Place of incorporation and operation	Particulars of issued and paid up capital	Proportion of ownership interest Group's effective interest	Principal activities
Conch Holdings (安徽海螺集團有限責任公司)	Incorporated as limited liability company	The PRC	RMB800,000,000	49%	Investment holding

The particulars of Conch Holdings' investment holdings as at 31 December 2020 are as follows:

Name of associate	Form of business structure	Place of incorporation and operation	Particulars of issued and paid up capital	Ownership interest held by Conch Holdings	Principal activities
Anhui Conch Cement Co., Ltd. ("Conch Cement") (安徽海螺水泥股份有限公司)	Incorporated as joint stock limited company	The PRC	5,299,302,579 ordinary shares of RMB1 each	36.40%	Manufacture and sale of cement related products
Wuhu Conch Profiles and Science Co., Ltd. ("Conch Profiles") (蕪湖海螺型材科技股份有限公司)	Incorporated as joint stock limited company	The PRC	360,000,000 ordinary shares of RMB1 each	33.44%	Manufacture of new chemical and building materials
Anhui Conch Building Materials Design and Research Institute ("Conch Design Institute") (安徽海螺建材設計研究院有限責任公司)	Incorporated as limited liability company	The PRC	RMB150,000,000	100%	Design and contract cement/light steel construction
Yingde Conch International Hotel Co., Ltd. (英德海螺國際大酒店有限公司)	Incorporated as limited liability company	The PRC	RMB63,800,000	100%	Hotel service

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15 INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

Name of associate	Form of business structure	Place of incorporation and operation	Particulars of issued and paid up capital	Ownership interest held by Conch Holdings	Principal activities
Wuhu Conch International Hotel Co., Ltd. (蕪湖海螺國際大酒店有限公司)	Incorporated as limited liability company	The PRC	RMB268,500,000	100%	Hotel service
Anhui Conch IT Engineering Co., Ltd. ("Conch IT Engineering") (安徽海螺信息技術工程有限責任公司)	Incorporated as limited liability company	The PRC	RMB50,000,000	100%	Computer system design and development
Anhui Conch Investment Co., Ltd. ("Conch Investment") (安徽海螺投資有限責任公司)	Incorporated as limited liability company	The PRC	RMB700,000,000	100%	Investment holding
Anhui Jingong Testing and Inspection Center Co., Ltd. (安徽精公檢測檢驗中心有限公司)	Incorporated as limited liability company	The PRC	RMB8,000,000	100%	Testing and Inspection
Wuhu Conch Trading Co., Ltd. (蕪湖海螺貿易有限公司)	Incorporated as limited liability company	The PRC	RMB300,000,000	100%	Trading
Anhui International Trade Group Holding Co., Ltd. (安徽國貿集團控股有限公司)	Incorporated as limited liability company	The PRC	RMB661,111,111	55%	Investment holding and trading

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15 INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES *(Continued)*

Summarised financial information of Conch Holdings, adjusted for any differences in accounting policies, and reconciled to the carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements, are disclosed below:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
<i>Gross amounts of the associate</i>		
Current assets	31,856,760	32,211,884
Non-current assets	68,105,939	58,741,393
Current liabilities	(25,629,363)	(25,492,886)
Non-current liabilities	(11,265,056)	(12,908,676)
Net assets	63,068,280	52,551,715
Revenue	83,073,600	74,605,729
Profit after tax for the year from continuing operations	12,993,326	12,252,149
Other comprehensive income	(40,923)	8,462
Total comprehensive income	12,952,403	12,260,611
Dividend received from the associate	1,200,500	1,055,950
<i>Reconciled to the Group's interest in the associate</i>		
Gross amounts of net assets of the associate	63,068,280	52,551,715
Group's effective interest	49%	49%
Group's share of net assets of the associate	30,903,457	25,750,340
Carrying amount in the consolidated financial statements	30,903,457	25,750,340

Aggregate information of associates that are not individually material:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Aggregate carrying amount of individually immaterial associates in the consolidated financial statements	181,659	170,602
Aggregate amounts of the Group's share of those associates		
Profit from continuing operations	20,707	4,602
Total comprehensive income	20,707	4,602
Dividend received	4,450	–

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16 FINANCIAL ASSETS MEASURED AT FVPL

	At 31 December 2020 RMB'000	At 31 December 2019 RMB'000
Non-current assets		
Unlisted equity securities at FVPL	82,500	–
Current assets		
Listed equity securities at FVPL — in Hong Kong	13,239	–
	95,739	–

17 INVENTORIES

(a) Inventories in the consolidated statements of financial position comprise:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Raw materials	57,678	70,549
Work in progress	86,397	61,581
Finished goods	125,882	101,753
	269,957	233,883

(b) The analysis of the amount of inventories recognised as an expense and included in profit or loss is as follows:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Carrying amount of inventories sold	332,728	351,754
Write-down of inventories	–	–
	332,728	351,754

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18 SERVICE CONCESSION ASSETS

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Current	137,088	102,126
Non-current	4,945,952	3,353,103
	5,083,040	3,455,229

The service concession assets bear interest at rates ranging from 6.01% to 9.41% (31 December 2019: 6.01% to 9.41%) per annum as at 31 December 2020 and relate to certain BOT arrangements of the Group. The amounts are not yet due for payment and will be settled during the operating periods of the arrangements. Among the total of RMB5,083,040,000 (31 December 2019: RMB3,455,229,000), RMB2,254,774,000 (31 December 2019: RMB1,149,238,000) relates to BOT arrangements which are in construction phase and should be deemed as contract assets as defined under IFRS 15.

Among the total of RMB5,083,040,000 (31 December 2019: RMB3,455,229,000), RMB104,304,000 (31 December 2019: RMB79,750,000) relates to the government on-grid tariff subsidy for certain projects which will be billed and settled upon the successful completion of government administrative procedures pursuant to notices jointly issued by the Ministry of Finance, the National Development and Reform Commission and the National Energy Administration.

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19 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Trade receivables	1,101,403	774,167
Bills receivable	181,691	57,618
Less: allowance for doubtful debts (Note 19(b))	(56,155)	(44,540)
Trade and bills receivables	1,226,939	787,245
Deposits and prepayments	126,420	112,272
Other receivables	479,736	318,290
Interest receivables	18,295	13,945
Amounts due from third parties	1,851,390	1,231,752
Dividends receivable (Note 30(c))	6,400	–
Amounts due from related parties (Note 30(c))	50,886	63,419
Current portion of trade and other receivables	1,908,676	1,295,171
Other receivables to be recovered after one year	1,043,338	613,562
Amounts due from related parties to be recovered after one year (Note 30(c))	30,066	–
Non-current portion of trade and other receivables	1,073,404	613,562
Total current and non-current trade and other receivables	2,982,080	1,908,733

All of the current portion of trade and other receivables are expected to be recovered within one year.

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19 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES *(Continued)*

Except for the amounts due from related parties to be recovered after one year which bear interest at rate of 7.2% per annum and will be repaid in June 2025, all of the amounts due from related parties are unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

As at 31 December 2020, the Group endorsed undue bills receivable of RMB371,084,000 (2019: RMB354,963,000) to its suppliers to settle trade payables of the same amount and derecognised these bills receivable and payables to suppliers in their entirety as the Group's management considered that the risks and rewards of ownership of these undue bills have been substantially transferred. The Group's continuous involvement in these derecognised undue bills receivable is limited to when the issuance banks of these undue bills are unable to settle the amounts to the holders of these bills. As at 31 December 2020, the maximum exposure to loss from its continuous involvement represents the amount of bills receivable of RMB371,084,000 (2019: RMB354,963,000) which the Group endorsed to its suppliers. These undue bills receivable were due within 6 months.

(a) Ageing analysis

As of the end of the reporting periods, the ageing analysis of trade receivables and bills receivable (which are included in trade and other receivables), based on the past due aging and net of loss allowance, is as follows:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Current	1,151,246	752,031
Less than 1 year	64,055	21,439
1 to 2 years	7,222	10,333
2 to 3 years	4,416	3,442
	1,226,939	787,245

The amounts due from related parties are all aged within 1 year.

Details of the Group's credit policy and credit risk arising from trade receivable and bills receivables are set out in Note 27(a).

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19 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES *(Continued)*

(b) Loss allowance for trade receivables and bills receivable

Movement in the loss allowance account in respect of trade receivables and bills receivable during the year is as follows:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
At the beginning of the year	44,540	50,284
Loss allowance/(reversal of) loss allowance (note)	11,680	(5,744)
Written off	(65)	–
At the end of the year	56,155	44,540

Note: Collection of past due receivables net of origination and new past due receivables resulted in a reversal of loss allowance during 2019.

20 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

(a) Cash and cash equivalents comprise:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Bank deposits with original maturity within three months	997,809	2,097,250
Cash at bank and on hand	2,352,730	864,950
	3,350,539	2,962,200

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20 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)**(b) Reconciliation of profit before taxation to cash generated from operations:**

	Note	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Profit before taxation		8,052,715	7,413,779
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	5(c)	165,786	121,724
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	5(c)	15,650	9,702
Amortisation of intangible assets	5(c)	97,506	33,819
Loss allowance/(reversal of loss allowance) for trade receivables	5(c)	11,680	(5,744)
Net loss on disposal of right-of-use assets and property, plant and equipment	4	82	26,259
Net unrealised loss on financial assets measured at FVPL	4	7,406	–
Negative goodwill on business combination	4	(9,538)	–
Finance costs	5(a)	234,418	177,684
Interest income	4	(96,369)	(107,833)
Share of profits of associates		(6,394,379)	(6,027,902)
Operating profit before changes in working capital		2,084,957	1,641,488
Increase in inventories		(33,436)	(71,162)
Increase in restricted bank deposits		(16,514)	(15,640)
Increase in trade and other receivables		(584,939)	(472,980)
Increase in service concession assets		(1,627,811)	(1,065,143)
Increase in trade and other payables		1,117,297	567,077
Increase in contract liabilities		34,638	13,338
Cash generated from operations		974,192	596,978

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20 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)**(c) Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities:**

	Bank loans RMB'000 (Note 21)	Interest payable RMB'000 (Note (i))	Convertible bonds RMB'000 (Note 24)	Lease liabilities RMB'000 (Note 25)	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2019	1,267,500	1,502	3,383,432	8,851	4,661,285
Changes from financing cash flows:					
Proceeds from bank loans	2,132,537	–	–	–	2,132,537
Repayment of bank loans	(816,800)	–	–	–	(816,800)
Capital element of lease rentals paid	–	–	–	(2,834)	(2,834)
Interest element of lease rentals paid	–	–	–	(420)	(420)
Interest paid	–	(73,168)	–	–	(73,168)
Total changes from financing cash flows	1,315,737	(73,168)	–	(3,254)	1,239,315
Exchange adjustments:	–	–	77,610	–	77,610
Other changes:					
Interest expenses (note 5(a))	–	67,328	109,936	420	177,684
Capitalised borrowing costs (note 5(a))	–	22,680	3,288	–	25,968
Total other changes	–	90,008	113,224	420	203,652
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	2,583,237	18,342	3,574,266	6,017	6,181,862

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20 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)**(c) Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities:** (Continued)

	Bank loans	Interest payable	Convertible bonds	Lease liabilities	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Note 21)	(Note (i))	(Note 24)	(Note 25)	
Changes from financing cash flows:					
Proceeds from bank loans	5,088,489	–	–	–	5,088,489
Repayment of bank loans	(1,265,004)	–	–	–	(1,265,004)
Capital element of lease rentals paid	–	–	–	(2,968)	(2,968)
Interest element of lease rentals paid	–	–	–	(286)	(286)
Interest paid	–	(195,429)	–	–	(195,429)
Total changes from financing cash flows	3,823,485	(195,429)	–	(3,254)	3,624,802
Exchange adjustments:	–	–	(222,001)	–	(222,001)
Other changes:					
Interest expenses (note 5(a))	–	116,287	117,845	286	234,418
Capitalised borrowing costs (note 5(a))	–	66,446	–	–	66,446
Total other changes	–	182,733	117,845	286	300,864
At 31 December 2020	6,406,722	5,646	3,470,110	3,049	9,885,527

Note (i): Interest payable is included in trade and other payables as disclosed in Note 22.

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20 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS *(Continued)*

(d) Total cash outflow for leases

Amounts included in the cash flow statement for leases comprise the following:

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Within operating cash flows	6,110	4,331
Within financing cash flows	3,254	3,254
	9,364	7,585

These amounts relate to the following:

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Lease rentals paid	9,364	7,585

21 BANK LOANS

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Current	1,282,264	664,700
Non-current	5,124,458	1,918,537
Total	6,406,722	2,583,237

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21 BANK LOANS *(Continued)*

- (i) As at 31 December 2020, bank loans of RMB6,406,722,000 were denominated in RMB (2019: RMB2,583,237,000).

As at 31 December 2020, the bank loans were repayable as follows:

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Within one year	1,282,264	664,700
After one year but within two years	1,223,516	816,737
After two years but within five years	2,192,600	732,090
After five years	1,708,342	369,710
Total	6,406,722	2,583,237

- (ii) As at 31 December 2020, the bank loans were secured as follows:

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Guaranteed	3,698,622	870,737
Guaranteed and secured	50,000	–
Unsecured	2,658,100	1,712,500
Total	6,406,722	2,583,237

As at 31 December 2020, bank loans of the Group amounting to RMB2,780,652,000 (31 December 2019: RMB501,037,000) was guaranteed by Conch Venture Wuhu, a subsidiary of the Group.

As at 31 December 2020, bank loans of the Group amounting to RMB550,400,000 (31 December 2019: RMB369,700,000) were guaranteed by WH Investment, a subsidiary of the Group.

As at 31 December 2020, bank loans of the Group amounting to RMB287,570,000 (31 December 2019: nil) were guaranteed by Wuhu Environmental Protection, a subsidiary of the Group.

As at 31 December 2020, bank loans of the Group amounting to RMB80,000,000 (31 December 2019: nil) were guaranteed by Anhui Haizhong, a subsidiary of the Group.

As at 31 December 2020, bank loans of the Group amounting to RMB50,000,000 (31 December 2019: nil) were secured by right-of-use assets of Luoyang Haizhong, a subsidiary of the Group and were also guaranteed by Anhui Haizhong, a subsidiary of the Group.

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22 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	At 31 December 2020 RMB'000	At 31 December 2019 RMB'000
Trade payables	2,408,221	1,831,109
Bills payable	795,970	656,927
	3,204,191	2,488,036
Other payables and accruals	816,440	473,818
Amounts due to third parties	4,020,631	2,961,854
Dividends payable to non-controlling interests (Note 30(c))	24,000	–
Amounts due to related parties (Note 30(c))	157,010	109,254
Trade and other payables	4,201,641	3,071,108

An ageing analysis of trade and bills payables of the Group is as follows:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Within 1 year	3,171,796	2,443,367
1 year to 2 years	29,222	31,644
2 years to 3 years	2,032	7,304
Over 3 years but within 5 years	1,141	5,721
	3,204,191	2,488,036

The amounts due to related parties are all aged within 1 year, and are unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

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23 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**(a) Income tax payable in the consolidated statement of financial position represent:**

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Balance at beginning of the year	112,022	111,306
Provision for current income tax for the year (Note 6(a))	286,114	232,335
Payments during the year	(259,108)	(231,619)
Balance at the end of the year	139,028	112,022

(b) Deferred tax assets and liabilities recognised:**(i) Movement of each component of deferred tax assets and liabilities:**

The components of deferred tax assets/(liabilities) recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position and the movements during the years are as follows:

	Unrealised profit upon elimination RMB'000	Loss allowance on trade receivables and provision for inventory RMB'000	Undistributed profits of subsidiaries RMB'000	Fair value adjustment in relation to business combination RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Deferred tax assets arising from:					
At 1 January 2019	44,721	9,280	-	-	54,001
Credited/(charged) to profit or loss	2,859	(2,780)	(35,000)	-	(34,921)
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	47,580	6,500	(35,000)	-	19,080
Credited/(charged) to profit or loss	9,086	(73)	(23,000)*	-	(13,987)
Acquisition of subsidiaries (note 28)	-	-	-	(9,690)	(9,690)
At 31 December 2020	56,666	6,427	(58,000)	(9,690)	(4,597)

* The amount includes the provision of withholding tax on profits of the PRC subsidiaries for the year amounting to RMB58,000,000 (2019: RMB35,000,000) less the reversal of deferred tax liabilities on withholding tax in respect of dividends paid during the year amounting to RMB35,000,000 (2019: nil).

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23 INCOME TAX IN THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION *(Continued)*

(b) Deferred tax assets and liabilities recognised: *(Continued)*

(ii) Reconciliation to the consolidated statement of financial position:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Net deferred tax assets recognised on the consolidated statement of financial position	63,093	54,080
Net deferred tax liabilities recognised on the consolidated statement of financial position	(67,690)	(35,000)
	(4,597)	19,080

(c) Deferred tax liabilities not recognised:

The Group has not recognised deferred tax liabilities as at 31 December 2020 in respect of undistributed earnings of RMB34,622,687,000 of PRC subsidiaries (2019: RMB28,405,787,000) because the Group has no plans to distribute them outside the PRC in the foreseeable future.

24 CONVERTIBLE BONDS

On 5 September 2018, Conch Venture BVI, a subsidiary of the Company, issued zero coupon guaranteed convertible bond ("the Bonds") with aggregate principal amount of HKD 3,925,000,000 (equivalent to approximately RMB3,413,730,000) and received cash after deduction of transaction costs of HKD 3,882,043,000 (equivalent to approximately RMB3,376,369,000).

Pursuant to the terms of the Bonds, the Bonds will be due in September 2023 and are guaranteed by the Company. The bond holders could convert part of or the entire outstanding bond balances at the holder's option into fully paid ordinary shares of the Company at an initial conversion price of HKD40.18 per share, subject to adjustments under certain terms and conditions of the Bonds.

The convertible bonds can be settled by exchange of a fixed amount of cash in HKD with a fixed number of the Company's equity instruments. In accordance with the Group's accounting policy set out in note 1(s), the convertible bonds are accounted for as compound financial instruments which contain both a liability component and an equity component.

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24 CONVERTIBLE BONDS (Continued)

The movements of the components of the convertible bonds during current period are set out below:

	Liability component (At amortised cost) RMB'000	Equity component (Residual amount) RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2019	3,383,432	54,466	3,437,898
Interest charge (note 20(c))	113,224	–	113,224
Exchange adjustment	77,610	–	77,610
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	3,574,266	54,466	3,628,732
Interest charge (note 20(c))	117,845	–	117,845
Exchange adjustment	(222,001)	–	(222,001)
At 31 December 2020	3,470,110	54,466	3,524,576

25 LEASE LIABILITIES

	At 31 December 2020 Present value of the minimum lease payments RMB'000	At 31 December 2019 Present value of the minimum lease payments RMB'000
Within 1 year	2,652	2,968
After 1 year but within 2 years	297	2,652
After 2 years but within 3 years	100	397
	397	3,049
	3,049	6,017

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26 CAPITAL, RESERVES AND DIVIDENDS

(a) Movements in components of equity

The reconciliation between the opening and closing balances of each component of the Group's consolidated equity is set out in the consolidated statement of changes in equity. Details of the changes in the Company's individual components of equity between the beginning and the end of the year are set out below:

	Note	Share capital RMB'000 Note 26(c)	Share premium RMB'000 Note 26(d)(i)	(Accumulated losses)/ retained profits RMB'000	Total equity RMB'000
Balance at 1 January 2019		14,347	502,533	(58,748)	458,132
Profit for the year		–	–	443,962	443,962
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year		–	(502,533)	(371,165)	(873,698)
Balance at 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	31	14,347	–	14,049	28,396
Profit for the year		–	–	1,048,366	1,048,366
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year		–	–	(1,055,193)	(1,055,193)
Balance at 31 December 2020	31	14,347	–	7,222	21,569

(b) Dividends

Pursuant to a resolution passed at the Directors' meeting on 29 March 2021, a final dividend of HKD0.70 (2019: HKD0.65) per ordinary share totalling HKD1,263,325,000, equivalent to approximately RMB1,063,265,000 (2019: HKD1,173,088,000, equivalent to approximately RMB1,055,193,000), was proposed for shareholders' approval. The dividend has not been provided for in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

(i) Dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the year

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Final dividend proposed after the end of the reporting period of HKD 0.70 per ordinary share (2019: HKD 0.65 per ordinary share)	1,063,265	1,055,193

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26 CAPITAL, RESERVES AND DIVIDENDS *(Continued)*

(b) Dividends *(Continued)*

(ii) Dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Final dividend in respect of the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year, of HKD 0.65 per ordinary share (2019: HKD 0.55 per ordinary share)	1,055,193	873,698

(c) Share capital

Authorised and issued share capital

	No. of shares ('000)	Amount HKD'000
Authorised:		
Ordinary shares of HKD 0.01 each at 31 December 2020 and 2019	15,000,000	150,000

	No. of shares ('000)	Amount	
		HKD'000	Equivalent to RMB'000
Issued and fully paid:			
At 31 December 2020 and 2019	1,804,750	18,048	14,347

(d) Nature and purpose of reserves

(i) Share premium and distributability of reserves

Under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, the share premium account of the Company may be applied for payment of distributions or dividends to shareholders provided that immediately following the date on which the distribution or dividend is proposed to be paid, the Company is able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

The aggregated amount of distributable reserves, including share premium but after offsetting the accumulated losses, of the Company as at 31 December 2020 was RMB7,222,000 (2019: RMB14,049,000).

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26 CAPITAL, RESERVES AND DIVIDENDS *(Continued)*

(d) Nature and purpose of reserves *(Continued)*

(ii) Capital reserve

Capital reserve comprises the following:

- share of non-distributable reserves of an associate at the respective dates; and
- the equity component of convertible bonds issued by Conch Venture BVI, a subsidiary of the Group, recognised in accordance with the accounting policy as set out in note 1(s).

(iii) PRC statutory reserves

PRC statutory reserves were established in accordance with the relevant PRC rules and regulations and the articles of association of the companies comprising the Group which are incorporated in the PRC. Appropriations to the reserves were approved by the respective boards of directors' meeting.

For the entity concerned, PRC statutory reserves can be used to make good previous years' losses, if any, and may be converted into capital in proportion to the existing equity interests of investors, provided that the balance of the reserve after such conversion is not less than 25% of the entity's registered capital.

(iv) Exchange reserve

The exchange reserve comprises all foreign exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of overseas subsidiaries with functional currency other than RMB. The reserve is dealt with in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1(x).

(v) Capital risk management

The Group's primary objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can continue to provide returns for equity shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders, by pricing products and services commensurately with the level of risk and by securing access to finance at a reasonable cost.

The Group actively and regularly reviews and manages its capital structure to maintain a balance between the higher shareholder returns that might be possible with higher levels of borrowings and the advantages and security afforded by a sound capital position, and makes adjustments to the capital structure in light of changes in economic conditions.

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26 CAPITAL, RESERVES AND DIVIDENDS *(Continued)*

(d) Nature and purpose of reserves *(Continued)*

(v) Capital risk management *(Continued)*

The Group monitors its capital structure on the basis of gearing ratio. The Group defines gearing ratio as total liabilities divided by total assets.

The Group's strategy was to maintain the gearing ratio at a reasonable level. The Group's gearing ratio at 31 December 2020 and 2019 was as follow:

	31 December 2020 RMB'000	31 December 2019 RMB'000
Total liabilities	14,350,393	9,409,165
Total assets	54,327,572	42,171,561
Gearing ratio	26.41%	22.31%

Neither the Company nor its subsidiaries are subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

Exposure to credit, liquidity, interest rate and currency risks arises in the normal course of the Group's business.

The Group's exposure to these risks and the financial risk management policies and practices used by the Group to manage these risks are described below.

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27 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

(a) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in a financial loss to the Group. The Group's bank deposits are held with banks located in the Mainland of the PRC and Hong Kong which management believes are of high credit quality. Accordingly, the Group's credit risk is primarily attributable to trade and other receivables and service concession assets. Management has a credit policy in place and the exposures to these credit risks are monitored on an ongoing basis.

The Group's exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the individual characteristics of each customer rather than the industry or country in which the customers operate and therefore significant concentrations of credit risk primarily arise when the Group has significant exposure to individual customers. At the end of the reporting period, 3% (2019: 3%) and 7% (2019: 7%) of the total trade and other receivables and service concession assets were due from the Group's largest customer and the five largest customers respectively. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset in the consolidated statements of financial position.

Individual credit evaluations are performed on all customers requiring credit over a certain amount. These evaluations focus on the customer's past history of making payments when due and current ability to pay, and take into account information specific to the customer as well as pertaining to the economic environment in which the customer operates. Debtors with balances that are more than 30 days past due are requested to settle all outstanding balances before any further credit is granted. Normally, the Group does not obtain collateral from customers.

Service concession assets are mainly due from local government authorities in the PRC with no history of default, the Group considers the credit risk for service concession assets to be insignificant.

The Group measures loss allowances for trade receivables at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, which is calculated using a provision matrix. As the Group's historical credit loss experience does not indicate significantly different loss patterns for different customer segments, the loss allowance based on past due status is not further distinguished between the Group's different customer bases.

The Group does not provide any other guarantees to third parties which would expose the Group to credit risk.

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27 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(Continued)*

(b) Liquidity risk

Individual operating entities within the Group are responsible for their own cash management, including the short-term investment of cash surpluses and the raising of loans to cover expected cash demands, subject to approval by the parent company's board when the borrowings exceed certain predetermined levels of authority. The Group's policy is to regularly monitor its liquidity requirements and its compliance with lending covenants, to ensure that it maintains sufficient reserves of cash and readily realisable marketable securities and adequate committed lines of funding from major financial institutions to meet its liquidity requirements in the short and longer term.

The following tables show the remaining contractual maturities at the end of the reporting period of the Group's non-derivative financial liabilities, which are based on contractual undiscounted cash flows (including interest payments computed using contractual rates or, if floating, based on rates current at the end of the reporting period) and the earliest date the Group and can be required to pay:

	At 31 December 2020					Carrying amount RMB'000
	Contractual undiscounted cash outflow					
	Within one year or on demand RMB'000	More than one year but less than two years RMB'000	More than two years but less than five years RMB'000	More than five years RMB'000	Total RMB'000	
Bank loans	1,509,187	1,412,999	2,337,625	2,165,343	7,425,154	6,406,722
Trade and other payables	4,201,641	-	-	-	4,201,641	4,201,641
Convertible bonds	-	-	3,786,820	-	3,786,820	3,470,110
Lease liabilities	2,714	394	105	-	3,213	3,049
	5,713,542	1,413,393	6,124,550	2,165,343	15,416,828	14,081,522

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27 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(Continued)***(b) Liquidity risk** *(Continued)*

	At 31 December 2019					
	Contractual undiscounted cash outflow					
	Within one year or on demand RMB'000	More than one year but less than two years RMB'000	More than two years but less than five years RMB'000	More than five years RMB'000	Total RMB'000	Carrying amount RMB'000
Bank loans	774,344	878,604	806,136	410,720	2,869,804	2,583,237
Trade and other payables	3,071,108	–	–	–	3,071,108	3,071,108
Convertible bonds	–	–	4,030,504	–	4,030,504	3,574,266
Lease liabilities	3,254	2,796	422	–	6,472	6,017
	3,848,706	881,400	4,837,062	410,720	9,977,888	9,234,628

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27 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(Continued)*

(c) Interest rate risk

(i) Interest rate profile

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Group's interest rate risk arises primarily from bank loans. Borrowings issued at variable rates and at fixed rates expose the Group to cash flow interest rate risk and fair value interest rate risk respectively. The Group's interest rate profile as monitored by management is set out below.

The Group's cash at bank and interest-bearing borrowings, and their interest rates as at 31 December 2020 and 2019 are set out as follows:

	2020		2019	
	Interest rate %	RMB'000	Interest rate %	RMB'000
Fixed rate:				
Bank deposits with original maturity within three months	0.44%–3.28%	997,809	2.29%–3.85%	2,097,250
Bank deposits with original maturity over three months	2.18%–3.90%	701,700	2.50%–4.18%	842,972
Bank loans	3.30%–3.65%	(1,072,000)	3.78%–3.92%	(520,000)
Convertible bonds	0.00%	(3,470,110)	0.00%	(3,516,015)
Lease liabilities	4.75%	(3,049)	4.75%	(6,017)
		(2,845,650)		(1,101,810)
Variable rate:				
Cash at bank and on hand	0.30%–1.67%	2,352,730	0.30%–1.61%	864,950
Restricted bank deposits	0.30%–1.75%	24,767	0.30%–2.25%	28,253
Bank loans	3.10%–4.65%	(5,334,722)	4.28%–4.46%	(2,063,237)
		(2,957,225)		(1,170,034)

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27 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(Continued)*

(c) Interest rate risk *(Continued)*

(ii) Sensitivity analysis

At 31 December 2020, it is estimated that a general increase/decrease of 25 basis points in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, would have decreased/increased the Group's profit after tax and retained profits by approximately RMB6,740,000 (2019: decreased/increased the Group's profit after tax and retained profits by approximately RMB1,826,000).

The sensitivity analysis above indicates the instantaneous change in the Group's profit after tax (and retained profits) and other components of consolidated equity that would arise assuming that the change in interest rates had occurred at the end of the reporting period and had been applied to re-measure those financial instruments held by the Group which expose the Group to fair value interest rate risk at the end of the reporting period. In respect of the exposure to cash flow interest rate risk arising from floating rate non-derivative instruments held by the Group at the end of the reporting period, the impact on the Group's profit after tax (and retained profits) and other components of consolidated equity is estimated as an annualised impact on interest expenses or income of such changes in interest rates. The analysis is performed on the same basis for 2019.

(d) Currency risk

The Group is exposed to currency risk primarily through sales and purchases which give rise to receivables, payables and cash balances that are denominated in a foreign currency, i.e. a currency other than the functional currency of the operations to which the transactions relate. The currency giving rise to this risk is primarily United States dollars ("USD"), and Hong Kong dollars ("HKD"). The Group manages this risk as follows:

(i) Recognised assets and liabilities

In respect of trade receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies, the Group ensures that the net exposure is kept to an acceptable level, by buying or selling foreign currencies at spot rates where necessary to address short-term imbalances.

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27 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(Continued)***(d) Currency risk** *(Continued)***(ii) Exposure to currency risk**

The following table details the Group's exposure at the end of each of the reporting period to currency risk arising from recognised assets or liabilities denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the entity to which they relate. For presentation purposes, the amounts of the exposure are shown in RMB, translated using the spot rate at the year end date.

	At 31 December 2020		
	USD RMB'000	HKD RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Trade and other receivables	42,767	–	42,767
Trade and other payables	(38)	–	(38)
Cash and cash equivalents	46,306	31,448	77,754
Net exposure arising from recognised assets and liabilities	89,035	31,448	120,483
	At 31 December 2019		
	USD RMB'000	HKD RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Trade and other receivables	10,218	–	10,218
Cash and cash equivalents	22,974	93,819	116,793
Net exposure arising from recognised assets and liabilities	33,192	93,819	127,011

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27 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(Continued)*

(d) Currency risk *(Continued)*

(iii) Sensitivity analysis

The following table indicates the instantaneous change in the Group's profit after tax and retained profits and other components of consolidated equity that would arise if foreign exchange rates to which the Group has significant exposure as at 31 December 2019 and 2020 have changed at those dates, assuming all other risk variables remained constant.

	2020		2019	
	Increase in foreign exchange rate	Increase in profit after tax and retained earnings RMB'000	Increase in foreign exchange rate	Increase in profit after tax and retained earnings RMB'000
USD	1%	689	1%	249
HKD	1%	269	1%	742
		958		991

Results of the analysis as presented in the above table represent an aggregation of the instantaneous effects on each of the Group entities' profit after tax and equity measured in the respective functional currencies, translating into RMB at the exchange rate ruling at the end of the reporting period for presentation purpose.

The sensitivity analysis assumes that the change in foreign exchange rates had been applied to re-measure those financial instruments held by the Group which expose the Group to foreign currency risk at the end of the reporting periods. The analysis excludes differences that would result from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations into the Group's presentation currency. The analysis is performed on the same basis for 2019.

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27 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(Continued)*

(e) Fair value measurement

(i) Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value

Fair value hierarchy

The following table presents the fair value of the Group's financial instruments measured at the end of the reporting period on a recurring basis, categorised into the three-level fair value hierarchy as defined in IFRS 13, *Fair value measurement*. The level into which a fair value measurement is classified is determined with reference to the observability and significance of the inputs used in the valuation technique as follows:

- Level 1 valuations: Fair value measured using only Level 1 inputs i.e. unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date
- Level 2 valuations: Fair value measured using Level 2 inputs i.e. observable inputs which fail to meet Level 1, and not using significant unobservable inputs. Unobservable inputs are inputs for which market data are not available.
- Level 3 valuations: Fair value measured using significant unobservable inputs

	Fair value at 31 December 2020 RMB'000	Fair value measurements as at 31 December 2020 categorised into		
		Level 1 RMB'000	Level 2 RMB'000	Level 3 RMB'000
Recurring fair value measurement				
Financial assets measured at FVPL				
— Listed equity securities	13,239	13,239	—	—
— Unlisted equity securities	82,500	—	—	82,500

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27 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(Continued)*

(e) Fair value measurement *(Continued)*

(i) Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value *(Continued)*

Fair value hierarchy (Continued)

	Fair value at 31 December 2019 RMB'000	Fair value measurements as at 31 December 2019 categorised into		
		Level 1 RMB'000	Level 2 RMB'000	Level 3 RMB'000

Recurring fair value measurement

Financial assets measured at FVPL

— Listed equity securities	—	—	—	—
— Unlisted equity securities	—	—	—	—

During the years ended 31 December 2019 and 2020, there were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2, or transfers into or out of Level 3. The Group's policy is to recognise transfers between levels of fair value hierarchy as at the end of the reporting period in which they occur.

Information about Level 3 fair value measurements

The fair value of unlisted equity securities is determined based on medium market multiples (e.g. price-to-earnings ratio, price-to-sales ratio) of comparable companies or comparable transactions with a discount for lack of marketability as appropriate. As at 31 December 2020, these unlisted equity securities were acquired near the year end, the fair value of these unlisted equity securities approximate the cost of obtaining the equity securities.

(ii) Fair values of financial assets and liabilities carried at other than fair value

The carrying amounts of service concession assets and liability component of convertible bonds approximate their fair values which are determined based on the discounted cash flow approach. The estimated cash flows are based on the management's best estimates and the discount rate is market-related rate for a similar instrument at the balance sheet date.

All other financial assets and liabilities carried at cost or amortised cost are not materially different from their fair values as at 31 December 2020 and 2019.

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28 ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES

(a) Acquisition of Shannxi Bangda Environmental Construction Co., Ltd. (“Bangda Environmental”)

On 8 June 2020, the Group completed the acquisition of 70% equity interests of Bangda Environmental in order to develop a new business line for the treatment of hazardous and solid waste.

The fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of Bangda Environmental as at the date of acquisition was as below:

	Fair value recognised on acquisition
	RMB'000
Property, plant and equipment	42,001
Intangible assets	66,078
Right-of-use assets	4,338
Non-current portion of trade and other receivables	170
Inventories	2,637
Trade and other receivables	217,545
Cash	759
Trade and other payables	(1,036)
Contract liabilities	(224)
Current tax liabilities	(373)
Deferred tax liabilities	(9,690)
Total identifiable net assets	322,205
Less: non-controlling interests, based on their proportionate interest in the total identifiable net assets acquired	(96,662)
Total identifiable net assets acquired by the Group	225,543
Less:	
Total cash consideration (Note)	(216,020)
Recognition of negative goodwill as income	9,523

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28 ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES *(Continued)*

(a) Acquisition of Shannxi Bangda Environmental Construction Co., Ltd. ("Bangda Environmental") *(Continued)*

Negative goodwill represents the excess of the net fair value of the Bangda Environmental's identifiable net assets as at the acquisition date over the fair value of the consideration to be transferred, which has been recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Note: out of the total cash consideration of RMB216,020,000, RMB193,700,000 is cash paid to Bangda Environment for capital injection.

An analysis of the cash flows in respect of the acquisition of Bangda Environmental is as follows:

	2020
	RMB'000
Total cash consideration	216,020
Less: Cash acquired through capital injection	(193,700)
Cash acquired as at the date of acquisition	(759)
Net outflow of cash included in cash flows from investing activities	21,561

Impact of acquisition on the results of the Group

The post-acquisition revenue and net profit that Bangda Environmental contributed to the Group for the year ended 31 December 2020 were RMB99,042,000 and RMB36,527,000 respectively.

Had the acquisition occurred on 1 January 2020, management estimates that the Group's consolidated revenue and consolidated profit for the year ended 31 December 2020 would have been RMB6,621,997,000 and RMB7,763,403,000 respectively.

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28 ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES *(Continued)***(b) Net cash outflow for the acquisition of subsidiaries included in the cash flows from investing activities:**

	2020 RMB'000
Acquisition of Bangda Environmental	21,561
Others*	(1,432)
	20,129

* Balance for the year ended 31 December 2020 represented net cash inflow for the acquisition of Jinzhou Jinliyuan Environmental Protection Technology Co.,Ltd with major assets including property, plant and equipment of RMB5,037,000, right-of-use assets of RMB6,262,000 and intangible assets of RMB12,000, and non-controlling interests of RMB15,004,000, as at the date of acquisition.

29 COMMITMENTS**(a) Purchase and capital commitments**

At 31 December 2020, the Group had outstanding purchase commitments related to BOT construction contracts and capital commitments not provided for in the consolidated financial statements were as follows:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Contracted for	2,868,376	1,976,373
Authorised but not contracted for	3,585,630	2,345,775
	6,454,006	4,322,148

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30 MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, transactions with the following parties are considered as related party transactions.

Name of party (i)	Relationship
Kawasaki Heavy Industry Ltd. ("Kawasaki HI") 川崎重工業株式會社	Investor of CK Engineering and CK Equipment
Conch Holdings 安徽海螺集團有限責任公司	Associate of the Group
Dezhou Haizhong Environmental Protection Technology Co.,Ltd. ("Dezhou Haizhong") 德州海中諾客環保科技有限責任公司	Associate of the Group
Jiangsu Jiexia Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Jiexia Environmental Protection") 江蘇傑夏環保科技有限公司	Associate of the Group
Conch Cement 安徽海螺水泥股份有限公司	Associate of Conch Holdings
Conch Profiles 蕪湖海螺型材科技股份有限公司	Associate of Conch Holdings
Conch Design Institute 安徽海螺建材設計研究院	Subsidiary of Conch Holdings
Conch IT Engineering 安徽海螺信息技術工程有限責任公司	Subsidiary of Conch Holdings
Conch New Material 安徽海螺新材料科技有限公司	Subsidiary of Conch Investment
Anhui Conch Kawasaki Equipment Manufacturing Co., Ltd. ("CKEM") 安徽海螺川崎裝備製造有限公司	Joint venture of Conch Cement and Kawasaki HI
Sanming Nanfang Jinyuan Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd. ("Jinyuan Environmental Protection") 三明南方金圓環保科技有限公司	Associate of the Group
Shanxi Yaobai Special Cement Co.,Ltd. ("Yaobai Special Cement") 堯柏特種水泥集團有限公司	Investor of Yaobai Environmental

(i) The English translation of the names is for reference only. The official names of these entities are in Chinese.

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30 MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)**(a) Key management personnel remuneration**

Remuneration for key management personnel of the Group, including amounts paid to the Company's executive directors as disclosed in Note 8 is as follows:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Short-term employee benefits	6,811	5,964
Post-employment benefits	10	61
	6,821	6,025

(b) Significant related party transactions

Particulars of significant transactions between the Group and the above related parties during the year are as follows:

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Sales of goods to:		
Conch Cement	175,392	178,882
Kawasaki HI	27,863	6,633
CKEM	2,979	2,784
Conch Design Institute	395	9,365
Conch Profiles	–	11
Conch New Material	14,111	–
	220,740	197,675

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Service rendered to:		
Conch Cement	66,897	86,383
Conch Design Institute	–	264
Conch Holdings	2	1,024
Conch Profiles	141	24
CKEM	71	–
Kawasaki HI	38	–
	67,149	87,695

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30 MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)**(b) Significant related party transactions** (Continued)

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Purchase of goods from:		
Conch Cement	14,967	38,763
Conch IT Engineering	34,248	11,187
Kawasaki HI	289	1,846
CKEM	9,406	19,686
Conch Profiles	746	1,369
Conch Design Institute	–	836
Conch Holdings	1,248	107
Yaobai Special Cement	–	150
	60,904	73,944

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Services received from:		
Conch Cement	87,869	49,385
Conch Design Institute	34,916	25,865
Conch IT Engineering	673	2,091
Kawasaki HI	4,673	–
Conch Holdings	165	73
Yaobai Special Cement	356	844
	128,652	78,258

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Loans to an associate		
Dezhou Haizhong	30,000	–
	30,000	–

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30 MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)**(b) Significant related party transactions** (Continued)

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Interest on loans		
Dezhou Haizhong	708	–
	708	–
	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Purchase of right-of-use assets		
Conch Cement	58,627	21,262
	58,627	21,262

The directors of the Company are of the opinion that the above related party transactions were conducted on normal commercial terms and were priced with reference to prevailing market prices, and in the ordinary course of business.

(c) Balances with related parties

Balances with related parties at the end of each reporting period are as follows:

	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Amounts due from		
Conch Cement	36,119	56,807
CKEM	18	–
Kawasaki HI	4,402	2,165
Conch Design Institute	1,701	2,899
Conch IT Engineering	1,134	1,480
Conch Profiles	22	12
Jinyuan Environmental Protection	–	56
Conch New Material	7,490	–
Dezhou Haizhong	30,066	–
	80,952	63,419

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30 MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)**(c) Balances with related parties** (Continued)

	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Amounts due to		
Conch Cement	118,357	64,781
Kawasaki HI	1,857	6,083
Conch IT Engineering	14,822	4,544
CKEM	1,681	945
Conch Design Institute	20,064	29,849
Conch Profiles	37	17
Conch Holdings	45	2,984
Yaobai Special Cement	147	51
	157,010	109,254
	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Dividends receivables		
Jiexia Environmental Protection	6,400	–
	6,400	–
	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Dividends payable to non-controlling interests		
Yaobai Special Cement	24,000	–
	24,000	–

Except for loans to Dezhou Haizhong which bear interest at rate of 7.2% per annum and will be repaid in June 2025, amounts due from/to related parties are unsecured, non-interest bearing, and are repayable on demand or in accordance with contractual terms which are similar to those terms offered to/by third parties.

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30 MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS *(Continued)*

(d) Applicability of the Listing Rules relating to connected transactions

The related party transactions in respect of Kawasaki HI and CKEM above constitute connected transactions or continuing connected transactions as defined in Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. The disclosures required by Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules are provided in section “Connected transactions” of the Report of the Directors.

31 COMPANY-LEVEL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Note	2020 RMB'000	2019 RMB'000
Non-current assets			
Interest in a subsidiary		678,880	678,880
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		6,460	51,710
		6,460	51,710
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables		663,771	702,194
Net current liabilities		(657,311)	(650,484)
Net assets		21,569	28,396
Capital and reserves	26(a)		
Share capital		14,347	14,347
Reserves		7,222	14,049
Total equity		21,569	28,396

32 NON-ADJUSTING EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

- (i) Subsequent to the end of reporting period, the directors proposed a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2020. Further details are disclosed in Note 26(b).

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33 POSSIBLE IMPACT OF AMENDMENTS, NEW STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Up to the date of issue of these financial statements, the IASB has issued a few of amendments, new standards and interpretations which are not yet effective for the year ended 31 December 2020 and which have not been adopted in these financial statements. These include the following which may be relevant to the Group:

	Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after
Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16, <i>Interest Rate Benchmark Reform — Phase 2</i>	1 January 2021
Amendments to IFRS 3, <i>Reference to the Conceptual Framework</i>	1 January 2022
Amendments to IAS 16, <i>Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use</i>	1 January 2022
Amendments to IAS 37, <i>Onerous Contracts — Cost of Fulfilling a Contract</i>	1 January 2022
Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2018–2020	1 January 2022
Amendments to IAS 1, <i>Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current</i>	1 January 2023
IFRS 17, <i>Insurance contracts</i>	1 January 2023
Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2, <i>Disclosure of Accounting Policies</i>	1 January 2023
Amendments to IAS 8, <i>Definition of Accounting Estimates</i>	1 January 2023
Amendments to IFRS 4, <i>Extension of the temporary exemption from applying IFRS 9</i>	1 January 2023
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28, <i>Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture</i>	No mandatory effective date yet determined

The Group is in the process of making an assessment of what the impact of these amendments, new standards and interpretations is expected to be in the period of initial application. So far the Group has concluded that the adoption of them is unlikely to have a significant impact on its consolidation financial statements.