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**FREEMAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION LIMITED****民豐企業控股有限公司***(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)***(Stock Code: 279)**

**(1) VERY SUBSTANTIAL DISPOSAL IN RELATION  
TO THE DEEMED DISPOSAL OF EQUITY INTEREST IN  
A WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY;  
AND  
(2) NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

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A notice convening the extraordinary general meeting (the “EGM”) of Freeman Financial Corporation Limited (the “Company”) to be held at 30th Floor, China United Centre, 28 Marble Road, North Point, Hong Kong on Friday, 5 September 2014 at 10:00 a.m. is set out on pages 114 to 116 of this circular. Whether or not you are able to attend the EGM, you are requested to complete the enclosed proxy form in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return the same to the Company’s branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Secretaries Limited at Level 22, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding of the EGM or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the proxy form will not preclude you from attending and voting at the EGM or any adjourned meeting if you so wish.

Hong Kong, 20 August 2014

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## DEFINITION

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

“Audited NAV”	the audited consolidated net asset value of FCL as at 31 March 2014
“Board”	the board of Directors
“Business Day(s)”	a day (excluding Saturday, Sunday or any other public holidays) on which banks in Hong Kong are generally open for settlement business
“Company”	Freeman Financial Corporation Limited (Stock Code: 279), a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability, the Shares of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange
“Completion”	completion of the Subscription pursuant to the Subscription Agreement
“Director(s)”	director(s) of the Company
“EGM”	the extraordinary general meeting to be held by the Company to consider and approve the Subscription Agreement and the transaction contemplated thereunder
“FCL”	Freeman Corporation Limited, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability
“FCL Group”	FCL and its subsidiaries
“FCL Share(s)”	ordinary share(s) in the issued share capital of FCL
“FCL New Share(s)”	the 300,000,000 FCL Shares to be allotted and issued by FCL to the Subscriber or its nominee(s) pursuant to the Subscription Agreement

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“FFIC”	Freeman Financial Investment Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability
“Group”	the Company and its subsidiaries
“HKFRS(s)”	Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
“Hong Kong”	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China
“Latest Practicable Date”	15 August 2014, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular for ascertaining certain information contained in this circular
“Listing Rules”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
“Long Stop Date”	31 October 2014 or such later date as the parties to the Subscription Agreement may agree in writing
“Relevant Periods”	Financial years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014
“Remaining Group”	the Group immediately after Completion
“Shareholder(s)”	holder(s) of the Shares
“Share(s)”	ordinary share(s) in the issued share capital of the Company
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“Subscriber”	Co-Lead Holdings Limited, being the subscriber to the FCL New Shares pursuant to the Subscription Agreement, is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Willie and a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands with limited liability
“Subscription”	the subscription of 300 million FCL New Shares by the Subscriber or its nominee(s) in FCL pursuant to the Subscription Agreement
“Subscription Agreement”	a Subscription Agreement dated 7 May 2014 entered into between FCL and the Subscriber in relation to the Subscription

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“Subscription Price”	HK\$2.93 per FCL New Share
“subsidiary” or “subsidiaries”	has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules
“Willie”	Willie International Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 273), a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange
“HK\$”	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
“%”	per cent.

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## LETTER FROM THE BOARD

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### **FREEMAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION LIMITED**

**民豐企業控股有限公司**

*(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 279)**

*Executive Directors:*

Mr. Lo Kan Sun (*Chairman*)  
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Ms. Au Shuk Yee, Sue  
Ms. Chow Mun Yee

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20 August 2014

*To the Shareholders*

Dear Sir or Madam,

**(1) VERY SUBSTANTIAL DISPOSAL IN RELATION  
TO THE DEEMED DISPOSAL OF EQUITY INTEREST IN  
A WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY;  
AND  
(2) NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

### **INTRODUCTION**

On 7 May 2014 (after trading hours), Freeman Corporation Limited (“FCL”, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) and the Subscriber (an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Willie) entered into the Subscription Agreement, pursuant to which the Subscriber agreed to subscribe or procure the subscription by its nominee(s) of the FCL New Shares for an aggregate

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Subscription Price in the sum of HK\$879 million (subject to adjustment) and FCL agreed to allot and issue an aggregate of 300,000,000 FCL New Shares to the Subscriber or such nominee(s).

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with information in relation to, among other things, (i) details of the Subscription Agreement; (ii) the financial information of FCL Group; (iii) the financial information of the Group; (iv) the unaudited pro forma financial information of the Remaining Group; and (v) a notice convening the EGM at which ordinary resolutions will be proposed to the Shareholders to consider and, if thought fit, approve the Subscription Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereunder.

### THE SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT

Set out below are the principal terms of the Subscription Agreement:

**Date:**

7 May 2014 (after trading hours)

**Parties:**

- (1) FCL; and
- (2) the Subscriber.

**Nature of transaction and assets to be disposed of**

Pursuant to the Subscription Agreement, the Subscriber agreed to subscribe or procure the subscription by its nominee(s) of the FCL New Shares for an aggregate Subscription Price in the sum of HK\$879 million (subject to adjustment) and FCL agreed to allot and issue an aggregate of 300,000,000 FCL New Shares to the Subscriber or such nominee(s). Upon Completion, the equity interests in FCL will be held as to 71.7% by FFIC and as to 28.3% by the Subscriber respectively.

**Subscription Price**

The Subscription Price of HK\$879 million will be payable by the Subscriber in cash to the Company within the first thirty Business Days after the fulfillment of all the conditions precedent to the Subscription (the "Completion Period").

The Subscription Price was arrived at after arm's length negotiation among the parties to the Subscription Agreement with reference to the FCL's unaudited consolidated net asset value per FCL Share which was approximately HK\$2.93 as at 31 March 2014, translating into a total unaudited consolidated net asset value for FCL of approximately HK\$2,227.5 million based on 760,849,120 FCL Shares as at 31 March 2014. According to the latest audited combined financial statements of FCL Group for the three years ended 31 March 2014, the audited net asset value of FCL Group as at 31 March 2014 was approximately HK\$2,203.3 million.

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### Adjustment to the Subscription Price

Pursuant to the Subscription Agreement, if the Audited NAV is either larger or smaller than HK\$2,227,494,000 (being the unaudited consolidated net asset value of FCL as at 31 March 2014) by more than HK\$100,000,000, the Subscription Price per FCL New Share shall be revised as follows:–

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \text{New Subscription Price} & = & \frac{\text{Audited NAV}}{760,849,120} \\ \text{per FCL New Share} & & \end{array}$$

and the aggregate Subscription Price shall be adjusted accordingly; however, irrespective of whether the Subscription Price is adjusted, the total number of FCL New Shares shall remain the same.

With reference to the financial information of FCL Group as set out in Appendix I to this circular, the Audited NAV was HK\$2,203,284,000. When comparing the Audited NAV to HK\$2,227,494,000, the difference is less than HK\$100,000,000. Accordingly, no adjustment to the Subscription Price is required.

### Conditions precedent

The obligations of the parties to the Subscription Agreement to effect Completion shall be conditional upon:

- (a) if required, the passing of the necessary resolution(s) by the shareholders of FCL at the general meeting to approve the entering into of the Subscription Agreement by FCL and the transactions contemplated thereunder;
- (b) if required, the passing of the necessary resolution(s) by the Shareholders (other than those, if any, required to abstain from voting pursuant to the Listing Rules) at general meeting to approve the entering into of the Subscription Agreement by FCL and performance of the transactions contemplated thereunder including the allotment and issue of the FCL New Shares;
- (c) if required, the passing of the necessary resolution(s) by the shareholders of Willie (other than those, if any, required to abstain from voting pursuant to the Listing Rules) at general meeting to approve the entering into of the Subscription Agreement by the Subscriber and the subscription of the FCL New Shares;
- (d) all necessary approvals from the relevant governmental or regulatory authorities in British Virgin Islands, Hong Kong and Cayman Islands required of either FCL or the Subscriber for the consummation of the transactions contemplated under the Subscription Agreement having been obtained and all filings have been made by each of FCL and the Subscriber; and



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- (e) the Subscriber having conducted and completed due diligence on all business, assets and liabilities, legal and financial matter and all such other matters as deemed necessary.

Up to the Latest Practicable Date, conditions (a) and (e) were fulfilled. None of the above conditions precedent is waivable. If all of the aforesaid conditions precedent are not fulfilled on or before the Long Stop Date, the Subscription Agreement shall lapse and become null and void and the parties (i.e. FCL and the Subscriber) shall be released from all obligations under the Subscription Agreement, save for any liability arising out of any antecedent breaches thereof.

### **Nomination of director**

Pursuant to the Subscription Agreement, the Subscriber shall be entitled to nominate at any time as director(s) of FCL in proportion to its shareholding in FCL.

### **Completion**

After fulfillment of all the conditions precedent, Completion may take place in whole or in part on one or more date(s) provided that FCL shall have issued and allotted all the FCL New Shares and the Subscriber shall have paid the entire Subscription Price within the Completion Period.

### **APPLICATION OF THE AGGREGATE SUBSCRIPTION PRICE**

The aggregate Subscription Price in sum of HK\$879 million to be paid by the Subscriber will be applied by FCL as capital for the further expansion and development of its financial services and securities trading business. FCL Group is principally engaged in the financial services sector, including the provision of securities brokerage services, the provision of insurance brokerage and financial planning services, the provision of corporate finance advisory services, trading of securities, provision of finance, as well as investment holding.

The Group intends to apply the aggregate Subscription Price (after estimated expenses of approximately HK\$0.6 million) for (i) growing the investment portfolio of proprietary trading business with an amount ranging from approximately HK\$265 million to HK\$350 million; (ii) providing additional funding to Freeman Securities Limited (“FSL”) for expansion of the securities brokerage sector to further grow the capacity of brokerage, placing, underwriting and sub-underwriting, and margin financing businesses with an amount ranging from approximately HK\$175 million to HK\$350 million; (iii) expanding the client base and lending portfolio capacity of money lending business with an amount ranging from approximately HK\$88 million to HK\$133 million; and (iv) investing in potential investments with promising outlooks and prospects as and when opportunities arise with an amount ranging from approximately HK\$175 million to HK\$220 million. The above allocation of application of the aggregate Subscription Price may subject to changes, depending on factors such as stock market condition, general investment and economic environment in Hong Kong and global, as well as performance of these business activities.

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Except for the proposed acquisition of a subsidiary and the joint venture arrangement as announced by the Company on 9 June 2014 and 20 June 2014 respectively and other than in its ordinary and usual course of business, the Company has not entered into or proposed to enter into any agreement, arrangement, understanding or undertaking (whether formal or informal, expressed or implied), or any negotiation (whether concluded or not) with an intention to acquire any new assets/businesses/companies and/or to dispose of the existing business of the Group up to the date of this circular.

### REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS OF THE TRANSACTION

The Directors had taken into account the following factor prior to entering into the Subscription Agreement: the Subscription Price of HK\$2.93 per FCL New Share (subject to adjustment) represents the unaudited consolidated net asset value per FCL Share as at 31 March 2014.

Willie (holding company of the Subscriber) has the tradition and experience and is also well-versed in investing in the financial services industry. The combined forces of the Company and Willie, being two veterans in the provision of financial services, are expected to bring about significant potential to the further expansion and development of the Group's financial services business. The Company considered the Subscription would facilitate merging of financial resources, experience and expertise of the Group and Willie for creating value to its Shareholders. Willie is engaged in several aspects of the financial services industry, including investment in securities trading, money lending as well as investment holding, where the Group is also engaged in these similar types of businesses. Through the Subscription, strategic alliance with Willie could be further developed by: (i) combining financial resources of the Group and Willie when making loans to potential borrowers to reduce capital commitment and risk exposure for both companies or making joint investments in potential targets or projects with larger investment scale for value accretive to both companies; and (ii) utilizing industry experience and expertise of both companies' personnel in securities trading business. In conducting business of financial services, information is a key consideration when making investment decision. The Group and Willie may share public information about the market conditions such as trends, industry forecasts, business plans, stock market sentiment which could bring benefits to the Company.

In October 2011, the Company announced its intention to form a strategic alliance with Willie. Since then, despite the Company having disposed of certain shares in Willie on the open market in order to realise capital gains from such disposals, the Company continued to develop the strategic alliance with Willie by sharing information of stock market conditions, analysis, credit data and business network. The Company considers the Subscription to be another concrete step in forging the strategic alliance with Willie.

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Furthermore, the Company believes that the transaction contemplated under the Subscription Agreement is beneficial to the Company and its Shareholders as it will provide an additional source of capital for FCL. With the additional source of capital from the Subscription, the Company considers it can strengthen the capital base for money lending business to diversify its customer network as well as for securities investment trading and investment holding businesses to create more business opportunities to invest into investments/assets with capital appreciation potentials.

Following the Completion, the Group will still hold 71.7% equity interest in FCL, and FCL will continue to be accounted for as a subsidiary of the Company and the Group will continue to benefit from the future growth and success of FCL.

The Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors) consider the terms of the Subscription Agreement are negotiated at arm's length basis and on normal commercial terms, which are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole.

### **INFORMATION ON FCL**

FCL is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability and is principally engaged in the business of investment holding. FCL and its subsidiaries are principally engaged in the financial services sector, including the provision of securities brokerage services, the provision of insurance brokerage and financial planning services, the provision of corporate finance advisory services, trading of securities, provision of finance, as well as investment holding.

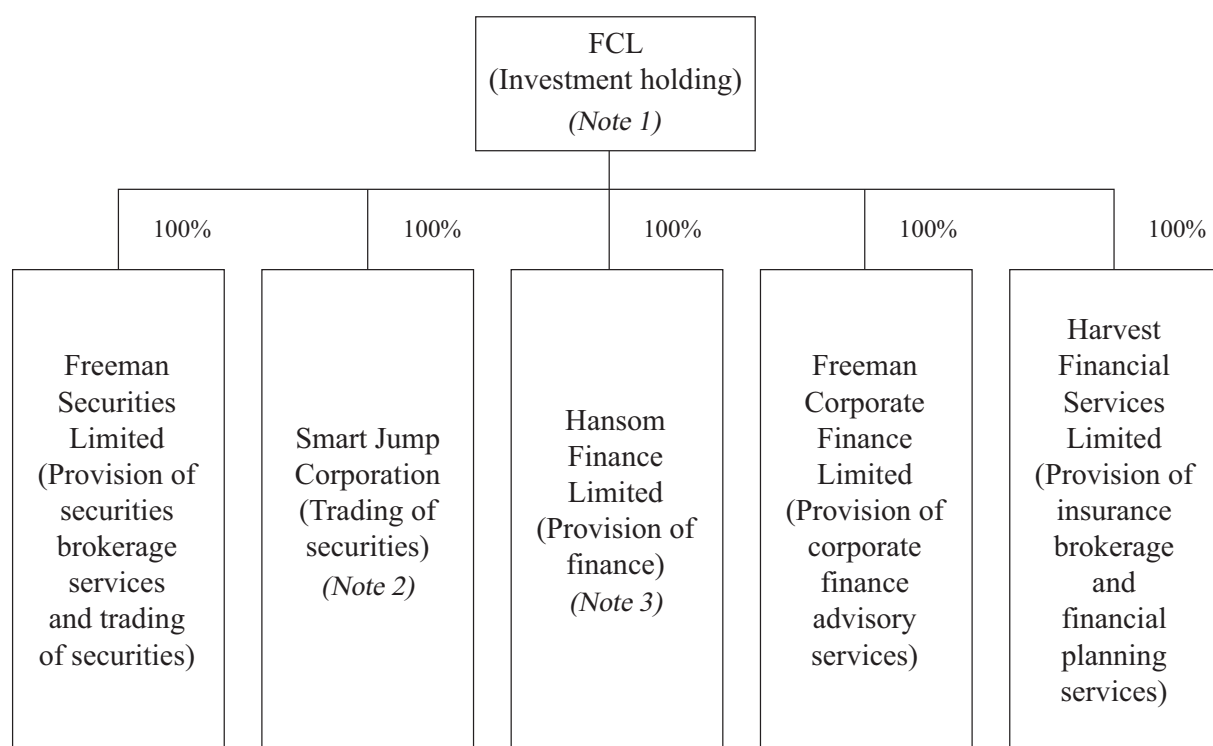
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During the year ended 31 March 2014 and up to the Latest Practicable Date, the Group underwent various share transfers and share swaps (the “Reorganisation”) which mainly involved (i) the incorporation of FCL on 28 June 2013; (ii) transfer of the entire share capital of certain subsidiaries previously held by the Company (outside FCL Group) to FCL or wholly-owned subsidiaries of FCL; and (iii) transfer of the entire share capital of an indirect subsidiary which holds 19.54% equity interest in an associate of the Group outside FCL Group.

Set out below is the group structure of FCL and its major operating subsidiaries with their respective principal activities immediately after the Reorganisation:



*Note 1:* FCL was incorporated on 28 June 2013. Pursuant to various share transfers and share swaps underwent by the Group, FCL became the holding company of the companies now comprising the FCL Group on 8 August 2013.

*Note 2:* On 8 August 2013, one issued ordinary share of Smart Jump Corporation, representing its entire issued share capital, was transferred to a wholly-owned subsidiary of FCL (“SJC Transfer”). Pursuant to SJC Transfer, Smart Jump Corporation became an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of FCL.

*Note 3:* On 8 August 2013, one issued ordinary share of Asia Hunter Global Limited (the immediate holding company of Hansom Finance Limited), representing its entire issued share capital, was transferred to a wholly-owned subsidiary of FCL (“HFL Transfer”). Pursuant to HFL Transfer, Hansom Finance Limited became an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of FCL.

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Set out below is a summary of the audited financial information of FCL Group for the two years ended 31 March 2013 and 2014:

	<b>For the year ended 31 March</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Profit before tax</b>	250,657	585,920
<b>Profit after tax</b>	248,865	583,174

Financial information of FCL Group for the Relevant Periods is further set out in Appendix I to this circular.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT ON THE GROUP**

Following the Completion, the equity interest of the Group in FCL will be diluted from 100% to 71.7% and FCL will become an indirect non-wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The financial results of FCL Group will continue to be consolidated by the Group. Based on the unaudited pro forma financial information of the Remaining Group as set out in Appendix III to this circular, the expected gain from the Subscription amounted to approximately HK\$6.7 million, which is calculated at net asset value of FCL Group attributable to the Remaining Group after the Subscription of HK\$2,210.0 million less the Audited NAV of HK\$2,203.3 million.

As illustrated in the unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of financial position of the Remaining Group as set out in Appendix III to this circular which has been prepared as if the Subscription had been completed on 31 March 2014, (i) the total assets of the Group would be increased by approximately HK\$879.0 million and (ii) the total liabilities of the Group would be increased by approximately HK\$0.6 million; (iii) the Remaining Group will record a non-controlling interest of approximately HK\$872.3 million in FCL Group.

As illustrated in the unaudited pro forma consolidated income statement of the Remaining Group as set out in Appendix III to this circular which has been prepared as if the Subscription had been completed on 1 April 2013, the net profit attributable to the owners of the Company recorded by the Remaining Group would be decreased by HK\$165.6 million to HK\$311.7 million for the year ended 31 March 2014.

### **INFORMATION ON THE GROUP AND THE PARTIES**

The Group is principally engaged in the financial services sector, including the provision of securities brokerage services, the provision of insurance brokerage and financial planning services, the provision of corporate finance advisory services, trading of securities, provision of finance, as well as investment holding.

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The Subscriber is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Willie and is an investment holding company. Willie and its subsidiaries are principally engaged in investment in securities trading, money lending, property investment and investment holding.

### LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

Following the Completion, the Group's equity interests in FCL will be diluted from 100% to 71.7% and FCL will become a non-wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The Subscription constitutes a deemed disposal of the Group's equity interest in FCL under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

As the applicable percentage ratios (as defined under the Listing Rules) in respect of the Subscription exceed 75%, the Subscription constitutes a very substantial disposal of the Company under the Listing Rules, and is therefore subject to Shareholders' approval at the EGM to be convened.

As at the date of this circular, the Company, through an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, held 37,406,335 shares of Willie, representing approximately 4.97% of the total issued share capital of Willie and Willie (the holding company of the Subscriber) held 23,438,649 Shares representing approximately 6.81% of the total issued share capital of the Company. The Company announced on 20 June 2014 that FFSL (an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) has executed the JV Agreement with Willie Link (an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Willie) and the JV Company, pursuant to which FFSL and Willie Link agreed to contribute or procure the contribution by their respective nominee(s) of their respective holding of issued shares of HEC Capital Limited (an associate of the Group) to the JV Company in exchange for the same amount of new shares to be allotted and issued by the JV Company. This transaction has been completed in late June 2014, and FFSL and Willie Link now respectively holds approximately 65.3% and 34.7% equity interest in the JV Company. Terms used in this paragraph have the same meanings as set out in the announcement issued by the Company on 20 June 2014.

Saved as disclosed, to the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief after having made all reasonable enquiry, no Shareholder (other than Willie) has a material interest in the Subscription Agreement and the transaction contemplated thereunder (including without limitation the Subscription) which is different from that of the other Shareholders and thus no Shareholder (other than Willie) is required to abstain from voting on the relevant resolutions to approve the Subscription Agreement and the transaction contemplated thereunder (including without limitation the Subscription) at the EGM. Accordingly, Willie will abstain from voting in respect of the resolutions relating to the Subscription and the transaction contemplated in the Subscription Agreement at the EGM.

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### EGM

The EGM will be held by the Company on Friday, 5 September 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at 30th Floor, China United Centre, 28 Marble Road, North Point, Hong Kong for the Shareholders to consider, and if thought fit, passing the resolutions to approve the Subscription Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereunder.

A proxy form for use at the EGM is enclosed herewith. Whether or not you are able to attend the EGM, you are requested to complete the proxy form and return it to the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Secretaries Limited at Level 22, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the EGM or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the proxy form will not preclude you from attending and voting at the EGM or any adjourned meeting should you so wish.

Pursuant to 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules, any vote of the Shareholders at a general meeting shall be taken by poll. The Company will announce the results of the poll in the manner prescribed under Rule 13.39(5) of the Listing Rules.

### RECOMMENDATION

The Board considers that the Subscription Agreement was entered into on normal commercial terms after arm's length negotiation and the terms of the Subscription Agreement are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. Accordingly, the Board recommends the Shareholders to vote in favour of the proposed ordinary resolutions to approve the Subscription Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereunder at the EGM.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Your attention is also drawn to the additional information set out in the appendices to this circular.

By Order of the Board of  
**FREEMAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION LIMITED**  
**Lo Kan Sun**  
*Chairman*

*The following is the text of a report prepared for the purpose of incorporation in this circular, received from the independent reporting accountants of Freeman Corporation Limited, Ernst & Young, Certified Public Accountants, Hong Kong.*



22/F, CITIC Tower  
1 Tim Mei Avenue  
Central, Hong Kong

20 August 2014

The Board of Directors

**Freeman Financial Corporation Limited**

Room 2302, 23rd Floor, China United Centre  
28 Marble Road  
North Point  
Hong Kong

Dear Sirs,

We set out below our report on the financial information of Freeman Corporation Limited (“FCL”, formerly known as Advance Best Limited) and its subsidiaries (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “FCL Group”) comprising the combined income statements, statements of comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity and statements of cash flows of the FCL Group for each of the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 (the “Relevant Periods”), and the combined statements of financial position of the FCL Group and the statements of financial position of FCL as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, together with the notes thereto (the “Financial Information”), prepared on the basis of presentation set out in note 2.1 of Section II below, for inclusion in the circular of Freeman Financial Corporation Limited (the “Company”) dated 20 August 2014 (the “Circular”) in connection with the deemed disposal of equity interest in FCL.

FCL was incorporated as an exempted company with limited liability in the Cayman Islands on 28 June 2013. Pursuant to a group reorganisation (the “Reorganisation”) as set out in note 2.1 of Section II below, which was completed on 8 August 2013, FCL became the holding company of the other subsidiaries comprising the FCL Group. Apart from the Reorganisation, FCL has not commenced any business or operation since its incorporation.

As at the date of this report, no statutory financial statements have been prepared for FCL as it is not subject to statutory audit requirements under the relevant rules and regulations in its jurisdiction of incorporation.



As at the end of the Relevant Periods, FCL has direct and indirect interests in the subsidiaries as set out in note 1 of Section II below. All companies now comprising the FCL Group have adopted 31 March as their financial year end date except for those otherwise indicated. The statutory financial statements of the companies now comprising the FCL Group were prepared in accordance with the relevant accounting principles applicable to these companies in the countries in which they were incorporated. Details of their statutory auditors during the Relevant Periods are set out in note 1 of Section II below.

For the purpose of this report, the sole director of FCL (the "FCL Director") has prepared the combined financial statements of the FCL Group (the "Underlying Financial Statements") in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs"), which include all Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA"). The Underlying Financial Statements for each of the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 were audited by us in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the HKICPA.

The Financial Information set out in this report has been prepared from the Underlying Financial Statements with no adjustments made thereon.

#### **FCL DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY**

The FCL Director is responsible for the preparation of the Underlying Financial Statements and the Financial Information that give a true and fair view in accordance with HKFRSs, and for such internal control as the FCL Director determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the Underlying Financial Statements and the Financial Information that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS' RESPONSIBILITY**

It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion on the Financial Information and to report our opinion thereon to you.

For the purpose of this report, we have carried out procedures on the Financial Information in accordance with Auditing Guideline 3.340 *Prospectuses and the Reporting Accountant* issued by the HKICPA.

#### **OPINION IN RESPECT OF THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

In our opinion, for the purpose of this report and on the basis of presentation set out in note 2.1 of Section II below, the Financial Information gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the FCL Group and FCL as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 and of the combined results and cash flows of the FCL Group for each of the Relevant Periods.

## I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## (a) Combined income statements

	Notes	Year ended 31 March		
		2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000
<b>REVENUE</b>	7	12,456	82,421	233,240
Cost of sales		–	(502)	(3,453)
Gross profit		12,456	81,919	229,787
Other income and gains	7	21,804	35,838	8,356
Fair value gains/(losses) on investments at fair value through profit or loss, net		(463,748)	186,340	395,954
General and administrative expenses		(23,106)	(27,319)	(29,614)
Other expenses, net		(6,667)	(1,398)	(2,000)
Finance costs	9	(22,826)	(24,723)	(16,563)
Share of profit of an associate		293	–	–
<b>PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAX</b>	8	(481,794)	250,657	585,920
Income tax expense	12	(2,197)	(1,792)	(2,746)
<b>PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR</b>		<u>(483,991)</u>	<u>248,865</u>	<u>583,174</u>
Attributable to:				
Owner of FCL	13	(485,240)	248,945	583,174
Non-controlling interest		1,249	(80)	–
		<u>(483,991)</u>	<u>248,865</u>	<u>583,174</u>

## (b) Combined statements of comprehensive income

	Note	Year ended 31 March		
		2012	2013	2014
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
<b>PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR</b>		<u>(483,991)</u>	<u>248,865</u>	<u>583,174</u>
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS)</b>				
Other comprehensive income/(loss) to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:				
An available-for-sale investment:	18			
Change in fair value		(6,667)	17,068	16,521
Impairment loss reclassified to the combined income statements		6,667	1,398	–
Reclassification of cumulative gains to the combined income statements upon disposal		–	(18,466)	–
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR, NET OF TAX</b>		<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>16,521</u>
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR</b>		<u>(483,991)</u>	<u>248,865</u>	<u>599,695</u>
Attributable to:				
Owner of FCL		(485,240)	248,945	599,695
Non-controlling interest		1,249	(80)	–
		<u>(483,991)</u>	<u>248,865</u>	<u>599,695</u>

## (c) Combined statements of financial position

	Notes	As at 31 March		
		2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Property, plant and equipment	15	3,990	3,885	2,716
Intangible asset	16	339	339	339
Available-for-sale investment	18	17,693	1,986	18,507
Loans receivable	19	–	1,411	748
Note receivable	21	7,711	7,711	–
Deferred tax assets	27	47	47	99
Total non-current assets		<u>29,780</u>	<u>15,379</u>	<u>22,409</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Accounts receivable	20	42,365	136,886	193,449
Loans receivable	19	2,007	4,623	301,792
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	21	1,543	1,581	1,413
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	22	891,116	1,380,032	1,836,599
Amount due from the immediate holding company	25	97	158	23
Amounts due from fellow subsidiaries	25	783,807	799,467	6,217
Cash and bank balances	23	122,693	178,132	55,866
Total current assets		<u>1,843,628</u>	<u>2,500,879</u>	<u>2,395,359</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts payable	24	2,304	11,853	363
Other payables and accruals		1,343	2,021	1,560
Interest-bearing other borrowings	26	268,142	303,506	208,731
Amount due to the ultimate holding company	25	3,075,667	3,442,008	1,059
Tax payable		2,244	2,852	2,771
Total current liabilities		<u>3,349,700</u>	<u>3,762,240</u>	<u>214,484</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/ (LIABILITIES)</b>		<u>(1,506,072)</u>	<u>(1,261,361)</u>	<u>2,180,875</u>
<b>NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>		<u>(1,476,292)</u>	<u>(1,245,982)</u>	<u>2,203,284</u>
<b>EQUITY/(DEFICIENCY IN ASSETS)</b>				
<b>Equity attributable to owner of FCL</b>				
Issued capital	28	–	–	–
Reserves	29(a)	(1,492,170)	(1,245,982)	2,203,284
		(1,492,170)	(1,245,982)	2,203,284
<b>Non-controlling interest</b>		<u>15,878</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>
Total equity/(net deficiency in assets)		<u>(1,476,292)</u>	<u>(1,245,982)</u>	<u>2,203,284</u>

## (d) Combined statements of changes in equity

		Attributable to owner of FCL									
		Issued capital	Share premium account	Merger reserve	Available-for-sale investment revaluation reserve	Distributable reserve	Capital contribution reserve	Accumulated losses	Total	Non-controlling interest	Total equity
Notes		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000 (note 29(b))	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000 (note 29(c))	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	At 1 April 2011	-	-	25,000	-	-	-	(1,056,661)	(1,031,661)	-	(1,031,661)
	Profit/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	(485,240)	(485,240)	1,249	(483,991)
	Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year:										
	An available-for-sale investment:										
	Change in fair value	18	-	-	(6,667)	-	-	-	(6,667)	-	(6,667)
	Impairment loss reclassified to the combined income statements		-	-	6,667	-	-	-	6,667	-	6,667
	Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	(485,240)	(485,240)	1,249	(483,991)
	Capital contribution by the ultimate holding company	-	-	-	-	-	24,360	-	24,360	-	24,360
	Deemed disposal of interest in a subsidiary	30(b)	-	-	-	371	-	-	371	14,629	15,000
	At 31 March 2012 and 1 April 2012	-	-*	25,000*	-*	371*	24,360*	(1,541,901)*	(1,492,170)	15,878	(1,476,292)
	Profit/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	248,945	248,945	(80)	248,865
	Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year:										
	An available-for-sale investment:										
	Change in fair value	18	-	-	17,068	-	-	-	17,068	-	17,068
	Impairment loss reclassified to the combined income statements		-	-	1,398	-	-	-	1,398	-	1,398
	Reclassification of cumulative gains to the combined income statements upon disposal		-	-	(18,466)	-	-	-	(18,466)	-	(18,466)
	Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	248,945	248,945	(80)	248,865
	Acquisition of additional interest in a subsidiary	30(c)	-	-	-	(2,757)	-	-	(2,757)	(15,798)	(18,555)
	At 31 March 2013 and 1 April 2013	-	-*	25,000*	-*	(2,386)*	24,360*	(1,292,956)*	(1,245,982)	-	(1,245,982)
	Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	583,174	583,174	-	583,174
	Other comprehensive income for the year:										
	An available-for-sale investment:										
	Change in fair value	18	-	-	16,521	-	-	-	16,521	-	16,521
	Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	16,521	-	-	583,174	599,695	-	599,695
	Issue of new shares	28(b)	-	38,000	-	-	-	-	38,000	-	38,000
	Capital contribution by the ultimate holding company	-	-	-	-	-	2,811,571	-	2,811,571	-	2,811,571
	At 31 March 2014	-	38,000*	25,000*	16,521*	(2,386)*	2,835,931*	(709,782)*	2,203,284	-	2,203,284

\* These reserve accounts comprise the combined debit reserves of HK\$1,492,170,000 and HK\$1,245,982,000 in the combined statements of financial position as at 31 March 2012 and 2013 and credit reserves of HK\$2,203,284,000 in the combined statement of financial position as at 31 March 2014.

## (e) Combined statements of cash flows

	Notes	Year ended 31 March		
		2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Profit/(loss) before tax		(481,794)	250,657	585,920
Adjustments for:				
Finance costs	9	22,826	24,723	16,563
Share of profit of an associate		(293)	–	–
Interest income		(30,250)	(33,390)	(33,032)
Depreciation	8	867	1,258	1,188
Fair value losses/(gains) on investments at fair value through profit or loss, net		463,748	(186,340)	(395,954)
Gain on disposal of an available-for-sale investment	7	–	(18,466)	–
Gain on redemption of a note receivable	7	–	–	(77)
Loss on disposal/write-off of items of property, plant and equipment	8	32	19	134
Impairment of an available-for-sale investment	8	6,667	1,398	–
Impairment of a loan receivable	8	–	–	2,000
Reversal of impairment of a loan receivable	7	(526)	–	–
		(18,723)	39,859	176,742
Increase in accounts receivable		(5,943)	(82,345)	(40,351)
Decrease/(increase) in loans receivable		28,644	(3,993)	(293,137)
Decrease/(increase) in prepayments, deposits and other receivables		(892)	(38)	168
Increase in investments at fair value through profit or loss		(328,673)	(302,576)	(60,613)
Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable		2,146	9,549	(11,490)
Decrease in other payables and accruals		(50,238)	(311)	(461)
Decrease/(increase) in amounts due from the immediate holding company		(2)	(61)	135
Decrease/(increase) in amount due from fellow subsidiaries		(241,664)	5	799,466
Increase/(decrease) in amount due to the ultimate holding company		(266,619)	332,205	(638,256)
Cash used in operations		(881,964)	(7,706)	(67,797)
Interest received		12,226	5,515	5,235
Interest paid		(4,941)	(3,818)	(4,495)
Income tax paid		–	(1,184)	(2,879)
Net cash flows used in operating activities		(874,679)	(7,193)	(69,936)

	Notes	Year ended 31 March		
		2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000
Net cash flows used in operating activities		(874,679)	(7,193)	(69,936)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Additions to property, plant and equipment	15	(433)	(1,172)	(153)
Proceeds from disposal of an available-for-sale investment		425,729	32,775	–
Proceeds from redemption of a note receivable	21	–	–	7,788
Acquisition of a subsidiary	30(a)	35,375	–	–
Net cash flows from investing activities		460,671	31,603	7,635
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Proceeds from issue of new shares	28(b)	–	–	38,000
Proceeds from issue of new shares by a subsidiary	30(b)	15,000	–	–
Drawdown of other borrowings		168,000	514,012	570,416
Repayment of other borrowings		(38,000)	(474,024)	(606,690)
Increase/(decrease) in margin loan borrowings, net		72,709	(8,959)	(61,691)
Net cash flows from/(used in) financing activities		217,709	31,029	(59,965)
<b>NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		(196,299)	55,439	(122,266)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of each of the Relevant Periods		318,992	122,693	178,132
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF EACH OF THE RELEVANT PERIODS</b>		<b>122,693</b>	<b>178,132</b>	<b>55,866</b>
<b>ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>				
Cash and bank balances		122,693	178,132	55,866

## (f) Statements of financial position of FCL

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
		<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
		<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSET</b>				
Investment in a subsidiary	17	–	–	376,155
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Due from subsidiaries	17	–	–	2,469,720
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Due to subsidiaries	17	–	–	3,380
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		–	–	2,466,340
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		–	–	2,842,495
<b>EQUITY</b>				
Issued capital	28	–	–	–
Reserves	29(d)	–	–	2,842,495
<b>Total equity</b>		–	–	2,842,495



## II. NOTES TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

FCL is an exempted company with limited liability incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 28 June 2013. The registered office of FCL is located at Suite#4-210, Governors Square, 23 Lime Tree Bay Avenue, P.O. Box 32311, Grand Cayman KY1-1209, Cayman Islands. The principal place of business of FCL is located at Room 2302, 23rd Floor, China United Centre, 28 Marble Road, North Point, Hong Kong.

FCL is an investment holding company. During the Relevant Periods, the FCL Group were principally engaged in the financial services sector, including the provision of securities brokerage services, the provision of insurance brokerage and financial planning services, the provision of corporate finance advisory services, trading of securities, the provision of finance, and the provision of management services, as well as investment holding.

FCL and its subsidiaries now comprising the FCL Group underwent the Reorganisation as set out in paragraph headed "Information on FCL" in Letter from the Board to the Circular. FCL became the holding company of the subsidiaries comprising the FCL Group upon the completion of the Reorganisation.

As at the end of the Relevant Periods, FCL had direct and indirect interests in the following subsidiaries, all of which are private limited liability companies (or, if incorporated outside Hong Kong, have substantially similar characteristics to a private company incorporated in Hong Kong), the particulars of which are set out below:

Company name	Place and date of incorporation and place of operations	Nominal value of issued ordinary share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to FCL		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
Ambition Union Limited <sup>(1) (3)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 9 November 2010	US\$20,000,000	100%	–	Investment holding
Asia Hunter Global Limited <sup>(1)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 2 July 1999	US\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
Classic Rank Limited <sup>(1)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 10 October 2000	US\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
Dynastic Union Limited <sup>(1) (3)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 21 January 2011	US\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
Eastern Sunny Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 27 November 2000	HK\$2	–	100%	Provision of management services
Freeman Agency Services Limited <sup>(1)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 8 January 1999	US\$2	–	100%	Investment holding

Company name	Place and date of incorporation and place of operations	Nominal value of issued ordinary share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to FCL		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
Freeman China Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 10 December 2005	HK\$1	–	100%	Inactive
Freeman Corporate Finance Limited <sup>(1) (3)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 16 February 2012	US\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
Freeman Corporate Finance Limited <sup>(3) (4)</sup>	Hong Kong 17 February 2012	HK\$200,000	–	100%	Provision of corporate finance advisory services
Freeman Corporation Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 7 September 2010	HK\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
Freeman Dynasty Money Lending Corporation Limited <sup>(2) (3)</sup>	Hong Kong 31 May 2011	HK\$10,000	–	100%	Provision of finance
Freeman Dynasty Services Company Limited <sup>(2) (3)</sup>	Hong Kong 31 May 2011	HK\$10,000	–	100%	Provision of management services
Freeman Financial Investment Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 19 September 2011	HK\$1	–	100%	Inactive
Freeman Insurance Services Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 19 September 2011	HK\$1	–	100%	Inactive
Freeman International Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 10 December 2005	HK\$1	–	100%	Inactive
Freeman Investment Management Limited <sup>(1) (3)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 18 October 2007	US\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
Freeman Investment Management Limited <sup>(3) (4)</sup>	Hong Kong 1 November 2011	HK\$180,000	–	100%	Inactive
Freeman Investment Services Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 19 September 2011	HK\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
Freeman Money Lending Corporation Limited <sup>(3) (4)</sup>	Hong Kong 21 January 2011	HK\$1	–	100%	Provision of finance
Freeman Securities Limited (“FSL”) <sup>(2) (3)</sup>	Hong Kong 12 July 2007	HK\$250,000,000	–	100%	Securities brokerage, placing, underwriting, margin financing and trading of securities
Freeman Union Limited <sup>(1)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 11 December 2013	–	–	100%	Investment holding
Freeman Nominee Services Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 6 June 2006	HK\$1	–	100%	Inactive

Company name	Place and date of incorporation and place of operations	Nominal value of issued ordinary share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to FCL		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
Freeman United Investments Limited <sup>(3) (4)</sup>	Hong Kong 22 December 2010	HK\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
FU Securities Limited <sup>(1) (3)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 21 January 2011	US\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
Hansom Finance Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 1 November 2000	HK\$2	–	100%	Provision of finance
Harvest Financial Services Limited <sup>(1) (3)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 8 November 2011	US\$1	–	100%	Investment holding
Harvest Financial Services Limited <sup>(3) (4)</sup>	Hong Kong 7 November 2011	HK\$200,000	–	100%	Provision of insurance brokerage services, financial planning and related services
Prime Kingdom Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 27 November 2000	HK\$2	–	100%	Inactive
Smart Jump Corporation <sup>(5)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 9 November 1999	US\$1	–	100%	Trading in securities
Supreme Host Holdings Limited <sup>(4)</sup>	Hong Kong 18 January 2007	HK\$1	–	100%	Provision of management services
Wealth Union Finance Limited <sup>(1) (3)</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong 21 January 2011	US\$1	–	100%	Investment holding

*Notes:*

- (1) No audited financial statements have been prepared for these entities for the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 (or since date of incorporation, where later than the beginning of the Relevant Periods) as these entities were not subject to statutory audit requirements under the relevant rules and regulations in its jurisdiction of incorporation.
- (2) The statutory financial statements of these entities for years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 (or since date of incorporation, where later than the beginning of the Relevant Periods) prepared under HKFRSs were audited by Chung & Yeung.
- (3) These entities have adopted 31 December as their financial year end date.
- (4) The statutory financial statements of these entities for the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 (or since date of incorporation, where later than the beginning of the Relevant Periods) prepared under HKFRSs were audited by Ernst & Young, Hong Kong.
- (5) The financial statements of this entity for the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 prepared under HKFRSs were audited by Ernst & Young, Hong Kong.

**2.1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

Pursuant to the Reorganisation as explained in the paragraph headed “Information on FCL” in Letter from the Board to the Circular, FCL became the holding company of the companies now comprising the FCL Group on 8 August 2013. The companies now comprising the FCL Group were under the common control of the Company before and after the Reorganisation. Accordingly, for the purpose of this report, the Financial Information has been prepared on a combined basis by applying the principles of merger accounting as if the Reorganisation had been completed at the beginning of the Relevant Periods.

The combined income statements, statements of comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity and statements of cash flows of the FCL Group for the Relevant Periods include the results and cash flows of all companies now comprising the FCL Group from the earliest date presented or since the date when the subsidiaries and/or businesses first came under the common control of the Company, where this is a shorter period. The combined statements of financial position of the FCL Group as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 have been prepared to present the assets and liabilities of the subsidiaries and/or businesses using the existing book values from the Company’s perspective. No adjustments are made to reflect fair values, or recognise any new assets or liabilities as a result of the Reorganisation.

Equity interests in subsidiaries and/or businesses held by parties other than the Company and changes therein, prior to the Reorganisation are presented as non-controlling interest in equity in applying the principles of merger accounting.

All intra-group transactions and balances have been eliminated on combination.

**2.2 BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The Financial Information has been prepared in accordance with HKFRSs (which include all Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards (“HKASs”) and Interpretations) issued by the HKICPA, and accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong. All HKFRSs effective for the accounting period commencing from 1 April 2011, together with the relevant transitional provisions, have been early adopted by the FCL Group in the preparation of the Financial Information throughout the Relevant Periods.

The Financial Information has been prepared under the historical cost convention except for an available-for-sale investment and certain investments at fair value through profit or loss, which have been measured at fair value. The Financial Information is presented in Hong Kong dollars (“HK\$”) and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand except when otherwise indicated.

### 3. ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The FCL Group has not applied the following new and revised HKFRSs, that have been issued but are not yet effective, in the Financial Information.

HKFRS 9	<i>Financial Instruments</i> <sup>5</sup>
HKFRS 9, HKFRS 7 and HKAS 39 Amendments	<i>Hedge Accounting and amendments to HKFRS 9, HKFRS 7 and HKAS 39</i> <sup>5</sup>
HKFRS 10, HKFRS 12 and HKAS 27 (2011) Amendments	Amendments to HKFRS 10, HKFRS 12 and HKAS 27 (2011) – <i>Investment Entities</i> <sup>1</sup>
HKFRS 11 Amendments	Amendments to HKFRS 11 – <i>Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations</i> <sup>5</sup>
HKFRS 14	<i>Regulatory Deferral Accounts</i> <sup>3</sup>
HKAS 16 and HKAS 18 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 16 and HKAS 18 – <i>Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation</i> <sup>5</sup>
HKAS 19 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 19 <i>Employee Benefits – Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions</i> <sup>2</sup>
HKAS 32 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 32 <i>Financial Instruments: Presentation – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities</i> <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 39 Amendments	Amendments to HKAS 39 <i>Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement – Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting</i> <sup>1</sup>
HK(IFRIC)-Int 21 <i>Annual Improvements 2010-2012 Cycle</i>	<i>Levies</i> <sup>1</sup> Amendments to a number of HKFRSs issued in January 2014 <sup>4</sup>
<i>Annual Improvements 2011-2013 Cycle</i>	Amendments to a number of HKFRSs issued in January 2014 <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014

<sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2014

<sup>3</sup> Effective for first annual HKFRS financial statements for a period beginning on or after 1 January 2016 and not applicable to the FCL Group

<sup>4</sup> Generally effective for annual periods beginning, or transactions occurring, on or after 1 July 2014

<sup>5</sup> No mandatory effective date yet determined but is available for adoption

The FCL Group is in the process of making an assessment of the impact of these new and revised HKFRSs upon initial application but is not yet in a position to state whether these new and revised HKFRSs would have a significant impact on the Financial Information.

### 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of combination

This Financial Information includes the financial statements of FCL and its subsidiaries now comprising the FCL Group for the Relevant Periods. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as FCL, using consistent accounting policies.

As explained in note 2.1 of Section II above, the acquisition of subsidiaries under common control has been accounted for using the merger accounting. The acquisition of subsidiaries not under common control is accounted for using the acquisition method as explained below under "Business combinations and goodwill".

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owner of FCL of the FCL Group and to the non-controlling interests, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance. All intra-group assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the FCL Group are eliminated in full on combination.

A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

If the FCL Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises (i) the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary, (ii) the carrying amount of any non-controlling interest and (iii) the cumulative translation differences recorded in equity; and recognises (i) the fair value of the consideration received, (ii) the fair value of any investment retained and (iii) any resulting surplus or deficit in the income statement. The FCL Group's share of components previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to the income statement or retained profits, as appropriate, on the same basis as would be required if the FCL Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities.

### **Subsidiaries**

A subsidiary is an entity (including a structured entity), directly or indirectly, controlled by FCL. Control is achieved when the FCL Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee (i.e., existing rights that give the FCL Group the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee).

When FCL has, directly or indirectly, less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the FCL Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- (a) the contractual arrangement with the other vote holders of the investee;
- (b) rights arising from other contractual arrangements; and
- (c) the FCL Group's voting rights and potential voting rights.

The results of subsidiaries are included in FCL's income statement to the extent of dividends received and receivable. FCL's investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less any impairment losses.

Upon the disposal of investments in subsidiaries, any gain or loss arising thereon is included in the income statement and any amounts recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to those subsidiaries should be accounted for on the same basis as if the related assets or liabilities are directly disposed of by those subsidiaries.

**Business combinations and goodwill**

Business combinations other than those under common control are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred is measured at the acquisition date fair value which is the sum of the acquisition date fair values of assets transferred by the FCL Group, liabilities assumed by the FCL Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the FCL Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. For each business combination, the FCL Group elects whether to measure the non-controlling interests in the acquiree that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of net assets in the event of liquidation at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. All other components of non-controlling interests are measured at fair value. Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

When the FCL Group acquires a business, it assesses the financial assets and liabilities assumed for appropriate classification and designation in accordance with the contractual terms, economic circumstances and pertinent conditions as at the acquisition date. This includes the separation of embedded derivatives in host contracts by the acquiree.

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the previously held equity interest is remeasured at its acquisition date fair value and any resulting gain or loss is recognised in the income statement.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer is recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Contingent consideration classified as an asset or liability that is a financial instrument and within the scope of HKAS 39 is measured at fair value with changes in fair value either recognised in the income statement or as a change to other comprehensive income. If the contingent consideration is not within the scope of HKAS 39, it is measured in accordance with the appropriate HKFRS. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured and subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

Goodwill is initially measured at cost, being the excess of the aggregate of the consideration transferred, the amount recognised for non-controlling interests and any fair value of the FCL Group's previously held equity interests in the acquiree over the identifiable net assets acquired and liabilities assumed. If the sum of this consideration and other items is lower than the fair value of the net assets acquired, the difference is, after reassessment, recognised in the income statement as a gain on bargain purchase.

After initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is tested for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired. The FCL Group performs its annual impairment test of goodwill as at 31 March. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the FCL Group's cash-generating units, or groups of cash-generating units, that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the FCL Group are assigned to those units or groups of units.

Impairment is determined by assessing the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) to which the goodwill relates. Where the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in a subsequent period.

Where goodwill has been allocated to a cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) and part of the operation within that unit is disposed of, the goodwill associated with the operation disposed of is included in the carrying amount of the operation when determining the gain or loss on the disposal. Goodwill disposed of in these circumstances is measured based on the relative value of the operation disposed of and the portion of the cash-generating unit retained.

### **Fair value measurement**

The FCL Group measures its available-for-sale investment and equity and debt investments at fair value at the end of each of the Relevant Periods. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either in the principal market for the asset or liability, or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the FCL Group. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The FCL Group uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the Financial Information are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

Level 1 – based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities

Level 2 – based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is observable, either directly or indirectly

Level 3 – based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the Financial Information on a recurring basis, the FCL Group determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by reassessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each of the Relevant Periods.



**Impairment of non-financial assets**

Where an indication of impairment exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required (other than financial assets and deferred tax assets), the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's or cash-generating unit's value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal, and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, in which case the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss is recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. 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. An impairment loss is charged to the income statement in the period in which it arises.

An assessment is made at the end of each of the Relevant Periods as to whether there is an indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognised impairment loss of an asset other than goodwill is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount of that asset, but not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of such an impairment loss is credited to the income statement in the period in which it arises.

**Related parties**

A party is considered to be related to the FCL Group if:

- (a) the party is a person or a close member of that person's family and that person
  - (i) has control or joint control over the FCL Group;
  - (ii) has significant influence over the FCL Group; or
  - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the FCL Group or of a parent of the FCL Group;

or

- (b) the party is an entity where any of the following conditions applies:
  - (i) the entity and the FCL Group are members of the same group;
  - (ii) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or of a parent, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary of the other entity);
  - (iii) the entity and the FCL Group are joint ventures of the same third party;

- (iv) one entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity;
- (v) the entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the FCL Group or an entity related to the FCL Group;
- (vi) the entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a); and
- (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).

### Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use.

Expenditure incurred after items of property, plant and equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance, is normally charged to the income statement in the period in which it is incurred. In situations where the recognition criteria are satisfied, the expenditure for a major inspection is capitalised in the carrying amount of the asset as a replacement. Where significant parts of property, plant and equipment are required to be replaced at intervals, the FCL Group recognises such parts as individual assets with specific useful lives and depreciates them accordingly.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis to write off the cost of each item of property, plant and equipment to its residual value over its estimated useful life. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

Leasehold improvements	Over the shorter of the lease terms and 15%
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	15%
Computer equipment	33 $\frac{1}{3}$ %

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, the cost of that item is allocated on a reasonable basis among the parts and each part is depreciated separately. Residual values, useful lives and the depreciation method are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at least at each financial year end.

An item of property, plant and equipment including any significant part initially recognised is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on disposal or retirement recognised in the income statement in the year the asset is derecognised is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset.

**Intangible assets (other than goodwill)**

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is the fair value at the date of acquisition. The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed to be either finite or indefinite.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually either individually or at the cash-generating unit level. Such intangible assets are not amortised. The useful life of an intangible asset with an indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine whether indefinite life assessment continues to be supportable. If not, the change in the useful life assessment from indefinite to finite is accounted for on a prospective basis.

**Trading right**

Trading right represents the eligibility right to trade on or through The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") with an indefinite useful life. It is carried at cost less any impairment losses.

**Operating leases**

Leases where substantially all the rewards and risks of ownership of assets remain with the lessor are accounted for as operating leases. Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the income statement on the straight-line basis over the lease terms.

**Investments and other financial assets*****Initial recognition and measurement***

Financial assets of the FCL Group are classified, at initial recognition, as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, and available-for-sale financial investments, as appropriate. When financial assets are recognised initially, they are measured at fair value plus transaction costs that are attributable to the acquisition of the financial assets, except in the case of financial assets recorded at fair value through profit or loss.

All regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, that is, the date that the FCL Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the period generally established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

***Subsequent measurement***

The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

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

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include financial assets held for trading and financial assets designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of sale in the near term.

Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments as defined by HKAS 39.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are carried in the combined statements of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognised in the income statement. These net fair value changes do not include any dividends on these financial assets, which are recognised in accordance with the policies set out for "Revenue recognition" below.

Financial assets designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss are designated at the date of initial recognition and only if the criteria in HKAS 39 are satisfied.

Derivatives embedded in host contracts are accounted for as separate derivatives and recorded at fair value if their economic characteristics and risks are not closely related to those of the host contracts and the host contracts are not held for trading or designated as at fair value through profit or loss. These embedded derivatives are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in the income statement. Reassessment only occurs if there is either a change in the terms of the contract that significantly modifies the cash flows that would otherwise be required or a reclassification of a financial asset out of the fair value through profit or loss category.

#### *Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. After initial measurement, such assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less any allowance for impairment. Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and includes fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The effective interest rate amortisation is included in other income and gains in the income statement. The loss arising from impairment is recognised in the income statement.

#### *Available-for-sale financial investments*

Available-for-sale financial investments are non-derivative financial assets in listed and unlisted equity investments. Equity investments classified as available for sale are those which are neither classified as held for trading nor designated as at fair value through profit or loss. Debt securities in this category are those which are intended to be held for an indefinite period of time and which may be sold in response to needs for liquidity or in response to changes in market conditions.

After initial recognition, available-for-sale financial investments are subsequently measured at fair value, with unrealised gains or losses recognised as other comprehensive income in the available-for-sale investment revaluation reserve until the investment is derecognised, at which time the cumulative gain or loss is recognised in the income statement in other income, or until the investment is determined to be impaired, when the cumulative gain or loss is reclassified from the available-for-sale investment revaluation reserve to the income statement. Interest and dividends earned whilst holding the available-for-sale financial investments are reported as interest income and dividend income, respectively and are recognised in the income statement in accordance with the policies set out for "Revenue recognition" below.

When the fair value of unlisted equity investments cannot be reliably measured because (a) the variability in the range of reasonable fair value estimates is significant for that investment or (b) the probabilities of the various estimates within the range cannot be reasonably assessed and used in estimating fair value, such investments are stated at cost less any impairment losses.

The FCL Group evaluates whether the ability and intention to sell its available-for-sale financial assets in the near term are still appropriate. When, in rare circumstances, the FCL Group is unable to trade these financial assets due to inactive markets, the FCL Group may elect to reclassify these financial assets if management has the ability and intention to hold the assets for the foreseeable future or until maturity.

For a financial asset reclassified from the available-for-sale category, the fair value carrying amount at the date of reclassification becomes its new amortised cost and any previous gain or loss on that asset that has been recognised in equity is amortised to the income statement over the remaining life of the investment using the effective interest rate. Any difference between the new amortised cost and the maturity amount is also amortised over the remaining life of the asset using the effective interest rate. If the asset is subsequently determined to be impaired, then the amount recorded in equity is reclassified to the income statement.

#### **Derecognition of financial assets**

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is primarily derecognised (i.e., removed from the FCL Group's combined statements of financial position) when:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- the FCL Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement; and either (a) the FCL Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) the FCL Group has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the FCL Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if and to what extent it has retained the risk and rewards of ownership of the asset. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the FCL Group continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of the FCL Group's continuing involvement. In that case, the FCL Group also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the FCL Group has retained.

**Impairment of financial assets**

The FCL Group assesses at the end of each of the Relevant Periods whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired. An impairment exists if one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset have an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or the FCL Group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated. Evidence of impairment may include indications that a debtor or a group of debtors is experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments, the probability that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation and observable data indicating that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows, such as changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

***Financial assets carried at amortised cost***

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the FCL Group first assesses whether impairment exists individually for financial assets that are individually significant, or collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. If the FCL Group determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, whether significant or not, it includes the asset in a group of financial assets with similar credit risk characteristics and collectively assesses them for impairment. Assets that are individually assessed for impairment and for which an impairment loss is, or continues to be, recognised are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

The amount of any impairment loss identified is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not yet been incurred). The present value of the estimated future cash flows is discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate (i.e., the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition).

The carrying amount of the asset is reduced either directly or through the use of an allowance account and the loss is recognised in the income statement. Interest income continues to be accrued on the reduced carrying amount and is accrued using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss. Loans and receivables together with any associated allowance are written off when there is no realistic prospect of future recovery and all collateral has been realised or has been transferred to the FCL Group.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the estimated impairment loss increases or decreases because of an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is increased or reduced by adjusting the allowance account. If a write-off is later recovered, the recovery is credited to other expenses in the income statement.

***Assets carried at cost***

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss has been incurred on an unquoted equity instrument that is not carried at fair value because its fair value cannot be reliably measured, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Impairment losses on these assets are not reversed.

*Available-for-sale financial investments*

For available-for-sale financial investments, the FCL Group assesses at the end of each of the Relevant Periods whether there is objective evidence that an investment or a group of investments is impaired.

If an available-for-sale asset is impaired, an amount comprising the difference between its cost (net of any principal payment and amortisation) and its current fair value, less any impairment loss previously recognised in the income statement, is removed from other comprehensive income and recognised in the income statement.

In the case of equity investments classified as available for sale, objective evidence would include a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of an investment below its cost. "Significant" is evaluated against the original cost of the investment and "prolonged" against the period in which the fair value has been below its original cost. Where there is evidence of impairment, the cumulative loss – measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that investment previously recognised in the income statement – is removed from other comprehensive income and recognised in the income statement. Impairment losses on equity instruments classified as available for sale are not reversed through the income statement. Increases in their fair value after impairment are recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

**Financial liabilities***Initial recognition and measurement*

Financial liabilities of the FCL Group are classified, at initial recognition, as loans and borrowings.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

*Subsequent measurement*

The subsequent measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification as follows:

*Loans and borrowings*

After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost. Gains and losses are recognised in the income statement when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate amortisation process.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The effective interest rate amortisation is included in finance costs in the income statement.

**Derecognition of financial liabilities**

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled, or expires.

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and a recognition of a new liability, and the difference between the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the income statement.

**Offsetting of financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the combined statements of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

**Cash and cash equivalents**

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

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

**Provisions**

A provision is recognised when a present obligation (legal or constructive) has arisen as a result of a past event and it is probable that a future outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, provided that a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

When the effect of discounting is material, the amount recognised for a provision is the present value at the end of each of the Relevant Periods of the future expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation. The increase in the discounted present value amount arising from the passage of time is included in finance costs in the income statement.

**Income tax**

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax relating to items recognised outside the income statement is recognised outside the income statement, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.



Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of each of the Relevant Periods, taking into consideration interpretations and practices prevailing in the countries in which the FCL Group operates.

Deferred tax is provided, using the liability method, on all temporary differences at the end of each of the Relevant Periods between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences, except:

- when the deferred tax liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, when the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, the carryforward of unused tax credits and any unused tax losses. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, the carryforward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised, except:

- when the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary differences arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each of the Relevant Periods and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised. Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each of the Relevant Periods and are recognised to the extent that it has become probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of each of the Relevant Periods.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

### **Revenue recognition**

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the FCL Group and when the revenue can be measured reliably, on the following bases:

- (a) income from the sale of equity and debt securities, on a trade-date basis;
- (b) dividend income, when the shareholders' right to receive payment has been established;
- (c) interest income, on an accrual basis using the effective interest method by applying the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, when appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset;
- (d) insurance brokerage income, on the inception of the associated insurance policy;
- (e) corporate finance advisory income, when the relevant service has been rendered;
- (f) commission and brokerage income from securities dealings, on a trade-date basis;
- (g) underwriting and placing commission income, when the relevant service has been rendered; and
- (h) management fee income, when the relevant service has been rendered.

### **Employee benefits**

#### ***Retirement benefit scheme***

The FCL Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefit scheme (the "MPF Scheme") under the Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance for those employees who are eligible to participate in the MPF Scheme. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employees' basic salaries and are charged to the income statement as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the MPF Scheme. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of the FCL Group in an independently administered fund. The FCL Group's employer contributions vest fully with the employees when contributed into the MPF Scheme, except for the FCL Group's employer voluntary contributions, which are refunded to the FCL Group when the employee leaves employment prior to the contributions vesting fully, in accordance with the rules of the MPF Scheme.

**Foreign currencies**

The Financial Information are presented in Hong Kong dollars, which is FCL 's functional and presentation currency. Each entity in the FCL Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. Foreign currency transactions recorded by the entities in the FCL Group are initially recorded using their respective functional currency rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency rates of exchange ruling at the end of each of the Relevant Periods. Differences arising on settlement or translation of monetary items are recognised in the income statement.

Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was measured. The gain or loss arising on translation of a non-monetary item measured at fair value is treated in line with the recognition of the gain or loss on change in fair value of the item (i.e., translation difference on the item whose fair value gain or loss is recognised in other comprehensive income or the income statement is also recognised in other comprehensive income or the income statement, respectively).

**5. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES**

The preparation of the FCL Group's Financial Information requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and their accompanying disclosures, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets or liabilities affected in the future.

**Estimation uncertainty**

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of each of the Relevant Periods, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are described below.

***Impairment of loans receivable***

The FCL Group maintains an allowance for the estimated loss arising from the inability of its borrowers to make the required payments. The FCL Group makes its estimates based on the aging of its loans receivable balances, borrowers' creditworthiness and historical write-off experience. If the financial condition of its borrowers was to deteriorate so that the actual impairment loss might be higher than expected, the FCL Group would be required to revise the basis of making the allowance and its future results would be affected.

*Impairment of accounts receivable*

The provision for impairment of accounts receivable of the FCL Group is based on the evaluation of collectibility and the aging analysis of the receivables and on the judgement of management. A considerable amount of judgement is required in assessing the ultimate realisation of these receivables, including the current creditworthiness and the past collection history of the customers. Management reassesses the estimation regularly throughout the Relevant Periods.

*Impairment of available-for-sale financial assets*

The FCL Group classifies certain assets as available for sale and recognises movements of their fair values in equity. When the fair value declines, management makes assumptions about the decline in value to determine whether there is an impairment that should be recognised in the income statement.

*Measurement of unlisted investments at fair value*

The fair values of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market are estimated by management based on the valuation performed by independent qualified valuers by using valuation techniques that require various sources of information and assumptions. The carrying amounts of the FCL Group's unlisted investments at fair value through profit or loss as at 31 March 2012 and 2013 were approximately HK\$5,905,000 and HK\$7,585,000, respectively. Further details are given in notes 22 and 36 to the Financial Information.

*Deferred tax assets*

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the losses can be utilised. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies. The amounts of unrecognised tax losses at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 were HK\$1,562,657,000, HK\$1,335,539,000 and HK\$823,783,000. Further details are contained in note 27 to the Financial Information.

**6. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION**

For management purposes, the FCL Group is organised into business units based on their products and services and has reportable operating segments as follows:

- (a) the trading of securities segment engages in the purchase and sale of securities and the securities investment;
- (b) the provision of finance segment engages in the provision of financing services in Hong Kong;
- (c) the insurance brokerage business segment engages in insurance brokerage business and the provision of financial planning and related services;

- (d) securities brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing in Hong Kong;
- (e) the investment holding segment engages in holding investments for continuing strategic or long term purposes, primarily for their dividend income and capital appreciation and the provision of management services to the ultimate holding company and fellow subsidiaries; and
- (f) the corporate finance advisory segment engages in corporate finance advisory services and related activities.

Management monitors the results of the FCL Group's operating segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about resources allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on reportable segment profit/(loss), which is a measure of adjusted profit/(loss) before tax. The adjusted profit/(loss) before tax is measured consistently with the FCL Group's profit/(loss) before tax except that bank and other interest income (excluding interest income from provision of finance), finance costs as well as head office and corporate expenses are excluded from such measurement.

Intersegment transactions are made with reference to the prices used for services made to third parties at the then prevailing market prices.

**Year ended 31 March 2012/As at 31 March 2012**

	Trading of securities <i>HK\$'000</i>	Provision of finance <i>HK\$'000</i>	Insurance brokerage business <i>HK\$'000</i>	Securities brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing <i>HK\$'000</i>	Investment holding <i>HK\$'000</i>	Corporate finance advisory <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Segment revenue:</b>							
Sales to external customers	(25,755)	11,221	-	13,336	13,654	-	12,456
Intersegment sales	-	-	-	-	4,320	-	4,320
	(25,755)	11,221	-	13,336	17,974	-	16,776
<i>Reconciliation:</i>							
Elimination of intersegment sales							(4,320)
Total revenue							<u>12,456</u>

	Trading of securities HK\$'000	Provision of finance HK\$'000	Insurance brokerage business HK\$'000	Securities brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing HK\$'000	Investment holding HK\$'000	Corporate finance advisory HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Segment results</b>	(486,502)	10,489	–	8,294	(5,498)	–	(473,217)
<i>Reconciliation:</i>							
Bank interest income							3
Other interest income							17,224
Corporate and other unallocated expenses							(2,978)
Finance costs							<u>(22,826)</u>
Loss before tax							<u><u>(481,794)</u></u>
<b>Other segment information:</b>							
Impairment of an available- for-sale investment	–	–	–	–	(6,667)	–	(6,667)
Reversal of impairment of a loan receivable	–	526	–	–	–	–	526
Depreciation							
– operating segment	–	–	–	(98)	(763)	–	(861)
– unallocated							<u>(6)</u>
							<u><u>(867)</u></u>
Capital expenditure							
– operating segment	–	–	–	679	70	–	749
– unallocated							<u>273</u>
							<u><u>1,022*</u></u>

\* Capital expenditure consists of additions to property, plant and equipment, an intangible asset and assets from acquisition of a subsidiary.

## Year ended 31 March 2013/As at 31 March 2013

	Trading of securities <i>HK\$'000</i>	Provision of finance <i>HK\$'000</i>	Insurance brokerage business <i>HK\$'000</i>	Securities brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing <i>HK\$'000</i>	Investment holding <i>HK\$'000</i>	Corporate finance advisory <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Segment revenue:</b>							
Sales to external customers	44,739	4,559	626	23,842	6,720	1,935	82,421
Intersegment sales	–	–	–	–	4,320	–	4,320
	<u>44,739</u>	<u>4,559</u>	<u>626</u>	<u>23,842</u>	<u>11,040</u>	<u>1,935</u>	<u>86,741</u>
<i>Reconciliation:</i>							
Elimination of intersegment sales							<u>(4,320)</u>
Total revenue							<u><u>82,421</u></u>
<b>Segment results</b>	231,161	4,242	38	17,048	10,975	934	264,398
<i>Reconciliation:</i>							
Bank interest income							59
Other interest income							16,596
Corporate and other unallocated expenses							(5,673)
Finance costs							<u>(24,723)</u>
Profit before tax							<u><u>250,657</u></u>

	Trading of securities <i>HK\$'000</i>	Provision of finance <i>HK\$'000</i>	Insurance brokerage business <i>HK\$'000</i>	Securities brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing <i>HK\$'000</i>	Investment holding <i>HK\$'000</i>	Corporate finance advisory <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Other segment information:</b>							
Impairment of an available- for-sale investment	-	-	-	-	(1,398)	-	(1,398)
Depreciation							
- operating segment	-	-	-	(410)	(792)	-	(1,202)
- unallocated							(56)
							(1,258)
Capital expenditure							
- operating segment	-	-	-	940	194	-	1,134
- unallocated							38
							1,172*

\* Capital expenditure represents additions to property, plant and equipment.



## Year ended 31 March 2014/As at 31 March 2014

	Trading of securities <i>HK\$'000</i>	Provision of finance <i>HK\$'000</i>	Insurance brokerage business <i>HK\$'000</i>	Securities brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing <i>HK\$'000</i>	Investment holding <i>HK\$'000</i>	Corporate finance advisory <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Segment revenue:</b>							
Sales to external customers	164,290	9,392	4,380	46,728	5,520	2,930	233,240
Intersegment sales	–	–	–	–	6,000	–	6,000
	164,290	9,392	4,380	46,728	11,520	2,930	239,240
<i>Reconciliation:</i>							
Elimination of intersegment sales							(6,000)
Total revenue							<u>233,240</u>
<b>Segment results</b>	560,071	2,726	875	41,655	(7,645)	2,897	600,579
<i>Reconciliation:</i>							
Bank interest income							11
Other interest income							7,417
Corporate and other unallocated expenses							(5,524)
Finance costs							<u>(16,563)</u>
Profit before tax							<u>585,920</u>

	Trading of securities <i>HK\$'000</i>	Provision of finance <i>HK\$'000</i>	Insurance brokerage business <i>HK\$'000</i>	Securities brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing <i>HK\$'000</i>	Investment holding <i>HK\$'000</i>	Corporate finance advisory <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Other segment information:</b>							
Impairment of a loan receivable	-	(2,000)	-	-	-	-	(2,000)
Depreciation							
- operating segment	-	-	-	(366)	(765)	-	(1,131)
- unallocated							(57)
							(1,188)
Capital expenditure							
- operating segment	-	-	-	65	88	-	153
- unallocated							-
							153*

\* Capital expenditure represents additions to property, plant and equipment.

### Geographic information

(a) The FCL Group's revenue is derived from its external customers and the ultimate holding company in Hong Kong.

(b) *Non-current assets*

	As at 31 March		
	2012 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2013 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2014 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Hong Kong	4,329	4,224	3,055

The non-current asset information above is based on the location of assets and excludes financial instruments and deferred tax assets.

**Information about major customers**

Included in revenue arising from major customers individually accounted for over 10% of the FCL Group's revenue for the year:

	Year ended 31 March		
	2012	2013	2014
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Provision of finance			
Customer A	7,897	–	–
Customer B	2,893	–	–
	<u>10,790</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>
Securities, brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing			
Customer C	3,326	–	–
Customer D	–	3,279	–
Customer E	–	–	13,125
	<u>3,326</u>	<u>3,279</u>	<u>13,125</u>

The FCL Group's dividend income, gains/(losses) from the sale of investments at fair value through profit or loss and management fee income from the ultimate holding company are excluded from total revenue for the purpose of identifying major customers of the FCL Group who accounted for over 10% of the FCL Group's revenue.

**7. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS**

Revenue, which is also the FCL Group's turnover, represents interest income earned from provision of finance; dividend income from equity investments; net gains/(losses) from the sale of investments at fair value through profit or loss; insurance brokerage income; corporate finance advisory fee; commission and brokerage income from securities dealings; commission from underwriting and placing services; interest income on margin financing activities and management fee income from the ultimate holding company during the Relevant Periods.

An analysis of revenue, other income and gains is as follows:

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>Year ended 31 March</b>		
		<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
		<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Revenue</b>				
Interest income from provision of finance		11,221	4,559	9,392
Dividend income from investments at fair value through profit or loss		12,579	19,115	56,869
Dividend from an available-for-sale investment		5,974	–	–
Gains/(losses) from the sale of investments at fair value through profit or loss, net ( <i>note</i> )		(38,334)	25,624	107,421
Insurance brokerage income		–	626	4,380
Corporate finance advisory fee		–	1,935	2,930
Commission and brokerage income from securities dealings		1,179	1,045	3,117
Commission from underwriting and placing services		10,355	10,621	27,399
Interest income on margin financing activities		1,802	12,176	16,212
Management fee income from the ultimate holding company		7,680	6,720	5,520
		<u>12,456</u>	<u>82,421</u>	<u>233,240</u>
<b>Other income and gains</b>				
Bank interest income		3	59	11
Other interest income		1,002	931	1,201
Interest income on an amount due from a fellow subsidiary		16,222	15,665	6,216
Gain on disposal of an available-for-sale investment	<i>18</i>	–	18,466	–
Gain on redemption of a note receivable	<i>21</i>	–	–	77
Reversal of impairment of a loan receivable		526	–	–
Others		4,051	717	851
		<u>21,804</u>	<u>35,838</u>	<u>8,356</u>

*Note:* The gross proceeds from sale of investments at fair value through profit or loss were approximately HK\$219,878,000, HK\$209,498,000 and HK\$422,395,000 for years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, respectively.

**8. PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAX**

The FCL Group's profit/(loss) before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>Year ended 31 March</b>		
		<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
		<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Depreciation	15	867	1,258	1,188
Employee benefit expense (excluding FCL Director's remuneration ( <i>note 10</i> )):				
Salaries and allowances		9,546	10,393	9,053
Retirement benefit scheme contributions (defined contribution schemes)*		170	292	256
		<u>9,716</u>	<u>10,685</u>	<u>9,309</u>
Auditors' remuneration		510	660	880
Minimum lease payments under operating leases in respect of land and buildings		5,972	7,737	7,411
Loss on disposal/write-off of items of property, plant and equipment		32	19	134
Impairment of an available-for-sale investment**	18	6,667	1,398	–
Impairment of a loan receivable**	19	–	–	2,000
Reversal of impairment of a loan receivable	19	(526)	–	–
		<u><u>22,826</u></u>	<u><u>24,723</u></u>	<u><u>16,563</u></u>

\* At 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, the FCL Group had no material forfeited contributions available to reduce its contributions to the retirement benefit schemes in future years.

\*\* These balances are included in "Other expenses, net" in the combined income statements.

**9. FINANCE COSTS**

An analysis of finance costs is as follows:

	<b>Year ended 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Interests on other loans wholly repayable within five years or on demand	5,645	9,142	7,685
Interest on an amount due to the ultimate holding company	17,181	15,581	8,878
	<u>22,826</u>	<u>24,723</u>	<u>16,563</u>

## 10. FCL DIRECTOR'S REMUNERATION

The remuneration of the FCL Director for each of the Relevant Periods, disclosed pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange is as follows:

	Year ended 31 March		
	2012 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2013 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2014 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Fee	—	—	—
Other emoluments:			
Salaries and other benefits	1,040	1,000	1,008
Pension scheme contributions (defined contribution scheme)	52	50	50
	<u>1,092</u>	<u>1,050</u>	<u>1,058</u>
	<u>1,092</u>	<u>1,050</u>	<u>1,058</u>

The remuneration of the FCL Director for each of the Relevant Periods is set out below:

	Salaries and other benefits <i>HK\$'000</i>	Retirement benefit scheme contributions <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total remuneration <i>HK\$'000</i>
Year ended 31 March 2012			
Executive director:			
Mr. Lo Kan Sun	1,040	52	1,092
	<u>1,040</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>1,092</u>
Year ended 31 March 2013			
Executive director:			
Mr. Lo Kan Sun	1,000	50	1,050
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>1,050</u>
Year ended 31 March 2014			
Executive director:			
Mr. Lo Kan Sun	1,008	50	1,058
	<u>1,008</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>1,058</u>

There was no arrangement under which the FCL Director waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the Relevant Periods.

**11. FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES**

For the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, the five highest paid employees included the FCL Director. Details of whose remuneration are set out in note 10 above. Details of the remuneration of the remaining four non-director highest paid employees for each of the Relevant Periods are as follows:

	Year ended 31 March		
	2012 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2013 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2014 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Salaries and other benefits	4,614	4,216	4,138
Retirement benefit scheme contributions (defined contribution schemes)	59	62	78
	<u>4,673</u>	<u>4,278</u>	<u>4,216</u>

The number of non-director highest paid employees whose remuneration fell within the following bands is as follows:

	Year ended 31 March		
	2012 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2013 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2014 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Nil to HK\$500,000	–	1	–
HK\$500,001 to HK\$1,000,000	3	2	3
HK\$1,000,001 to HK\$1,500,000	–	–	–
Over HK\$1,500,000	1	1	1
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

**12. INCOME TAX EXPENSE**

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong for each of the Relevant Periods.

	Year ended 31 March		
	2012 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2013 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2014 <i>HK\$'000</i>
The FCL Group:			
Current – Hong Kong			
Charge for the year	2,244	1,792	2,800
Overprovision in prior year	–	–	(2)
Deferred ( <i>note 27</i> )	(47)	–	(52)
	<u>2,197</u>	<u>1,792</u>	<u>2,746</u>
Tax charge for the year	<u>2,197</u>	<u>1,792</u>	<u>2,746</u>

A reconciliation of the tax charge/(credit) applicable to profit/(loss) before tax at the Hong Kong statutory rate to the tax charge at the FCL Group's effective tax rate is as follows:

	Year ended 31 March		
	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000
Profit/(loss) before tax	<u>(481,794)</u>	<u>250,657</u>	<u>585,920</u>
Tax charge/(credit) at the Hong Kong statutory tax rate of 16.5%	(79,496)	41,358	96,677
Adjustments in respect of current tax of previous periods	–	–	(2)
Income not subject to tax	(3,097)	(3,744)	(9,699)
Expenses not deductible for tax	883	1,575	148
Temporary differences not recognised	(1,030)	73	62
Tax losses utilised from previous periods	(1,399)	(38,203)	(84,923)
Tax losses not recognised	86,384	733	483
Tax effect of share of result of an associate	<u>(48)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>
Tax charge at the FCL Group's effective tax rate	<u>2,197</u>	<u>1,792</u>	<u>2,746</u>

The effective tax rate of the FCL Group for each of the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 was -0.46%, 0.71% and 0.47%, respectively.

### 13. PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNER OF FCL

The combined profit attributable to owner of FCL for the year ended 31 March 2014 includes a loss of HK\$46,000 (note 29(d)) which has been dealt with in the Financial Information of FCL.

### 14. EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDER OF FCL

Earnings per share information is not presented as its inclusion, for the purpose of this report, is not considered meaningful due to the Reorganisation and the preparation of the results of the FCL Group for the Relevant Periods as disclosed in note 2.1 of this section.



## 15. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

## The FCL Group

	Leasehold improvements <i>HK\$'000</i>	Furniture, fixtures and equipment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Computer equipment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>31 March 2012</b>				
At 1 April 2011:				
Cost	–	4,773	1,063	5,836
Accumulated depreciation	–	(829)	(801)	(1,630)
Net carrying amount	<u>–</u>	<u>3,944</u>	<u>262</u>	<u>4,206</u>
At 1 April 2011, net of accumulated depreciation				
	–	3,944	262	4,206
Additions	181	134	118	433
Acquisition of a subsidiary (note 30(a))	1	88	161	250
Disposals/write-off	–	(9)	(23)	(32)
Depreciation provided during the year	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(683)</u>	<u>(181)</u>	<u>(867)</u>
At 31 March 2012, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>179</u>	<u>3,474</u>	<u>337</u>	<u>3,990</u>
At 31 March 2012:				
Cost	182	4,962	1,236	6,380
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(1,488)</u>	<u>(899)</u>	<u>(2,390)</u>
Net carrying amount	<u>179</u>	<u>3,474</u>	<u>337</u>	<u>3,990</u>
<b>31 March 2013</b>				
At 31 March 2012 and at 1 April 2012:				
Cost	182	4,962	1,236	6,380
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(1,488)</u>	<u>(899)</u>	<u>(2,390)</u>
Net carrying amount	<u>179</u>	<u>3,474</u>	<u>337</u>	<u>3,990</u>

	Leasehold improvements <i>HK\$'000</i>	Furniture, fixtures and equipment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Computer equipment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
At 1 April 2012, net of accumulated depreciation	179	3,474	337	3,990
Additions	722	182	268	1,172
Disposals/write-off	–	–	(19)	(19)
Depreciation provided during the year	(246)	(747)	(265)	(1,258)
At 31 March 2013, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>655</u>	<u>2,909</u>	<u>321</u>	<u>3,885</u>
At 31 March 2013:				
Cost	904	5,144	1,468	7,516
Accumulated depreciation	(249)	(2,235)	(1,147)	(3,631)
Net carrying amount	<u>655</u>	<u>2,909</u>	<u>321</u>	<u>3,885</u>
<b>31 March 2014</b>				
At 31 March 2013 and at 1 April 2013:				
Cost	904	5,144	1,468	7,516
Accumulated depreciation	(249)	(2,235)	(1,147)	(3,631)
Net carrying amount	<u>655</u>	<u>2,909</u>	<u>321</u>	<u>3,885</u>
At 1 April 2013, net of accumulated depreciation	655	2,909	321	3,885
Additions	–	57	96	153
Disposals/write-off	(131)	(1)	(2)	(134)
Depreciation provided during the year	(267)	(717)	(204)	(1,188)
At 31 March 2014, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>257</u>	<u>2,248</u>	<u>211</u>	<u>2,716</u>
At 31 March 2014:				
Cost	714	5,200	1,558	7,472
Accumulated depreciation	(457)	(2,952)	(1,347)	(4,756)
Net carrying amount	<u>257</u>	<u>2,248</u>	<u>211</u>	<u>2,716</u>

**16. INTANGIBLE ASSET****Trading right**

	<i>Note</i>	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
		<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
		<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Carrying amount at the beginning of year		–	339	339
Acquisition of a subsidiary	30(a)	339	–	–
Carrying amount at 31 March		<u>339</u>	<u>339</u>	<u>339</u>

The trading right has been considered to have an indefinite life because it is expected to contribute to the net cash flows of the FCL Group indefinitely, which is not amortised.

**17. INVESTMENT IN A SUBSIDIARY/BALANCES WITH SUBSIDIARIES**

	<b>FCL</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Unlisted investment, at cost	–	–	376,155

The amounts due from/to subsidiaries as at 31 March 2014 are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand or within twelve months from 31 March 2014.

The carrying amounts of these amounts due from/to subsidiaries approximate to their fair values.

Particulars of FCL's subsidiaries as at the end of the Relevant Periods are set out in note 1 of Section II of this report.

**18. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENT**

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Listed investment in Hong Kong, at fair value	17,693	1,986	18,507

Available-for-sale investment represented the FCL Group's investment in a listed equity security which is neither classified as held for trading nor designated at fair value through profit and loss.

During the year ended 31 March 2013, the gross fair value gain in respect of the FCL Group's listed available-for-sale investment recognised in other comprehensive income amounted to approximately HK\$18,466,000 and such gain was reclassified from the FCL Group's available-for-sale investment revaluation reserve to the combined income statement upon the disposal of the FCL Group's listed available-for-sale investment during that year.

The FCL Director considered there was a significant decline in the market value of the listed equity investment during the years ended 31 March 2012 and 2013 which indicated that the listed equity investment had been impaired and an impairment loss of HK\$6,667,000 and HK\$1,398,000 had been reclassified from other comprehensive income to the combined income statements for the years ended 31 March 2012 and 2013, respectively.

The FCL Group's listed available-for-sale investment with an aggregate carrying value as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 of approximately HK\$17,693,000, HK\$1,986,000 and HK\$18,507,000, respectively, was pledged to certain financial institutions to secure certain margin financing facilities provided to the FCL Group (note 26).

#### 19. LOANS RECEIVABLE

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Loans receivable	11,007	6,034	304,540
Impairment	(9,000)	–	(2,000)
	<u>2,007</u>	<u>6,034</u>	<u>302,540</u>
Less: Balance due within one year included in current assets	(2,007)	(4,623)	(301,792)
Non-current portion	<u>–</u>	<u>1,411</u>	<u>748</u>

Loans receivable represent receivables arising from the provision of finance business, and bear interest at rates ranging from 2% above the Hong Kong dollar prime lending rate as quoted by The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited per annum to 24% per annum, 1% per month or 12% per annum, and 6% to 48% per annum as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, respectively. The grants of these loans were approved and monitored by the FCL Group's management.

As at 31 March 2012, except for a loan receivable with a carrying amount of HK\$2,007,000, which was secured by the pledge of collateral and/or the provision of personal guarantees/corporate undertakings by certain independent third parties, all of the loans receivable as at 31 March 2012 were unsecured.

As at 31 March 2013, loans receivable of the FCL Group were unsecured.

As at 31 March 2014, except for a loan receivable with a carrying amount of HK\$20,147,000, which was secured by the pledge of collateral and personal guarantees by certain independent third parties, all of the loans receivable as at 31 March 2014 were unsecured.

An aging analysis of loans receivable, determined based on the age of the loans receivable since the effective drawn down date of the loans, as at the end of each of the Relevant Periods is as follows:

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Loans receivable:			
Within 90 days	–	6,034	242,965
Within 91 to 180 days	–	–	8,136
180 days to one year	–	–	52,028
Over one year	11,007	–	1,411
	<u>11,007</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>1,411</u>
At 31 March	<u>11,007</u>	<u>6,034</u>	<u>304,540</u>

An aged analysis of the loans receivable (that are not considered to be impaired) as at the end of each of the Relevant Periods, based on the payment due date, is as follows:

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Neither past due nor impaired	2,007	6,034	302,540
	<u>2,007</u>	<u>6,034</u>	<u>302,540</u>

The movements in provision for impairment of loans receivable are as follows:

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
At beginning of year	16,902	9,000	–
Amount written off as uncollectible	(7,376)	(9,000)	–
Impairment loss recognised/(reversed) ( <i>note 8</i> )	(526)	–	2,000
	<u>9,000</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>2,000</u>
At 31 March	<u>9,000</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>2,000</u>

As at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, included in the above provision for impairment of loans receivable was a provision for individually impaired loans receivable of HK\$9,000,000, Nil and HK\$2,000,000 with a carrying amount of HK\$9,000,000, Nil and HK\$2,000,000, respectively. The individually impaired loans receivable relate to borrowers that were in financial difficulties or were in default and were not expected to be recoverable.

Loans receivable that were neither past due nor impaired relate to a number of diversified borrowers for whom there was no recent history of default.

## 20. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Accounts receivable arising from the ordinary course of business of:			
– Dealing in securities			
Clearing houses	4,707	88	3,838
Cash clients	48	–	67
Margin clients	37,610	136,763	189,191
– Corporate finance business	–	–	350
– Insurance brokerage business	–	35	3
	<u>42,365</u>	<u>136,886</u>	<u>193,449</u>

The settlement terms of accounts receivable attributable to the dealing in securities transactions are two days after trade date except for the balances with margin clients which are repayable on demand. The trading terms with customers of corporate finance business and insurance brokerage business are mainly on credit, except for new customers where payment in advance is normally required. The credit period of corporate finance business and insurance brokerage business is generally 30 days, extending up to 90 days for major customers.

The above balances are all aged within 60 days, based on the trade date.

As at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, except for margin loans receivable of HK\$37,610,000, HK\$136,763,000 and HK\$189,191,000, respectively, which were secured by underlying equity securities, the FCL Group did not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements over these balances.

Trading limits are set for customers. The FCL Group seeks to maintain tight control over its outstanding accounts receivable in order to minimise the credit risk. Overdue balances are regularly monitored by management.

Accounts receivable as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 relate to a number of independent clients that have a good track record with the FCL Group and were not impaired. Based on past experience, the FCL Director was of the opinion that no provision for impairment was necessary in respect of these balances as there had not been a significant change in credit quality and the balances were still considered fully recoverable as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014.

## 21. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Prepayments and deposits	1,337	1,253	831
Other receivables	7,917	8,039	582
	<u>9,254</u>	<u>9,292</u>	<u>1,413</u>
Less: Long term note receivable	(7,711)	(7,711)	–
Current portion	<u>1,543</u>	<u>1,581</u>	<u>1,413</u>

Other receivables balances are neither past due nor impaired and the FCL Director is of the opinion that these balances are fully recoverable.

The long term note receivable of the FCL Group bears interest at a fixed rate of 6% per annum with maturity due in February 2015. The note receivable was redeemed by the note issuer at a cash consideration of approximately HK\$7,788,000 during the year ended 31 March 2014, giving rise to a gain on redemption of approximately HK\$77,000, which was recognised under “Other income and gains” in the combined income statement.

## 22. INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Listed equity investments, at market value:			
Hong Kong	871,281	1,355,049	1,811,288
Singapore	13,930	17,398	19,609
Listed debt investment, at market value:			
Singapore	–	–	5,702
	<u>885,211</u>	<u>1,372,447</u>	<u>1,836,599</u>
Unlisted debt investments, at fair value	5,905	7,585	–
	<u>891,116</u>	<u>1,380,032</u>	<u>1,836,599</u>

The investments as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 were classified as held for trading. The FCL Group's investments at fair value through profit or loss with an aggregate carrying value as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 of approximately HK\$891,116,000, HK\$1,380,032,000 and HK\$1,836,599,000 were pledged to certain financial institutions to secure certain margin financing facilities provided to the FCL Group (note 26) for the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, respectively.

**23. CASH AND BANK BALANCES**

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Cash and bank balances	122,693	178,132	55,866

As at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, all the cash and bank balances of the FCL Group were denominated in Hong Kong dollars.

Certain cash at banks of the FCL Group earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. The carrying amounts of the cash and bank balances approximate to their fair values.

The FCL Group maintains trust accounts with authorised institutions in respect of clients' monies arising from the course of securities trading and the respective financing services. As at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, HK\$9,667,000, HK\$2,530,000 and HK\$6,326,000 was held by the FCL Group on behalf of the clients in the trust accounts, respectively. The client monies at the end of each of the Relevant Periods were not included in the FCL Group's balances of cash and bank balances.

**24. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

The balances at the end of each of the Relevant Periods were all aged within 30 days.

**25. BALANCES WITH FELLOW SUBSIDIARIES/THE IMMEDIATE HOLDING COMPANY/THE ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY**

Except for an amount due from a fellow subsidiary as at 31 March 2012 and 2013 of HK\$783,253,000 and HK\$798,928,000, which bore interest at 2.5% per annum and 2% per annum, respectively, the remaining balances due from fellow subsidiaries as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 were unsecured, interest-free and had no fixed terms of repayment.

The amount due from the immediate holding company at the end of each of the Relevant Periods was unsecured, interest-free and had no fixed terms of repayment.

Except for an amount due to the ultimate holding company as at 31 March 2012 and 2013 of HK\$700,567,000 and HK\$850,228,000 which bore interest at 2.5% per annum and rates ranging from 2% to 2.5% per annum, respectively, the remaining balances with the ultimate holding company as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014 were unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand or within twelve months from the end of each of the Relevant Periods.



## 26. INTEREST-BEARING OTHER BORROWINGS

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	As at 31 March								
	2012			2013			2014		
	Effective interest rate (%) p.a.	Maturity	HK\$'000	Effective interest rate (%) p.a.	Maturity	HK\$'000	Effective interest rate (%) p.a.	Maturity	HK\$'000
<b>Current</b>									
Other borrowings									
- secured ( <i>note (b)</i> )	2.94 – 3.26	2012 – 2013	136,312	2.11 – 3.24	2013	176,300	1.89 – 2.65	2014	175,848
- secured ( <i>note (b)</i> )	1.82 – 7.24	On demand	<u>131,830</u>	1.90 – 7.24	On demand	<u>127,206</u>	1.76 – 7.24	On demand	<u>32,883</u>
			<u>268,142</u>			<u>303,506</u>			<u>208,731</u>

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## As at 31 March

	2012	2013	2014
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000

## Analysed into:

Margin loan borrowings repayable on demand	131,830	127,206	32,883
Other borrowings repayable within one year	<u>136,312</u>	<u>176,300</u>	<u>175,848</u>
	<u>268,142</u>	<u>303,506</u>	<u>208,731</u>

## Notes:

- (a) All borrowings of the FCL Group at the end of each of the Relevant Periods were denominated in Hong Kong dollars.
- (b) At 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, the FCL Group's margin loan borrowings and other borrowings of HK\$268,142,000, HK\$303,506,000 and HK\$208,731,000, respectively, were secured by the FCL Group's listed available-for-sale investment and investments at fair value through profit or loss with aggregate carrying values of approximately HK\$17,693,000, HK\$1,986,000 and HK\$18,507,000 and HK\$891,116,000, HK\$1,380,032,000 and HK\$1,836,599,000, respectively (notes 18 and 22).

## 27. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS

The movements in deferred tax assets during the Relevant Periods are as follows:

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	Temporary difference related to depreciation in excess of related depreciation allowances		
	2012	2013	2014
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
At beginning of year	–	47	47
Deferred tax credited to the combined income statements during the year ( <i>note 12</i> )	47	–	52
Deferred tax assets at 31 March	<u>47</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>99</u>

At 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014, the FCL Group had tax losses arising in Hong Kong of approximately HK\$1,562,657,000, HK\$1,335,539,000 and HK\$823,783,000, subject to the agreement by the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Department, that are available indefinitely for offsetting against future taxable profits of the companies in which the losses arose. Deferred tax assets have not been recognised at the end of each of the Relevant Periods in respect of these losses as they have arisen in companies that have been loss-making for some time or due to the unpredictability of future profit streams of those companies, and accordingly, it is not considered probable that taxable profits will be available against which the tax losses can be utilised.

## 28. SHARE CAPITAL

FCL is an exempted company with limited liability incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 28 June 2013 with an authorised share capital of US\$50,000, divided into 50,000 ordinary shares of US\$1 each.

There was no authorised and issued capital as at 31 March 2012 and 2013 since FCL has not yet been incorporated.

A summary of the movements in FCL's issued capital and share premium account is as follows:

		Number of shares in issue	Issued capital	Share premium account	Total
	<i>Notes</i>		<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
At the date of incorporation on 28 June 2013	(a)	1	–	–	–
Share subdivision	(b)	19,999,999	–	–	–
Issue of new shares	(c)	<u>740,849,120</u>	–	<u>38,000</u>	<u>38,000</u>
At 31 March 2014		<u>760,849,120</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>38,000</u>	<u>38,000</u>

*Notes:*

- (a) On the date of incorporation, 1 ordinary share of US\$1 was issued at par as the subscriber's share for cash.
- (b) On 12 August 2013, FCL subdivided its 50,000 authorised ordinary shares of US\$1 each into 1,000,000,000,000 authorised ordinary shares of US\$0.00000005 each. Accordingly, the existing ordinary share of US\$1 each issued on the date of incorporation was subdivided into 20,000,000 ordinary shares of US\$0.00000005 each.
- (c) FCL allotted and issued 740,849,120 ordinary shares of US\$0.00000005 each on 16 December 2013 to its immediate holding company at HK\$38,000,000, giving rise to an increase in share premium of approximately HK\$38,000,000.

**29. RESERVES****(a) The FCL Group**

The amounts of the FCL Group's reserves and the movements therein for each of the Relevant Periods are presented in the combined statements of changes in equity under Section I of this report.

**(b) Merger reserve**

The merger reserve represents reserves arising from the Reorganisation.

**(c) Capital contribution reserve**

The FCL Group's capital contribution of HK\$24,360,000 for the year ended 31 March 2012 represented parent's contribution to a subsidiary of the FCL Group by way of transferring of an available-for-sale investment of HK\$24,360,000 at a consideration of HK\$1 during that year.

Capital contribution of HK\$2,811,571,000 and HK\$2,804,541,000 during the year ended 31 March 2014 represented the capitalisation of amount due to the ultimate holding company by the FCL Group and FCL, respectively.

## (d) FCL

	<i>Notes</i>	Share premium account <i>HK\$'000</i>	Capital contribution <i>HK\$'000</i>	Accumulated loss <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Loss and total comprehensive loss for the period from 28 June 2013 (date of incorporation) to 31 March 2014		–	–	(46)	(46)
Issue of new shares	28(c)	38,000	–	–	38,000
Capital contribution by the ultimate holding company	29(c)	–	2,804,541	–	2,804,541
At 31 March 2014		<u>38,000</u>	<u>2,804,541</u>	<u>(46)</u>	<u>2,842,495</u>

### 30. BUSINESS COMBINATION AND TRANSACTIONS WITH NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST

#### (a) Initial acquisition and step acquisition of FSL

In June 2011, the FCL Group acquired a 41% equity interest in FSL, a private company primarily engaged in securities brokerage and trading of securities businesses, from an independent third party at a cash consideration of HK\$20 million and FSL then became an associate of the FCL Group. The acquisition was part of the FCL Group's strategy to strengthen its financial service businesses.

On 19 July 2011 (the "Takeover Date"), the FCL Group acquired the remaining 59% equity interest in FSL from the same party at a cash consideration of HK\$30 million. On the Takeover Date, the FCL Group re-measured its previously held 41% equity interest in FSL at fair value and, in the opinion of the FCL Director, the carrying amount of the previously held 41% equity interest in FSL approximated to its fair value on the Takeover Date. Accordingly, no gain or loss in relation to the re-measurement was resulted.

The fair values of the identifiable assets and liabilities of FSL as at the Takeover Date were as follows:

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>Fair value recognised on Takeover Date HK\$'000</b>
Property, plant and equipment	<i>15</i>	250
Intangible asset	<i>16</i>	339
Accounts receivable		33,889
Cash and bank balances		65,375
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables		601
Accounts payable		(159)
Other payables and accruals		(2)
Other borrowings		(50,000)
		<u>50,293</u>
Less: Fair value of previously held 41% equity interest in FSL		<u>(20,293)</u>
Consideration for the remaining 59% equity interest in FSL satisfied by cash		<u><u>30,000</u></u>

An analysis of the net inflow of cash and cash equivalents during the year ended 31 March 2012 in respect of the acquisition of FSL is as follows:

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Cash consideration for the remaining 59% equity interest	(30,000)
Cash and bank balances acquired	<u>65,375</u>
Net inflow of cash and cash equivalents included in cash flows from investing activities	<u><u>35,375</u></u>

Since the Takeover Date, FSL contributed HK\$18,208,000 to the FCL Group's revenue and profit of HK\$15,717,000 to the FCL Group's combined loss for the year ended 31 March 2012. Had the combination taken place at the beginning of the year ended 31 March 2012, the revenue from FSL and the results of FSL contributed to the FCL Group for that year would have been HK\$21,864,000 and a profit of HK\$14,419,000, respectively.

**(b) Deemed disposal of interest in FSL**

In October 2011, FSL allotted and issued 15,000,000 new ordinary shares of FSL to an independent third party, representing approximately 8.77% of the then enlarged issued share capital of FSL, for a cash consideration of HK\$15,000,000, and the FCL Group's ownership interest in FSL was decreased from 100% to 91.23% upon completion of the transaction. The FCL Group recognised an increase in non-controlling interest of approximately HK\$14,629,000 and an increase in distributable reserve attributable to owner of FCL of approximately HK\$371,000. The effect of the change in the FCL Group's ownership interest in FSL on the equity attributable to owner of FCL during the year ended 31 March 2012 is summarised as follows:

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Carrying amount of non-controlling interest recognised	(14,629)
Fair value of total consideration received	<u>15,000</u>
Difference recognised in distributable reserve attributable to owner of FCL	<u><u>371</u></u>

**(c) Acquisition of additional interest in FSL**

In March 2013, the FCL Group acquired an additional 8.77% equity interest in FSL from an independent third party, and the FCL Group's ownership interest in FSL was increased from 91.23% to 100%. The consideration for the acquisition was satisfied by cash of HK\$5,115,000 on behalf by the ultimate holding company and the allotment and issue of 105,000,000 ordinary shares of the ultimate holding company as described in note 31(b) to the Financial Information. The carrying amount of the acquired non-controlling interest in FSL at acquisition was approximately HK\$15,798,000. The FCL Group recognised a decrease in non-controlling interest of approximately HK\$15,798,000 and a decrease in distributable reserve attributable to owner of FCL of approximately HK\$2,757,000. The effect of the change in the FCL Group's ownership interest in FSL on the equity attributable to owner of FCL during the year ended 31 March 2013 is summarised as follows:

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Carrying amount of non-controlling interest acquired	15,798
Fair value of total consideration paid	<u>(18,555)</u>
Difference recognised in distributable reserve attributable to owner of FCL	<u><u>(2,757)</u></u>

**31. MAJOR NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS**

The FCL Group had the following major non-cash transactions during the Relevant Periods:

- (a) During the year ended 31 March 2012, a listed equity investment of HK\$10,024,000 included in the FCL Group's investments at fair value through profit or loss was repurchased by the listed equity issuer, of which HK\$2,313,000 was satisfied by cash and HK\$7,711,000 was satisfied by way of a loan note issued by the listed equity issuer (note 21).
- (b) During the year ended 31 March 2013, the consideration for the FCL Group's acquisition of 8.77% equity interest in FSL in March 2013 was agreed with the vendor at HK\$16,140,000, which was satisfied by cash of HK\$5,115,000 being paid on behalf by the ultimate holding company and allotment and issue of 105,000,000 ordinary shares of the ultimate holding company. The share price of the ultimate holding company at the issue date of these shares was HK\$0.128 per share. The transaction was settled through the intercompany balance with the ultimate holding company.

**32. PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

Details of the FCL Group's interest-bearing other borrowings, which are secured by the assets of the FCL Group, are included in notes 18, 22 and 26 to the Financial Information.

**33. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS****As lessee**

The FCL Group leases staff quarters and office premises under operating lease arrangements. The leases for the properties are negotiated for terms of ranging from one to two years.

The FCL Group had total future minimum lease payments under the non-cancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	<b>As at 31 March</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Within one year	4,946	5,969	5,172
In the second year	240	2,631	731
	<u>5,186</u>	<u>8,600</u>	<u>5,903</u>

FCL had no operating lease arrangements during the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014.

## 34. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

- (a) In addition to the transactions and arrangements detailed elsewhere in the Financial Information, the FCL Group had the following material transactions with related parties during the Relevant Periods:

	Notes	Year ended 31 March		
		2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000
Interest income from a fellow subsidiary	(i)	16,222	15,665	6,216
Interest expense paid to the ultimate holding company	(ii)	17,181	15,581	8,878
Management fee income from the ultimate holding company	(iii)	7,680	6,720	5,520

## Notes:

- (i) The interest income arose from an amount due from a fellow subsidiary, further details of the terms are disclosed in note 25 to the Financial Information.
- (ii) The interest expense arose from an amount due to the ultimate holding company, further details of the terms are disclosed in note 25 to the Financial Information.
- (iii) The management fee income was related to management services provided to the ultimate holding company. The income was charged based on terms mutually agreed between the FCL Group and the ultimate holding company.
- (b) Compensation of key management personnel of the FCL Group (including the remuneration of the FCL Director):

	As at 31 March		
	2012 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000
Short term employee benefits	5,654	5,216	4,765
Post-employment benefits	111	112	114
Total compensation paid to key management personnel	5,765	5,328	4,879

Further details of remuneration of the FCL Director are included in note 10 under Section II of this report.



## 35. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments at the end of each of the Relevant Periods are as follows:

2012

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Financial assets

	Available- for-sale financial asset <i>HK\$'000</i>	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss – held for trading <i>HK\$'000</i>	Loans and receivables <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Available-for-sale investment	17,693	–	–	17,693
Note receivable	–	–	7,711	7,711
Accounts receivable	–	–	42,365	42,365
Loans receivable	–	–	2,007	2,007
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	–	–	1,383	1,383
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	–	891,116	–	891,116
Amount due from the immediate holding company	–	–	97	97
Amounts due from fellow subsidiaries	–	–	783,807	783,807
Cash and bank balances	–	–	122,693	122,693
	<u>17,693</u>	<u>891,116</u>	<u>960,063</u>	<u>1,868,872</u>

Financial liabilities

	Financial liabilities at amortised cost <i>HK\$'000</i>
Accounts payable	2,304
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	819
Interest-bearing other borrowings	268,142
Amount due to the ultimate holding company	<u>3,075,667</u>
	<u>3,346,932</u>

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## Financial assets

	Available- for-sale financial asset <i>HK\$'000</i>	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss – held for trading <i>HK\$'000</i>	Loans and receivables <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Available-for-sale investment	1,986	–	–	1,986
Note receivable	–	–	7,711	7,711
Accounts receivable	–	–	136,886	136,886
Loans receivable	–	–	6,034	6,034
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	–	–	1,411	1,411
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	–	1,380,032	–	1,380,032
Amount due from the immediate holding company	–	–	158	158
Amounts due from fellow subsidiaries	–	–	799,467	799,467
Cash and bank balances	–	–	178,132	178,132
	<u>1,986</u>	<u>1,380,032</u>	<u>1,129,799</u>	<u>2,511,817</u>

## Financial liabilities

	Financial liabilities at amortised cost <i>HK\$'000</i>
Accounts payable	11,853
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	1,219
Interest-bearing other borrowings	303,506
Amount due to the ultimate holding company	<u>3,442,008</u>
	<u>3,758,586</u>

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## Financial assets

	Available- for-sale financial asset <i>HK\$'000</i>	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss – held for trading <i>HK\$'000</i>	Loans and receivables <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Available-for-sale investment	18,507	–	–	18,507
Accounts receivable	–	–	193,449	193,449
Loans receivable	–	–	302,540	302,540
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	–	–	1,001	1,001
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	–	1,836,599	–	1,836,599
Amount due from the immediate holding company	–	–	23	23
Amounts due from fellow subsidiaries	–	–	6,217	6,217
Cash and bank balances	–	–	55,866	55,866
	<u>18,507</u>	<u>1,836,599</u>	<u>559,096</u>	<u>2,414,202</u>

## Financial liabilities

	Financial liabilities at amortised cost <i>HK\$'000</i>
Accounts payable	363
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	648
Interest-bearing other borrowings	208,731
Amount due to the ultimate holding company	<u>1,059</u>
	<u>210,801</u>

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<b>Financial assets – Loans and receivables</b>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Amounts due from subsidiaries	2,469,720
	<u><u>                    </u></u>
<b>Financial liabilities – Financial liabilities at amortised cost</b>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Amounts due to subsidiaries	3,380
	<u><u>                    </u></u>

## 36. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The carrying amounts and fair values of the FCL Group's financial instruments, other than those with carrying amounts that reasonably approximate to fair values, are as follows:

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	<b>Carrying amounts</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Financial assets</b>			
Available-for-sale investment	17,693	1,986	18,507
Loans receivable, non-current portion	–	1,411	748
Note receivable	7,711	7,711	–
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	891,116	1,380,032	1,836,599
	<u><u>                    </u></u>	<u><u>                    </u></u>	<u><u>                    </u></u>
		<b>Fair values</b>	
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Financial assets</b>			
Available-for-sale investment	17,693	1,986	18,507
Loans receivable, non-current portion	–	1,411	748
Note receivable	7,711	7,711	–
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	891,116	1,380,032	1,836,599
	<u><u>                    </u></u>	<u><u>                    </u></u>	<u><u>                    </u></u>

Management has assessed that the fair values of accounts receivable, the current portion of loans receivable, financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables, cash and bank balances, accounts payable, financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals, interest-bearing other borrowings and balances with subsidiaries, fellow subsidiaries, the immediate holding company and the ultimate holding company approximate to their carrying amounts largely due to the short term maturities of these instruments.

The FCL Group's management is responsible for determining the policies and procedures for the fair value measurement of financial instruments and reports directly to the audit committee. At each reporting date, management analyses the movements in the values of financial instruments and determines the major inputs applied in the valuation.

The fair values of the financial assets and liabilities are included at the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale. The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

The fair values of listed equity and debt investments are based on quoted market prices.

The fair value of unlisted debt investment as at 31 March 2012 and 2013 had been estimated using Binomial Tree Pricing Model, based on the quoted market price of the underlying listed securities. The FCL Director believes that the estimated fair values resulting from the valuation technique, which were recorded in the combined statements of financial position, and the related changes in fair values, which were recorded in combined income statements, were reasonable, and that they were the most appropriate values at the end of each of the Relevant Periods.

The fair values of the non-current portion of loans receivable and note receivable have been calculated by discounting the expected future cash flows using rates currently available for instruments with similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities.

#### Fair value hierarchy

The following tables illustrate the fair value measurement hierarchy of the FCL Group's financial instruments:

#### *Assets measured at fair value:*

	Fair value measurement using			Total HK\$'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) HK\$'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) HK\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) HK\$'000	
<b>The FCL Group</b>				
<i>As at 31 March 2012:</i>				
Available-for-sale investment	17,693	–	–	17,693
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	885,211	5,905	–	891,116
	<u>902,904</u>	<u>5,905</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>908,809</u>

	Fair value measurement using			Total HK\$'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) HK\$'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) HK\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) HK\$'000	
<i>As at 31 March 2013:</i>				
Available-for-sale investment	1,986	–	–	1,986
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	<u>1,372,447</u>	<u>7,585</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>1,380,032</u>
	<u><u>1,374,433</u></u>	<u><u>7,585</u></u>	<u><u>–</u></u>	<u><u>1,382,018</u></u>
<i>As at 31 March 2014:</i>				
Available-for-sale investment	18,507	–	–	18,507
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	<u>1,836,599</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>1,836,599</u>
	<u><u>1,855,106</u></u>	<u><u>–</u></u>	<u><u>–</u></u>	<u><u>1,855,106</u></u>

FCL did not have any financial assets measured at fair value as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014.

The FCL Group and FCL did not have any financial liabilities measured at fair value as at 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014.

During the Relevant Periods, there were no transfers of fair value measurements between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3 for both financial assets and financial liabilities.

*Assets for which fair values are disclosed:*

	Fair value measurement using			Total HK\$'000
	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) HK\$'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) HK\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) HK\$'000	
<b>The FCL Group</b>				
<i>As at 31 March 2012:</i>				
Note receivable	–	7,711	–	7,711
<i>As at 31 March 2013:</i>				
Loans receivable, non-current portion	–	1,411	–	1,411
Note receivable	–	7,711	–	7,711
	–	9,122	–	9,122
<i>As at 31 March 2014:</i>				
Loans receivable, non-current portion	–	748	–	748

**37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES**

The FCL Group's principal financial instruments comprise interest-bearing other borrowings and cash and bank balances. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to raise finance for the FCL Group's operations. The FCL Group has various other financial assets and liabilities such as accounts receivable, loans receivable, a note receivable, financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables, investments at fair value through profit or loss, available-for-sale investment, accounts payable, and financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals, and balances with fellow subsidiaries, the immediate holding company and the ultimate holding company which mainly arise directly from its operations.

The main risks arising from the FCL Group's financial instruments are interest rate risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and equity price risk. The FCL Director reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below.

**Interest rate risk**

The FCL Group's exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates relates primarily to its interest-bearing financial assets and liabilities. Interest-bearing financial assets are mainly loans receivable and bank deposits primarily at floating interest rates which are mostly short term in nature whereas financial liabilities are mainly other borrowings at floating interest rates. The FCL Group's policy is to obtain the most favourable interest rate available.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to a reasonably possible change in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, of the FCL Group's profit/(loss) before tax (through the impact on floating rate bank deposits, loans receivable and borrowings) and the FCL Group's equity.

	<b>Increase/ (decrease) in basis points</b>	<b>The FCL Group Decrease/ (increase) in loss before tax <i>HK\$'000</i></b>	<b>Increase/ (decrease) in equity* <i>HK\$'000</i></b>
2012			
Hong Kong dollar	25	(188)	–
Hong Kong dollar	(25)	188	–
	<u>25</u>	<u>(188)</u>	<u>–</u>

	<b>Increase/ (decrease) in basis points</b>	<b>The FCL Group Increase/ (decrease) in profit before tax <i>HK\$'000</i></b>	<b>Increase/ (decrease) in equity* <i>HK\$'000</i></b>
2013			
Hong Kong dollar	25	(715)	–
Hong Kong dollar	(25)	715	–
	<u>25</u>	<u>(715)</u>	<u>–</u>

2014			
Hong Kong dollar	25	(441)	–
Hong Kong dollar	(25)	441	–
	<u>25</u>	<u>(441)</u>	<u>–</u>

\* Excluding accumulated losses

### Credit risk

The FCL Group's major exposure to credit risk relates to accounts receivable, loans receivable, a note receivable, bank balances, an available-for-sale investment, investments at fair value through profit or loss, financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables, and amounts due from the immediate holding company and fellow subsidiaries arises from default of the counterparties, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amounts of these instruments. The FCL Group's loans and accounts receivable arise from the ordinary course of business of the FCL Group and are closely monitored by the FCL Director on an ongoing basis. Further quantitative data in respect of the FCL Group's exposure to credit risk arising from loans and accounts receivable are disclosed in notes 19 and 20, respectively, under Section II of this report.



**Liquidity risk**

The FCL Group's liquidity risk is minimal in the current year and is managed by matching the raising of loans or equity funding to cover expected cash demands. The FCL Group's policy is to regularly monitor current and expected liquidity requirements and its compliance with lending covenants to ensure that it maintains sufficient reserves of cash to meet its liquidity requirements in the short and long term.

The maturity profile of the financial liabilities as at the end of each of the Relevant Periods, based on the contractual undiscounted payments, is as follows:

**The FCL Group**

	<b>Within one year or on demand</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Accounts payable	2,304	11,853	363
Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals	819	1,219	648
Interest-bearing other borrowings	268,816	304,383	209,326
Amount due to the ultimate holding company	3,075,667	3,442,008	1,059
	<u>3,347,606</u>	<u>3,759,463</u>	<u>211,396</u>

**FCL**

	<b>Within one year or on demand</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Amounts due to subsidiaries	–	–	3,380
	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>3,380</u>

**Equity and debt price risk**

Equity and debt price risk is the risk that the fair values of equity and debt securities decrease as a result of changes in the levels of relevant indices and the value of individual securities. The FCL Group is exposed to equity and debt price risk arising from individual equity and debt investments classified as trading investments (note 22) and an available-for-sale investment (note 18). The FCL Group's listed investments are either listed on the Stock Exchange or Singapore Exchange Limited and are valued at quoted market prices at the end of each of the Relevant Periods.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity to every 5% change in the fair values of the equity and debt investments to which the FCL Group has significant exposure at the end of the each of the Relevant Periods, with all other variables held constant and before any impact on tax. For the purpose of this analysis, for the available-for-sale equity investment, the impact is deemed to be on the available-for-sale investment revaluation reserve and no account is given for factors such as impairment which might impact the combined income statements.

	<b>Carrying amount of investments</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>	<b>Change in profit/(loss) before tax</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>	<b>Change in equity*</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>
2012			
Investments listed in:			
– Hong Kong – held-for-trading	871,281	43,564	–
– Hong Kong – available-for-sale	17,693	–	885
– Singapore – held-for-trading	13,930	697	–
Unlisted investment at fair value:			
– Convertible note	5,905	295	–
2013			
Investments listed in:			
– Hong Kong – held-for-trading	1,355,049	67,753	–
– Hong Kong – available-for-sale	1,986	–	99
– Singapore – held-for-trading	17,398	870	–
Unlisted investment at fair value:			
– Convertible note	7,585	379	–
2014			
Investments listed in:			
– Hong Kong – held-for-trading	1,811,288	90,564	–
– Hong Kong – available-for-sale	18,507	–	925
– Singapore – held-for-trading	25,311	1,266	–

\* Excluding accumulated losses

### Capital management

The primary objectives of the FCL Group's capital management are to safeguard the FCL Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and maximise shareholder's value.

The FCL Group manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the FCL Group may adjust the dividend payment to shareholder, return capital to shareholder or issue new shares. The FCL Group is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements except for certain subsidiaries engaged in securities dealing and broking businesses and corporate finance advisory services, which are regulated entities under the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission (“SFC”) and a subsidiary, which is registered under the Hong Kong Insurance Companies Ordinance (“ICO”), which are required to comply with the respective minimum capital requirements of the SFC and the ICO. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes for managing capital during the Relevant Periods.

The FCL Group monitors capital using a gearing ratio, which is interest-bearing other borrowings divided by the equity attributable to owner of FCL. The gearing ratios as at the end of each of the Relevant Periods were as follows:

	<b>The FCL Group</b>		
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Interest-bearing other borrowings	<u>268,142</u>	<u>303,506</u>	<u>208,731</u>
Equity attributable to owner of FCL	<u>(1,492,170)</u>	<u>(1,245,982)</u>	<u>2,203,284</u>
Gearing ratio	<u>N/A*</u>	<u>N/A*</u>	<u>9.5%</u>

\* As the FCL Group had a net deficiency in assets as at 31 March 2012 and 2013, the FCL Group's gearing ratio as at the respective dates were not applicable.

### 38. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

Subsequent to 31 March 2014, on 9 June 2014, FSL, a wholly-owned subsidiary of FCL, entered into a conditional sale and purchase agreement with a wholly-owned subsidiary of HEC Capital Limited (“HEC”), an associate of the Company, pursuant to which FSL agreed to purchase the entire issued share capital of HEC Commodities Limited (“HCL”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of HEC at a consideration of HK\$10 million. Upon completion, HCL will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of FCL. The transaction has not been completed up to the date of this report.

**III. SUBSEQUENT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

No audited financial statements have been prepared by FCL or any of the companies comprising the FCL Group in respect of any period subsequent to 31 March 2014.

Yours faithfully,  
**Ernst & Young**  
*Certified Public Accountants*  
Hong Kong

## 1. INDEBTEDNESS

As at the close of business on 30 June 2014, being the latest practicable date for the purpose of this statement of indebtedness prior to the printing of this circular, the Group had borrowings amounting to approximately HK\$164.5 million.

The following table illustrates the Group's indebtedness as at the close of business on 30 June 2014:

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
<i>Current</i>	
Margin loans, secured	62,535
Other loans, secured	102,000
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Total borrowings	<u>164,535</u>

As at the close of business on 30 June 2014, the Group's total borrowings were secured by certain investments at fair value through profit or loss and an available-for-sale investment held by the Group with an aggregate carrying value of approximately HK\$1,731.2 million.

Save as disclosed above and apart from intra-group liabilities and normal accounts payable in the ordinary course of business, the Group did not have any loan capital issued and outstanding or agreed to be issued, or any outstanding debt securities, bank overdrafts and liabilities under acceptances or acceptance credits or other similar borrowings, indebtedness, debentures, mortgages, charges, hire purchase commitments, guarantees or other material contingent liabilities as at the close of business on 30 June 2014.

The Directors are not aware of any material adverse changes in the Group's indebtedness position and contingent liabilities since 30 June 2014.

## 2. WORKING CAPITAL

The Directors, after due and careful enquiry, are of the opinion that, after taking into account the internal financial resources available to the Group and proceeds from the Subscription, the Group have sufficient working capital for its present requirements in the next twelve months from the date of this circular.

## 3. MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

Up to and including the Latest Practicable Date, the Directors confirm that there is no material adverse change in the financial or trading position of the Group since 31 March 2014, being the date to which the latest published audited financial statements of the Group were made up.

**4. MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF THE RESULTS OF THE REMAINING GROUP**

Set out below is the management discussion and analysis on the Remaining Group for the years ended 31 March 2012, 2013 and 2014.

*For the year ended 31 March 2012*

**BUSINESS REVIEW**

The Remaining Group acquired additional interest in FSL to diversify the business arms of the Remaining Group and it became a subsidiary during the year. FSL is a private limited company incorporated in Hong Kong with principal activities in the provision of securities brokerage services and trading of securities.

The Remaining Group set up a newly incorporated wholly-owned subsidiary, Harvest Financial Services Limited, to continue its insurance brokerage business as well as commencing the provision of financial planning and related services during the year. The Remaining Group also set up another newly incorporated wholly-owned subsidiary, Freeman Corporate Finance Limited (“FCFL”), to explore new business opportunities in corporate finance advisory sector.

The Remaining Group disposed of its entire interest in Future Master Investments Limited (“Future Master”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company at a consideration of HK\$120 million during the year and recorded a net gain of approximately HK\$23.9 million in the consolidated income statement. Future Master and its direct subsidiaries (collectively referred to as “Future Master Group”) mainly held investment properties and buildings of the Remaining Group. After the disposal of Future Master Group, the Remaining Group discontinued its operations in property holding and investment as to strengthen its focus on other business operations.

The Remaining Group acquired a convertible note from an associate of the Remaining Group, at a consideration of HK\$250 million during the year. This convertible note was subsequently fully converted into shares of that associate and the Remaining Group’s interest in that associate was increased to approximately 32.26% as at 31 March 2012.

In March 2012, the Company effected a capital reorganisation which included a share consolidation and a capital reduction. The Company also issued new shares following the completion of the capital reorganisation to Willie and the exercise of share options by the grantees during the year.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Turnover from continuing operations decreased by approximately 89.3% to HK\$8.8 million compared to HK\$82.2 million in 2011. Income from sale of securities included in trading of securities segment recorded a net loss of HK\$38.3 million, representing a decrease of 44.3% compared to HK\$68.7 million in 2011. Dividend income from trading investments included in trading of securities segment increased by approximately 103.2% to HK\$12.6 million as compared to HK\$6.2 million in 2011 as more dividends were received from the listed securities in 2012. Interest income from provision of finance decreased by approximately 73.1% to HK\$11.2 million compared to HK\$41.6 million in 2011 as a result of a reduced loan portfolio during the year. Income from financial services segment, including services of securities brokerage, placing services, underwriting and margin financing was approximately HK\$13.3 million, representing a decrease of approximately 86.8% as compared to HK\$101.0 million in 2011. With increase in the number of insurance policies during the year, income from insurance brokerage business increased by 100% to approximately HK\$4.0 million as compared to HK\$2.0 million in 2011. Dividend income from an available-for-sale investment included in investment holding segment was HK\$6.0 million.

The gross profit was HK\$4.6 million, representing a decrease of 94.2% as compared to last year's figure. The consolidated net loss attributable to shareholders of the Remaining Group for the year was HK\$502.2 million. Loss per share was HK\$16.37 and loss per share from continuing operations was HK\$15.59.

The loss incurred by the Remaining Group for the year was mainly due to net fair value losses on investments at fair value through profit or loss of HK\$463.7 million and share of losses of associates of HK\$140.8 million. General and administrative expenses decreased from last year's figure of HK\$111.0 million to HK\$38.4 million for the year as one of the major subsidiaries became an associate of the Remaining Group during last year. The Remaining Group also recorded a profit from a discontinued operation of HK\$24.1 million for the year. The Directors did not recommend payment of a final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2012.

**LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

As at 31 March 2012, net current assets of the Remaining Group amounted to HK\$896.8 million and the current ratio (i.e. current assets/current liabilities) was 4.2. Cash and bank balances amounted to HK\$235.9 million.

As at 31 March 2012, the Remaining Group had secured other borrowings of HK\$268.1 million which were repayable on demand or within one year. Gearing ratio, calculated on the basis of the Remaining Group's interest-bearing other borrowings divided by the equity attributable to owners to the Company, was 13.9% at the balance sheet date. The other borrowings carried floating interest rates calculated by reference to the Hong Kong dollar prime rate or lender's cost of fund of HK\$263.2 million or carried fixed interest rate at 5% per annum of HK\$4.9 million, were made in Hong Kong dollar and the Remaining Group's exposure to foreign exchange rate was minimal. The Remaining Group did not have any financial instruments used for hedging purpose.

In the light of the amount of liquid assets on hand and banking facilities available, the Directors are of the view that the Remaining Group has sufficient financial resources to meet its ongoing operational requirements.

The Remaining Group's assets portfolio is mainly financed by its shareholders' funds. As at 31 March 2012, the Remaining Group had shareholders' funds of HK\$2,357.8 million. During the year, the Company raised net proceeds from issue of new shares of HK\$65.9 million which have been used as the general working capital of the Company.

#### **PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

As at 31 March 2012, investments held for trading of HK\$891.1 million and an available-for-sale investment of HK\$17.7 million were pledged to financial institutions to secure margin-financing facilities provided to the Remaining Group.

#### **MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS**

Save as disclosed, the Remaining Group did not have any other material acquisitions or disposals during the year.

#### **CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**

The Remaining Group had no material capital commitment at 31 March 2012.

#### **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

As at 31 March 2012, the Remaining Group has provided guarantees to banks in respect of the mortgage loans made by Future Master Group (which was disposed of by the Remaining Group during the year) for a term of one year up to April 2012 with an utilised extent of HK\$64,516,000.

#### **EMPLOYEE'S REMUNERATION POLICY AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME**

As at 31 March 2012, the Remaining Group employed 32 staff members including directors of the Company. Staff costs incurred for the year, including directors' remuneration, was HK\$13.0 million. It was the remuneration policy of the Remaining Group to reward its employees with reference to their qualifications, experience and work performance as well as to market benchmarks. Remuneration packages, include granting of share options, and on-going training were structured to motivate individual performance and contributions to the Remaining Group. The Company has adopted a share option scheme and the Remaining Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance for its employees.



**PROSPECTS**

With the set-up of new subsidiaries with principal activities in insurance brokerage and the provision of corporate finance advisory services, the Remaining Group aims to diversify its range of financial services. The Company maintains a positive mid-to-longer outlook on the financial services sector and is optimistic that the financial market is enriched with opportunities. The Remaining Group will continue to focus on its principal business segments as well as explore and capture any investment opportunities that may arise.

*For the year ended 31 March 2013*

**BUSINESS REVIEW**

In April 2012, Cordoba Homes Limited (“Cordoba”), in which the Remaining Group owned approximately 5.26% shareholding interest and accounted for as an available-for-sale investment as at 31 March 2012, underwent a reorganization (“Cordoba Reorganization”) pursuant to which each of the then shareholders of Cordoba exchanged its shares in Cordoba for the same amount of shares in HEC Capital Limited (“HEC”), a special purpose vehicle formed as the holding company of Cordoba incorporated in the Cayman Islands. Upon completion of Cordoba Reorganization, the Remaining Group owned approximately 5.26% shareholding interest in HEC.

In May 2012, a former associate of the Remaining Group underwent a reorganization (the “Reorganization”) without its shareholders’ involvement, pursuant to which the Remaining Group’s shares in that former associate were cancelled and exchanged for the same amount of shares in HEC. Upon completion of the Reorganization, the Remaining Group owned approximately 27.70% shareholding interest in HEC. Subsequent to further share transactions undertaken by HEC during the year, the Remaining Group’s shareholding interest in HEC was further diluted to approximately 19.57% as at 31 March 2013.

During the year, the Company completed a share consolidation and a rights issue and issued approximately 2,451 million new shares for net proceeds of HK\$239.2 million. In addition, the Remaining Group has acquired approximately 8.77% shareholding interest in FSL at a consideration of HK\$16.1 million and FSL has become a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company as at 31 March 2013.

FCFL, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company with principal activity in the provision of corporate finance advisory services, has obtained the license of type 6 (Advising on Corporate Finance) regulated activity under the Securities and Futures Ordinance from the Securities and Futures Commission and commenced business during the year.

In late 2012, the Company announced to effect a capital reorganisation (“Capital Reorganisation”) which included a share consolidation and a capital reduction. The Company also announced to conduct a rights issue (“Rights Issue”) to issue approximately 191.2 million rights shares for net proceeds of HK\$155.9 million. The Capital Reorganisation was completed in May 2013 and the Rights Issue was completed in July 2013.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Turnover significantly increased by approximately 760.2% to HK\$75.7 million from HK\$8.8 million in 2012. Income from sale of securities included in the trading of securities segment recorded a net profit of HK\$25.6 million as certain listed securities were sold at a profit. Dividend income from trading investments and an available-for-sale investment slightly increased by approximately 2.7% to HK\$19.1 million as compared to 2012. Loan financing market continued to be competitive and interest income from provision of finance decreased by approximately 58.9% to HK\$4.6 million as compared to 2012. Income from the financial services segment, including the services of securities brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing, was HK\$23.8 million, representing an increase of approximately 78.9% as compared to 2012 as the Remaining Group had undertaken a number of sizeable underwriting, sub-underwriting, placing and sub-placing transactions during the year.

Gross profit was approximately HK\$75.2 million. The consolidated net profit attributable to shareholders of the Remaining Group for the year was HK\$257.1 million. Earnings per share amounted to HK\$2.80.

Other income and gains increased by approximately 624.4% to HK\$59.4 million for the year which was mainly attributable to the net gain on changes in shareholding interests in associates of HK\$39.2 million and net gain on disposal of an available-for-sale investment of HK\$18.5 million. The Group also recorded a significant unrealised fair value gain on securities held for trading of approximately HK\$186.3 million for the year.

The performance of associates improved significantly in 2013 which contributed a share of profits of HK\$51.7 million to the Remaining Group. Cost saving is a continuous aim in monitoring daily operations by the Remaining Group. This year, general and administrative expenses were HK\$32.8 million, representing a decrease of approximately 14.6% as compared to 2012. Finance costs increased by approximately 9.4% to HK\$9.3 million for the year as more interest expenses were incurred on other borrowings. The Directors did not recommend payment of a final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2013.

**LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

As at 31 March 2013, net current assets of the Remaining Group amounted to HK\$1,381.8 million and the current ratio (i.e. current assets/current liabilities) was 5.3. Cash and bank balances amounted to HK\$180.6 million.

As at 31 March 2013, the Remaining Group had secured other borrowings of HK\$303.5 million which were repayable on demand or within one year. Gearing ratio, calculated on the basis of the Remaining Group's interest-bearing borrowings divided by the equity attributable to owners of the Company, was 12.1% at the balance sheet date. The other borrowings of the Remaining Group carried floating interest rates calculated by reference to the Hong Kong dollar prime rate or lender's cost of funds and were made in Hong Kong dollar, and the Remaining Group's exposure to foreign exchange rate was minimal. The Remaining Group did not have any financial instruments used for hedging purpose.

The Remaining Group's assets portfolio is mainly financed by its shareholders' funds. As at 31 March 2013, the Remaining Group had shareholders' funds of HK\$2,852.5 million. During the year, the Company raised net proceeds from issue of new shares of HK\$239.2 million which were used as the general working capital of the Company, as well as funding for the Remaining Group's securities brokerage business, strategic investments and investments in marketable securities. In light of the amount of liquid assets on hand and banking facilities available, the Directors are of the view that the Remaining Group has sufficient financial resources to meet its ongoing operational requirements.

**PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

As at 31 March 2013, investments held for trading of HK\$1,380.0 million and an available-for-sale investment of HK\$2.0 million were pledged to financial institutions to secure margin-financing facilities provided to the Remaining Group.

**MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS**

Save as disclosed, the Remaining Group did not have any other material acquisitions or disposals during the year.

**CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**

The Remaining Group had no material capital commitment at 31 March 2013.

**CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

As at 31 March 2012, the Remaining Group had provided guarantees to banks in respect of mortgage loans borrowed by some property investment subsidiaries (which were disposed of by the Remaining Group in April 2011) for a term of one year up to April 2012, and the amount then outstanding under the mortgage loans was approximately HK\$64.5 million. These guarantees were subsequently released by the banks during the year and the Remaining Group had no material contingent liabilities as at 31 March 2013.

**EMPLOYEE'S REMUNERATION POLICY AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME**

As at 31 March 2013, the Remaining Group employed 24 staff members including directors of the Company. Staff costs incurred for the year, including directors' remuneration, was HK\$12.5 million. It was the remuneration policy of the Remaining Group to reward its employees with reference to their qualifications, experience and work performance as well as to market benchmarks. Remuneration packages, include granting of share options, and on-going training were structured to motivate individual performance and contributions to the Remaining Group. The Company has adopted a share option scheme and the Remaining Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance for its employees.

**PROSPECTS**

The Remaining Group continues to maintain a positive outlook on the financial services sector. With the Remaining Group's available resources and funding to be raised from the Rights Issue, the Remaining Group will continue to grow its existing businesses as well as explore investment opportunities.

*For the year ended 31 March 2014*

**BUSINESS REVIEW**

During the year, the Company completed certain share issue transactions in respect of share options exercised, placing and rights issue transactions and raised net proceeds of approximately HK\$207.7 million from these share transactions. The Company also completed a share consolidation in May 2013.

Upon certain share allotments underwent by an associate of the Remaining Group, the Remaining Group's shareholding interest in that associate has been diluted to 19.54% as at 31 March 2014.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Turnover significantly increased by approximately 200.8% to HK\$227.7 million from HK\$75.7 million in 2013. Income from sale of securities included in trading of securities segment recorded a net profit of HK\$107.4 million as securities were sold at better market sentiment. Dividend income from trading investments increased by approximately 197.9% to HK\$56.9 million as compared to 2013, mainly contributed by more dividends were received by the Group from listed securities. Interest income from provision of finance increased by approximately 104.3% to HK\$9.4 million as compared to 2013. With increased loan portfolio of the provision of finance segment, higher interest income was resulted for the year. Income from securities brokerage, placing, underwriting and margin financing services amounted to HK\$46.7 million, representing an increase of 96.2% when compared to last year as the Remaining Group continued undertaking a number of sizeable underwriting and other capital markets transactions for its clients during the year.

The gross profit for the year was HK\$224.2 million, representing a substantial increase of approximately 198.1% as compared to last year. It was mainly due to increase in income from financial services and net gains from trading of securities. The consolidated net profit attributable to shareholders of the Remaining Group for the year was HK\$312.2 million. Earnings per share amounted to HK\$1.18.

Other income and gains decreased to HK\$3.2 million. The Remaining Group recorded a significant unrealised fair value gain on securities held for trading of HK\$396.0 million for the year. The Remaining Group shared losses of HK\$98.2 million from an associate for the year. Cost saving is a continuous aim in monitoring daily operations by the Remaining Group. This year, general and administrative expenses amounted to HK\$35.4 million, representing an increase of approximately 7.9% as compared to 2013. The Directors recommended distribution of a final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2014 of HK\$0.01 per Share by way of a proposed bonus issue of Shares, credited as fully paid at par by way of capitalisation of part of the Company's retained profits, on the basis of one bonus share for every one existing Share held by the qualifying shareholders whose names are on the register of members of the Company on the record date (the "Bonus Issue"). The final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2014 by way of the Bonus Issue will be subject to Shareholders' approval at the Company's annual general meeting to be held on 28 August 2014.

**LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

As at 31 March 2014, net current assets of the Remaining Group amounted to HK\$2,175.1 million and the current ratio (current assets/current liabilities) was 11.1. The cash and bank balances were HK\$57.2 million. As at 31 March 2014, the Remaining Group had secured other borrowings of HK\$208.7 million which were repayable on demand or within one year. Gearing ratio, calculated on the basis of the Remaining Group's interest-bearing borrowings divided by the equity attributable to owners of the Company, was 6.5% at the balance sheet date. The other borrowings of the Remaining Group carried floating interest rates calculated by reference to the Hong Kong dollar prime rate or lender's cost of funds were made in Hong Kong dollar and the Remaining Group's exposure to foreign exchange rate was minimal. The Remaining Group did not have any financial instruments used for hedging purpose.

The Remaining Group's assets portfolio is mainly financed by its shareholders' funds. As at 31 March 2014, the Remaining Group had shareholders' funds of HK\$2,580.7 million. During the year, the Company raised net proceeds from issue of new shares of approximately HK\$207.7 million which have been used as the general working capital of the Company, as well as funding for the Remaining Group's securities brokerage business, strategic investments and investments in marketable securities. In the light of the amount of liquid assets on hand and banking facilities available, the Directors are of the view that the Remaining Group has sufficient financial resources to meet its ongoing operational requirements.

**PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

As at 31 March 2014, investments held for trading of HK\$1,836.6 million and an available-for-sale investment of HK\$18.5 million were pledged to financial institutions to secure margin-financing facilities provided to the Remaining Group.

**MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS**

Save as disclosed, the Remaining Group did not have any other material acquisitions or disposals during the year.

**CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**

The Remaining Group had no material capital commitment at 31 March 2014.

**CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The Remaining Group had no material contingent liabilities as at 31 March 2014.

**EMPLOYEE'S REMUNERATION POLICY AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME**

As at 31 March 2014, the Remaining Group employed 29 staff members including directors of the Company. Staff costs incurred for the year, including directors' remuneration, was HK\$11.2 million. It was the remuneration policy of the Remaining Group to reward its employees with reference to their qualifications, experience and work performance as well as to market benchmarks. Remuneration packages, include granting of share options, and on-going training were structured to motivate individual performance and contributions to the Remaining Group. The Company has adopted a share option scheme and the Remaining Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance for its employees.

**PROSPECTS**

The Remaining Group always aims to enhance its service capacity in the financial services industry. The Remaining Group will continue to look for additional opportunities to further enhance its service offering repertoire and create a one-stop financial conglomerate with comprehensive range of financial services.

**5. FINANCIAL AND TRADING PROSPECTS**

The financial market is enriched with opportunities. The Remaining Group will continue to look for opportunities of potential investments in marketable securities as well as other proprietary products if the global and local economic climate remains healthy and stable. With additional source of capital from the Subscription, the Remaining Group can strengthen its capital base for: (i) money lending business to diversify its customer portfolio for higher interest income returns; and (ii) trading of securities business to enhance its investment portfolio for capital appreciation potentials. Up to the date of this circular, the Remaining Group did not have specific investment target.

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**A.    INTRODUCTION TO THE UNAUDITED PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION  
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The unaudited pro forma financial information (the “Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information”) presented below is prepared to illustrate (a) the financial position of the Group as if the Subscription had been completed on 31 March 2014; and (b) the results and cash flows of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2014 as if the Subscription has been completed on 1 April 2013.

The Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information has been prepared for illustrative purposes only and because of its hypothetical nature, it may not purport to represent the true picture of the financial position of the Remaining Group as at 31 March 2014 or at any future date had the Subscription been completed on 31 March 2014 or the results and cash flows of the Remaining Group for the year ended 31 March 2014 or for any future period had the Subscription been completed on 1 April 2013.

The Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information is prepared based on the audited consolidated statement of the financial position of the Group as at 31 March 2014, the audited consolidated income statement, the audited consolidated statement of comprehensive income and the audited consolidated statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 March 2014 extracted from the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2014 as set out in the 2014 Annual Report after giving effect to the pro forma adjustments as explained in Part B of this appendix and is prepared in accordance with Rules 4.29 and 14.68(2)(a)(ii) of the Listing Rules.



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**B.    UNAUDITED PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF THE REMAINING GROUP**

**1.    Unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of financial position**

	<b>The Group at 31 March 2014</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Unaudited pro forma of the Remaining Group</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	<i>Note 1</i>	<i>Note 2</i>	<i>Note 3</i>	
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Property, plant and equipment	2,716	–	–	2,716
Investment in an associate	1,006,729	–	–	1,006,729
Intangible asset	339	–	–	339
Available-for-sale investment	18,507	–	–	18,507
Loans receivable	748	–	–	748
Deferred tax assets	99	–	–	99
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Total non-current assets	1,029,138	–	–	1,029,138
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<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Accounts receivable	193,449	–	–	193,449
Loans receivable	301,792	–	–	301,792
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	1,483	–	–	1,483
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	1,836,599	–	–	1,836,599
Cash and bank balances	57,160	879,000	–	936,160
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Total current assets	2,390,483	879,000	–	3,269,483
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	<b>The Group at 31 March 2014</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Unaudited pro forma of the Remaining Group</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	<i>Note 1</i>	<i>Note 2</i>	<i>Note 3</i>	
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts payable	363	–	–	363
Other payables and accruals	3,539	–	550	4,089
Interest-bearing other borrowings	208,731	–	–	208,731
Tax payable	2,771	–	–	2,771
Total current liabilities	<u>215,404</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>215,954</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>2,175,079</u>	<u>879,000</u>	<u>(550)</u>	<u>3,053,529</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u><u>3,204,217</u></u>	<u><u>879,000</u></u>	<u><u>(550)</u></u>	<u><u>4,082,667</u></u>
<b>EQUITY</b>				
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the Company</b>				
Issued capital	3,441	–	–	3,441
Reserves	3,200,776	6,714	(550)	3,206,940
	3,204,217	6,714	(550)	3,210,381
<b>Non-controlling interest</b>	<u>–</u>	<u>872,286</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>872,286</u>
Total equity	<u><u>3,204,217</u></u>	<u><u>879,000</u></u>	<u><u>(550)</u></u>	<u><u>4,082,667</u></u>

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**2. Unaudited pro forma consolidated income statement**

	<b>The Group for the year ended 31 March 2014 HK\$'000 Note 1</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment HK\$'000 Note 3</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment HK\$'000 Note 4</b>	<b>Unaudited pro forma of the Remaining Group HK\$'000</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>	227,678	–	–	227,678
Cost of sales	(3,453)	–	–	(3,453)
Gross profit	224,225	–	–	224,225
Other income and gains	3,197	–	–	3,197
Fair value gains on investments at fair value through profit or loss, net	395,954	–	–	395,954
General and administrative expenses	(35,405)	(550)	–	(35,955)
Other expenses	(2,011)	–	–	(2,011)
Finance costs	(7,685)	–	–	(7,685)
Share of profits and losses of an associate	(98,193)	–	–	(98,193)
<b>PROFIT BEFORE TAX</b>	480,082	(550)	–	479,532
Income tax expense	(2,746)	–	–	(2,746)
<b>PROFIT FOR THE YEAR</b>	<u>477,336</u>	<u>(550)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>476,786</u>
Attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	477,336	(550)	(165,038)	311,748
Non-controlling interest	–	–	165,038	165,038
	<u>477,336</u>	<u>(550)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>476,786</u>

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**3. Unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of comprehensive income**

	The Group for the year ended 31 March 2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> <i>Note 1</i>	Pro forma adjustment <i>HK\$'000</i> <i>Note 3</i>	Pro forma adjustment <i>HK\$'000</i> <i>Note 4</i>	Unaudited pro forma of the Remaining Group <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>PROFIT FOR THE YEAR</b>	477,336	(550)	–	476,786
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>				
Other comprehensive income to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:				
An available-for-sale investment:				
Change in fair value	16,521	–	–	16,521
Share of other comprehensive income of an associate, net	2,179	–	–	2,179
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR, NET OF TAX</b>	18,700	–	–	18,700
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR</b>	496,036	–	–	495,486
Attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	496,036	(550)	(169,714)	325,772
Non-controlling interest	–	–	169,714	169,714
	496,036	(550)	–	495,486

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**4. Unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of cash flows**

	<b>The Group for the year ended 31 March 2014</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Unaudited pro forma of the Remaining Group</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	<i>Note 1</i>	<i>Note 2</i>	<i>Note 3</i>	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM</b>				
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Profit before tax	480,082	–	(550)	479,532
Adjustments for:				
Finance costs	7,685	–	–	7,685
Share of profits and losses of an associate	98,193	–	–	98,193
Interest income	(26,816)	–	–	(26,816)
Depreciation	1,188	–	–	1,188
Fair value gains on investments at fair value through profit or loss, net	(395,954)	–	–	(395,954)
Gain on redemption of a note receivable	(77)	–	–	(77)
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	(57)	–	–	(57)
Loss on change in shareholding interests in an associate	11	–	–	11
Loss on disposal/write-off of items of property, plant and equipment	134	–	–	134
Impairment of a loan receivable	2,000	–	–	2,000
Equity-settled share option expenses	547	–	–	547
	166,936	–	(550)	166,386

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	<b>The Group for the year ended 31 March 2014</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Unaudited pro forma of the Remaining Group</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	<i>Note 1</i>	<i>Note 2</i>	<i>Note 3</i>	
Increase in accounts receivable	(40,351)	–	–	(40,351)
Increase in loans receivable	(293,137)	–	–	(293,137)
Decrease in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	543	–	–	543
Increase in investments at fair value through profit or loss	(60,613)	–	–	(60,613)
Decrease in accounts payable	(11,490)	–	–	(11,490)
Decrease in other payables and accruals	(622)	–	550	(72)
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Cash used in operations	(238,734)	–	–	(238,734)
Interest received	5,235	–	–	5,235
Interest paid	(4,495)	–	–	(4,495)
Income tax paid	(2,879)	–	–	(2,879)
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Net cash flows used in operating activities	(240,873)	–	–	(240,873)
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<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(153)	–	–	(153)
Proceeds from redemption of a note receivable	7,788	–	–	7,788
Disposal of subsidiaries	57	–	–	57
Proceeds from deemed disposal of partial interest in a subsidiary	–	879,000	–	879,000
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Net cash flows from investing activities	7,692	879,000	–	886,692
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	<b>The Group for the year ended 31 March 2014</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Pro forma adjustment</b>	<b>Unaudited pro forma of the Remaining Group</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	<i>Note 1</i>	<i>Note 2</i>	<i>Note 3</i>	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Proceeds from share options exercised	8,383	–	–	8,383
Proceeds from issue of new shares	44,355	–	–	44,355
Proceeds from rights issue	162,510	–	–	162,510
Share issue expenses	(7,536)	–	–	(7,536)
Drawdown of other borrowings	570,416	–	–	570,416
Repayment of other borrowings	(606,690)	–	–	(606,690)
Decrease in margin loan borrowings, net	(61,691)	–	–	(61,691)
	<u>109,747</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>109,747</u>
Net cash flows from financing activities				
	<u>109,747</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>109,747</u>
<b>NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>				
	(123,434)	879,000	–	755,566
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	180,594	–	–	180,594
	<u>180,594</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>180,594</u>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR</b>				
	<u>57,160</u>	<u>879,000</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>936,160</u>
<b>ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>				
Cash and bank balances	<u>57,160</u>	<u>879,000</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>936,160</u>

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**5. Notes to the unaudited pro forma financial information of the Remaining Group**

- (1) The consolidated statement of financial position of the Group as at 31 March 2014, and the consolidated income statement, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 March 2014 are extracted from the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2014 as contained in the Company's 2014 Annual Report.
- (2) The adjustment reflects the estimated proceeds (before expenses) and the estimated deemed gain arising from the Subscription, which results in a dilution of the Group's equity interest in FCL from 100% to 71.7%, assuming that the Subscription had been completed on 31 March 2014.

The estimated deemed gain is arrived as follows:

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Net asset value of the FCL Group as at 31 March 2014, before completion of the Subscription <sup>(a)</sup>	2,203,284*
Net asset value of the FCL Group as at 31 March 2014, enlarged by the estimated proceeds from the Subscription of HK\$879,000,000	3,082,284
Less: Non-controlling interest	872,286
Net asset value of FCL Group attributable to the Remaining Group after completion of the Subscription <sup>(b)</sup>	2,209,998
Estimated deemed gain from the Subscription <sup>(a)-(b)</sup>	6,714

A change in the ownership interest of the FCL Group, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction. The estimated deemed gain of HK\$6,714,000 is recognised as a movement in the reserve of the Remaining Group.

- (3) The adjustment reflects the estimated legal and professional fees in relation to the Subscription of HK\$550,000.



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- (4) The adjustment reflects the share of results and other comprehensive income of the FCL Group attributable to the non-controlling interest, assuming that the Subscription had been completed on 1 April 2013.

The estimated profit and total comprehensive income for the year ended 31 March 2014 attributable to the non-controlling interest, which holds 28.3% equity interest in the FCL Group, is arrived as follows:

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Profit for the year of the FCL Group	583,174*
Profit for the year attributable to non-controlling interest as to 28.3%	<u>165,038</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year of the FCL Group	599,695*
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the non-controlling interest as to 28.3%	<u>169,714</u>

\* *Amounts extracted from the audited combined financial statements of the FCL Group for the Relevant Periods.*

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*The following is the text of a report, prepared for the purpose of inclusion in this circular, received from the independent reporting accountants of the Company, Ernst & Young, Certified Public Accountants, Hong Kong, in respect of the Unaudited Financial Information of the Remaining Group.*

**C.     LETTER FROM THE REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS ON UNAUDITED PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION**



22/F, CITIC Tower  
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Central, Hong Kong

20 August 2014

The Board of Directors  
**Freeman Financial Corporation Limited**  
Room 2302, 23rd Floor, China United Centre  
28 Marble Road  
North Point  
Hong Kong

Dear Sirs

**Independent reporting accountants' assurance report on the compilation of  
pro forma financial information**

We have completed our assurance engagement to report on the compilation of pro forma financial information of Freeman Financial Corporation Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Group") by the directors of the Company (the "Directors") for illustrative purposes only. The pro forma financial information consists of the unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2014, and the unaudited pro forma consolidated income statement, the unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of comprehensive income and the unaudited pro forma consolidated statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 March 2014, and related notes (the "Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information") as set out in section headed "Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information of the Remaining Group" in Appendix III to the circular of the Company dated 20 August 2014 (the "Circular"). The applicable criteria on the basis of which the Directors have compiled the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information are described in the Circular.

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The Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information has been compiled by the Directors to illustrate the impact of the allotment and issuance of 300,000,000 new ordinary shares of Freeman Corporation Limited (“FCL”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group, at HK\$2.93 each to Co-Lead Holdings Limited (“CLHL”) under the subscription agreement between FCL and CLHL dated 7 May 2014 (the “Subscription”) on the financial position of the Group as at 31 March 2014 as if the Subscription had been completed on 31 March 2014, and the financial performance and cash flows of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2014 as if the Subscription had been completed on 1 April 2013. As part of this process, information about the Group’s financial position, financial performance and cash flows has been extracted by the Directors from the Group’s consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014, on which an audit report has been published.

### **Directors’ responsibility for the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information**

The Directors are responsible for compiling the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information in accordance with paragraph 4.29 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Listing Rules”) and with reference to Accounting Guideline (“AG”) 7 *Preparation of Pro Forma Financial Information for Inclusion in Investment Circulars* issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the “HKICPA”).

### **Reporting Accountants’ responsibilities**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion, as required by paragraph 4.29(7) of the Listing Rules, on the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information and to report our opinion to you. We do not accept any responsibility for any reports previously given by us on any financial information used in the compilation of the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information beyond that owed to those to whom those reports were addressed by us at the dates of their issue.

We conducted our engagement in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Assurance Engagements 3420 *Assurance Engagements to Report on the Compilation of Pro Forma Financial Information Included in a Prospectus* issued by the HKICPA. This standard requires that the reporting accountants comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform procedures to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Directors have compiled the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information, in accordance with paragraph 4.29 of the Listing Rules and with reference to AG7 issued by HKICPA.

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For purposes of this engagement, we are not responsible for updating or reissuing any reports or opinions on any historical financial information used in compiling the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information, nor have we, in the course of this engagement, performed an audit or review of the financial information used in compiling the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information.

The purpose of Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information included in the Circular is solely to illustrate the impact of the Subscription on unadjusted financial information of the Group as if the Subscription had been undertaken at an earlier date selected for purposes of the illustration. Accordingly, we do not provide any assurance that the actual outcome of the Subscription would have been as presented.

A reasonable assurance engagement to report on whether the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information has been properly compiled on the basis of the applicable criteria involves performing procedures to assess whether the applicable criteria used by the Directors in the compilation of the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information provide a reasonable basis for presenting the significant effects directly attributable to the Subscription, and to obtain sufficient appropriate evidence about whether:

- The related pro forma adjustments give appropriate effect to those criteria; and
- The Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information reflects the proper application of those adjustments to the unadjusted financial information.

The procedures selected depend on the reporting accountants' judgment, having regard to the reporting accountants' understanding of the nature of the Group, the Subscription in respect of which the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information has been compiled, and other relevant engagement circumstances.

The engagement also involves evaluating the overall presentation of the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information.

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

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**Opinion**

In our opinion:

- (a) the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information has been properly compiled on the basis stated;
- (b) such basis is consistent with the accounting policies of the Group; and
- (c) the adjustments are appropriate for the purpose of the Unaudited Pro Forma Financial Information as disclosed pursuant to paragraph 4.29(1) of the Listing Rules.

Yours faithfully,  
**Ernst & Young**  
*Certified Public Accountants*  
Hong Kong

## 1. RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

This circular, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquires, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this circular is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this circular misleading.

## 2. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

### (a) The Directors' or chief executive's interests or short positions in the Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations

Based on the register kept by the Company, as at the Latest Practicable Date, the interests or short positions of each Director or chief executive of the Company in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO), which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the provisions of Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO, or which were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein, or which were required, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as contained in the Listing Rules, were as follows:

#### *Long Positions and Short Positions in Shares and Underlying Shares of the Company*

<b>Name of directors</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Number of Shares/ underlying Shares held</b>	<b>Approximate percentage of the issued share capital</b>
Mr. Andrew Liu	Beneficial owner	37,228,269	10.82%
Ms. Au Shuk Yee, Sue	Beneficial owner	245,844	0.07%
Ms. Chow Mun Yee	Beneficial owner	201,600	0.06%

Save as disclosed above, as at the Latest Practicable Date, none of the Directors or chief executive of the Company had any interests or short positions in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO), which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the provisions of Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO,

including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO, or which were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein, or which were required, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as contained in the Listing Rules.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, no Director is a director or employee of a company which has an interest or short position in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the issuer under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO.

**(b) Substantial Shareholders' interests or short positions in the Shares and Underlying Shares**

Based on the register kept by the Company, as at the Latest Practicable Date, so far as is known to the Directors or chief executive of the Company, the following persons (other than a Director or chief executive of the Company), had any interest or short position in the Shares or underlying Shares which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or who was, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any other members of the Group.

<b>Name of substantial shareholders</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Number of Shares and underlying Shares held</b>	<b>Approximate percentage of the issued share capital</b>
Ou Yaping ( <i>Note 1</i> )	Beneficial owner	28,000,000	8.14%
Willie	Beneficial owner	23,438,649	6.81%
HEC Capital Limited ( <i>Note 2</i> )	Interest of controlled corporation	21,832,018	6.34%

*Note 1:* These shares are held by Enerchine Securities Limited and Kenson Investment Limited, wholly-owned subsidiaries of Enerchina Holdings Limited (“Enerchina”), whereas Asia Pacific Promotion Limited (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ou Yaping) has approximately 36.40% equity interest in Enerchina.

*Note 2:* These shares are held by Murtsa Capital Management Limited and HEC Securities Limited, wholly-owned subsidiaries of HEC Capital Limited.

Save as disclosed above, as at the Latest Practicable Date, so far as is known to the Directors or chief executive of the Company, no person (other than a Director or chief executive of the Company) had interests or short positions in the Shares or underlying Shares which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Directors 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or who was, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any other member of the Group.

### **3. SERVICE CONTRACTS**

As at the Latest Practicable Date, none of the Directors had any existing or proposed service contract with any member of the Group which is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

### **4. DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS AND ASSETS**

As at the Latest Practicable Date, none of the Directors had any direct or indirect interest in any asset which had been, since 31 March 2014, being the date to which the latest published audited accounts of the Company were made up, acquired or disposed of, by or leased to any member of the Group or are proposed to be acquired or disposed of, by or leased to any member of the Group.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, there was no contract or arrangement subsisting in which any Director was materially interested and which was significant in relation to the business of the Group.

### **5. MATERIAL CONTRACTS**

The following contracts, not being contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business, were entered into by the Group within two years immediately preceding the date of this circular which are or may be material:

- (a) The joint venture agreement dated 20 June 2014 and the joint venture partners' agreement dated 20 June 2014, in relation to the joint venture arrangement of Freewill Holdings Limited (the "JV Company") of which Freeman Financial Services Limited holds approximately 65.30% and Willie Link Limited (an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Willie) holds approximately 34.70% equity interest in the JV Company, there is no consideration for the joint venture arrangement;
- (b) The conditional agreement dated 9 June 2014 between FSL (a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) and HEC Holdings Limited (a wholly-owned subsidiary of HEC Capital Limited, which is an associate of the Group), in relation to the sale and purchase of shares in HEC Commodities Limited (another wholly-owned subsidiary of HEC Capital Limited), total consideration is HK\$10 million;



- (c) The Subscription Agreement, total consideration is HK\$879 million;
- (d) The placing agreement dated 20 November 2013 entered into between HEC Securities Limited (a wholly-owned subsidiary of an associate of the Group), the placing agent, and the Company in relation to the placing of 57,368,318 new shares under general mandate at the placing price of HK\$0.70 per share to not less than six places, the gross proceeds was approximately HK\$40.1 million;
- (e) The supplemental agreement dated 18 June 2013 between the Company and HEC Securities Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of an associate of the Group, in relation to the amendments of certain terms of the underwriting agreement dated 4 December 2012 between the same parties, there is no consideration for this supplemental agreement;
- (f) The placing agreement dated 27 May 2013 entered into between FSL (a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company), the placing agent, and the Company in relation to the placing of 42,067,484 new shares at the placing price of HK\$0.10 per share under general mandate to not less than six places, the gross proceeds was approximately HK\$4.2 million;
- (g) The sale and purchase agreement dated 21 March 2013 between the Company, Global Wealthy International Limited and Dynastic Union Limited (a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company), in relation to the acquisition of shares in FSL, a non-wholly owned subsidiary of the Company as at the date entering such sale and purchase agreement, total consideration is HK\$16.1 million;
- (h) The underwriting agreement dated 4 December 2012 between the Company and HEC Securities Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of an associate of the Group, in relation to the rights issue of the Company on the basis of two rights shares for every adjusted share on the record date, total gross proceeds from the rights issue is HK\$125.0 million to HK\$162.5 million.

## **6. LITIGATION AND POSSIBLE LEGAL ACTION**

As at the Latest Practicable Date, no member of the Group is engaged in any litigation or claim of material importance and, so far as the Directors are aware, no litigation or claim of material importance is pending or threatened by or against any member of the Group.

## **7. COMPETING BUSINESS**

As at the Latest Practicable Date, none of the Directors or any of their respective associates had any interest in any business which competes or likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the business of the Group.

**8. EXPERT AND CONSENT**

The following is the qualifications of the expert who has given opinions or advices which are contained or referred to in this circular:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Qualification</b>
Ernst & Young	Certified Public Accountants

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ernst & Young did not have any direct or indirect shareholdings in any member of the Group, or any right (whether legally enforceable or not) to subscribe for or to nominate persons to subscribe for securities in any member of the Group, or any interest, either directly or indirectly, in any assets which have been, since 31 March 2014 (being the date to which the latest published audited consolidated financial statements of the Group were made up) acquired or disposed of by or leased to or are proposed to be acquired or disposed of by or leased to any member of the Group.

Ernst & Young has given and has not withdrawn its written consent to the issue of this circular with the inclusion herein of the letter or report or references to its names in the form and context in which they appear.

**9. MISCELLANEOUS**

- (a) The registered office of the Company is located at Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman, KY1-1111, Cayman Islands.
- (b) The head office and principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong is at Room 2302, 23rd Floor, China United Centre, 28 Marble Road, North Point, Hong Kong.
- (c) The secretary of the Company is Ms. Chow Mun Yee, who is a fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a fellow member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.
- (d) The Company's branch registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong is Tricor Secretaries Limited, which is located at Level 22, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong.
- (e) In the event of inconsistency, the English text of this circular shall prevail over the Chinese text.

**10. DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION**

Copies of the following documents are available for inspection at the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong at Room 2302, 23rd Floor, China United Centre, 28 Marble Road, North Point, Hong Kong during normal business hours on any Business Day from the date of this circular up to and including the date of the EGM:

- (i) the memorandum and articles of association of the Company;
- (ii) each of the material contracts as set out under the paragraph headed “Material Contracts” in this appendix;
- (iii) the annual reports of the Company for the two years ended 31 March 2013 and 2014;
- (iv) the accountants’ report of FCL Group prepared by Ernst & Young, the text of which is extracted as set out in Appendix I to this circular;
- (v) the letter from Ernst & Young regarding the unaudited pro forma financial information of the Remaining Group, the text of which is set out in Appendix III to this circular;
- (vi) the written consent from Ernst & Young as referred to in the paragraph headed “Expert and Consent” in this appendix; and
- (vii) a copy of this circular.

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### **FREEMAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION LIMITED**

**民豐企業控股有限公司**

*(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 279)**

### **NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the extraordinary general meeting of Freeman Financial Corporation Limited (the “Company”) will be held at 30th Floor, China United Centre, 28 Marble Road, North Point, Hong Kong on Friday, 5 September 2014 at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing with or without amendments, the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions of the Company:

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

1. **“THAT:–**

- a) the terms of the subscription agreement dated 7 May 2014 (the “Subscription Agreement”, a copy of which marked “A” has been produced to the meeting and signed by the chairman of the meeting for the purpose of identification) entered into between Freeman Corporation Limited (“FCL”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company and Co-Lead Holding Limited (the “Subscriber”) pursuant to which the Subscriber agreed to subscribe and FCL agreed to allot and issue 300 million shares (the “FCL New Shares”) in the share capital of FCL for a consideration of HK\$879 million, and all transactions contemplated thereunder and in connection therewith and any other ancillary documents and all transactions contemplated thereunder, be and are hereby approved, confirmed and/or ratified;
- b) a deemed disposal (the “Deemed Disposal”) of the Company’s interests in FCL by subscription of the FCL New Shares by the Subscriber be and is hereby approved, and all transactions contemplated thereunder and in connection therewith be and are hereby approved, confirmed and/or ratified; and

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- c) the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised for and on behalf of the Company to sign, seal, execute, perfect, perform and deliver all such documents, deeds, agreements and instruments, to agree to such amendments, variations or extension to the Subscription Agreement and do all such acts, matters and things and take all such steps as they may in their discretion consider necessary, expedient or desirable to implement and/or to give effect to the Deemed Disposal and the Subscription Agreement (and the transactions contemplated thereunder) as they may in their discretion consider to be desirable and in the interests of the Company.”

By Order of the Board of  
**FREEMAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION LIMITED**  
**Lo Kan Sun**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 20 August 2014

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*Notes:*

1. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney authorised in writing or if the appointor is a corporation, either under seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised.
2. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting of the Company shall be entitled to appoint another person as his proxy to attend and vote instead of him. On a poll votes may be given either personally or by proxy. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. A member may appoint more than one proxy to attend on the same occasion.
3. The instrument appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority shall be deposited at the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Secretaries Limited, at Level 22, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or the adjourned meeting or poll (as the case may be) at which the person named in such instrument proposes to vote, and in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid.

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4. Where there are joint registered holders of any share, any one of such persons may vote at the meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he were solely entitled thereto; but if more than one of such joint holders be present at the meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register of members in respect of such share shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.

As at the date of this notice, the Board comprises the following Directors:-

*Executive Directors*

Mr. Lo Kan Sun (*Chairman*)

Mr. Hui Quincy Kwong Hei (*Managing Director*)

Ms. Au Shuk Yee, Sue

Ms. Chow Mun Yee

*Non-executive Directors*

Mr. Andrew Liu

Mr. Liu Kam Fai, Winston

*Independent Non-executive Directors*

Mr. Cheung Wing Ping

Mr. Chung Yuk Lun

Mr. Hung Cho Sing

Dr. Agustin V. Que