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## **CHINA CHENGTONG DEVELOPMENT GROUP LIMITED**

**中國誠通發展集團有限公司**

*(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 217)**

### **DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION – SALE AND LEASEBACK ARRANGEMENT**

#### **THE SALE AND LEASEBACK ARRANGEMENT**

On 17 January 2023, Chengtong Financial Leasing, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Sale and Leaseback Agreements with the Lessee, pursuant to which Chengtong Financial Leasing will purchase the Leased Assets from the Lessee and will lease the Leased Assets back to the Lessee for a term of thirty-three (33) months, subject to early termination in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements.

#### **IMPLICATION UNDER THE LISTING RULES**

As the highest applicable percentage ratio (as defined under the Listing Rules) in respect of the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement exceeds 5% but is less than 25%, the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement constitutes a discloseable transaction of the Company and is subject to the notification and announcement requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

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## **SALE AND LEASEBACK ARRANGEMENT**

### **Date of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements**

17 January 2023

### **Parties**

Lessor: Chengtong Financial Leasing

Lessee: The Lessee

To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, (a) the Lessee is directly owned as to approximately 80% by 哈爾濱電氣股份有限公司 (unofficial English translation being Harbin Electric Power Co., Ltd.), and ultimately owned by the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council); (b) the Lessee and its ultimate beneficial owner are Independent Third Parties; and (c) the Lessee is principally engaged in the business of provision of finance lease services.

### **Subject matter**

Subject to the fulfillment of the conditions as set out in the Sale and Leaseback Agreements (including but not limited to the provision by the Lessee of all necessary documents or information evidencing its ownership in the Leased Assets, the obtaining of all necessary approvals by the Lessee in relation to the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement, the signing and the coming into effect of the relevant agreement and the completion of the requisite registration for the securities by the Lessee), Chengtong Financial Leasing will purchase the Leased Assets from the Lessee at the Purchase Price of RMB110 million (equivalent to HK\$127.60 million), and the Leased Assets will be leased back to the Lessee for a period of thirty-three (33) months ("**Lease Term**") from the date on which the Purchase Price is paid by Chengtong Financial Leasing, subject to early termination in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements.

If any of the conditions under the Sale and Leaseback Agreements are not satisfied on or before 31 May 2023, Chengtong Financial Leasing shall have the right to unilaterally terminate the Sale and Leaseback Agreements.

## **Purchase Price**

The Purchase Price of the Leased Assets was agreed between Chengtong Financial Leasing and the Lessee with reference to the appraised value of the Leased Assets as at 15 February 2022 which amounted to approximately RMB166.53 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$193.17 million).

The Purchase Price will be satisfied by the general working capital of the Group.

## **Legal title**

Chengtong Financial Leasing owns the legal title of the Leased Assets during the Lease Term.

## **Lease payment**

The total amount of lease payment over the Lease Term is estimated to be approximately RMB117.50 million (equivalent to HK\$136.30 million) which shall be paid by the Lessee to Chengtong Financial Leasing in eleven (11) quarterly installments during the Lease Term.

The total amount of lease payment represents the sum of the lease principal amount (being the amount of Purchase Price to be paid by Chengtong Financial Leasing) and the lease interest which will be calculated on the then outstanding lease principal amount with a fixed interest rate to be determined at a premium over the then prevailing one (1)-year loan prime rate as promulgated by the National Interbank Funding Center under the authority of the People's Bank of China at the time when the Sale and Leaseback Agreements were entered into.

The interest rate applicable to the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement is one of the major commercial terms negotiated between the parties on an arm's length basis and may vary on a case-by-case basis depending on a number of factors, such as the amount of lease principal, the lease term, the overall return rate attained by the Group taking into account the aggregate amount of lease interests and other receivables including but not limited to the Service Fee (as defined below) and the prevailing market conditions.

## **Service fee**

The Lessee shall pay a one-off service fee of RMB0.86 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$1.00 million) ("**Service Fee**") to Chengtong Financial Leasing within one (1) working days from the commencement date of the Lease Term for the preliminary services provided by Chengtong Financial Leasing. The Service Fee is non-refundable.

## **Lessee's right to repurchase the Leased Assets**

Upon the Lessee having paid all the lease payments and other payables (if any) to Chengtong Financial Leasing in accordance with the terms of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements, the Lessee shall have the right to repurchase the Leased Assets at a nominal consideration of RMB1.00.

## **REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS OF THE SALE AND LEASEBACK ARRANGEMENT**

The Group is principally engaged in leasing, bulk commodity trade, property development and investment, and marine recreation services and hotel business. The Group's leasing business is mainly carried out through Chengtong Financial Leasing as its principal business.

The entering into of the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement is in the ordinary and usual course of business of Chengtong Financial Leasing and it is expected that Chengtong Financial Leasing will earn an income of approximately RMB7.50 million (equivalent to HK\$8.70 million), being the difference between the estimated total lease payment under the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement and the Purchase Price.

The Directors are of the view that the terms of the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement are fair and reasonable and are in the interests of the Company and the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

## **IMPLICATION UNDER THE LISTING RULES**

As the highest applicable percentage ratio (as defined under the Listing Rules) in respect of the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement exceeds 5% but is less than 25%, the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement constitutes a discloseable transaction of the Company and is subject to the notification and announcement requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

## **DEFINITIONS**

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

“Board”	means the board of Directors
“Chengtong Financial Leasing”	means 誠通融資租賃有限公司 (unofficial English translation being Chengtong Financial Leasing Company Limited), a company incorporated in the PRC with limited liability and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company

“Company”	means China Chengtong Development Group Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange
“Director(s)”	means the director(s) of the Company
“Group”	means the Company and its subsidiaries as at the date of this announcement
“HK\$”	means Hong Kong dollar, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
“Hong Kong”	means the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
“Independent Third Party(ies)”	means third party(ies) independent of the Company and its connected persons (having the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules)
“Leased Assets”	means certain air separation plant, synthesizing tower, steam drum, and pollution-preventive equipment
“Lessee”	means 哈電融資租賃(天津)有限責任公司 (unofficial English translation being Harbin Electric Financial Leasing (Tianjin) Co., Ltd.), a state-owned enterprise established in the PRC with limited liability
“Listing Rules”	means the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
“PRC”	means the People’s Republic of China which, for the purpose of this announcement, excludes Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China and Taiwan
“Purchase Price”	means the consideration payable by Chengtong Financial Leasing for the purchase of the Leased Assets from the Lessee
“RMB”	means Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC

“Sale and Leaseback Agreements”	means, collectively, the following agreements each dated 17 January 2023 and signed between Chengtong Financial Leasing and the Lessee in relation to the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement:
	(1) leaseback assets transfer agreement;
	(2) finance lease agreement (sale and leaseback); and
	(3) receivables pledge agreement
“Sale and Leaseback Arrangement”	means the purchase of the Leased Assets by Chengtong Financial Leasing from the Lessee and the leaseback of the Leased Assets to the Lessee pursuant to the terms of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements
“Stock Exchange”	means The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“%”	means per cent.

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By Order of the Board  
**China Chengtong Development Group Limited**  
**Zhang Bin**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 17 January 2023

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Zhang Bin, Mr. Yang Tianzhou and Mr. Gu Honglin; and the independent non-executive Directors are Professor Chang Qing, Mr. Lee Man Chun, Tony and Professor He Jia.*