

# China Resources Gas

# **2023 Annual Results Presentation**

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#### Results Highlights

#### **2023 Segment Results Highlights**









Note: Cumulative customers includes customers from newly acquired projects.

#### Results Highlights 2023 Key Results Summary



2023, China's economy continued to recover, CR Gas recorded a rapid growth in the key financial and operational indicators. Gas sales volume grew at 8.1%, turnover exceeded HK\$100 billion, profit attributable to shareholders increased 10.4%, net cash from operating activities increased 133.4%. (HKD vs RMB appreciated an average of 4.7% in 2023, Profit attributable to shareholders increased 15.8% if the appreciation impact was excluded.)

Key Results	2022	2023	Growth Rate
Gas sales volume (billion m <sup>3</sup> )	35.89	38.78	8.1%
Number of customers (million)	54.367	57.780	6.3%
Turnover (HK\$ billion)	94.34	101.27	7.3%
Profit for the year (HK\$ billion)	6.31	7.06	11.9%
Profit attributable to shareholders (HK\$ billion)	4.73	5.22	10.4%
Net cash from operating activities (HK\$ billion)	4.35	10.16	133.4%
<b>Basic EPS</b> (HK\$)	2.09	2.30	10.0%
Proposed final dividend per share (HK\$)	0.90	1.0069	11.9%
Proposed total dividend per share (HK\$)	1.05	1.1569	10.2%

# **Results Highlights** Sustainable Growth in Gas Sales Volume



In 2023, China's natural gas consumption was 394.53 billion m<sup>3</sup>, an increase of 7.6%. Gas sales volume of CR Gas was 38.78 billion m<sup>3</sup>, an increase of 8.1%. Residential and commercial gas sales volume increased 11.1% and 9.0% respectively.



# **Results Highlights Significant Recovery in Gas Sales Earnings**

In 2023, gas sales revenue accounted for 84.8% of the total revenue, an increase of 1.6 PPT, CR Gas has made every effort to pass through the cost increased, unit gas margin managed to increase to RMB0.51/m<sup>3</sup>, an increase of RMB0.06/m<sup>3</sup>, gas sales contribution increased 29.4% to HK\$7.6 billion, of which the gas sales contribution increased 39.1% in 2H 2023, improvement in gas sales earnings accelerated.



# **Results Highlights** Continuous Growth in Connected Customers

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Leverage on the existing quality gas projects and the active market development strategy, newly connected households were 3.313 million in 2023, 87.0% was new building connection, cumulative connected customers increased to 57.780 million. Continuous growth in connected customers provide a huge market potentials to CR Gas's Comprehensive Services and Integrated Energy businesses.



#### Results Highlights **Significant Profitability Growth**



In 2023, net profit for the period reached HK\$7.06 billion, an increase of 11.9%. Profit attributable to shareholders increased 10.4% to HK\$5.22 billion.



**Exchange rate effect** 

# **Results Highlights** Sufficient Financial Liquidity



Receipts in advance further increased to HK\$10.13 billion, an increase of 43.5%, bank and cash balance increased 55.0% to HK\$9.98 billion, cashflow from operation improved substantially to HK\$10.16 billion, an increase of 133.4%, maintained sufficient financial liquidity.



# **Results Highlights Strong Financial Flexibility**



In 2023, HK\$7.89 billion was spent on CAPEX, financing cost was 2.4% p.a., the best in the industry. Debt ratio maintained at low level of 29.6% to support its future development and expansion.





In 2023, 3 leading international credit agencies re-affirmed CR Gas the leading credit ratings granted to the Chinese city gas operators.

## Maintain Leading Credit Ratings

3 leading international credit agencies, S&P Global, Moody's and Fitch, re-affirmed CR Gas the leading credit rating granted to the Chinese city gas operators. The credit ratings are A-, A2 and A- respectively.

Agency	Status	2023 Credit Rating
STANDARD & POOR'S RATINGS SERVICES McGRAW HILL FINANCIAL	Maintain	А-
Moody's	Maintain	A2
<b>Fitch</b> Ratings	Maintain	А-

# Results Highlights Stable Dividend Policy



Dividend per share of CR Gas increases significantly from HK\$0.45 in 2016 to HK\$1.1569 in 2023, a CAGR of 14.4%. Dividend payout ratio increases from 29.8% in 2016 to 50.3% in 2023, provides a long-term stable return growth to shareholders of CR Gas.



#### Sustainable Growth in Dividend

	2022	2023
Basic EPS (HK\$)	2.09	2.30
Total DPS (HK\$)	1.05	1.1569
Dividend payout ratio (%)	50.3%	50.3%

- ✓ 2023 interim dividend paid was HK\$0.15 per share and 2023 proposed final dividend is HK\$1.0069per share;
- ☑ 2023 proposed total dividend is HK\$1.1569 per share, 10.2% increase compared to 2022.





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# Development ESG Management Improvement



Thoroughly fulfill the environment and social responsibilities, promote the reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emission intensity indices. In 2023, an "A" MSCI ESG rating was maintained, CR Gas was selected to be a constituent stock of Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Index and granted HK Green Awards – EHS Gold Award for 5 consecutive years.

	Environmental	Social	Governance	MSCI ⊕ →
	Total CO <sub>2</sub> Emission	Aging Pipeline Replacement	Safety Training Participation	Hang Seng Corporate
	(ton)	(2021-2023) Total Investment <b>5.76B RMB</b>	<b>357,675</b> staff-times	Sustainability Index Seri
	3-year decrease 28.3%	Total Replacement 8,080 km		★ ★ ★ ☆ 央企ESG・先锋100
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	(ton std. coal/RMB10,000 turnover)	Customer Satisfaction Score (2022: 95.7)	Anti-corruption Training	This Configurate as Assentiate to China Resources Gas Group Limited ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY AWARD ILARGE CORPORATION
	3-year decrease 23.7%	96.4	<b>44,820</b> staff-times	GOLD Ridentro
Note: The bend	chmark of the above 3 indices are 2020.			017 16-1810 (017 16-1810)

# Development Effective Operational Safety Management



Undertake the construction of the national urban gas safety inspection and rectification system, participate in formulation of the 3 national gas safety standards, provide technical support of gas safety management for national ministries and commissions; carry out special comprehensive inspections on LPG and commercial customers, 100% rectification actions when problems found, continue to promote operational safety and safety of uers' gas facilities, a total of RMB5.76 billion has been invested, 8,080 km of aging pipeline network has been retrofitted since 2012.

#### Participation in Formulating National Standards

 ✓ Construction of the National Urban Gas Safety Inspection and Rectification System

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- ✓ Formulation of the National Gas Safety Standards
- «Standards for Major Hazardous Risk of Natural Gas»
- «Risk Prevention Manual for Bottle Gas Business»
- «Application on Promoting Users' Facilities Safety»
- «Risk Prevention on Urban Gas Safety and Emergency Response Manual» etc.

#### **Reinforcement of Safety Management Foundation**

#### ☑ Strengthen depot management

- Online management for staff, facilities, inspection and maintenance
- Completed over 120 typical facilities inspection and maintenance

#### ☑ Carry out LPG management

• Focus on rectification of illegal use of bottle with mixed gas and liquid, safety risk such as double gas sources, mixture of oil and gas, etc.

#### ☑ Rectify users' safety risk

- Rectification of 7 million household safety risk
- Completion of comprehensive C&I safety inspection in 1 month

#### **☑** Strengthen related personnel management

- Signing of over 1,100 safety renewal agreements
- 100% law reinforcement recorder equipped when conducting dangerous work

#### **Strengthening Users' Facilities Safety**

#### ☑ Continuous Aging Pipeline Retrofitting



#### ☑ Promotion on Users' Gas Facilities Safety

Shut-off Valve

New: **8.80** million

Total: 15.83 million



**IOT Meter** 

Total: **100%** installed

Connect: 14 million

# Development 🔓 1 🔮 2 🗄 N Market Coverage Expansion



Pan-China strategy of project locations; projects can easily secure gas sources as most of them are located closely to the main gas supply pipelines and in the fast economic developing regions where the integrated energy business and comprehensive services business are promoted.



### **City Gas Core Business Expansion**



In 2023, 4 projects were registered at group level, 3 and 4 projects were signed and registered respectively at project level, city gas core business continues to expand; Chongqing Gas was consolidated, shareholding increase of Xiamen project and controlling stake of Kunming Gas was acquired, CR Gas' leading position in city gas distribution core business will be further reinforced.

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# **Upstream Gas Supply Security Enrichment**



Rudong receiving terminal commenced construction, it will be fully compatible with CR Gas's major city gas; a 10-year gas S&P contract has been entered with PetroChina for a total of 41 billion m<sup>3</sup> to enhance the gas supply security and stabilize the seasonal gas cost fluctuation; annual gas contract coverage rate increased to 99.3%, annual self-procure gas was 3 billion m<sup>3</sup>, an increase of 68%, supplemental unconventional gas was 400 million m<sup>3</sup>, gas supply security and costs continue to improve.



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Involving 11 provinces and 1 city covering 60 member companies, 41 billion m<sup>3</sup> natural gas contract.



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- $\square$ Increase annual contract volume: obtained extra 350 million m<sup>3</sup> contract volume, contract coverage rate reached **99.3%**, an increase of **2.3** PPT;
- $\mathbf{\nabla}$ **Increase in gas supply coordination:** 2023, gas supply coordination reached **3.0** billion  $m^3$ , an increase of **68%**.

- **Unconventional gas supplies:**  $\square$ Supplemental coal gas, shale gas, etc. over **400** million m<sup>3</sup>, RMB**0.01**/m<sup>3</sup> lower than the annual contract:
- **Develop gas storage peak shaving:**  $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$ Cooperate with Sinopec and National Pipeline for gas storage of over 160 million m<sup>3</sup> to save cost of RMB16.50 million.

**Diversified Resources** Allocation



Construction commenced on 21 June 2023 and in progress according to the schedule.

- Add new openings of existing pipeline:  $\checkmark$ Coordinate 10 new opening applications at National Pipeline, 2 openings were approved; etwork
  - Confirm in advance the offloading point:  $\checkmark$ Plan in advance the building of openings to security the major offload routes.

- **Carry out extensive inquiry:**  $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ Approach 40+ suppliers to obtain 20quotations;
- **Preliminary intention signing:** Enter MOU with global suppliers for preliminary cooperation agreement.

**Exploring Other** 

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# **Exploring Organic Market Potentials**



With the concern of the rollout of "assurance of housing project delivery" policy, taking the opportunity of the Nation's "Urban Village Renovation in Super and Super-Large City" policy, accelerate the development of household users, promote industrial energy saving technical transformation, execute flexible pricing strategy to protect earnings in winter and volume in summer, together with the safe reform approach, promote commercial customers adopting "bottle to gas" by government and gas company, newly developed customers will contribute over 2.8 billion m<sup>3</sup> gas volume per year.



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- ☑ Explore the organic market potential with the "assurance of housing project delivery" policy;
- ☑ Accelerate the new household connection with the support of "Urban Village Renovation in Super and Super-Large City" policy.
  - $\rightarrow$  New Households

2.892 million

 $\rightarrow$  Contribution

550 million m<sup>3</sup>/year



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- ☑ Carry out energy saving technical transformation to increase customer loyalty;
- $\square$  Execute flexible pricing strategy to protect earnings in winter and volume in summer.
  - → New Industrial 2,993
  - $\rightarrow$  Contribution
  - 2.18 billion m<sup>3</sup>/year



- ☑ Simplify the application procedure to accelerate market development;
- Emphasis on safety issues, supported by government to encourage "Bottle to Gas" conversion.
  - $\rightarrow \text{ New Bottle to Gas} \\ 10,780$
  - $\rightarrow$  Contribution

**150** million m<sup>3</sup>/year



- ☑ Formulate action plan to explore new markets;
- $\square$  Transform to integrated station.

- $\rightarrow$  Closed/Exit in 2023 17 stations
- $\rightarrow$  Station Transformed

**37** stations

#### **Innovative Customer Services Model**



Promote comprehensive repair, maintenance, safety inspection, meter reading services model, manage customers by grid and assign exclusive gas butler to establish an innovative customer services model, over 10,000 gas butlers provide a "mobile shop" of comprehensive services and "countless number of shops" immersive community services model. Over 30 million households have been covered in 2023.

#### Innovative Grid Management Services Model **Before Grid Management** After Grid Management Gas butler A 👙 Inspector Gas butler B 👚 Technician Sales staff 茸 茸 Gas butler C 堂 Every grid is responsible by specified butler Separate job duties, no crosswith multiple job duties to provide concierge services and immersive management.

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网格化模式发展目标

Over 10,000 gas butlers in than 200 cities to more provide a "mobile shop" of comprehensive services and "countless number of shops" concept

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- **Customer:** total solution for personalized needs;  $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$
- $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$ **Staff:** become a multiple job duties gas butler;
- **CR Gas:** establish combined service and sale model.  $\square$

In 2023, over 30 million households have been covered by the grid management services model. 20

management, long response time.

Service Point Innovation

Service Model Innovation

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about 500 service centers

communicate at service centers



communicate with online gas butler

over 10,000 gas butlers

create WeChat ecology

Sale Innovation



#### Enhancement of Customer Service Experience



Enhance the personalized gas concierge services by establishing WeChat Business, unified national service phone number 95777 to increase customer contact frequency and loyalty and the penetration of the comprehensive services business, WeChat Business account exceeded 12 million and 95777 covered 11 million household in 2023.

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#### **Smart Customer Services System**



Through smart media platform such as WeChat Business, unified service hotline 95777 to establish smart customer services system with AI model to provide better services to our customer and to achieve customer needs direct access the grid.



### **Safety Smart Kitchen Solution**



CR Gas has 55.808 million household customers. Of which, 40.684 million household customers are located in affluent 3rd-tier or above cities. CR Gas provides customers a one-stop assembly solution for a smart kitchen with an emphasis on safe gas usage, and hassle free pre-sales and after sales services.

#### **Huge & Prime Customer Resources**

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55.808 M

**40.684** M

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City Household Mix

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Household  $\nabla$ Customer

 $\mathbf{\nabla}$ 3<sup>rd</sup>-tier city or above Household **One-Stop Smart Kitchen Assembly Solution** 

☑ 美装宝

— Custom Installation & Decoration

Custom design decorated buried pipe durable protection with and professional installation complied with safety requirements.

厨安宝  $\checkmark$ — Safety Inspection & Monitoring

"百尊智+" APP provides gas shut off with one button, 24 hours gas leakage inspection, voice signal alarm, and auto shut off functions.

智能厨电  $\checkmark$ — Smart & Safe Application

High-end kitchen appliance series with "百尊智+" APP remote control and hood-cooker linked switch.

#### **Integrated Pre-Sales Services**

- 500+ flagship experience stores national wide
- Whole gas business process following up
- Comprehensive safety gas usage services





**Convenient After-Sales Services** 

- WeChat Business online • diagnosis appointment
- Gas butler onsite services
- Life-long guarantee services
- Trade-in service policy



#### **Online Business Enhancement**

connection



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revitalisation

Continue to carry out online sales activities, the 4<sup>th</sup> "Love Every Moment of Life" Event has been orgainsed in 2023, online transaction reached RMB93.61 million, the highest transaction amount in recent years; continue to enrich the comprehensive services products by expanding the brand cooperation and establish a CR Gas best selection online store to offer high quality comprehensive services and products to our customers.

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**RMB** million

#### **Rapid Growth in Comprehensive Services**



Continuous growth of comprehensive services business (CSB), income from household services business increased from RMB102.2 to RMB107.2 per household in 2023; turnover from comprehensive services business increased 27.0% to HK\$4.04 billion, segment contribution increased 19.0% to HK\$1.37 billion, turnover and segment contribution increased 33.3% and 24.9% respectively if the exchange impact was excluded.

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Kitchen Appliances	Insurance Products	Household Services	Rapid Growth in 1	Furnover and Contribution
:	:	:	<b>CBS Turnover</b>	<b>CBS</b> Contribution
<mark>Organic Market S</mark> hare	Organic Market Share	Income per household	+27.0%	+19.0%
2023: 8.61%	2023: 23.04%	2023: RMB107.21	Excluding Exchange Impact	Excluding Exchange Impact
		<b>^</b>	+33.3%	+24.9%
2022: 7.93%	2022: 24.02%	2022: RMB102.23	HK\$ Billion 4.04	1.37
	±		3.19	1.15
<b>Revenue</b> I	40.4% Mix 7.8	51.8%		
	Kitche Applian	n Insurance Household	2022 2023	2022 2023

# **Integrated Energy Business Market Potential**



CR Gas has 0.48 million C&I customers, many high quality industrial parks and hospitals in the operating area, market potential is huge. Internal estimation shows integrated energy market potential is 360GW, energy demand is 800 billion kWh, mid-term energy supply target is 20 billion kWh and long-term target is 80 billion kWh.

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# **Integrated Clean Energy Solution**



Leverage on the energy demand of the larger C&I customer resources, focus on the industry parks, commercial complex and transportation to identify quality distributed photovoltaic, distributed energy and transportation charging projects, provide a diversified clean energy solution.

#### **Distributed Photovoltaic**

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- ✓ Scenario: Single C&I customer and regional distributed PV
- ☑ Model: Self generation and use, surplus electricity to grid
- Lower cost by synergy with city gas core business
- Stable investment return and cashflow
- Fast and scale replication and promotion

#### Distributed Energy



- ☑ **Scenario:** Park and public buildings
- ✓ Model: Focus on light asset business and energy hosting model such as cooling and heating air conditioning, daily life hot water and gas boiler, etc.
- Many high quality parks and hospitals
- Diversified customer demand
- Light asset operation with small investment, quick return and low risk



- ✓ Scenario: Community, park & zone, city fast charging
- ✓ Model: Establish digital charging operation platform to develop transportation charging business in big cities such as Chongqing, Chengdu and Zhengzhou, etc.
- Locate in economically developed area
- Share operation staff with city gas business
- Location advantage of existing gas stations

**Accelerate Transportation Charging Business** 



Accelerate transportation charging business development by establish point to point network in community, city, industrial park and zone area. In 2023, 61 charging stations were added, a total of 232 stations in operations, secured service contract with 7,167 vehicles, Annual electricity sales increased 14.7% to 310 million kWh.

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Focus on integrated energy operation model with contract energy management, through studies on energy demand of the industrial project in the operation area, take natural gas distributed energy as starting point, use smart energy management platform to achieve model change from simply selling natural gas to integrating multiple energy hosting services, revenue increases significantly from RMB2 million to RMB6.5 million.

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 $\checkmark$  30% increase in energy efficiency, 700 tons reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emission.

# **Major Integrated Energy Projects**



In 2023, develop a distributed PV project in Jiangning, Nanjing with local government bodies, enterprises and schools, etc., estimated annual income is RMB45.20 million; a distributed centralized heating supply project in Yiliang industrial park of Kunming, project investment is RMB48.96 million and estimated annual income is RMB73.03 million; expand the transportation charging business in Taizhou by contracting with 640 public vehicles, average gross profit is RMB6.59 million p.a..

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Distributed PV — Jiangning, Nanjing

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- ✓ Customer: Government bodies, enterprise, school and C&I
- ☑ Installed Capacity: 100MW
- $\square$  Consumption: 100M kWh p.a.
- $\square$  Est. Income: RMB45.20M p.a.





- ✓ Customer: Cement, paper, feed and pharmaceutical factory
- ☑ Investment: RMB48.96M
- ☑ **Steam Sales:** 380K tons p.a.
- $\square$  Est. Income: RMB73.03M p.a.





- ☑ Model: Joint venture and leadedby CR Gas
- $\boxdot$  No. of public vehicle: 640
- $\boxdot$  Charging: 17.74M kWh p.a.
- ☑ **Est. G.P.:** RMB6.59M p.a.

# **Fast Growing Integrated Energy Business**



In 2023, 98 distributed PV projects were signed, 32 projects commenced operations, a total of 168 project developed, 30 distributed energy projects were signed, 34 projects commenced operations, a total of 173 projects developed, annual energy sales was 2.94 billion kWh, an increase of 58.5%, turnover of comprehensive services business reached HK\$1.64 billion in 2023, an increase of 72.8%, gross profit increased 120.7% to HK\$270 million.

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# Accelerate Hydrogen & Energy Storage Business 拳概燃气

Explore the hydrogen energy industry with the pilot project of "氢进万家" in Shandong, written reply has been obtained by Ministry of Science and Technology, target to build a 5km pure hydrogen pipeline and promote community application supplying combined hydrogen natural gas for over 2,000 households, a combined hydrogen combustion technology laboratory will be built with Tongji University; pilot energy storage projects will be carried out at Huizhou Dayawan, Zhejiang Hangzhou and Guangdong Jiangmen.

#### Carry out Hydrogen Energy Studies

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#### ☑ Shandong "氢进万家" project

Pure hydrogen pipeline, combined hydrogen and fuel battery application, written reply obtained from MOST

#### ✓ Combustion Technology Laboratory with Tongji University

Research on the application of combined hydrogen combustion technology and natural gas energy saving

# ☑ 7 hydrogen stations in operation

**269.3** ton sold in 2023, increased **22.8%**.

#### **Development Target**

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**Pure Hydrogen Pipeline:** 5km trial pipeline built.

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CommunityDemonstration:supplycombinedhydrogennaturalgasforover2,000households, combinedhydrogenvolumeratio  $\geq 10\%$ .

#### **Hydrogen Station:** Leverage on ample station resources, priorities the quality hydrogen pilot projects at regional cities.

#### Pilot PV Storage and Charging Station

- ☑ Dayawan: Zero carbon station (Storage scale: 30kW/138kWh)
- ✓ Hangzhou: PV storage & charging station (Storage scale: 100kW/200kWh)
- ☑ Jiangmen: PV storage (dis)charging exchange station (installed capacity: PV 183.4kWp, 50kW⋅h Echelon utilization of energy storage batteries)

#### Jiangmen integrated station



- **Operation model:** 36 EV charging posts, equipped with PV storage charging and discharging facilities
- Investment: RMB2.18 million
- Environment: reduce 85 ton annual CO<sub>2</sub> emission
- **Contribution:** transformed from gas station, stable income and low risk 32

# **Exploring Carbon Asset Opportunities**



Innovating  $CO_2$  capture and utilization scenario, provide "gasify fertilizer" by collecting and purifying  $CO_2$  emission for farming and achieve unified economic and environment benefits; trial of carbon asset trading, 33,000 ton  $CO_2$  emission reduction sold in 2023 promoting users to realize their resources as economic benefit.





#### Kunming Project: Innovating CO<sub>2</sub> Capture & Utilization Scenario

**Operation Model:** Collect and purify exhaust and  $CO_2$  emission from brewery boiler, provide "gasify fertilizer" for farming and achieve unified economic and environment benefits.

#### Est. Investment: RMB1.96M, IRR: 14.7%.

#### Phase 1

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#### Trial Carbon Asset Management

- ☑ Establish "Carbon Neutrality" Platform
- ☑ Establish "Industry Alliance"
- $\square$  Donated **20,000** ton carbon asset in 2023
- ✓ Completed 473 accumulated carbon neutrality transactions in 2023
- ✓ Sold 33,000 ton accumulated carbon emission reduction in 2023







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As at 31 December	2022 (HK\$'000)	2023 (HK\$'000)	Increase/(Decrease)
Turnover	94,338,329	101,271,905	7.3%
Gross profit	18,081,851	18,451,671	2.0%
Profit from operation <sup>(1)</sup>	8,663,040	9,205,654	6.3%
Profit for the year	6,308,519	7,058,886	11.9%
Profit attributable to the equity holders	4,733,455	5,223,705	10.4%
Net cash from operating activities	4,351,390	10,156,593	133.4%
Basic EPS <sup>(2)</sup> (HK\$)	2.09	2.30	10.0%
Interim & proposed final dividend per share (HK\$)	1.05	1.1569	10.2%

Note: (1) Before finance costs and share of JVs and associates results;

(2) Basic EPS is calculated based on weighted average number of issued shares, excluding incentive award scheme.



As at 31 December	2022 (HK\$'000)	2023 (HK\$'000)	Increase/(Decrease)
Total assets	112,303,585	137,871,085	22.8%
Bank balance and cash	6,437,479	9,978,468	55.0%
Total bank and other borrowings (1)	22,462,820	26,528,718	18.1%
Net borrowings	16,025,341	16,550,250	
Equity attributable to the equity holders	39,307,612	40,772,231	3.7%
Non-controlling interests	13,237,811	22,611,451	70.8%
Total equity	52,545,423	63,383,682	20.6%

Note: (1) The amount due to an intermediate holding company (2023: HK\$3,804,920,000, 2022: HK\$2,507,449,000) and amount due from an intermediate holding company (2023: HK\$0, 2022: HK\$2,238,960,000) are included in bank, notes and other borrowing.



Financial Indicators	<b>31 December 2022</b>	<b>31 December 2023</b>	Increase/(Decrease)
Gross profit margin	19.2%	18.2%	( <b>1.0PPT</b> )
Net profit margin	6.7%	7.0%	<b>0.3PPT</b>
Net profit margin attributable to the owner of the Company	5.0%	5.2%	<b>0.2PPT</b>
Debt to capitalization ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	29.9%	29.5%	( <b>0.4PPT</b> )
Debt to asset ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	20.0%	19.2%	( <b>0.8PPT</b> )
Return on equity	12.0%	12.8%	<b>0.8PPT</b>

Note: (1) Debt/capitalization gearing ratio is the ratio of total bank, note and other borrowings to total bank, note and other borrowings and total equity;

(2) Debt/asset gearing ratio is the ratio of total bank and note borrowings to total assets.





#### Highlights

#### **Key Financial Information**









Equity						
	HK\$'000	%				
Total equity	63,383,682	70.5%				
Total bank & other borrowings	26,528,718	29.5%				
Total capital	89,912,400	100.0%				
Long & Short Term Borrowings						
	HK\$'000	%				
Less than 1 year	8,697,594	32.8%				
1-2 years	8,245,563	31.0%				
2-5 years	8,873,101	33.5%				
More than 5 years	712,460	2.7%				
Total	26,528,718	100.0%				

#### Fixed & Floating Borrowings

	HK\$'000	%
Floating rate borrowings	6,281,778	23.7%
Fixed rate borrowings	20,246,940	76.3%
Total	26,528,718	100.0%







# **Key Operational Information**



	31 December 2022	<b>31 December 2023</b>	Change
Number of projects	273	276	3
Connectable householders (million)	93.02	97.08	4.4%
<b>Connectable population (million)</b>	334.87	345.57	3.2%
Penetration rate of residential household	58.2%	59.3%	<b>1.1PPT</b>
Gross gas sales volume (million m <sup>3</sup> )	35,889	38,784	8.1%
Residential	8,497	9,444	11.1%
Industrial	18,762	20,111	7.2%
Commercial	7,533	8,209	9.0%
Vehicle	1,097	1,020	(7.0%)
Average gas tariff / cost / gross margin (RMB per m <sup>3</sup> )	3.52/3.07/0.45	3.50/2.99/0.51	(0.02)/(0.08)/0.06



	<b>31 December 2022</b>	<b>31 December 2023</b>	Change
Total length of pipeline (km)	291,605	306,955	15,350
Connected customers	54,367,130	57,779,698	3,412,568
Residential	53,924,848	57,294,810	3,369,962
Industrial	36,819	42,481	5,662
Commercial	405,463	442,407	36,944
Average residential connection fee (RMB)	2,663	2,660	(3)
New C&I with paid connection fee	43,286	41,310	(1,976)
New residential with paid connection fee			
Gross basis	4,076,574	3,312,582	(763,992)
Consolidated basis	3,076,036	2,654,374	(421,662)
Gas stations (CNG/LNG/L-CNG)	332(202/76/54)	315(193/70/52)	( <b>17</b> )( <b>9</b> )/( <b>6</b> )/( <b>2</b> )) 42

#### **Sustainable Scale and Earnings Growth**



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