Financial Highlights

Group operating earnings before fair value movements increased 33.2% to HK\$10,127 million attributable to dependable contributions from our core business in Hong Kong and Mainland China and significant improvement in overseas business. With the turnaround of fair value movements, from a loss of HK\$2,979 million to a gain of HK\$2,125 million, and after taking into account the items affecting comparability, mainly impairment of goodwill of the Customer business in Australia of HK\$5,868 million, total earnings came at HK\$6,655 million, a strong rebound from HK\$924 million for 2022.

	2023	2022	Increase / (Decrease) %
	2023	2022	/0
For the year (in HK\$ million)			
Revenue			
Hong Kong electricity business	50,630	50,600	0.1
Energy businesses outside Hong Kong	35,039	48,873	(28.3)
Others	1,500	1,189	
Total	87,169	100,662	(13.4)
Earnings			
Hong Kong energy business	8,536	8,445	1.1
Hong Kong energy business related ¹	287	263	
Mainland China	2,073	2,229	(7.0)
Australia	(182)	(2,330)	
India	301	193	56.0
Taiwan Region and Thailand	307	11	2,690.9
Other earnings in Hong Kong	(106)	(65)	
Unallocated net finance income / (costs)	43	(6)	
Unallocated Group expenses	(1,132)	(1,138)	
Operating earnings before fair value movements	10 1 27	7 60 2	33.2
Fair value movements	10,127	7,602 (2,979)	33.2
	2,125		
Operating earnings	12,252	4,623	165.0
Items affecting comparability	(5,597)	(3,699)	
Total earnings	6,655	924	620.2
Net cash inflow from operating activities	23,567	12,734	85.1
At 31 December (in HK\$ million)			
Total assets	229,051	236,026	(3.0)
Total borrowings	57,515	59,217	(2.9)
Shareholders' funds	102,331	105,498	(3.0)
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Per share (in HK\$)	2.63	0.37	620.2
Earnings per share Dividend per share	3.10	3.10	020.2
Shareholders' funds per share	40.50	41.76	(3.0)
Shareholders runds per share	+0.50	41.70	(5.0)
Ratios			
Return on equity ² (%)	6.4	0.8	
Net debt to total capital ³ (%)	31.6	32.0	
FFO interest cover ⁴ (times)	11	7	
Price / Earnings ⁵ (times)	25	154	
Dividend yield ⁶ (%)	4.8	5.4	

Notes

1 Hong Kong energy business related includes PSDC and Hong Kong Branch Line supporting SoC business

2 Return on equity = Total earnings / Average shareholders' funds

3 Net debt to total capital = Net debt/(Equity + advances from non-controlling interests + net debt); debt = bank loans and other borrowings; net debt = debt - bank balances, cash and other liquid funds

4 FFO (Funds from operations) interest cover = Cash inflow from operations / (Interest charges + capitalised interest)

5 Price / Earnings = Closing share price on the last trading day of the year / Earnings per share

6 Dividend yield = Dividend per share / Closing share price on the last trading day of the year







