



中銀香港(控股)有限公司

BOC HONG KONG (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 2388)

9 September 2008

Dear Shareholder,

Election of Language and Means of Receipt of Corporate Communications

We are pleased to advise that the Interim Report 2008 (the "Interim Report") of BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited ("BOCHK") has been prepared in English and Chinese. The English and Chinese versions of the Interim Report are now available on BOCHK's website at www.bochk.com. You may access the Interim Report by clicking "Investor Relations" on the home page of BOCHK's website, then clicking "Interim Report – 2008" under "What's New" or under "Financial Reports".

Those Shareholders who (i) have received a printed copy of the Interim Report in either the English or Chinese language only and would like to receive a printed copy in the other language; or (ii) have chosen to access the Interim Report posted on BOCHK's website in lieu of receiving printed copies and would like to receive a printed copy now; or (iii) wish to change their choice of language and means of receipt of all corporate communications issued or to be issued by BOCHK to Shareholders including (but not limited to) summary financial reports, complete annual reports and accounts, interim reports, notices of meeting, listing documents and circulars (the "Corporate Communications") of BOCHK, please complete the enclosed Request Form and return it by post, using the aerogram provided, or hand delivery to BOCHK's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Rooms 1806-1807, 18th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

You are entitled at any time by reasonable notice in writing to BOCHK to change your choice of language and means of receiving Corporate Communications. If you have chosen to access Corporate Communications posted on BOCHK's website and have any difficulty in receiving or gaining access to the relevant documents, for any reason, we will promptly upon your request send the printed form of the same to you free of charge. The aforesaid notice should be sent to BOCHK's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Rooms 1806-1807, 18th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

Please note that printed English and Chinese versions of Corporate Communications of BOCHK are and will be available from BOCHK or BOCHK's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, upon request, and both language versions are and will be available on BOCHK's website at www.bochk.com and the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited at www.hkexnews.hk.

You are encouraged to access the Corporate Communications posted on BOCHK's website in lieu of receiving printed copies, which helps to reduce the impact on the environment and, we believe, is a more convenient and prompt method of communication with Shareholders.

If you have any queries relating to this letter, please do not hesitate to call BOCHK's enquiry hotline at (852) 2846 2700.

Yours faithfully,
Jason C.W. Yeung
Company Secretary
For and on behalf of
BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited