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(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability) (the "Company", Stock Code: 2388)

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held on Tuesday, 29 May 2012 at 2:00 p.m. (registration will begin at 1:15 p.m.) at Four Seasons Grand Ballroom, Level 2, Four Seasons Hotel Hong Kong, 8 Finance Street, Central, Hong Kong for the purpose of transacting the following business:

ORDINARY BUSINESS

- 1. To receive and consider the audited Statement of Accounts and the Reports of Directors and of the Auditor of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2011.
- 2. To declare a final dividend of HK\$0.558 per share for the year ended 31 December 2011.
- 3. To re-elect Directors.
- 4. To re-appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers as Auditor of the Company and authorise the Board of Directors or a duly authorised Committee of the Board to determine the remuneration of the Auditor.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following ordinary resolutions:

- 5. To grant a general mandate to the Board of Directors to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the Company, not exceeding 20% or, in the case of issue of shares solely for cash and unrelated to any asset acquisition, not exceeding 5% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing this Resolution.
- 6. To grant a general mandate to the Board of Directors to repurchase shares in the Company, not exceeding 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing this Resolution.
- 7. Conditional on the passing of Resolutions 5 and 6, to extend the general mandate granted by Resolution 5 by adding thereto of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company purchased under the general mandate granted pursuant to Resolution 6.

By Order of the Board CHAN Chun Ying Company Secretary

13 April 2012

Notes:

- 1. This is a summary of the full text of the Notice of Annual General Meeting. The full text of Resolutions 5, 6 and 7 is set out in the Notice of Annual General Meeting which is included in the Circular despatched to members of the Company on Friday, 13 April 2012. The Circular can also be viewed and downloaded from the website of the Company at www.bochk.com or the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited at www.hkexnews.hk.
- 2. All resolutions put to shareholders at the annual general meeting will be voted on by poll.
- 3. Any member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint one or two proxies to attend and vote instead of him/her. A proxy need not be a member of the Company, but must attend the meeting in person in order to represent the member.
- 4. In order to be valid, the instrument appointing a proxy together with the duly signed power of attorney or other authority, if any, or a notarially certified copy of such documents, should be deposited at the registered office of the Company at least 48 hours before the time fixed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of a form of proxy will not preclude a member from attending and voting in person at the meeting or any adjournment thereof should he/she so wish.
- 5. The Register of Members of the Company will be closed, for the purpose of determining shareholders' entitlement to attend and vote at the meeting, from Thursday, 24 May 2012 to Tuesday, 29 May 2012 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to attend and vote at the meeting, shareholders should ensure that all transfer documents, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, are lodged with the Company's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 23 May 2012.
- 6. The Register of Members of the Company will be closed, for the purpose of determining shareholders' entitlement to the proposed final dividend, from Monday, 4 June 2012 to Thursday, 7 June 2012 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend, shareholders should ensure that all transfer documents, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, are lodged with the Company's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 1 June 2012.
- 7. In relation to Resolution 3, each of the retiring Independent Non-executive Directors standing for re-election, namely, Mr. Koh Beng Seng and Mr. Tung Savio Wai-Hok, has given an annual confirmation of his independence to the Company. Based on such confirmation and the information available to the Board, and by reference to the "Policy on Independence of Directors" adopted by the Board which sets out more stringent independence criteria than those contained in the Listing Rules, the Board considers that Mr. Koh and Mr. Tung are independent. Further, in view of their extensive knowledge and experience, the Board believes that the re-election of Mr. Koh and Mr. Tung is in the best interests of the Company and the shareholders as a whole.
- 8. In relation to Resolution 6, an explanatory statement (as required by the Listing Rules) is set out in Appendix III of the Circular despatched to members of the Company on Friday, 13 April 2012. The Circular can also be viewed and downloaded from the website of the Company at www.bochk.com or the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited at www.hkexnews.hk.

- 9. By Resolutions 5 and 7, approval is being sought from members, as a general mandate in compliance with section 57B of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and the Listing Rules, so that in the event it becomes desirable for the Company to issue any new shares, the Board of Directors is given the flexibility and discretion to allot and issue new shares up to 20% or 5% (as the case may be) of the issued share capital of the Company, together with such number of shares as may be purchased by the Company pursuant to the general mandate under Resolution 6, as more particularly described in Resolutions 5, 6 and 7.
- 10. In case of joint shareholding, the vote of the senior joint shareholder who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint shareholder(s) and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the Register of Members of the Company in respect of the joint shareholding. Accordingly, investors who wish to have joint shareholding in the Company should bear in mind the above provision when they decide the way in which their names being provided for share registration.

As at the date of this notice, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises Mr. XIAO Gang* (Chairman), Mr. LI Lihui* (Vice Chairman), Mr. HE Guangbei (Vice Chairman and Chief Executive), Mr. LI Zaohang*, Mr. ZHOU Zaiqun*, Mr. CHEN Siqing*, Mr. GAO Yingxin, Dr. FUNG Victor Kwok King**, Mr. KOH Beng Seng**, Mr. SHAN Weijian**, Mr. TUNG Chee Chen** and Mr. TUNG Savio Wai-Hok**.

- * Non-executive Directors
- ** Independent Non-executive Directors