

港燈電力投資

HK Electric Investments

(根據香港法律按日期為二零一四年一月一日的信託契約組成，  
其受託人為港燈電力投資管理人有限公司。)

(As constituted pursuant to a deed of trust on 1 January 2014 under the laws of Hong Kong,  
the trustee of which is HK Electric Investments Manager Limited.)

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港燈電力投資有限公司

HK Electric Investments Limited

(於開曼群島註冊成立的有限公司 Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

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## **2022 INTERIM RESULTS** **CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**

During the first half of 2022, HKEI and its wholly owned subsidiary, HK Electric, focused primarily on maintaining the right balance between providing affordable, reliable, safe, and clean electricity to the Hong Kong community while working systematically to help attain the city's decarbonisation goals. We moved ahead with the key initiatives under our Development Plan, most notably commissioning a new gas-fired combined-cycle generating unit at Lamma Power Station and planning for an offshore wind farm in Hong Kong waters.

We were not immune to the highly challenging local and international socio-economic conditions. While the fifth wave of the COVID-19 pandemic in Hong Kong has dampened the city's economic recovery, unprecedented fuel scarcities and price surges around the world placed pressure on both our fuel costs and our customers' tariff.

To support the vulnerable during this difficult time, we extended a range of relief measures, including free dining coupons and bill payment deferral for those most affected.

### **Half-year results**

For the six months ended 30 June 2022, HKEI's EBITDA amounted to HK\$3,377 million (2021: HK\$3,640 million) and unaudited profit attributable to holders of Share Stapled Units (SSU) was HK\$894 million (2021: HK\$880 million).

## **Interim distribution**

Distributable income for the period was HK\$1,408 million (2021: HK\$1,408 million), which will be 100% distributed to SSU holders.

The Board of the Trustee-Manager has declared an interim distribution of HK15.94 cents (2021: HK15.94 cents) per SSU, payable on 26 August 2022 to SSU holders whose names appear on the Share Stapled Units Register on 17 August 2022.

## **Strategic transition to green energy**

We maintained momentum on our strategic plans to transition to a green energy regime in support of Hong Kong's long-term decarbonisation goals. Our approach to accomplishing these aims is three-pronged: increase the use of natural gas, promote renewable energy, and assist community efforts to decarbonise.

Following its synchronisation into the grid in November 2021, L11, the second of the three new 380-MW gas-fired combined-cycle generating units to be built under the current Development Plan, was put into commercial operation in May 2022. With this new unit in place, our proportion of gas-fired generation will increase further. It has also allowed us to retire an older gas-fired unit (GT57) of lower efficiency.

The construction of L12, the last of the three new gas-fired generating units, remains on track for launch in 2023, having completed concreting and erection of structural steel for the main station building, with equipment erection underway. We also made headway on building a new offshore liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminal using Floating Storage and Regasification Unit technology. Shop fabrication and associated offshore installation of the jetty topside structure and equipment have been accomplished, and hook-up and pre-commissioning of the jetty topside equipment continue. The terminal is targeted to go into commercial operation by the first half of 2023. Once commissioned, the facility will provide us with greater access to natural gas at competitive prices and enhance our LNG supply reliability.

We are revisiting the development of an offshore wind farm located southwest of Lamma Island to promote the wider use of renewable energy in Hong Kong. In May, the Government approved our application for variation of an environmental permit obtained years ago, which will allow us to use more effective wind power generation technologies developed in recent years. We are conducting various technical feasibility studies covering wind data, aviation and marine traffic impacts, and wind turbine models. Once it becomes operational, the wind farm's installed capacity of around 150 MW will be capable of generating about 4% of our total electricity output, saving around 284,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions every year.

In addition, customers are encouraged to install their own renewable energy systems through the Feed-in Tariff (FiT) Scheme. During the first half of the year, we connected about 50 new customer installations to the grid, and approved or processed over 250 more applications. Following the decline in solar photovoltaic system costs, the Government lowered the FiT rates to a range of HK\$2.5 to HK\$4 per kWh beginning on 27 April 2022.

Our Development Plan also details the deployment of smart meters and Advanced Metering Infrastructure, the data from which will empower customers to better manage and control their own electricity consumption via the HK Electric mobile app or corporate website. District-by-district rollout of these meters continued despite COVID-19 restrictions; as a result, 25% of our customer base is now equipped with smart meters. We are on track to install 240,000 meters by the end of 2022.

Other measures we are taking to enable the community to achieve its decarbonisation goals include supporting the electrification of transport and promoting energy efficiency and conservation.

As a long-term advocate and enabler of the electrification of Hong Kong's transport, both private and public, we provided technical consultancy and support to customers seeking to install charging facilities for electric vehicles (EVs) under the Government's EV-charging at Home Subsidy Scheme (EHSS) or using their own resources. We have processed about 400 applications for electricity supply, covering close to 50,000 parking spaces under the EHSS. Apart from the Scheme, we also provided one-stop service to assist other customers to install EV chargers on their premises, covering around 300 parking spaces so far. We also served as EV-charging consultants for the Government's own fleet of vehicles, as well as for public light buses, ferries, and taxis.

The funding and service schemes under the Smart Power Services umbrella successfully assisted our customers interested in cutting their own energy footprints. The Smart Power Building Fund approved 54 applications covering 71 buildings, providing a subsidy total of approximately HK\$18 million for projects that will enhance energy efficiency.

Last year, to help promote green living, we launched a competition under the Happy Green Campaign inviting members of the public to illustrate their vision for a decarbonised future. This year, we used the winning designs from that competition to decorate nine of our roadside pillar boxes, furthering our aim of increasing environmental awareness.

### **Maintaining high quality and performance standards**

Electricity sales in the first half of 2022 were significantly depressed by prevailing social distancing measures and milder weather in May as compared with last year, as well as the increased uptake of energy efficiency and conservation efforts across our customer base. Electricity sales showed a decrease of 6.8% as compared to the same six-month period in 2021.

Gas-fired electricity comprised about 50% of the total output from Lamma Power Station. Proactive network maintenance and state-of-the art IT systems helped us achieve a world-leading electricity supply reliability rating of over 99.9999% with unplanned power interruption of less than 0.5 minute per customer on average. We launched a new Security Operations Centre to protect our critical information and utilities assets from cyber-attacks. During the fifth wave of the COVID-19 pandemic, we optimised the call centre system to enable our call centre agents to handle customer telephone enquiries at home when required.

We froze the basic tariff for 2022 and offered a special rebate of one cent per unit of electricity to alleviate the tariff impact on our customers under the current economic climate. We also support the new round of electricity charges subsidy from the Government, which offers a total of HK\$1,000 to each eligible residential account from June 2022.

Unprecedented upward volatility in fuel prices and scarcity of fuel supply played a critical role in our operating performance during the period. Ongoing geopolitical tensions, combined with a ban on coal exports from Indonesia in the beginning of the year, drove international coal and natural gas prices to record-high levels, creating enormous fuel cost pressure for HK Electric. Although these circumstances were beyond our control, they necessitated the frequent adjustments of the fuel clause charge mechanism to reflect changes in actual fuel costs in a timely and transparent manner. As with most utilities around the world, our net tariff had to increase; the net tariff in June was about 15% higher than that in January of this year.

### **Community and staff support during fifth wave**

The COVID-19 pandemic continued to wreak havoc on lives and livelihoods during the period under review. To help small catering establishments and underprivileged families, we issued a third round of “Care and Share” dining coupons worth a total of HK\$10 million. Fifty thousand low-consumption or concessionary-tariff residential customers can use these coupons at more than 200 eateries. About 500 small caterers also benefitted from a concession that allowed them to defer for two months the payment of their electricity bills between March and May of this year.

We continued to engage with single elderly individuals via social media and online channels under the “CAREnJOY Non-stop” initiative. Limited community and volunteer services resumed on a smaller scale in May, incorporating stringent social distancing measures.

The fifth wave of the pandemic has been characterised by its quick spread; more than 400 HK Electric employees were affected, but the overall high vaccination rate of over 99% meant that most only had mild symptoms. Thanks to a host of precautionary and contingency measures, the infections have not impacted our electricity supply or services to customers.

## **Outlook**

We are cautiously optimistic for a gradual return to normalcy for businesses and the community in the second half of the year, as the Government begins to relax social distancing measures and local vaccination rates continue to increase. Our foremost priority remains supplying reliable energy while maintaining the momentum of our decarbonisation journey. We are working hard to ensure the commissioning of the offshore LNG terminal and L12, roll out smart meters, support EVs, and develop the offshore wind farm.

However, uncertainties in the pace of economic recovery and an interest rate hike will continue to pose challenges in the immediate future. Volatility in global fuel prices, which we expect will persist for the rest of the year, remains a particular concern. We will closely monitor market changes and stay poised to secure the fuels essential to providing a stable and reliable power supply to Hong Kong.

To close, I would like to acknowledge the commitment of the Board and every one of our talented employees. All our successes and achievements are due to their efforts.

**Fok Kin Ning, Canning**  
Chairman  
Hong Kong, 2 August 2022

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

### Financial performance

The Trust Group's revenue and unaudited consolidated profit for the period ended 30 June 2022 were HK\$4,893 million (2021: HK\$5,249 million) and HK\$894 million (2021: HK\$880 million) respectively.

### Distribution

The Trustee-Manager Board has declared an interim distribution of HK15.94 cents (2021: HK15.94 cents) per SSU for the six months ended 30 June 2022. In order to enable the Trust to pay that distribution, the Company Board has declared the payment of a first interim dividend in respect of the Company's ordinary shares held by the Trustee-Manager of HK15.94 cents (2021: HK15.94 cents) per ordinary share in respect of the same period.

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	HK\$ million	HK\$ million
Consolidated profit attributable to SSU holders for the period	894	880
After:		
(i) eliminating the effects of the Adjustments (see note (a) below)	2,616	2,915
(ii) (deducting)/adding		
– movement in Fuel Clause Recovery Account	(756)	(281)
– changes in working capital	(209)	(404)
– adjustment for employee retirement benefit schemes	5	10
– taxes paid	(544)	(448)
	(1,504)	(1,123)
(iii) capital expenditure payment	(3,031)	(2,312)
(iv) net finance costs	(449)	(440)
Distributable income for the period	(1,474)	(80)
(v) adding discretionary amount as determined by the Company Board pursuant to clause 14.1(c) of the Trust Deed	2,882	1,488
Distributable income for the period after adjustment of the discretionary amount	1,408	1,408
Distribution amount for the period	1,408	1,408
Interim distribution amount per SSU	HK15.94 cents	HK15.94 cents

In determining the distribution amount, the Company Board has taken into account the Group's financial performance achieved during the period under review and its stable cashflow from operations, and consider it appropriate to adjust the distributable income for the six months ended 30 June 2022, as calculated pursuant to the Trust Deed, by the above discretionary amount, pursuant to clause 14.1(c) of the Trust Deed.

Note:

- (a) Pursuant to clause 1.1 of the Trust Deed, "Adjustments" includes, but not limited to (i) transfers to/from the Tariff Stabilisation Fund and the Rate Reduction Reserve under the Scheme of Control; (ii) unrealised revaluation gains/losses, including impairment provisions and reversals of impairment provisions; (iii) impairment of goodwill/recognition of negative goodwill; (iv) material non-cash gains/losses; (v) costs of any public offering of Share Stapled Units that are expensed through the consolidated statement of profit or loss but are funded by proceeds from the issuance of such Share Stapled Units; (vi) depreciation and amortisation; (vii) tax charges as shown in the consolidated statement of profit or loss; and (viii) net finance income/costs as shown in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.
- (b) The Trustee-Manager Board has confirmed, in accordance with the Trust Deed, that (i) the auditors of the Trust Group have reviewed and verified the Trustee-Manager's calculation of the above distribution entitlement per SSU and (ii) having made all reasonable enquiries, immediately after making the above distribution to the registered unit holders of the Trust, the Trustee-Manager will be able to fulfill, from the Trust Property (as defined in the Trust Deed), the liabilities of the Trust as they fall due.

### **Capital expenditure, liquidity and financial resources**

Capital expenditure (excluding right-of-use assets but including the Trust Group's capital expenditure in the offshore LNG terminal developed by a joint venture) during the period amounted to HK\$2,159 million (2021: HK\$1,812 million), which was funded by cash from operations and external borrowings. Total external borrowings outstanding at 30 June 2022 were HK\$49,688 million (31 December 2021: HK\$46,626 million), comprising unsecured bank loans and debt securities in issue. In addition, the Trust Group at 30 June 2022 had undrawn committed bank facilities of HK\$1,900 million (31 December 2021: HK\$6,250 million) and bank deposits and cash of HK\$55 million (31 December 2021: HK\$34 million).

### **Treasury policy, financing activities, capital and debt structure**

The Trust Group manages its financial risks in accordance with guidelines laid down in its treasury policy which is designed to manage the Trust Group's currency, interest rate and counterparty risks. Surplus funds, which arise mainly from provision for capital expenditure to be incurred and from electricity bill collection, are placed on short-term deposits denominated in Hong Kong dollars. The Trust Group aims to ensure that adequate financial resources are available for refinancing and business growth whilst maintaining a prudent capital structure.

As at 30 June 2022, the net debt of the Trust Group was HK\$49,633 million (31 December 2021: HK\$46,592 million) with a net debt-to-net total capital ratio of 50% (31 December 2021: 49%). The Trust Group's financial profile remained strong during the period. On 10 March 2022, Standard & Poor's reaffirmed the "A-" long-term credit rating and "Stable" outlook for the Company and HK Electric which had remained unchanged since September 2015 and since January 2014, respectively.

The profile of the Trust Group's external borrowings as at 30 June 2022, after taking into account forward foreign exchange contracts, cross currency and interest rate swaps, was as follows:

- (1) 100% were in Hong Kong dollars;
- (2) 45% were bank loans and 55% were capital market instruments;
- (3) 5% were repayable within 1 year, 54% were repayable after 1 year but within 5 years and 41% were repayable after 5 years; and
- (4) 75% were in fixed rate and 25% were in floating rate.

The Trust Group's policy is to maintain a portion of its debt at fixed interest rates taking into consideration business and operational needs. Interest rate risk is managed by either securing fixed rate borrowings or by using interest rate derivatives.

Currency and interest rate risks are actively managed in accordance with the Trust Group's treasury policy. Derivative financial instruments are used primarily for managing interest rate and foreign currency risks and not for speculative purposes. Treasury transactions are only executed with counterparties with acceptable credit ratings to control counterparty risk exposure.

The Trust Group's principal foreign currency transaction exposures arise from the import of fuel and capital equipment. Foreign currency transaction exposure is managed mainly through forward foreign exchange contracts. As at 30 June 2022, over 90% of the Trust Group's transaction exposure from the import of fuel and capital equipment was either denominated in United States dollars or hedged into Hong Kong or United States dollars. The Trust Group is also exposed to foreign currency fluctuation arising from the foreign currency borrowings. Such exposures are, where appropriate, mitigated by the use of either forward foreign exchange contracts or cross currency swaps.

The contractual notional amounts of derivative financial instruments outstanding at 30 June 2022 amounted to HK\$45,076 million (31 December 2021: HK\$46,730 million).

### **Charge on assets**

As at 30 June 2022, no assets of the Trust Group were pledged to secure its loans and banking facilities (31 December 2021: Nil).

### **Contingent liabilities**

As at 30 June 2022, the Trust Group had no guarantee or indemnity to external parties (31 December 2021: Nil).



## **Employees**

The Trust Group maintains a policy of pay-for-performance and the pay levels are monitored to ensure competitiveness is maintained. The Trust Group's total remuneration costs for the six months ended 30 June 2022, excluding directors' emoluments, amounted to HK\$599 million (2021: HK\$589 million). As at 30 June 2022, the Trust Group employed 1,682 (31 December 2021: 1,699) permanent employees. No share option scheme is in operation.

**UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS  
OF THE TRUST AND OF THE COMPANY**

**For the six months ended 30 June 2022**

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Note	<b>2022</b> <b>\$ million</b>	2021 \$ million
<b>Revenue</b>	6	<b>4,893</b>	5,249
Direct costs		<u>(2,549)</u>	<u>(2,606)</u>
		<b>2,344</b>	2,643
Other revenue and other net income		<b>39</b>	25
Other operating costs	8	<u>(502)</u>	<u>(520)</u>
<b>Operating profit</b>		<b>1,881</b>	2,148
Finance costs		<u>(399)</u>	<u>(400)</u>
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	9	<b>1,482</b>	1,748
Income tax:	10		
Current		<u>(81)</u>	<u>(193)</u>
Deferred		<u>(188)</u>	<u>(122)</u>
		<u>(269)</u>	<u>(315)</u>
<b>Profit after taxation</b>		<b>1,213</b>	1,433
Scheme of Control transfers	11	<u>(319)</u>	<u>(553)</u>
<b>Profit for the period attributable to the holders of Share Stapled Units/ shares of the Company</b>		<u><b>894</b></u>	<u>880</u>
<b>Earnings per Share Stapled Unit/ share of the Company</b>			
Basic and diluted	12	<u><b>10.12 cents</b></u>	<u>9.96 cents</u>

As explained in note 3, the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Trust and the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Company are presented together.

Details of distributions/dividends payable to holders of Share Stapled Units/shares of the Company attributable to the profit for the period are set out in note 18.

**UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
OF THE TRUST AND OF THE COMPANY**

**For the six months ended 30 June 2022**

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>\$ million</b>	\$ million
<b>Profit for the period attributable to the holders of Share Stapled Units/shares of the Company</b>	<b>894</b>	880
<b>Other comprehensive income for the period, after tax and reclassification adjustments</b>		
<b>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss</b>		
Cash flow hedges:		
Effective portion of changes in fair value of hedging instruments and cost of hedging recognised during the period	<b>(13)</b>	(33)
Net deferred tax credited to other comprehensive income	<b>2</b>	5
	<b>(11)</b>	(28)
<b>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</b>		
Cash flow hedges:		
Effective portion of changes in fair value of hedging instruments and cost of hedging recognised during the period	<b>1,098</b>	30
Reclassification adjustments for amounts transferred to profit or loss	<b>35</b>	39
Net deferred tax (charged)/credited to other comprehensive income	<b>(131)</b>	8
	<b>1,002</b>	77
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to the holders of Share Stapled Units/ shares of the Company</b>	<b>1,885</b>	929

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**UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
OF THE TRUST AND OF THE COMPANY**

**At 30 June 2022**

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

		(Unaudited) 30 June 2022 \$ million	(Audited) 31 December 2021 \$ million
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment		71,834	71,316
Interests in leasehold land held for own use		5,326	5,424
	13	<u>77,160</u>	<u>76,740</u>
Goodwill		33,623	33,623
Interest in a joint venture		717	477
Derivative financial instruments		1,634	596
Employee retirement benefit scheme assets		1,043	1,045
		<u>114,177</u>	<u>112,481</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories		1,774	904
Trade and other receivables	14	1,762	1,157
Fuel Clause Recovery Account		1,008	252
Bank deposits and cash		55	34
		<u>4,599</u>	<u>2,347</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables and contract liabilities	15	(4,417)	(4,078)
Current portion of bank loans and other interest-bearing borrowings	16	(2,336)	(1,233)
Current tax payable		(43)	(506)
		<u>(6,796)</u>	<u>(5,817)</u>
<b>Net current liabilities</b>		<u>(2,197)</u>	<u>(3,470)</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>111,980</u>	<u>109,011</u>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Bank loans and other interest-bearing borrowings	16	(47,352)	(45,393)
Derivative financial instruments		(61)	(197)
Customers' deposits		(2,338)	(2,317)
Deferred tax liabilities		(10,299)	(9,982)
Employee retirement benefit scheme liabilities		(353)	(350)
Other non-current liabilities		(1,388)	(1,314)
		<u>(61,791)</u>	<u>(59,553)</u>
<b>Scheme of Control Fund and Reserve</b>	17	<u>(1,332)</u>	<u>(1,065)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>48,857</u>	<u>48,393</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Share capital		8	8
Reserves		48,849	48,385
<b>Total equity</b>		<u>48,857</u>	<u>48,393</u>

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## **NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE TRUST AND OF THE COMPANY**

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

### **1. Review of unaudited interim financial statements**

These unaudited consolidated interim financial statements have been reviewed by the Audit Committees.

### **2. General information**

HK Electric Investments Limited (the “Company”) was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 23 September 2013 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law 2011 (as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands.

On 1 January 2014, HK Electric Investments (the “Trust”) was constituted by a Hong Kong law governed Trust Deed entered into between HK Electric Investments Manager Limited (the “Trustee-Manager”, in its capacity as the trustee-manager of the Trust) and the Company. The scope of activity of the Trust as provided in the Trust Deed is limited to investing in the Company.

### **3. Basis of presentation**

Pursuant to the Trust Deed, the Trust and the Company are each required to prepare their own sets of interim financial statements on a consolidated basis. The unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Trust for the period ended 30 June 2022 comprise the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Trust, the Company and its subsidiaries (together the “Trust Group”) and the Trust Group’s interest in a joint venture. The unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Company for the period ended 30 June 2022 comprise the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (together the “Group”) and the Group’s interest in a joint venture.

The Trust controls the Company and the sole activity of the Trust during the six months period ended 30 June 2022 was investing in the Company. Therefore, the consolidated results and financial position that would be presented in the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Trust are identical to the consolidated financial results and financial position of the Company with the only differences being disclosures of share capital of the Company. The Directors of the Trustee-Manager and Directors of the Company believe that it is clearer to present the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Trust and of the Company together. The unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Trust and the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Company are presented together to the extent they are identical and are hereinafter referred as the “unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Trust and of the Company”.

The Trust Group and the Group are referred as the “Groups”.

#### **4. Basis of preparation**

The unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Trust and of the Company have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard (“HKAS”) 34, *Interim financial reporting* issued by the HKICPA and comply with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Listing Rules.

The interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the same accounting policies adopted in and should be read in conjunction with the 2021 annual financial statements, except for the accounting policy changes that are expected to be reflected in the 2022 annual financial statements. Details of these changes in accounting policies are set out in note 5.

The preparation of the interim financial statements in conformity with HKAS 34 requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses on a year to date basis. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The interim financial statements and selected explanatory notes thereon do not include all of the information required for full set of financial statements prepared in accordance with HKFRSs.

#### **5. Changes in accounting policies**

The HKICPA has issued a number of amendments to HKFRSs that are first effective for the current accounting period of the Groups. Of these, the following development is relevant to the Trust’s and the Company’s unaudited consolidated interim financial statements:

- Amendments to HKAS 16, *Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use*
- Annual improvements to HKFRSs 2018-2020 Cycle

The adoption of these amendments does not have a material impact on the Groups’ results and financial positions for the current or prior periods. The Groups have not applied any new standard, amendment or interpretation that is not effective for the current accounting period.

## 6. Revenue

The principal activity of the Groups is the generation and supply of electricity to Hong Kong Island and Lamma Island. Disaggregation of revenue by type of output and services is analysed as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	\$ million	\$ million
Sales of electricity	4,831	5,236
Less: Concessionary discount on sales of electricity	(3)	(2)
	4,828	5,234
Electricity-related income	65	15
	4,893	5,249

## 7. Segment reporting

The Groups have one reporting segment which is the generation and supply of electricity to Hong Kong Island and Lamma Island. All segment assets are located in Hong Kong. The Groups' chief operating decision-maker reviews the consolidated results of the Groups for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment. Therefore, no additional reportable segment and geographical information has been presented.

## 8. Other operating costs

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	\$ million	\$ million
Administrative expenses, government rent and rates	168	156
Staff costs in relation to corporate and administrative supports	120	120
Provisions for asset decommissioning obligation	74	92
Portion of depreciation and amortisation of leasehold land included in other operating costs	95	96
Net loss on disposal and written off of property, plant and equipment	45	56
	502	520

## 9. Profit before taxation

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>\$ million</b>	\$ million
Profit before taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting):		
Finance costs		
Interest on borrowings and other finance costs	557	535
Less: Interest expense and other finance costs capitalised to assets under construction	(144)	(128)
Interest expense transferred to fuel costs	(14)	(7)
	<b>399</b>	400
Depreciation		
Depreciation charges for the period	1,454	1,444
Less: Depreciation capitalised to assets under construction	(44)	(44)
	<b>1,410</b>	1,400
Amortisation of leasehold land	<b>98</b>	98

## 10. Income tax

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>\$ million</b>	\$ million
<b>Current tax</b>		
Provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for the period	<b>81</b>	193
<b>Deferred tax</b>		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	<b>188</b>	122
	<b>269</b>	315

The provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for the six months ended 30 June 2022 is calculated at 16.5% (2021: 16.5%) of the estimated assessable profits, except for one subsidiary of the Groups which is a qualifying corporation under the two-tiered Profits Tax rate regime.

For this subsidiary, the first \$2 million of assessable profits are taxed at 8.25% and the remaining assessable profits are taxed at 16.5%. The provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for this subsidiary was calculated at the same basis in 2021.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands, the Groups are exempt from any income tax in these jurisdictions.



## 11. Scheme of Control transfers

The Scheme of Control transfers are mid-year notional transfers. The actual Scheme of Control transfers can only be determined in accordance with the Scheme of Control at the year end. Notional Scheme of Control transfers during the period represent transfer to the following:

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>\$ million</b>	\$ million
Tariff Stabilisation Fund	<b>318</b>	552
Rate Reduction Reserve	<b>1</b>	1
	<b>319</b>	553

## 12. Earnings per Share Stapled Unit/share of the Company

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per Share Stapled Unit/share of the Company are based on the profit attributable to the holders of Share Stapled Units/shares of the Company of \$894 million for the six months ended 30 June 2022 (2021: \$880 million) and the weighted average of 8,836,200,000 Shares Stapled Units/ordinary shares of the Company (2021: 8,836,200,000 Shares Stapled Units/ordinary shares of the Company) in issue throughout the period.

## 13. Property, plant and equipment and interests in leasehold land

<b>\$ million</b>	Site formation and buildings	Properties leased for own use	Plant, machinery and equipment	Fixtures, fittings and motor vehicles	Assets under construction	Sub-total	Interests in leasehold land held for own use	Total
Net book value at 1 January 2022	14,565	1	44,307	518	11,925	71,316	5,424	76,740
Additions	-	-	15	2	2,013	2,030	-	2,030
Transfers between categories	1,823	-	2,658	(10)	(4,471)	-	-	-
Disposals	(2)	-	(56)	-	-	(58)	-	(58)
Depreciation/ amortisation	(272)	-	(1,125)	(57)	-	(1,454)	(98)	(1,552)
<b>Net book value at 30 June 2022</b>	<b>16,114</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>45,799</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>9,467</b>	<b>71,834</b>	<b>5,326</b>	<b>77,160</b>
Cost	20,440	2	62,805	1,146	9,467	93,860	6,960	100,820
Accumulated depreciation and amortisation	(4,326)	(1)	(17,006)	(693)	-	(22,026)	(1,634)	(23,660)
<b>Net book value at 30 June 2022</b>	<b>16,114</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>45,799</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>9,467</b>	<b>71,834</b>	<b>5,326</b>	<b>77,160</b>

#### 14. Trade and other receivables

The ageing analysis of trade debtors based on invoice date, which are neither individually nor collectively considered to be impaired, is as follows:

	<b>30 June 2022 \$ million</b>	31 December 2021 \$ million
Current and within 1 month	<b>859</b>	580
1 to 3 months	<b>35</b>	30
More than 3 months but less than 12 months	<b>1</b>	1
Trade debtors	<b>895</b>	611
Other receivables	<b>767</b>	457
	<b>1,662</b>	1,068
Derivative financial instruments	<b>1</b>	4
Deposits and prepayments	<b>99</b>	85
	<b>1,762</b>	1,157

Electricity bills issued to residential, small industrial, commercial and miscellaneous customers for electricity supplies are due upon presentation whereas maximum demand customers are allowed a credit period of 16 working days. If settlements by maximum demand customers are received after the credit period, a surcharge of 5% can be added to the electricity bills.

#### 15. Trade and other payables and contract liabilities

	<b>30 June 2022 \$ million</b>	31 December 2021 \$ million
Due within 1 month or on demand	<b>2,710</b>	2,020
Due after 1 month but within 3 months	<b>512</b>	770
Due after 3 months but within 12 months	<b>1,133</b>	1,180
Creditors measured at amortised cost	<b>4,355</b>	3,970
Lease liabilities	<b>1</b>	1
Derivative financial instruments	<b>39</b>	29
Contract liabilities	<b>22</b>	78
	<b>4,417</b>	4,078

## 16. Bank loans and other interest-bearing borrowings

	<b>30 June 2022 \$ million</b>	31 December 2021 \$ million
Bank loans	<b>22,569</b>	19,612
Current portion	<b>(2,336)</b>	(1,233)
	<b>20,233</b>	18,379
Hong Kong dollar medium term notes		
Fixed rate notes	<b>8,954</b>	8,952
Zero coupon notes	<b>792</b>	779
	<b>9,746</b>	9,731
United States dollar medium term notes		
Fixed rate notes	<b>13,557</b>	13,549
Zero coupon notes	<b>3,816</b>	3,734
	<b>17,373</b>	17,283
Non-current portion	<b>47,352</b>	45,393

## 17. Scheme of Control Fund and Reserve

The Tariff Stabilisation Fund, Rate Reduction Reserve and Smart Power Care Fund of the Groups' major subsidiary, HK Electric, are collectively referred to as Scheme of Control Fund and Reserve. The respective balances at the end of the period/year are:

	<b>30 June 2022 \$ million</b>	31 December 2021 \$ million
Tariff Stabilisation Fund	<b>1,324</b>	1,050
Rate Reduction Reserve	<b>1</b>	1
Smart Power Care Fund	<b>7</b>	14
	<b>1,332</b>	1,065

## 18. Interim distribution/dividend

The distributable income for the period was as follows:

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>\$ million</b>	<b>\$ million</b>
Consolidated profit attributable to the holders of Share Stapled Units for the period	<b>894</b>	880
After:		
(i) eliminating the effects of the Adjustments (see note (a) below)	<b>2,616</b>	2,915
(ii) (deducting)/adding		
- movement in Fuel Clause Recovery Account	<b>(756)</b>	(281)
- changes in working capital	<b>(209)</b>	(404)
- adjustment for employee retirement benefit schemes	<b>5</b>	10
- taxes paid	<b>(544)</b>	(448)
	<b>(1,504)</b>	(1,123)
(iii) capital expenditure payment	<b>(3,031)</b>	(2,312)
(iv) net finance costs	<b>(449)</b>	(440)
Distributable income for the period	<b>(1,474)</b>	(80)
(v) adding discretionary amount as determined by the Company Board pursuant to clause 14.1(c) of the Trust Deed (see note (d) below)	<b>2,882</b>	1,488
Distributable income for the period after adjustment of discretionary amount	<b>1,408</b>	1,408
Distribution amount for the period	<b>1,408</b>	1,408
Number of Share Stapled Units/ordinary shares of the Company	<b>8,836,200,000</b>	8,836,200,000
Interim distribution per Share Stapled Unit/first interim dividend per ordinary share of the Company (see note (e) below)	<b>15.94 cents</b>	15.94 cents

- (a) Pursuant to clause 1.1 of the Trust Deed, “Adjustments” includes, but not limited to (i) transfers to/from the Tariff Stabilisation Fund and the Rate Reduction Reserve under the Scheme of Control; (ii) unrealised revaluation gains/losses, including impairment provisions and reversals of impairment provisions; (iii) impairment of goodwill/recognition of negative goodwill; (iv) material non-cash gains/losses; (v) costs of any public offering of Share Stapled Units that are expensed through the consolidated statement of profit or loss but are funded by proceeds from the issuance of such Share Stapled Units; (vi) depreciation and amortisation; (vii) tax charges as shown in the consolidated statement of profit or loss; and (viii) net finance income/costs as shown in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.
- (b) The Trust Deed requires the Trustee-Manager (on behalf of the Trust) to distribute 100% of the dividends, distributions and other amounts received by the Trustee-Manager in respect of the ordinary shares from the Company, after deduction of all amounts permitted to be deducted or paid under the Trust Deed.
- (c) The distributions received by the Trustee-Manager from the Company will be derived from the Group Distributable Income which is referred as audited consolidated profit attributable to the holders of Share Stapled Units for the relevant financial year or distribution period, after making adjustments in respect of items as set out in the Trust Deed.
- (d) In determining the distribution amount, the Company Board has taken into account the Group’s financial performance achieved during the period under review and its stable cashflow from operations, and consider it appropriate to adjust the distributable income for the six months ended 30 June 2022, as calculated pursuant to the Trust Deed, by the above discretionary amount, pursuant to clause 14.1(c) of the Trust Deed.
- (e) Interim distribution per Share Stapled Unit/first interim dividend per ordinary share of the Company of 15.94 cents (2021: 15.94 cents) is calculated based on the interim distribution of \$1,408 million for the six months ended 30 June 2022 (2021: \$1,408 million) and the number of Shares Stapled Units/ordinary shares of the Company of 8,836,200,000 in issue as at 30 June 2022 (2021: 8,836,200,000).

**UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE  
INCOME OF HK ELECTRIC INVESTMENTS MANAGER LIMITED**

**For the six months ended 30 June 2022**

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Note	<b>2022</b>	2021
		<u>          \$          </u>	<u>          \$          </u>
<b>Revenue</b>		-	-
Administrative expenses		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	6	-	-
Income tax	7	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Profit and total comprehensive income for the period</b>		<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>

**UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
OF HK ELECTRIC INVESTMENTS MANAGER LIMITED**

**At 30 June 2022**

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	<b>(Unaudited)</b> <b>30 June</b> <b>2022</b> \$	<b>(Audited)</b> <b>31 December</b> <b>2021</b> \$
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Amount due from immediate holding company	<u>          1</u>	<u>          1</u>
<b>Net assets</b>	<u>          1</u>	<u>          1</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>		
Share capital	<u>          1</u>	<u>          1</u>
Reserves	<u>          -</u>	<u>          -</u>
<b>Total equity</b>	<u>          1</u>	<u>          1</u>

**NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
OF HK ELECTRIC INVESTMENTS MANAGER LIMITED**  
(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

**1. Review of unaudited interim financial statements**

These unaudited interim financial statements have been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

**2. General information**

HK Electric Investments Manager Limited (the “Company”) was incorporated in Hong Kong under the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance on 25 September 2013 and is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Power Assets.

The principal activity of the Company is administering HK Electric Investments (the “Trust”), in its capacity as trustee-manager of the Trust. The costs and expenses of administering the Trust may be deducted from all property and rights of any kind whatsoever which are held on trust for the registered holders of units of the Trust but, commensurate with its specific and limited role, the Company will not receive any fee for administering the Trust.

**3. Basis of presentation**

The Trust Deed requires the Company (on behalf of the Trust) to distribute 100% of the dividends, distributions and other amounts received in respect of the ordinary shares from HK Electric Investments Limited, after deduction of all amounts permitted to be deducted or paid under the Trust Deed.

In accordance with the Trust Deed, a distributions statement shall be included in the financial statements of the Company. As the details of the distribution has already been presented in note 18 to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of the Trust and of HK Electric Investments Limited on pages 20 and 21, no distributions statement is therefore presented in these unaudited interim financial statements.

**4. Basis of preparation**

These unaudited interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard (“HKAS”) 34, *Interim financial reporting* issued by the HKICPA and comply with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Listing Rules.

The interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the same accounting policies adopted in and should be read in conjunction with the 2021 annual financial statements, except for the accounting policy changes that are expected to be reflected in the 2022 annual financial statements. Details of these changes in accounting policies are set out in note 5.



The preparation of the interim financial statements in conformity with HKAS 34 requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses on a year to date basis. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The interim financial statements and selected explanatory notes thereon do not include all of the information required for full set of financial statements prepared in accordance with HKFRSs.

The financial information relating to the financial year ended 31 December 2021 that is included in the interim financial statements as comparative information does not constitute the Company's statutory financial statements for that financial year but is derived from those financial statements. Further information relating to these statutory financial statements disclosed in accordance with section 436 of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance is as follows:

The Company's financial statements together with the consolidated financial statements of the Trust and of HK Electric Investments Limited for the year ended 31 December 2021 will be delivered to the Registrar of Companies in due course.

The Company's auditor has reported on the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021. The auditor's report was unqualified; did not include a reference to any matters to which the auditor drew attention by way of emphasis without qualifying its report; and did not contain a statement under sections 406(2), 407(2) or (3) of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

## **5. Changes in accounting policies**

The HKICPA has issued a number of amendments to HKFRSs that are first effective for the current accounting period of the Company. The adoption of these amendments to HKFRSs has no material impact on the Company's result and financial position for the current or prior periods. The Company has not applied any new standard, amendment or interpretation that is not effective for the current accounting period.

## **6. Profit before taxation**

All expenses of the Company which were incurred for the administering of the Trust of \$363,000 for the six months ended 30 June 2022 (2021: \$206,000) have been borne by HK Electric Investments Limited, which has waived its right of recovery thereof.

Except for the above, the Company did not incur any administrative expenses during the current and prior periods.

## **7. Income tax**

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made in the financial statements as the Company did not have any assessable profits during the current and prior periods.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Interim distribution**

The Trustee-Manager Board has declared an interim distribution by the Trust for 2022 of HK15.94 cents per Share Stapled Unit. The distribution will be payable on Friday, 26 August 2022 to Holders of Share Stapled Units whose names appear in the Share Stapled Units Register at the close of business on Wednesday, 17 August 2022, being the record date for determination of entitlement to the interim distribution. To qualify for the interim distribution, all transfers accompanied by the relevant Share Stapled Unit certificates should be lodged with the Share Stapled Units Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 17 August 2022.

### **Purchase, sale or redemption of Share Stapled Units**

Pursuant to the Trust Deed, the Holders of Share Stapled Units have no right to demand for repurchase or redemption of their Share Stapled Units. Unless and until expressly permitted to do so by the relevant codes and guidelines issued by the Securities and Futures Commission from time to time, the Trustee-Manager shall not repurchase or redeem any Share Stapled Units on behalf of the Trust.

None of the Trust, the Trustee-Manager, the Company nor any of their subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the issued Share Stapled Units during the six months ended 30 June 2022.

### **Corporate governance**

The Trustee-Manager and the Company are committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance, and recognise that sound and effective corporate governance practices are fundamental to the smooth, effective and transparent operation of the Trustee-Manager and the Trust Group, and the ability to attract investment, protect the rights of Holders of Share Stapled Units and other stakeholders, and enhance the value of the Share Stapled Units. The corporate governance practices of the Trustee-Manager and the Trust Group are designed to achieve these objectives and are maintained through a framework of processes, policies and guidelines.

The Trust, managed by the Trustee-Manager, and the Company are both listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, and are subject to the provisions of the Listing Rules. Pursuant to the Trust Deed, each of the Trustee-Manager and the Company is responsible for its compliance with the Listing Rules and other relevant laws and regulations, and will co-operate with each other to ensure compliance of the Listing Rules obligations and co-ordinate disclosure to the Stock Exchange.

The Trust and the Company have complied with the applicable code provisions in the Corporate Governance Code throughout the six months ended 30 June 2022, except as stated and explained hereunder.

The Trustee-Manager does not have a remuneration committee as the Directors of the Trustee-Manager, in such capacity, are not entitled to any remuneration. In addition, the Trustee-Manager does not have a nomination committee as the Trust Deed and the Trustee-Manager's articles of association require the directors of the Company and the Trustee-Manager comprise the same individuals, and the requirement to establish a nomination committee is hence considered irrelevant to the Trustee-Manager.

The Trustee-Manager Audit Committee and the Company Audit Committee, and the Nomination Committee and the Remuneration Committee of the Company, all chaired by an Independent Non-executive Director, support the Boards in providing independent oversight in their respective areas of responsibilities. The Sustainability Committee oversees management of, and advises the Company Board on, the development and implementation of the sustainability initiatives of the Group.

The Trust Group is committed to achieving and maintaining standards of openness, probity and accountability. In line with this commitment and in compliance with the Corporate Governance Code, the Audit Committees have reviewed the procedures for reporting possible improprieties in financial reporting, internal control or other matters. In addition, the Trustee-Manager and the Company have established the Policy on Inside Information and Securities Dealing for compliance by all employees of the Group.

### **Model Code for securities transactions by Directors**

The Boards have adopted the Model Code as their code of conduct regulating directors' securities transactions. All Directors have confirmed, following specific enquiry, that they have complied with the Model Code throughout the six months ended 30 June 2022.

### **Boards composition**

As at the date of this announcement, the Directors are:

- |                                     |   |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| Executive Directors                 | : | Mr. FOK Kin Ning, Canning (Chairman) (Mrs. CHOW WOO Mo Fong, Susan as his alternate), Mr. WAN Chi Tin (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. CHAN Loi Shun, Mr. CHENG Cho Ying, Francis and Mr. WANG Yuanhang             |
| Non-executive Directors             | : | Mr. LI Tzar Kuoi, Victor (Deputy Chairman) (Mr. Frank John SIXT as his alternate), Mr. Fahad Hamad A H AL-MOHANNADI, Mr. Ronald Joseph ARCULLI, Mr. DUAN Guangming, Mr. Deven Arvind KARNIK and Mr. ZHU Guangchao |
| Independent Non-executive Directors | : | Dr. FONG Chi Wai, Alex, Ms. KOH Poh Wah, Mr. KWAN Kai Cheong, Mr. LEE Lan Yee, Francis, Mr. George Colin MAGNUS and Mr. Donald Jeffrey ROBERTS  |

## **GLOSSARY**

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

<b>Term(s)</b>	<b>Definition</b>
“Boards” or “Boards of Directors”	Trustee-Manager Board and Company Board
“Company”	HK Electric Investments Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability on 23 September 2013
“Company Audit Committee”	Audit committee of the Company
“Company Board”	Board of directors of the Company
“Corporate Governance Code”	Corporate Governance Code set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules
“Government”	HKSAR Government
“Group”	The Company and its subsidiaries
“HK Electric”	The Hongkong Electric Company, Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability on 24 January 1889 and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“HKASs”	Hong Kong Accounting Standards
“HKEI”	The Trust and the Company
“HKFRSs”	A collective term includes all applicable individual Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, HKASs and Interpretations issued by the HKICPA
“HKICPA”	Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
“Holder(s) of Share Stapled Units” or “SSU holder(s)”	Person(s) who holds Share Stapled Units issued by HKEI

<b>Term(s)</b>	<b>Definition</b>
“Listing Rules”	Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange, as amended or supplemented from time to time
“Model Code”	Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules
“Power Assets”	Power Assets Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (Stock Code: 6)
“Share Stapled Unit(s)” or “SSU(s)”	<p>Share Stapled Unit(s) jointly issued by the Trust and the Company, with each Share Stapled Unit being the combination of the following securities or interests in securities which, subject to the provisions in the Trust Deed, can only be dealt with together and may not be dealt with individually or one without the others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a unit in the Trust;</li> <li>(b) the beneficial interest in a specifically identified ordinary share of the Company linked to the unit and held by the Trustee-Manager as legal owner (in its capacity as trustee-manager of the Trust); and</li> <li>(c) a specifically identified preference share of the Company stapled to the unit.</li> </ul>
“Share Stapled Units Register”	The register of registered Holders of Share Stapled Units
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“Trust”	HK Electric Investments, as constituted pursuant to the Trust Deed under the Laws of Hong Kong
“Trust Deed”	The trust deed dated 1 January 2014 constituting the Trust, entered into between the Trustee-Manager and the Company and as amended by the deed of amendment dated 13 May 2020
“Trust Group”	The Trust and the Group

<b>Term(s)</b>	<b>Definition</b>
“Trustee-Manager”	HK Electric Investments Manager Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability on 25 September 2013 and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Power Assets, in its capacity as trustee-manager of the Trust
“Trustee-Manager Audit Committee”	Audit committee of the Trustee-Manager
“Trustee-Manager Board”	Board of directors of the Trustee-Manager