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CONCH VENTURE
China Conch Venture Holdings Limited
中國海螺創業控股有限公司
(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 586)

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF
INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2018**

HIGHLIGHTS

- Revenue of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2018 amounted to approximately RMB1,019.89 million, representing a decrease of 2.03% as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.
- Net profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2018 amounted to approximately RMB2,530.32 million, representing an increase of 75.54% as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year; and net profit of the Group's principal activities attributable to equity shareholders of the Group (excluding share of profit of an associate) amounted to approximately RMB288.58 million, representing an increase of 18.40% as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.
- Basic earnings per share for the six months ended 30 June 2018 amounted to RMB1.40.
- The Board of the Company has resolved not to declare any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2018.

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of China Conch Venture Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) hereby presents the unaudited results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “**Group**”) for the six months ended 30 June 2018 (the “**Reporting Period**”), together with comparative unaudited financial data for the corresponding period in 2017.

The unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2018 have been approved by the Board and reviewed by the audit committee of the Board (the “**Audit Committee**”).

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

For the six months ended 30 June 2018 — unaudited

(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

		Six months ended 30 June	
	Note	2018 RMB'000	2017 RMB'000
Revenue	3	1,019,888	1,040,977
Cost of sales		<u>(590,008)</u>	<u>(652,262)</u>
Gross profit		429,880	388,715
Other income	4	66,032	106,166
Distribution costs		(23,356)	(19,345)
Administrative expenses		<u>(66,174)</u>	<u>(64,837)</u>
Profit from operations		406,382	410,699
Finance costs	5(a)	(12,275)	(12,633)
Share of profit of an associate	8	<u>2,241,738</u>	<u>1,197,706</u>
Profit before taxation	5	2,635,845	1,595,772
Income tax	6	<u>(63,066)</u>	<u>(79,767)</u>
Profit for the period		<u>2,572,779</u>	<u>1,516,005</u>
Attributable to:			
Equity shareholders of the Company		2,530,320	1,441,449
Non-controlling interests		<u>42,459</u>	<u>74,556</u>
Profit for the period		<u>2,572,779</u>	<u>1,516,005</u>
Earnings per share			
Basic and diluted (RMB)	7	<u>1.40</u>	<u>0.80</u>

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

For the six months ended 30 June 2018 — unaudited

(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
		<i>(Note)</i>
Profit for the period	2,572,779	1,516,005
Other comprehensive income for the period (after tax and reclassification adjustments)		
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:		
Share of changes of reserves of an associate, net of tax	(8,070)	–
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:		
Share of changes of reserves of an associate, net of tax	(4,943)	(53,240)
Other comprehensive income for the period	(13,013)	(53,240)
Total comprehensive income for the period	2,559,766	1,462,765
Attributable to:		
Equity shareholders of the Company	2,517,307	1,388,209
Non-controlling interests	42,459	74,556
Total comprehensive income for the period	2,559,766	1,462,765

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 June 2018- unaudited

(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)

		At 30 June 2018	At 31 December 2017
	Note	RMB'000	RMB'000 (Note)
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		1,503,755	1,281,802
Lease prepayments		228,533	207,254
Intangible assets		970,887	704,408
Interest in an associate	8	18,475,696	16,240,675
Non-current portion of service concession financial assets	9	1,962,810	–
Non-current portion of trade and other receivables	10	242,900	2,059,087
Deferred tax assets		55,482	58,635
		<u>23,440,063</u>	<u>20,551,861</u>
Current assets			
Inventories		171,245	128,193
Service concession financial assets	9	14,048	–
Trade and other receivables	10	994,664	993,343
Restricted bank deposits		6,031	20,075
Bank deposits with maturity over three months		68,201	25,000
Cash and cash equivalents		1,236,647	1,457,745
		<u>2,490,836</u>	<u>2,624,356</u>
Current liabilities			
Loans and borrowings		191,300	482,300
Trade and other payables	11	1,349,391	1,403,973
Dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company	12	771,576	–
Contract liabilities		13,888	–
Income tax payables		34,973	34,129
		<u>2,361,128</u>	<u>1,920,402</u>
Net current assets		<u>129,708</u>	<u>703,954</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>23,569,771</u>	<u>21,255,815</u>

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (continued)*At 30 June 2018 — unaudited**(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan)*

	At 30 June 2018	At 31 December 2017
<i>Note</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i> <i>(Note)</i>
Non-current liabilities		
Loans and borrowings	<u>611,350</u>	<u>44,500</u>
Net assets	<u>22,958,421</u>	<u>21,211,315</u>
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	14,347	14,347
Reserves	<u>22,309,135</u>	<u>20,563,404</u>
Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	<u>22,323,482</u>	20,577,751
Non-controlling interests	<u>634,939</u>	<u>633,564</u>
Total equity	<u>22,958,421</u>	<u>21,211,315</u>

Note: The Group has initially applied IFRS 15 and IFRS 9 at 1 January 2018. Under the transition methods chosen, comparative information is not restated. See note 2.

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT

(Expressed in Renminbi Yuan unless otherwise indicated)

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These unaudited consolidated financial statements of China Conch Venture Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) and its subsidiaries (the “**Group**”) have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, including compliance with International Accounting Standard (“**IAS**”) 34 “Interim Financial Reporting” adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board (“**IASB**”). It was authorised for issuance on 24 August 2018.

The interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the same accounting policies adopted in the 2017 annual financial statements, except for the accounting policy changes that are expected to be reflected in the 2018 annual financial statements. Details of any changes in accounting policies are set out in note 2.

The preparation of interim financial report is in conformity with IAS 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.

This interim financial report contains condensed consolidated financial statements and selected explanatory notes. The notes include an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in financial position and performance of the Group since the 2017 annual financial statements. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements and notes thereon do not include all of the information required for full set of financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“**IFRSs**”).

The interim financial report is unaudited, but has been reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Company.

2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Overview

The IASB has issued a number of new IFRSs and amendments to IFRSs that are first effective for the current accounting period of the Group. Of these, the following developments are relevant to the Group’s financial statements:

- IFRIC 22, *Foreign currency transactions and advance consideration*
- IFRS 9, *Financial instruments*
- IFRS 15, *Revenue from contracts with customers*

The Group has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for the current accounting period.

IFRIC 22 does not have a material effect on how the Group’s results and financial position for the current or prior period have been prepared or presented in this interim financial report.

The Group has not been impacted by IFRS 9 in relation to the classification of financial assets and financial liabilities and measurement of credit losses, but has been impacted by IFRS 15 in relation to presentation of service concession financial assets and contract liabilities. Details of the changes in accounting policies are discussed in note 2(b) for IFRS 9 and note 2(c) for IFRS 15.

Under the transition methods chosen, the Group recognises cumulative effect of the initial application of IFRS 9 and IFRS 15 as an adjustment to the opening balance of financial position at 1 January 2018. Comparative information is not restated.

(b) IFRS 9, Financial instruments

IFRS 9 replaces IAS 39, *Financial instruments: recognition and measurement*. It sets out the requirements for recognising and measuring financial assets, financial liabilities and some contracts to buy or sell non-financial items.

Further details of the nature and effect of the changes to previous accounting policies and the transition approach are set out below:

(i) Classification of financial assets and financial liabilities

IFRS 9 categories financial assets into three principal classification categories: measured at amortised cost, at fair value through other comprehensive income (“**FVOCI**”) and at fair value through profit or loss (“**FVPL**”). These supersede IAS 39’s categories of held-to-maturity investments, loans and receivables, available-for-sale financial assets and financial assets measured at FVPL. The classification of financial assets under IFRS 9 is based on the business model under which the financial asset is managed and its contractual cash flow characteristics.

The measurement categories for all financial assets and financial liabilities of the Group remain the same under IFRS 9. The carrying amounts for all financial assets and financial liabilities as at 1 January 2018 have not been impacted by the initial application of IFRS 9.

The Group did not designate or de-designate any financial asset or financial liability at FVPL at 1 January 2018.

(ii) Credit losses

IFRS 9 replaces the “incurred loss” model in IAS 39 with the expected credit loss (“**ECL**”) model. The ECL model requires an ongoing measurement of credit risk associated with a financial asset and therefore recognises ECLs earlier than under the “incurred loss” accounting model in IAS 39.

The Group applies the new ECL model to the following items:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost (including cash and cash equivalents, bank deposits and trade and other receivables); and
- service concession financial assets (see note 9).

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all expected cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the Group in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive).

The expected cash shortfalls are discounted using the following discount rates where the effect of discounting is material:

- fixed-rate financial assets, trade and other receivables and contract assets: effective interest rate determined at initial recognition or an approximation thereof;
- variable-rate financial assets: current effective interest rate;

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Group is exposed to credit risk.

In measuring ECLs, the Group takes into account reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort. This includes information about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

ECLs are measured on either of the following bases:

- 12-month ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from possible default events within the 12 months after the reporting date; and
- lifetime ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from all possible default events over the expected lives of the items to which the ECL model applies.

Loss allowances for trade receivables are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. ECLs on these financial assets are estimated using a provision matrix based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors and an assessment of both the current and forecast general economic conditions at the reporting date.

For all other financial instruments, the Group recognises a loss allowance equal to 12-month ECLs unless there has been a significant increase in credit risk of the financial instrument since initial recognition, in which case the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

Significant increases in credit risk

In assessing whether the credit risk of a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of default occurring on the financial instrument assessed at the reporting date with that assessed at the date of initial recognition. In making this reassessment, the Group considers that a default event occurs when the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Group in full, without recourse by the Group to actions such as realising security (if any is held). The Group considers both quantitative and qualitative information that is reasonable and supportable, including historical experience and forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort.

In particular, the following information is taken into account when assessing whether credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition:

- failure to make payments of principal or interest on their contractually due dates;
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in a financial instrument's external or internal credit rating (if available);
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the operating results of the debtor; and
- existing or forecast changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment that have a significant adverse effect on the debtor's ability to meet its obligation to the Group.

Depending on the nature of the financial instruments, the assessment of a significant increase in credit risk is performed on either an individual basis or a collective basis. When the assessment is performed on a collective basis, the financial instruments are grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics, such as past due status and credit risk ratings.

ECLs are remeasured at each reporting date to reflect changes in the financial instrument's credit risk since initial recognition. Any change in the ECL amount is recognised as an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss.

Write-off policy

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Group determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off.

Subsequent recoveries of an asset that was previously written off are recognised as a reversal of impairment in profit or loss in the period in which the recovery occurs.

Opening balance adjustment

As a result of this change in accounting policy, there are no additional ECLs recognised at 1 January 2018 due to an immaterial impact.

(c) IFRS 15, Revenue from contracts with customers

IFRS 15 establishes a comprehensive framework for recognising revenue and some costs from contracts with customers. IFRS 15 replaces IAS 18, Revenue, which covered revenue arising from sale of goods and rendering of services, and IAS 11, Construction contracts, which specified the accounting for construction contracts.

Further details of the nature and effect of the changes on previous accounting policies are set out below:

(i) Timing of revenue recognition

Previously, revenue from sale of goods was recognised at a point in time when risks and rewards of ownership of the goods had passed to the customers, and revenue arising from services was recognised when the relevant service is rendered without further performance obligations.

Under IFRS 15, revenue is recognised when the customer obtains control of the promised good or service in the contract. This may be at a single point in time or over time. IFRS 15 identifies the following three situations in which control of the promised good or service is regarded as being transferred over time:

- a. When the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the entity's performance, as the entity performs;
- b. When the entity's performance creates or enhances an asset (for example work in progress) that the customer controls as the asset is created or enhanced;
- c. When the entity's performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the entity and the entity has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date.

If the contract terms and the entity's activities do not fall into any of these 3 situations, then under IFRS 15 the entity recognises revenue for the sale of that good or service at a single point in time, being when control has passed. Transfer of risks and rewards of ownership is only one of the indicators that is considered in determining when the transfer of control occurs.

The adoption of IFRS 15 does not have a significant impact on when and how the Group recognises revenue.

(ii) *Presentation of service concession financial assets and contract liabilities*

To reflect these changes in presentation, the Group has made the following reclassification adjustments at 1 January 2018, as a result of the adoption of IFRS 15:

- a. “Gross amounts due from customers for construction contract work” amounting to RMB1,855,822,000, which were previously included in non-current portion of trade and other receivables are now reclassified to non-current portion of service concession financial assets, which includes both contract assets as defined under IFRS 15 and receivables.
- b. “Gross amounts due from customers for construction contract work” amounting to RMB14,026,000, which were previously included in trade and other receivables are now included under service concession financial assets.
- c. “Receipts in advance” amounting to RMB12,837,000, which were previously included in trade and other payables are now included under contract liabilities.

(iii) *Other impacts*

The Group’s assessment is that the impact of IFRS 15 in other areas including customer rights of return, principle vs agent arrangements, customer financing, warranty and incremental costs for contracts is not significant as either the respective volume of transactions are not material or the new standard has not led to a change in accounting treatment.

3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING

(a) **Revenue**

The principal activities of the Group are provisions of energy preservation and environmental protection solutions, port logistics services, the manufacturing and sales of new building materials and investments.

The amount of each significant category of revenue is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB’000	RMB’000
Energy preservation and environmental protection solutions		
Energy saving equipment	199,090	317,596
Waste incineration solutions (i)	523,466	567,974
Solid waste solutions	145,833	49,551
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Subtotal	868,389	935,121
Port logistics services	102,823	74,967
Sale of new building materials	48,676	30,889
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Total	1,019,888	1,040,977
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- (i) Revenue of waste incineration solutions under Build-Operate-Transfer (“BOT”) arrangements mainly represents the revenue for construction services, revenue from waste incineration project operation services and finance income. The amount of each significant category of revenue during the period is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Revenue from waste incineration project construction services	407,318	509,277
Revenue from waste incineration project operation services	66,752	24,536
Finance income	49,396	34,161
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Total	523,466	567,974
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(b) Segment reporting

- (i) The Group manages its businesses by divisions, which are organised by business lines. In a manner consistent with the way in which information is reported internally to the Group’s most senior executive management for the purposes of resources allocation and performance assessment, the Group has presented the following reportable segments.

The measure used for reporting segment profit is the profit before taxation. Information regarding the Group’s reportable segments as provided to the Group’s most senior executive management for the purposes of resources allocation and assessment of segment performance for the periods ended 30 June 2018 and 2017 is set out below:

	Six months ended 30 June 2018 (Unaudited)					
	Energy preservation and environmental protection solutions RMB'000	Port logistics services RMB'000	New building materials RMB'000	Investments RMB'000	Unallocated RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Disaggregated by timing of revenue recognition						
Point in time	440,864	102,823	48,676	–	–	592,363
Over time	427,525	–	–	–	–	427,525
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Reportable segment revenue	868,389	102,823	48,676	–	–	1,019,888
Reportable segment profit/(loss) before taxation	350,938	50,393	(6,078)	2,241,738	(1,146)	2,635,845
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Interest income	20,376	62	374	–	524	21,336
Interest expenses	11,200	1,075	–	–	–	12,275
Depreciation and amortisation	23,111	21,477	7,326	–	–	51,914
Reversal of impairment losses on trade receivables	(19,353)	–	–	–	–	(19,353)
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Reportable segment assets	6,264,047	498,767	655,727	18,475,696	36,662	25,930,899
Reportable segment liabilities	2,060,868	88,187	51,447	–	771,976	2,972,478

Six months ended 30 June 2017 (Unaudited)

	Energy preservation and environmental protection solutions RMB'000	Port logistics services RMB'000	New building materials RMB'000	Investments RMB'000	Unallocated RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Reportable segment revenue						
Point in time	421,329	74,967	30,889	–	–	527,185
Over time	513,792	–	–	–	–	513,692
Reportable segment revenue	935,121	74,967	30,889	–	–	1,040,977
Reportable segment profit/(loss) before taxation	380,767	25,230	(7,455)	1,197,706	(476)	1,595,772
Interest income	28,824	152	3,555	–	215	32,746
Interest expenses	10,917	1,716	–	–	–	12,633
Depreciation and amortisation	11,949	21,336	7,599	–	–	40,884
Reversal of impairment losses on trade receivables	(12,151)	–	–	–	–	(12,151)

Year ended 31 December 2017

	Energy preservation and environmental protection solutions RMB'000	Port logistics services RMB'000	New building materials RMB'000	Investments RMB'000	Unallocated RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Reportable segment assets	5,718,958	510,957	668,364	16,240,675	37,263	23,176,217
Reportable segment liabilities	1,830,694	81,083	53,039	–	86	1,964,902

(ii) Geographic information

The following table sets out information about the geographical location of the Group's revenue from external customers. The geographical location of customers is based on the location at which the services were provided or the goods were delivered.

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Revenue		
Mainland China	906,877	848,021
Asia (except Mainland China)	112,141	192,089
Africa	–	867
North America	870	–
	1,019,888	1,040,977

During the period, the Group's property, plant and equipment, lease prepayments, intangible assets, interest in an associate and other non-current assets (“**specified non-current assets**”) are all located in Mainland China. The geographical location of the specified non-current assets is based on the physical location of the asset, in the case of lease prepayments, property, plant and equipment, the location of the operation to which they are allocated, in the case of intangible assets, and the location of operations, in the case of interest in an associate.

4 OTHER INCOME

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Interest income	21,336	32,746
Government grants	47,891	72,551
Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(47)	–
Exchange (loss)/gain	(3,148)	869
	<u>66,032</u>	<u>106,166</u>

5 PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

Profit before taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
(a) Finance costs:		
Interest on loans and borrowings	13,890	12,633
Less: interest expense capitalised into construction in progress and intangible assets	(1,615)	–
	<u>12,275</u>	<u>12,633</u>
(b) Other items:		
Depreciation	42,489	36,799
Amortisation of lease prepayments	2,303	2,375
Amortisation of intangible assets	7,122	1,710
Research and development costs	4,425	6,447
Reversal of losses on trade receivables	(19,353)	(12,151)
Staff costs	73,814	57,725
	<u>73,814</u>	<u>57,725</u>

6 INCOME TAX

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Current tax:		
Provision for PRC income tax for the period	59,913	76,250
Deferred tax:		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	3,153	3,517
	<u>63,066</u>	<u>79,767</u>

- (a) Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands, the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands.
- (b) No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax was made for the subsidiary located in Hong Kong as this subsidiary did not have assessable profits subject to Hong Kong Profits Tax during the reporting periods. The payments of dividends by Hong Kong companies are not subject to any Hong Kong withholding tax.

- (c) The provision for PRC income tax is based on a statutory rate of 25% of the assessable income of the Company's mainland China subsidiaries as determined in accordance with the relevant income tax rules and regulations of the PRC, except for:

Name of companies (i)	Preferential income tax rate
Anhui Conch Kawasaki Energy Conservation Equipment Manufacturing Co., Ltd. (“CK Equipment”) 安徽海螺川崎節能設備製造有限公司 (ii)	15%
Pingliang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. 平涼海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Yuping Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (“YP Environment”) 玉屏海創環境科技有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Xishui Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. (“XS Environment”) 習水海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Shuicheng Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. 水城海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Baoshan Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. 保山海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Lingyun Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. 凌雲海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Guiyang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. 貴陽海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Xi'an Yaobai Environmental Protection Technology Engineering Co., Ltd. 西安堯柏環保科技工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Xianyang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. 咸陽海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Tongren Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. 銅仁海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Hanzhong Yaobai Environmental Protection Technology Engineering Co., Ltd. 漢中堯柏環保科技工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%
Nanjiang Conch Venture Environment Engineering Co., Ltd. 南江海創環境工程有限責任公司 (iii)	15%

- (i) The English translation of the names is for reference only. The official names of these entities are in Chinese.
- (ii) CK Equipment was accredited as a “High and New Technology Enterprise” and was entitled to a preferential income tax rate of 15% for a period of three years from 2017 to 2019.
- (iii) Pursuant to Notice No.4 issued by the State Administration of Taxation on 10 March 2015 and relevant local tax authorities' notices, these companies are entitled to a preferential income tax rate of 15% as qualifying companies located in western areas in the PRC. These companies have obtained approval from local tax authorities and are entitled to a preferential income tax rate of 15% in 2018.
- (d) Pursuant to the PRC Enterprise Income Tax Law Implementing Regulations issued by State Council of the People's Republic of China, certain subsidiaries engaged in waste incineration and solid waste solutions are eligible for a preferential tax treatment of income tax exemption for the first three years starting from which revenue is generated and 50% income tax reduction for the next three years.

7 EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Basic earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2018 of RMB2,530,320,000 (six months ended 30 June 2017: RMB1,441,449,000) and 1,804,750,000 (six months ended 30 June 2017: 1,804,750,000) ordinary shares in issue during the six months ended 30 June 2018.

(b) Diluted earnings per share

There were no dilutive potential ordinary shares outstanding during the six months ended 30 June 2018 and 2017.

8 INTEREST IN AN ASSOCIATE

As at 30 June 2018, interest in an associate represented share of net assets of the associate Anhui Conch Holdings Co., Ltd. (“**Conch Holdings**”). For the six months period ended 30 June 2018, the Group recognised share of profit of an associate in the amount of RMB2,241,738,000 in the consolidated statement of profit or loss (six months ended 30 June 2017: RMB1,197,706,000).

9 SERVICE CONCESSION FINANCIAL ASSETS

	At 30 June 2018 RMB'000	At 1 January 2018 RMB'000	At 31 December 2017 RMB'000
Current	14,048	14,026	–
Non-current	1,962,810	1,855,822	–
	<u>1,976,858</u>	<u>1,869,848</u>	<u>–</u>

The service concession financial assets bear interest at rates ranging from 6.01% to 9.41% (31 December 2017: 6.01% to 9.41%) per annum as at 30 June 2018 and relate to certain BOT arrangements of the Group. The amounts are not yet due for payment and will be settled during the operating periods of the arrangements. Among the total of RMB1,976,858,000 (2017: RMB1,869,848,000), RMB617,718,000 (2017: RMB663,439,000) relates to BOT arrangements which are in construction phase and should be deemed as contract assets as defined under IFRS 15.

10 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	At 30 June 2018 RMB'000	At 31 December 2017 RMB'000
Trade receivables	661,427	596,434
Bills receivable	69,414	106,373
Less: allowance for doubtful debts	<u>(61,320)</u>	<u>(80,673)</u>
Trade and bills receivables	669,521	622,134
Gross amounts due from customers for construction contract work (<i>note</i>)	–	38,032
Deposits and prepayments	69,888	79,680
Other receivables	144,663	125,942
Interest receivables	<u>3,163</u>	<u>6,694</u>
Amounts due from third parties	887,235	872,482
Amounts due from related parties	<u>107,429</u>	<u>120,861</u>
Current portion of trade and other receivables	<u>994,664</u>	<u>993,343</u>
Gross amounts due from customers for construction contract work (<i>note</i>)	–	1,857,463
Other receivables to be recovered after one year	<u>242,900</u>	<u>201,624</u>
Non-current portion of trade and other receivables	<u>242,900</u>	<u>2,059,087</u>
Total current and non-current trade and other receivables	<u>1,237,564</u>	<u>3,052,430</u>

Note: Upon the adoption of IFRS 15, gross amount due from customers for construction contract work is included in service concession financial assets (see note 9) in relation to BOT arrangements (31 December 2017: RMB1,869,848,000). Gross amount due from customers for construction contract work other than BOT arrangements amounted to RMB Nil as at 30 June 2018 (31 December 2017: RMB25,647,000).

The amounts due from related parties are all aged within 1 year.

Except for other receivables to be recovered after one year, all of the trade and other receivables are expected to be recovered within one year.

The amounts due from related parties are unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

Ageing analysis

The ageing analysis of trade receivables and bills receivable that are neither individually nor collectively considered to be impaired are as follows:

	At 30 June 2018 RMB'000	At 31 December 2017 RMB'000
Current	<u>603,890</u>	<u>561,677</u>
Less than 1 year past due	44,058	34,492
1 to 2 years past due	15,081	17,981
2 to 3 years past due	<u>6,492</u>	<u>7,984</u>
Total amount past due	<u><u>65,631</u></u>	<u><u>60,457</u></u>
	<u><u>669,521</u></u>	<u><u>622,134</u></u>

Receivables that were neither past due nor impaired relate to a wide range of customers for whom there was no recent history of default.

Receivables that were past due but not impaired relate to a number of independent customers that have a good track record with the Group. Based on past experience, the management believes that no impairment allowance is necessary in respect of these balances as there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the balances are still considered fully recoverable.

11 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	At 30 June 2018 RMB'000	At 31 December 2017 RMB'000
Trade payables	786,927	821,070
Bills payable	<u>238,347</u>	<u>189,963</u>
	1,025,274	1,011,033
Receipts in advance (<i>note</i>)	–	12,837
Other payables and accruals	<u>219,205</u>	<u>315,037</u>
Amounts due to third parties	1,244,479	1,338,907
Dividends payable to non-controlling interests	5,757	–
Amounts due to related parties	<u>99,155</u>	<u>65,066</u>
Trade and other payables	<u><u>1,349,391</u></u>	<u><u>1,403,973</u></u>

Note: As a result of the adoption of IFRS 15, receipts in advance are included in contract liabilities (see note 2(c)).

An ageing analysis of trade and bills payables of the Group is as follows:

	At 30 June 2018 RMB'000	At 31 December 2017 RMB'000
Within 1 year	991,805	942,235
1 year to 2 years	22,550	48,580
2 years to 3 years	9,859	16,350
Over 3 years but within 5 years	1,060	3,868
	<u>1,025,274</u>	<u>1,011,033</u>

The amounts due to related parties are all aged within 1 year, and are unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

12 DIVIDENDS

Dividend payable to equity shareholders attributable to the previous financial year, approved during the interim period:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Final dividend in respect of the previous financial year, approved during the interim period, of HKD0.5 per share (six months ended 30 June 2017: HKD0.3 per share)	<u>771,576</u>	<u>471,372</u>

Pursuant to a resolution passed at the annual general meeting on 27 June 2018, a final dividend of HKD0.5 per share totaling HKD902,375,000 (equivalent to approximately RMB771,576,000) was approved (2017: RMB471,372,000), which was paid in July 2018.

The board of directors does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2018 (six months ended 30 June 2017: Nil).

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Overview

During the Reporting Period, the Group actively expanded the market of each business, increased investment in technological innovation and research and development as well as strengthened management and control system to achieve its business goals in the first half of the year. Our achievements mainly reflect in:

Firstly, we have 17 newly signed environmental protection projects, including 6 solid waste solutions projects, 10 grate furnace power generation projects and 1 foul water treatment project, which exceeded the annual target of contracted projects set at the beginning of the year. We also secured our first overseas grate furnace power generation project contract in Vietnam.

Secondly, 2 projects in solid waste solution segment were completed and put into operation with additional treatment capacity of 200,000 tonnes per year and a period-on-period increase in operating revenue of 194.31%, strongly supporting the growth of our principal business.

Thirdly, 2 grate furnace power generation projects in waste incineration solutions segment were completed and put into operation with additional treatment capacity of 240,000 tonnes per year and a significant growth in operating revenue from the projects on a period-on-period basis. Operational quality also further enhanced.

Fourthly, we successfully passed the certification of on-site inspection of the National Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety Management System, thereby establishing a scientific management system.

Environmental Protection Business

As at the date of this announcement, the Group secured a total of 69 environmental protection projects in 16 provinces, municipalities and autonomous regions nationwide, which include 25 solid waste solutions projects, 25 grate furnace power generation projects, 17 projects of waste treatment by cement kilns and 2 foul water treatment projects. Also, the Group has completed 28 environmental protection projects, which include 8 solid waste solutions projects, 5 grate furnace power generation projects and 15 projects of waste treatment by cement kilns. Our annual treatment capacities of municipal waste and solid waste have reached 1,790,000 tonnes and 645,000 tonnes, respectively.

Solid Waste Solutions

Since 2018, the Group has newly secured 6 solid waste solutions projects in Liangping, Chongqing City, Tongchuan, Shaanxi Province, Qingzhen, Guizhou Province, Xianyang, Shaanxi Province, Linxiang, Hunan Province and Baoshan, Yunnan Province, respectively. After operating for more than half a year, Wuhu Conch Venture Environmental Protection Technology Co. Ltd. has steadily increased its treatment efficiency through technological improvement and successfully tapped into new markets. In the first half of 2018, projects under construction have proceeded on schedule. It is expected that, 4 projects in Suzhou, Anhui Province, Xingye, Guangxi Province, Wuhu (Phase 2) and Qianyang, Shaanxi Province, respectively, will be put into operation successively in the second half of 2018.

Details of solid waste solutions projects are set out in the following table:

No.	Status of Construction	Project Location	Percentage of Shareholdings	Annual treatment capacity	Expected Completion Date	Remarks
1	Completed	Lantian County, Shaanxi Province	Joint Venture	90,000 tonnes	Completed in January 2015	General solid waste
2		Fuping County, Shaanxi Province		100,000 tonnes	Completed in April 2016	Hazardous waste
3		Qian County, Shaanxi Province		70,000 tonnes	Completed in April 2017	63,600 tonnes of hazardous waste
4		Mian County, Shaanxi Province		45,000 tonnes	Completed in October 2017	General solid waste
5		Huaining County, Anhui Province	Wholly-owned	70,000 tonnes	Completed in September 2017	General solid waste
6		Huaipei City, Anhui Province		70,000 tonnes	Completed in December 2017	General solid waste
7		Wuhu City, Anhui Province (Phase 1)		100,000 tonnes	Completed in December 2017	55,000 tonnes of hazardous waste
8		Yiyang County, Jiangxi Province (Phase 1)		100,000 tonnes	Completed in May 2018	85,000 tonnes of hazardous waste
Subtotal				645,000 tonnes		
9	Under construction	Suzhou City, Anhui Province	Wholly-owned	2×100,000 tonnes	Phase 1: August 2018	To be constructed in two phases
10		Xingye County, Guangxi Province		2×100,000 tonnes	Phase 1: August 2018	
11		Wuhu City, Anhui Province (Phase 2)		100,000 tonnes	October 2018	
12		Qianyang County, Shaanxi Province	Joint Venture	100,000 tonnes	October 2018	
13		Yiyang County, Jiangxi Province (Phase 2)	Wholly-owned	100,000 tonnes	March 2019	
14		Zhong County, Chongqing City	Joint Venture	2×100,000 tonnes	Two Phases: March 2019	
Subtotal				900,000 tonnes		
15	Approved and under planning	Guangyuan City, Sichuan Province	Wholly-owned	100,000 tonnes	December 2018	
16		Wenshan City, Yunnan Province		2×100,000 tonnes	Phase 1: March 2019 Phase 2: June 2019	To be constructed in two phases
17		Shimen County, Hunan Province		100,000 tonnes	April 2019	
18		Sishui County, Shandong Province		100,000 tonnes	April 2019	
19		Qiyang County, Hunan Province		100,000 tonnes	May 2019	
20		Qingzhen City, Guizhou Province	Joint Venture	100,000 tonnes	May 2019	
21		Tongchuan City, Shaanxi Province		100,000 tonnes	August 2019	
22		Xianyang City, Shaanxi Province	Wholly-owned	300,000 tonnes	June 2019	General solid waste
23		Liangping District, Chongqing City		100,000 tonnes	/	
24		Linxiang City, Hunan Province		100,000 tonnes	/	
25	Baoshan City, Yunnan Province	100,000 tonnes		/		
Subtotal				1,400,000 tonnes		
Total				2,945,000 tonnes		

During the Reporting Period, 54,400 tonnes of hazardous waste and 102,400 tonnes of general solid waste were treated in solid waste solutions business.

Grate Furnace Power Generation

Since 2018, the Group's grate furnace power generation projects has achieved market expansion which exceeded our expectations with 10 newly secured projects in Shizhu, Chongqing City, Shucheng, Anhui Province, Xishui, Guizhou Province, Tongchuan, Shaanxi Province, Xianyang, Shaanxi Province, Fuquan, Guizhou Province, Linxiang, Hunan Province, Baoshan, Yunnan Province, Thai Nguyen, Vietnam and Manzhouli, Inner Mongolia Region, respectively. Among which, the annual treatment capacity of the large-scale project in Xianyang City, Shaanxi Province reached 1,000,000 tonnes, demonstrating the Group's outstanding comprehensive strength.

During the Reporting Period, projects which have commenced operation ran smoothly with significant growth in waste treatment volume and power generating capabilities; projects under construction also proceeded orderly. In the second half of 2018, it is expected that, 5 projects including those in Songming, Yunan Province, Shanggao, Jiangxi Province and Huoqiu (Phase 2) will be put into operation successively. Meanwhile, the Group also endeavored to promote overseas projects in Vietnam, Indonesia, Morocco and Thailand.

Details of grate furnace power generation projects are set out in the following table:

No.	Status of Construction	Project Location	Business Model	Annual treatment capacity	Expected Completion Date	Remarks
1	Completed	Jinzhai County, Anhui Province	BOT	100,000 tonnes	Completed in January 2016	
2		Tongren City, Guizhou Province		2x100,000 tonnes	Completed in July 2017	
3		Yanshan County, Yunnan Province		70,000 tonnes	Completed in August 2017	
4		Huoqiu County, Anhui Province (Phase 1)		140,000 tonnes	Completed in January 2018	
5		Li County, Hunan Province (Phase 1)		100,000 tonnes	Completed in April 2018	
Subtotal				610,000 tonnes		
6	Under construction	Huoqiu County, Anhui Province (Phase 2)	BOT	140,000 tonnes	October 2018	
7		Songming County, Yunan Province		100,000 tonnes	October 2018	
8		Shache County, Xinjiang Region		2x100,000 tonnes	Two Phases: December 2018	
9		Bole City, Xinjiang Region		100,000 tonnes	December 2018	
10		Shanggao County, Jiangxi Province		140,000 tonnes	December 2018	
11		Yiyang County, Jiangxi Province		2x100,000 tonnes	Phase 1: February 2019 Phase 2: August 2019	To be constructed in two phases
12		Sishui County, Shandong Province		140,000 tonnes	May 2019	
13		Yang County, Shaanxi Province		100,000 tonnes	July 2019	
14	Li County, Hunan Province (Phase 2)	140,000 tonnes	August 2019			
Subtotal				1,260,000 tonnes		
15	Approved and under planning	Xishui County, Guizhou Province	BOT	140,000 tonnes	September 2019	
16		Shizhu County, Chongqing City		100,000 tonnes	September 2019	
17		Shucheng County, Anhui Province		140,000 tonnes	October 2019	
18		Huoshan County, Anhui Province		140,000 tonnes	October 2019	
19		Tongchuan City, Shaanxi Province		180,000 tonnes	November 2019	
20		Fuquan City, Guizhou Province		100,000 tonnes	November 2019	
21		Xianyang City, Shaanxi Province		2x500,000 tonnes	January 2020	To be constructed in two phases
22		Linxiang City, Hunan Province		2x100,000 tonnes	/	
23		Baoshan City, Yunnan Province		2x140,000 tonnes	/	
24		Thai Nguyen, Vietnam	BOO	180,000 tonnes	March 2020	
25	Manzhouli City, Inner Mongolia Region	(Note 1)	140,000 tonnes	/		
Subtotal				2,600,000 tonnes		
Total				4,470,000 tonnes		

Note:

1. Build-Own-Operate, a type of business arrangement used in the construction of a facility.

During the Reporting Period, grate furnace power generation business received 309,000 tonnes and treated 258,600 tonnes of municipal waste, realized on-grid power generation of 72,320,000 kWh.

Waste Treatment By Cement Kilns

As at the end of the Reporting Period, 15 projects were completed and put into operation; and 2 projects were under construction. The annual capacity of completed projects was approximately 1,180,000 tonnes. 364,700 tonnes of municipal waste were received during the Reporting Period.

Details of waste treatment by cement kilns projects are set out in the following table:

No.	Status of Construction	Project Location	Business Model	Annual Capacity	Remarks
1	Completed	Pingliang City, Gansu Province	BOT	100,000 tonnes	
2		Qingzhen City, Guizhou Province		100,000 tonnes	
3		Yangchun City, Guangdong Province		70,000 tonnes	
4		Yuping County, Guizhou Province		30,000 tonnes	A joint venture with China National Building Material Company Limited
5		Xishui County, Guizhou Province		100,000 tonnes	
6		Qiyang County, Hunan Province		100,000 tonnes	
7		Shimen County, Hunan Province		70,000 tonnes	
8		Shuicheng County, Guizhou Province		70,000 tonnes	
9		Fusui County, Guangxi Region		70,000 tonnes	
10		Shuangfeng County, Hunan Province		70,000 tonnes	
11		Baoshan City, Yunnan Province		100,000 tonnes	
12		Nanjiang County, Sichuan Province		70,000 tonnes	
13		Lingyun County, Guangxi Region		30,000 tonnes	
14		Ningguo City, Anhui Province		100,000 tonnes	
15		Linxia Prefecture, Gansu Province		100,000 tonnes	
Subtotal				1,180,000 tonnes	
16	Under construction	Xing'an County, Guangxi Region	BOT	100,000 tonnes	Expected to be put into operation in August 2018
17		Yingjiang County, Yunnan Province		70,000 tonnes	Expected to be put into operation in March 2019
Subtotal				170,000 tonnes	
Total				1,350,000 tonnes	

New Building Materials

During the Reporting Period, the Group focused on increasing market shares and optimizing economic indicators and achieved steady growth in volume and price by diversifying channels, understanding markets and securing orders. The Group also reached high production, high quality and low consumption through resources sharing and benchmarking management. Meanwhile, the Group also achieved progressive breakthrough in foreign trade market by achieving its first batch of overseas container order and subsequent potential orders.

During the Reporting Period, the Group sold ACA boards with a total of 3.56 million square metres, representing a period-on-period increase of 34%, among which the accumulated sales of Anhui Conch Venture New Building Material Company was 2.11 million square metres, representing a period-on-period increase of 29%.

Port logistics

During the Reporting Period, port logistics closely focused on the annual target, actively explored the markets and seized high quality sources of supply, bringing a new high port throughput. The Group also strengthened the construction of internal control system, optimized cost indicators and maintained a stable growth in profitability, thereby making certain achievements in various aspects.

Profits

Item	January–June 2018	January–June 2017	Changes between the Reporting Period and the corresponding period of the previous year
	Amount (RMB'000)	Amount (RMB'000)	(%)
Revenue	1,019,888	1,040,977	-2.03
Profit before taxation	2,635,845	1,595,772	65.18
Share of profit of an associate	2,241,738	1,197,706	87.17
Profit before taxation from principal businesses	394,107	398,066	-0.99
Net profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	2,530,320	1,441,449	75.54
Net profit from principal businesses attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	288,582	243,743	18.40

During the Reporting Period, the Group recorded a revenue of RMB1,019.89 million, representing a period-on-period decrease of 2.03%. Profit before taxation amounted to RMB2,635.85 million, representing a period-on-period increase of 65.18%. Share of profit of an associate amounted to RMB2,241.74 million, representing a period-on-period increase of 87.17%. Profit before taxation from principal businesses amounted to RMB394.11 million, representing a period-on-period decrease of 0.99%. Net profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company amounted to RMB2,530.32 million, representing a period-on-period increase of 75.54%, among which, net profit from principal businesses attributable to equity shareholders amounted to RMB288.58 million, representing a period-on-period increase of 18.40%. Basic earnings per share amounted to RMB1.40.

Revenue by business segments

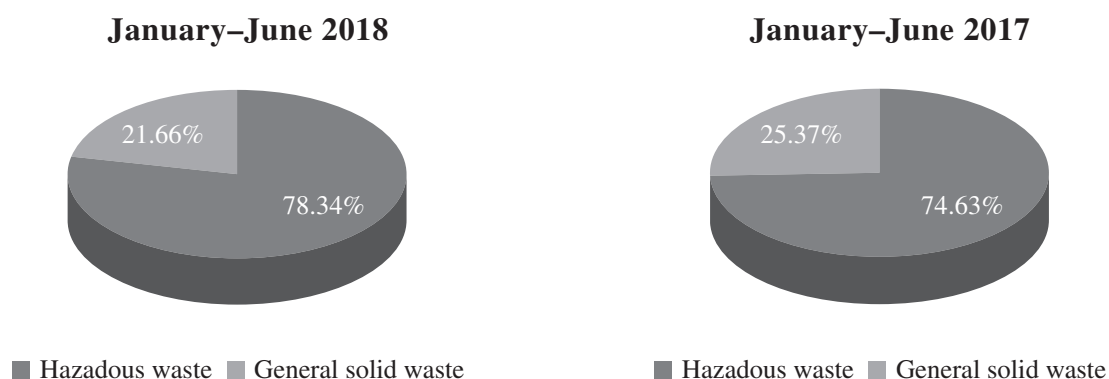
Item	January–June 2018		January–June 2017		Change in amount (%)	Change in percentage (percentage points)
	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)		
Solid waste solutions	145,833	14.30	49,551	4.76	194.31	9.54
Waste incineration solutions	523,466	51.33	567,974	54.56	-7.84	-3.23
Energy saving equipment	199,090	19.52	317,596	30.51	-37.31	-10.99
New building materials	48,676	4.77	30,889	2.97	57.58	1.80
Port logistics	102,823	10.08	74,967	7.20	37.16	2.88
Total	1,019,888	100.00	1,040,977	100.00	-2.03	-

During the Reporting Period, the revenue from solid waste solutions, new building materials and port logistics maintained a rapid growth, whereas the revenue from energy saving equipment and waste incineration solutions recorded a period-on-period decrease. With a breakdown by segments:

- (i) The revenue from solid waste solutions amounted to RMB145.83 million, representing a period-on-period increase of 194.31%, which was mainly due to the newly commencement of operation of the Group's projects in Wuhu and Yiyang, which led to the growth in revenue.
- (ii) The revenue from waste incineration solutions amounted to RMB523.47 million, representing a period-on-period decrease of 7.84%, which was mainly due to the reduction of waste treatment by cement kilns projects under construction of the Group during the Reporting Period, which led to the decrease in construction revenue.
- (iii) The revenue from energy saving equipment amounted to RMB199.09 million, representing a period-on-period decrease of 37.31%, which was mainly affected by the decrease in market demand, the reduction of orders from energy saving equipment, and delay in construction progress of certain projects.

- (iv) The revenue from new building materials recorded a period-on-period increase of 57.58%, which was mainly due to the Group's increased efforts in marketing and in-depth industry collaboration leading to increase in both volume and prices, among which the sales of ACA boards was 3.56 million square metres, representing period-on-period increase of 34%; sales and prices both increased by 18% as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.
- (v) The revenue from port logistics recorded a period-on-period increase of 37.16%, which was mainly due to the fact that the Group actively developed logistics market, leading to a period-on-period increase of throughput and handling prices, among which throughput amounted to 17.38 million tonnes, representing a period-on-period increase of 27%.

Breakdown of revenue from solid waste solutions



During the Reporting Period, the Group's disposal of hazardous waste reached a revenue amounted to RMB114.24 million, representing a period-on-period increase of 208.95%. The revenue from treatment of general solid waste amounted to RMB31.59 million, representing a period-on-period increase of 151.26%.

Breakdown of revenue from waste incineration solutions

Revenue breakdown	January–June 2018		January–June 2017		Change in amount (%)	Change in percentage (percentage points)
	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)		
Construction revenue	407,318	77.81	509,277	89.67	-20.02	-11.86
Waste treatment by cement kilns	37,080	7.08	99,669	17.55	-62.80	-10.47
Grate furnace power generation	370,238	70.73	409,608	72.12	-9.61	-1.39
Operation revenue	66,752	12.75	24,536	4.32	172.06	8.43
Waste treatment by cement kilns	20,890	3.99	16,876	2.97	23.79	1.02
Grate furnace power generation	45,862	8.76	7,660	1.35	498.72	7.41
Interest revenue	49,396	9.44	34,161	6.01	44.60	3.43
Waste treatment by cement kilns	34,101	6.52	31,170	5.49	9.40	1.02
Grate furnace power generation	15,295	2.92	2,991	0.52	411.37	2.41
Total	523,466	100.00	567,974	100.00	-7.84	-

During the Reporting Period, the revenue from waste incineration solutions segment during the construction period amounted to RMB407.32 million, representing a period-on-period decrease of 20.02%, which was mainly due to a period-on-period decrease in the number of waste treatment by cement kilns projects under construction, and grate furnace power generation projects under approval resulting in delay of certain projects. The operation revenue from waste incineration solutions segment amounted to RMB66.75 million, representing a period-on-period increase of 172.06%, which was mainly due to new projects in Yanshan, Tongren, Huoqiu and Li County were put into operations as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.

Revenue by geographical locations

Item	January–June 2018		January–June 2017		Change in amount (%)	Change in percentage (percentage points)
	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)		
China	906,877	88.91	848,021	81.46	6.94	7.45
Asia (excluding China)	112,141	11.00	192,089	18.46	-41.62	-7.46
Africa	-	-	867	0.08	-	-0.08
North America	870	0.09	-	-	-	0.09
Total	1,019,888	100.00	1,040,977	100.00	-2.03	-

During the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue from the China market recorded a period-on-period increase of 6.94%, with its proportion in total revenue increased by 7.45 percentage points period-on-period, which was mainly affected by the Group's rapid development of domestic solid waste solution business. The revenue derived from Asia (excluding China) market amounted to RMB112.14 million, representing a period-on-period decrease of 41.62%, with its proportion in total revenue decreased by 7.46 percentage points period-on-period, which was mainly due to period-on-period decrease in number of energy saving equipment orders from overseas market and the delay in construction progress of certain projects which affected the revenue recognition.

Gross profit and gross profit margin

Item	January–June 2018		January–June 2017		Change in amount (%)	Change in percentage (percentage points)
	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)		
Solid waste solutions	118,948	81.56	37,665	76.01	215.81	5.55
Waste incineration solutions	194,124	37.08	215,972	38.02	-10.12	-0.94
Energy saving equipment	47,277	23.75	99,519	31.33	-52.49	-7.58
New building materials	8,762	18.00	-2,633	-8.52	N/A	26.52
Port logistics	60,769	59.10	38,192	50.95	59.11	8.15
Total	429,880	42.15	388,715	37.34	10.59	4.81

During the Reporting Period, the consolidated gross profit margin of the Group's products was 42.15%, representing a period-on-period increase of 4.81 percentage points. With a breakdown by segments:

- (i) the gross profit margin for solid waste solutions was 81.56%, representing a period-on-period increase of 5.55 percentage points, mainly due to the Group's solid waste projects in Wuhu and Yiyang commenced operation successively which seized the market opportunities to increase the treatment prices.
- (ii) The gross profit margin for waste incineration solutions was 37.08%, representing a period-on-period decrease of 0.94 percentage points.
- (iii) The gross profit margin for energy saving equipment was 23.75%, representing a period-on-period decrease of 7.58 percentage points, which was mainly due to a decline market demand and an increase in raw materials prices, resulting in a decrease of gross profit margin.
- (iv) The gross profit margin for new building materials was 18.00%, representing a period-on-period increase of 26.52 percentage points, which was mainly due to the fact that the Group actively expanded the sheet materials market, leading to an increase of sales and prices.
- (v) The gross profit margin for port logistics was 59.10%, representing a period-on-period increase of 8.15 percentage points, which was mainly due to the fact that the Group actively expanded its markets, enhanced both the prices and volume with period-on-period increase of 27% in port throughput and lowered its fixed costs.

Revenue and share of profit

Item	January–June 2018		January–June 2017		Change in amount (%)	Change in percentage (percentage points)
	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)	Amount (RMB'000)	Percentage (%)		
Revenue	1,019,888	100.00	1,040,977	100.00	-2.03	–
Other customers	862,389	84.56	762,040	73.20	12.13	11.36
Conch Cement	157,499	15.44	278,937	26.80	-40.70	-11.36
Profit for the period	2,572,779	100.00	1,516,005	100.00	69.46	–
Share of profit of an associate	2,241,738	87.13	1,197,706	79.00	87.17	8.13
Profit attributable to operations	331,041	12.87	318,299	21.00	2.83	-8.13

During the Reporting Period, the Group's revenue from Conch Cement amounted to RMB157.50 million, accounted for 15.44% of total revenue, representing a period-on-period decrease of 11.36 percentage points. Share of profit of an associate amounted to RMB2,241.74 million, accounted for 87.13% of total revenue, representing a period-on-period increase of 8.13 percentage points, which was mainly due to the growth in profit in an associate, Conch Holdings.

Other income

During the Reporting Period, the Group's other income amounted to RMB66.03 million, representing a period-on-period decrease of RMB40.13 million, or 37.80%, which was mainly due to the period-on-period decrease in government grants and interest income received by the Group.

Distribution costs

During the Reporting Period, the Group's distribution costs amounted to RMB23.36 million, representing a period-on-period increase of RMB4.01 million, or 20.73%, which was mainly due to the Group's active market development resulting in an increase in distribution costs.

Administrative expenses

During the Reporting Period, the Group's administrative expenses amounted to RMB66.17 million, representing a period-on-period increase in RMB1.34 million, or 2.06%, which was mainly due to increase in the number of employees resulting in an increase in employee remuneration.

Finance costs

During the Reporting Period, the Group's finance costs amounted to RMB12.28 million, representing a period-on-period decrease of RMB0.36 million, which remained stable as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.

Profit before taxation

During the Reporting Period, the Group's profit before taxation amounted to RMB2,635.85 million, representing a period-on-period increase of RMB1,040.07 million, or 65.18%, which was mainly due to the increase in net profits from Conch Holdings, an associate of the Group. Share of profit of an associate amounted to RMB2,241.74 million, representing a period-on-period increase of 87.17%, and profit before taxation from principal businesses amounted to RMB394.11 million, representing a period-on-period decrease of 0.99%, mainly due to the decrease in profit from energy saving equipment.

Financial Position

As at 30 June 2018, the Group's total assets amounted to RMB25,930.90 million, representing an increase of RMB2,754.68 million as compared to the end of the previous year. The equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company amounted to RMB22,323.48 million, representing an increase of RMB1,745.73 million as compared to the end of the previous year. Gearing ratio of the Group (total liabilities/total assets) was 11.46%, representing an increase of 2.98 percentage point as compared to the end of the previous year. The balance sheet items of the Group are as follows:

Item	As at 30 June 2018 (RMB'000)	As at 31 December 2017 (RMB'000)	Change between the end of the Reporting Period and the end of the previous year (%)
Property, plant and equipment	1,503,755	1,281,802	17.32
Non-current assets	23,440,063	20,551,861	14.05
Current assets	2,490,836	2,624,356	-5.09
Current liabilities	2,361,128	1,920,402	22.95
Non-current liabilities	611,350	44,500	1,273.82
Net current assets	129,708	703,954	-81.57
Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	22,323,482	20,577,751	8.48
Total assets	25,930,899	23,176,217	11.89
Total liabilities	2,972,478	1,964,902	51.28

Non-current assets and current assets

As at 30 June 2018, non-current assets of the Group amounted to RMB23,440.06 million, representing an increase of 14.05% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to the increase in interests in an associate, intangible assets, property, plant and equipment.

Current assets of the Group amounted to RMB2,490.84 million, representing a decrease of 5.09% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to the increase in the Group's construction investments in environmental protection projects, which caused a decrease in balance of cash and cash equivalents during the Reporting Period.

Non-current liabilities and current liabilities

As at 30 June 2018, non-current liabilities of the Group amounted to RMB611.35 million, representing an increase of 1,273.82% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to new long-term loan of the Group during the Reporting Period.

Current liabilities of the Group amounted to RMB2,361.13 million, representing an increase of 22.95% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to the Group's provision for outstanding dividend payable in 2017.

As at 30 June 2018, current ratio and debt to equity ratio (calculated by dividing total amount of loans by total equity) of the Group were 1.05 and 0.03, respectively, as compared to 1.37 and 0.02, respectively, as at the end of the previous year.

Net current assets

As at 30 June 2018, net current assets of the Group amounted to RMB129.71 million, representing a decrease of 81.57% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to an increase in the Group's construction investments in environmental protection projects, which caused a decrease in the balance of cash and cash equivalents, and provision for outstanding dividend payable in 2017, which led to a decrease in net current assets.

Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company

As at 30 June 2018, the Group's equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company amounted to RMB22,323.48 million, representing an increase of 8.48% as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to an increase in the Group's interests in an associate and net profit from principal businesses attributable to the equity shareholders.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

During the Reporting Period, the Group took full advantage of the capital size, enhanced returns of the stock funds through enhancing capital planning and management and reasonable allocation of project funds, so as to satisfy the Company's capital needs. As at 30 June 2018, the Group's cash and cash equivalents amounted to RMB1,236.65 million, which were mainly denominated in RMB, Hong Kong dollars and US dollars.

Bank loans

Item	As at 30 June 2018 (RMB'000)	As at 31 December 2017 (RMB'000)
Due within one year	191,300	482,300
Due after one year but within two years	98,300	6,300
Due after two years but within five years	421,420	16,400
Due after five years	91,630	21,800
Total	<u>802,650</u>	<u>526,800</u>

As at 30 June 2018, the balance of bank loans of the Group amounted to RMB802.65 million, representing an increase of RMB275.85 million as compared to the end of the previous year, which was mainly due to new bank loans raised by the Group during the Reporting Period. As at 30 June 2018, the Group's bank loans were denominated in RMB, and most of the loan interests were subject to variable interest rates.

Cash flows

The analysis of cash flows during the Reporting Period is as follows:

Item	January–June 2018 (RMB'000)	January–June 2017 (RMB'000)
Net cash generated from operating activities	136,011	18,886
Net cash used in investing activities	-583,834	-78,291
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities	226,725	-86,785
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	-221,098	-146,190
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	1,457,745	2,165,640
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	<u>1,236,647</u>	<u>2,019,450</u>

Net cash generated from operating activities

During the Reporting Period, net cash generated from operating activities of the Group amounted to RMB136.01 million, representing an increase of RMB117.13 million as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year, which was mainly due to increase in inflows of operational cash from the solid waste solutions, port logistics businesses and increase in collection of trade receivables from energy saving equipment business.

Net cash used in investing activities

During the Reporting Period, net cash used in investing activities of the Group amounted to RMB583.83 million, representing a period-on-period increase of RMB505.54 million, which was mainly due to the increase in the Group's investments in property, plant, equipment and intangible assets.

Net cash generated from financing activities

During the Reporting Period, net cash generated from financing activities of the Group amounted to RMB226.73 million, representing a period-on-period increase of RMB313.51 million, which was mainly due to the new bank loans raised by the Group.

Commitments

As at 30 June 2018, the Group's commitments for purchases in connection with construction contracts were as follows:

Item	As at 30 June 2018 (RMB'000)	As at 31 December 2017 (RMB'000)
Contracted for	1,606,510	2,411,975
Authorized but not contracted for	589,400	253,389
Total	<u>2,195,910</u>	<u>2,665,364</u>

Foreign Exchange Risk

The Group's functional currency is RMB. Foreign exchange risks faced by the Group were mainly derived from account receivables and account payables arising from sales and procurement which were mainly denominated in currencies including US dollars and Hong Kong dollars. Other than that, most of the assets and transactions of the Group were denominated in RMB, and the capital expenditures of the Group's domestic business were generally funded with the revenue in RMB. As a result, the Group is not exposed to significant foreign exchange risks.

The Group did not use any financial derivatives to hedge against any foreign exchange risks.

Contingent Liabilities

As at 30 June 2018, the Group did not have any material contingent liabilities.

Pledge of Assets

As at 30 June 2018, the Group did not have any pledged assets.

Material Investments, Acquisitions or Disposals

During the Reporting Period, the Group did not have any material investments, acquisitions or disposals.

Human Resources

The Group has always highly valued the human resources management by providing its employees with competitive remuneration packages and various training programs. During the Reporting Period, the Group organised professional and technical seminars, trainings relating to basic knowledge of grate furnace technology, disposal of solid and hazardous waste, special types of work and financial literacy. In addition, the Group has also continued to strengthen its team building through means such as internal training, social and campus recruitment.

As at 30 June 2018, the Group had approximately 2,303 employees. The remuneration of employees is based on qualifications, experience, work performance and market conditions. As required by the PRC regulations on social insurance, the Group participated in the social insurance schemes operated by local government authorities which include pension insurance, medical insurance, unemployment insurance, industrial injuries insurance and maternity insurance. For the six months ended 30 June 2018, the total remuneration of employees (including the remuneration of the directors) was approximately RMB73.81 million (for the corresponding period of 2017: RMB57.73 million).

The Company adopted a share option scheme (“**Share Option Scheme**”) pursuant to a resolution in writing passed by all shareholders on 3 December 2013 for the purpose of granting options to certain participants as incentives or rewards for their contributions to the Group. Since the listing of the Group, no share option had been granted under the Share Option Scheme.

Outlook for the Second Half of the Year

Certain changes and characteristics can be noted from the abovementioned financial indicators:

Firstly, during the Reporting Period, the operation revenue of solid waste solution segment showed significant increase in growth rate as Wuhu and Yiyang projects commenced operation on schedule; solid waste solution business will be the top priority of the Group's development. In the second half of the year, 4 projects including those in Suzhou, Anhui Province, Xingye, Guangxi Province, Wuhu (Phase 2) and Qianyang, Shaanxi Province will commence operation successively. By then, our annual capacity scale will reach 1,150,000 tonnes, which would serve as solid support to our business growth.

Secondly, despite operation revenue of waste incineration solutions recorded a decrease in the first half of the year, in the second half of the year, 6 projects in Shizhu, Xishui, Shucheng, Huoshan, Tonggchuan and Fuchuan would commenced construction whereas 5 projects in Songming, Yunan Province, Shanggao, Jiangxi Province, Huoqiu (Phase 2) and Shache and Bole, Xinjiang Province, would entered into middle or late construction stages and planned to commence operation at the end of the year, revenue of waste treatment segment will further increase by that time.

In 2018, the Group enters into a new era of development and opportunities. In the second half of the year, the Group will continue to grasp the opportunity arising from China's enormous effort of promoting green development and actively explore the domestic and international markets of three major businesses, namely environmental protection, energy saving equipment and new building materials as well as enhance its operation level and internal control, thereby driving rapid development of environmental protection business with full strength, facilitating transformation and upgrading of energy saving equipment business and safeguarding a stable development of new building materials and port logistics businesses to strive for steady growth in operating results of principal businesses.

Firstly, the Group drives rapid development of environmental protection business with full strength. It is expected that the Group will accelerate its strategic distribution of solid waste solution projects in Guangdong, Jiangsu, Shandong, Henan and Hebei provinces and continue to proceed with the follow-up work of large-scale grate furnace power generation projects in the second half of the year. Further, the Group will overcome the obstacles and difficulties by accelerating the progress of the projects in Thai Nguyen and Bac Lieu, Vietnam with an aim to commence these projects during the year and following up the projects in Morocco, Indonesia and Thailand in order to expand operations in overseas markets. The Group will continue optimizing its management to enhance operating efficiency. For solid waste treatment business, the Group will further improve its regional distribution on the basis that its projects commence as scheduled. The Group will also enter domestic market and increase its scale and type of hazardous waste disposal in order to achieve the full use of resources. For grate furnace power generation business, the Group continues to focus on breakthroughs of waste treatment volume and on-grid electricity converted by waste per tonne, optimize various economic and technical indicators and put in great efforts to enhance the project's economic benefits.

Secondly, the Group facilitates transformation and upgrading of energy saving equipment business. To fulfill the needs of rapid development of environmental protection business, the Group continues to conduct research and development and production of waste incineration design and equipment. The Group also shifts its focus to overseas market expansion by leveraging on comprehensive advantages of existing equipment manufacturing base and experiences in engineering construction management so as to strengthen its energy saving equipment manufacturing and speed up the transformation and development of energy saving equipment business.

Thirdly, the Group safeguards a stable development of new building materials and port logistics businesses. For new building materials, the Group targets to be the “leading benchmark enterprise in the industry” with the core value of cost effectiveness and market orientation, strives for achieving profitability during the year by increasing its sales and market shares, reducing cost, enhancing efficiency and seeking development. For port logistics, the Group will grasp the opportunity arising from strategic development in “Yangtze River Economic Belt”, obtain a strong competitive position in the region and endeavour to enhance its overall market shares and profitability. The Group will also continue to improve port environment, diversify its port development and build a typical port image with refined and standardized management.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board of the Company resolved not to declare any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2018.

COMPLIANCE WITH CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Board confirmed that the Company complied with the principles and code provisions set out in the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the “**Listing Rules**”) during the Reporting Period.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding the transactions of securities of the Company by the directors and the relevant employees (who likely possess inside information of the Company) (“**Securities Dealing Code**”) on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the “**Model Code**”) set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules. Having made specific enquiries by the Company, all directors of the Company confirmed that they complied with the Model Code and the Securities Dealing Code during the Reporting Period.

REPURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY’S LISTED SECURITIES

During the Reporting Period, neither the Company nor its subsidiaries had repurchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company’s listed securities.

REVIEW OF THE INTERIM RESULTS

The Audit Committee of the Company comprising three independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Chan Chi On (alias Derek Chan), being the chairman of the Audit Committee, Mr. Chan Kai Wing and Mr. Lau Chi Wah, Alex, has reviewed the unaudited interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2018. The Audit Committee has no disagreement with the accounting treatment adopted by the Company.

PUBLICATION OF INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT

This results announcement is available on the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (<http://www.hkexnews.hk>) and the website of the Company (<http://www.conchventure.com>). The interim report of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2018 will be despatched to the shareholders of the Company and published on the above websites in due course.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors
China Conch Venture Holdings Limited
中國海螺創業控股有限公司
GUO Jingbin
Chairman

China, 24 August 2018

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. GUO Jingbin (Chairman), Mr. JI Qinying (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. LI Jian and Mr. LI Daming as executive Directors; and Mr. CHAN Chi On (alias Derek CHAN), Mr. CHAN Kai Wing and Mr. LAU Chi Wah, Alex as independent non-executive Directors.