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## CLP Volunteer Team Celebrates 20 Years of Caring

CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP Power) today (16 November) celebrated the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the CLP Volunteer Team (CLPV) in typically caring style with a festive event to coincide with Senior Citizens Day. A team of volunteers hosted a reception for 400 elderly people in the fourth of a series of get-togethers in an ongoing CLP programme called “Sharing the Festive Joy” which aims to spread a spirit of care and harmony in the community. Each of the 400 elderly guests was presented with a patchwork quilt to keep them warm through the winter months ahead.

The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration was officiated by CLP Power Managing Director Mr Paul Poon, Director of Social Welfare Ms Carol Yip and co-organisers of the “Sharing the Festive Joy” event including Executive Council member and Honorary President of the New Territories Association of Societies (NTAS) the Hon Cheung Hok-ming, Legislative Councillor and President of NTAS the Hon Leung Che-cheung, Hong Kong Deputy to the National People’s Congress of the People’s Republic of China and Chairman of NTAS Mr Brave Chan and Chief Executive of Po Leung Kuk (PLK) Mr James Chan.

The officiating guests teamed up to sew two of the patchwork quilts at the event, symbolising how CLP is working with a broad range of community groups to spread warmth and comfort to the elderly in Hong Kong over the winter months ahead. The quilts were made in a joint effort by CLP volunteers and a group of people with moderate mental handicaps and ex-mentally ill people organised by PLK.

In his opening speech, Mr Poon said, “Hong Kong has been CLP’s home for more than a century and we have grown with the city every step of the way. We serve the people of Hong Kong with professional expertise and we are dedicated to helping build a harmonious society.”

“CLP will continue to work closely with district leaders, welfare NGOs, companies and the people of Hong Kong to take on greater responsibility within the community. After the recent social unrest, we are committed to help build a compassionate society built on trust and mutual respect.”

“While people hold differing political views, we believe everyone in Hong Kong is committed to harmony and care in our society. In these times, we must promote the Hong Kong spirit and help to channel positive energy to every corner of the territory.”

Director of Social Welfare Ms Carol Yip remarked that not only has CLPV’s community service to the elderly people has been well recognised by the society, CLPV has also been active in providing care and services for people from all sectors of the society. “I want to thank the management of CLP for supporting the Government’s initiatives and for providing support to its colleagues to participate in community service such that more people in need can receive the help that they need.”

The CLPV was established in 1994 by a group of passionate frontline employees. Their passion drove the CLPV to become one of the largest corporate volunteer teams in Hong Kong with more than 800 members today. As part of the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, Mr Poon and Ms Yip awarded certificates of appreciation to outstanding members of the CLPV in recognition of their contribution over the years.

Mr Poon also expressed his gratitude to near 20 community partners attending the event for their support to the CLPV in extending its reach and the diversity of services it gives to people in need. He announced that CLP would give a special donation to 17 welfare NGOs under the CLP Safety Incentive Scheme 2013 to help provide warmth and care to those in need.

Ahead of today’s ceremony, CLP won the Champion award in the General Corporate Group category of the 2013-14 Best Corporate Volunteer Service Project Competition organised by the Social Welfare Department. The award was given in recognition of the CLPV’s Rewiring and Home Electricity Safety Service Programme. At the same awards, CLP also won the Outstanding Award in the same category for its CLP Green Volunteers for Seniors Programme.

The Senior Citizens Day celebration at today’s event is the fourth in CLP’s “Sharing the Festive Joy” programme. The community care programme was launched this year and gives needy and underprivileged elderly people the opportunity to join in festive celebrations with CLP volunteers. Three earlier luncheons were held to mark Chinese New Year, the Tuen Ng Festival and the Mid-Autumn Festival.

### **About CLP Power Hong Kong Limited**

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**Photo caption**

**Photo 1**



CLP Power Managing Director Mr Paul Poon praises the commitment of the CLPV members.

**Photo 2**



Director of Social Welfare Ms Carol Yip expresses her gratitude to CLP for its service to the community over the years.

**Photo 3**



Director of Social Welfare Ms Carol Yip (left) presents the Champion Award of 2013-2014 Best Corporate Volunteer Service Project Competition to CLP Power Managing Director Mr Paul Poon (right).

**Photo 4**



CLP Power Managing Director Mr Paul Poon (seventh right), Director of Social Welfare Ms Carol Yip (eighth right), Executive Council member and Honorary President of the New Territories Association of Societies (NTAS) the Hon Cheung Hok-ming (sixth right), Legislative Councillor and President of NTAS the Hon Leung Che-cheung (seventh left), Hong Kong Deputy to the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China and Chairman of NTAS Mr Brave Chan (sixth left), Chief Executive Officer of Po Leung Kuk Mr James Chan (fifth right), CLP Power Chief Operating Officer Mr Chow Tang-fai (fourth right), CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong (eighth left), along with CLP Power Director - Generation Mr Chiang Tung-keung (third right), Director - Marketing and Customer Services Mr Chow Lap-man (fifth left), Planning & Development Director Mr Joseph Law (second right), Director - Nuclear Mr Tang Chi-cheung (second left), Director - Financial Control (Hong Kong) Mr Yip Kam-keung (third left), Acting Director - Power Systems Mr Ng Kai-ching (first left), Public Affairs Director Ms Catherine Choi (fourth left), Deputy Director (Corporate & Community Relations) Mr Julian Lam (first right), raise a toast at the anniversary luncheon.

**Photo 5**



CLP Power Managing Director Mr Paul Poon (fourth right) and Director of Social Welfare Ms Carol Yip (fifth left) award certificates of appreciation to 42 outstanding CLPV members.

**Photo 6 & 7**



CLP Power Managing Director Mr Paul Poon (third left), Director of Social Welfare Ms Carol Yip (second left), Legislative Councillor and President of NTAS the Hon Leung Che-cheung (first right), Chief Executive Officer of Po Leung Kuk Mr James Chan (third right), CLP Power Chief Operating Officer Mr Chow Tang-fai (second right), and CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong (first left) help make two of the patchwork quilts given to elderly guests at the luncheon to keep them warm through the coming winter months.

**Photo 8**



CLP Power Managing Director Mr Paul Poon (third right), Director of Social Welfare Ms Carol Yip (third left), CLP Power Chief Operating Officer Mr Chow Tang-fai (second right), CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong (second left), CLPV Chairman Mr Mak Chi-leung (first left) and CLPV Founding Chairman Mr Eric Yip (first right) cut a birthday cake to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the CLPV.



**Photo 9, 10 & 11**



Some 400 elderly guests join in the festivities after being invited by CLP to celebrate Senior Citizens Day along with the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the CLPV.

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