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## **HKT and CLP new joint venture Smart Charge brings one-stop electric vehicle charging solutions to Hong Kong**

HKT Limited (SEHK: 6823) (HKT) and CLP Holdings Limited (SEHK: 0002) (CLP) have formed an equal joint venture, Smart Charge (HK) Limited, to offer total electric vehicle (EV) charging solutions in Hong Kong to meet increasing market demand.

Smart Charge will deploy a unique blend of expertise on technology know-how and customer management in providing EV users with unparalleled one-stop EV charging solutions.

In particular, HKT will bring its strong capability in providing excellent customer service; its well-built relationship with property developers, Building Management Office (BMO) and Incorporated Owners' Committee (IOC) to simplify installation; and its overall experience in offering Smart Living solutions and promoting a clean environment. CLP will bring its expertise in electricity infrastructure deployment and its commitment to a sustainable environment.

Mr. Alex Arena, Group Managing Director of HKT, said, "As one of Hong Kong's leading corporates, HKT hopes to promote electric mobility and smart living to create a cleaner environment in Hong Kong. By giving full play to CLP's professional knowledge and expertise in power engineering and asset management, we also see this joint venture a great opportunity to meet the increasingly strong demand for EV charging solutions, as the adoption of electric vehicles in Hong Kong has been growing rapidly with the emergence of new EV brands and models."

Mr. Richard Lancaster, CEO of CLP Holdings, said, "With CLP Group's long standing and absolutely firm commitment to environmental improvement and support for the government's policies on low carbon living, we believe this partnership with HKT is the right way for us to go in meeting our sustainability objectives. It is not just the great potential we see in developing electricity charging services to meet a real need for the increasing popularity of electric vehicles, but we believe a robust and efficient charging network will make a significant contribution towards making Hong Kong a greener and smarter city. With the vision of enabling electric vehicles to become the mainstream vehicle in Hong Kong, we believe we can enjoy the pleasure of walking, jogging or doing exercises by the roadside in Central one day."

Two major types of services will be offered, including:

### **Residential and office private charging service**

Smart Charge will engage with BMO and IOC to pre-install electrical infrastructure in residential and office car parks. Customers can choose their service plans according to their vehicle use pattern, and an EV charger will be installed at the car park space of customers upon signing up of a monthly plan. The infrastructure will come with advanced supervisory, control and automation technologies and an intelligent network management solution to achieve safe and reliable operation.

## **Public charging network**

Smart Charge will develop a comprehensive network coverage in public areas aiming to offer convenient EV charging services for EV users. A simple pricing structure based on the duration of charging will be put in place. Users can simply plug and charge their vehicles at the charging stations, and settle payments by means of HKT's Tap & Go mobile wallet or other forms of payment.

For service details, please call Smart Charge customer service hotline +852 2888 0088, visit [www.smartcharge.com.hk](http://www.smartcharge.com.hk) or any HKT shop or Smart Living store.

## **About HKT**

HKT (SEHK: 6823) is Hong Kong's premier telecommunications service provider and leading operator in fixed-line, broadband and mobile communication services. It meets the needs of the Hong Kong public and local and international businesses with a wide range of services including local telephony, local data and broadband, international telecommunications, mobile, and other telecommunications businesses such as customer premises equipment sales, outsourcing, consulting, and contact centers.

HKT offers a unique quadruple-play experience in Hong Kong delivering media content on its fixed-line, broadband Internet access and mobile platforms jointly with its parent company, PCCW Limited.

HKT also provides a range of innovative and smart living services beyond connectivity to make the daily lives of customers more convenient, whether they are at home, in the workplace, or on the go.

## **About CLP Group**

CLP Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, is the holding company for the CLP Group, one of the largest investor-owned power businesses in Asia Pacific. Through CLP Power Hong Kong Limited, it operates a vertically-integrated electricity supply business providing a highly-reliable supply of electricity to 80% of Hong Kong's population.

Outside Hong Kong, CLP holds investment in the energy sector in Mainland China, India, Southeast Asia, Taiwan and Australia. Its diversified portfolio of generating assets uses a wide range of fuels including coal, gas, nuclear and renewable sources. CLP is one of the largest external investors in the Mainland's renewable energy sector. In India, it is one of the biggest renewable energy producers and among the largest foreign investors in the electricity sector. In Australia, its wholly-owned subsidiary EnergyAustralia is one of the largest integrated energy companies, providing gas and electricity to over 2.6 million households and businesses.

CLP is listed in the Global Dow – a 150-stock index of the world's leading blue-chips, the Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific Index (DJSI Asia Pacific), the Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific 40 Index (DJSI Asia Pacific 40), Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Index Series and MSCI Global Sustainability Index Series.

**Photo Caption**



Mr. Alex Arena, Group Managing Director of HKT and Chairman of Smart Charge (second from left), Mr. Richard Lancaster, CEO of CLP Holdings and Vice Chairman of Smart Charge (second from right), Mr. Ringo Ng, Managing Director of HKT's Consumer Group and Managing Director of Smart Charge (left), and Mr. Chow Tang-fai, Director of Smart Charge (right), jointly announce the establishment of a new joint venture to launch total electric vehicle charging solutions - Smart Charge.

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