





#### **Media Release**

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# Dairy Farm and CLPe Solutions Join Hands to Deliver the Largest Solar Panel System in Hong Kong's Retail Sector

Dairy Farm International Holdings ("Dairy Farm") and CLPe Solutions Limited ("CLPe Solutions") are pleased to announce their partnership to co-develop a solar panel system on the rooftop of the Wellcome Fresh Food Centre ("Wellcome FFC"). The project demonstrates both companies' commitment in supporting renewable energy development to achieve long-term decarbonisation. Based on the estimated generation capacity and upon its completion in the second quarter of 2022, the solar panel system will become the largest in Hong Kong's retail sector, under CLP Power's Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff ("FiT") scheme.

The solar panel system, comprising around 2,000 solar panels, will be installed on the 14,000 square-metre rooftop of the Wellcome FFC. The system will generate over 1 million kWh of renewable energy each year, enough to meet the annual electricity needs of nearly 250 households in Hong Kong. The renewable energy generated is equivalent to the amount of carbon dioxide removed by 16,000 trees annually, roughly about 370 tonnes.

Mr Choo Peng Chee, CEO of North Asia and Group Convenience of Dairy Farm Group said, "Dairy Farm has always been committed to serving customers better whilst contributing to the community. We are very pleased to be partnering with renewable energy industry expert CLPe Solutions. The solar power project demonstrates how we can adopt environmentally-friendly practices and make our business more sustainable. By creating an eco-friendly workplace, we aim to engage team members in the sustainability agenda through integrating it into their everyday lives and engineering a building they can be proud to work in. We very much want to encourage greener habits in our team members, which will help bring our sustainability values to life."

CLPe Solutions is a pioneer in providing solar solutions in Hong Kong. It offers one-stop services to Dairy Farm from system design to construction, and operations and maintenance. Upon completion of the solar system, it will be connected to CLP Power's grid and will generate FiT revenue for Dairy Farm under the FiT scheme of CLP Power.

Mr Alex Keisser, Managing Director of CLPe Solutions said, "CLPe Solutions is dedicated to helping our customers incorporate sustainability into their operations. In this collaboration with Dairy Farm, we will be able to leverage solar power to generate clean energy and achieve energy conservation. While the proposed solar system with additional metal cladding layer will maintain the Fresh Food Centre indoor temperature, the project will also produce renewable energy for the power system. I am pleased to establish this partnership with Dairy Farm as we share the same vision and join hands to contribute to a greener future."

In addition to this project, Dairy Farm has utilised the CLP Eco Building Fund to install 18 new high-speed energy saving speed doors inside the controlled temperature rooms at Wellcome FFC. Store energy audits have also been conducted to identify potential efficiency improvements across Dairy Farm's broader retail network in Hong Kong.

## **About Wellcome Fresh Food Centre**



The Wellcome Fresh Food Centre receives, processes, packs and delivers a variety of fresh products from all over the world to over 300 Wellcome and Market Place stores, providing high-quality necessities to its customers every day. Wellcome's team members at the Fresh Food Centre work tirelessly to ensure all the fresh products are prepared and handled to the highest quality and safety standards. Dairy Farm is committed to maintaining normal operations of supply chain and logistics during the installation.

Environmental concerns are well understood by Dairy Farm and a food recycling scheme has also been implemented within the Wellcome Fresh Food Centre. Organic waste is collected daily and turned into compost or animal feed, reducing the amount of waste sent to landfill every day.

## **About Dairy Farm**

Dairy Farm is a leading pan-Asian retailer. The Group, together with its associates and joint ventures, operates about 10,000 outlets –including grocery retail, convenience stores, health and beauty stores, home furnishings stores and restaurants –employing some 220,000 people, and had total sales in 2020 exceeding US\$28 billion. Dairy Farm International Holdings Limited is incorporated in Bermuda and has a standard listing on the London Stock Exchange, with secondary listings in Bermuda and Singapore. It is a member of the Jardine Matheson Group.

## **About CLPe Solutions**

CLPe Solutions (formerly CLP Engineering Limited), incorporated in Hong Kong in 1985, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of CLP Holdings Limited. The company is an end-to-end solutions provider working to put sustainability and energy economy within reach for Hong Kong's commerce and industry through our expertise and comprehensive value-added energy and infrastructure solutions, covering consulting & engineering services, distributed & renewable energy solutions, energy management solutions, electrical & mechanical solutions, operation & maintenance services and communication, control & security solutions. For details, please visit www.clpesolutions.com.

## **Photo Captions:**

### Photo 1



Partnership between Dairy Farm and CLPe Solutions on delivering Hong Kong's largest solar panel system in the retail sector.

(Left 2) Mr Choo Peng Chee, CEO, North Asia and Group Convenience of Dairy Farm; (Right 2) Mr Alex Keisser, Managing Director of CLPe Solutions; (Left 1) Mr Jon Abel, Facilities Management Director, Dairy Farm; (Right 1) Mr Roger Yang, Director, Distributed Energy, CLPe Solutions.

#### Photo 2



An aerial view of Wellcome Fresh Food Centre in Tseung Kwan O.

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