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## **CLP Power Works 24/7 to Support Anti-Pandemic Fight by Electrifying 11 Community Isolation and Treatment Facilities**

To cope with the fifth wave of the epidemic, there is an urgent need for Hong Kong SAR Government to build thousands of new community isolation facilities in the shortest period of time. Being the largest power supplier in the city, CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP Power) takes the responsibility to support Hong Kong in its fight against COVID-19. CLP Power has deployed more than 550 engineering personnel to work around the clock and connect power to 11 newly-built community isolation and treatment facilities in Kowloon and the New Territories. Mobile cabin hospitals in Tsing Yi and San Tin, as well as the community isolation facilities at United Court in Yuen Long and Kong Ha Wai were among the first batch to be connected. For one of the facilities, it took only 5 days to complete the whole process from planning and construction work to connection. Working closely with Government departments, CLP Power also laid 8 kilometres of cables to the Lok Ma Chau Loop in a record 10 days to meet Hong Kong's urgent electricity demand for anti-pandemic facilities.

The construction of the supply network for all 11 community isolation and treatment facilities involved the laying of 87 kilometres of cables and the installation of over 60 transformers and ancillary equipment. The projects were exceptionally challenging in time management, manpower deployment, resources allocation, and project planning.

CLP Power Senior Director - Power Systems Mr Eric Cheung said: "With close collaboration between our engineering team, Government departments and contractors as well as agile planning and execution, we connected power supply to a number of community isolation and treatment facilities within a very short time. For the mobile cabin hospital in Tsing Yi, we were able to have the power supply ready in 5 days."

"In order to meet the urgent need of the community, our engineering team also spared no effort in completing the power supply projects in remote areas. For

example, the undeveloped land in the Lok Ma Chau Loop lacked any power network or basic infrastructure. The project was extremely time-sensitive as we had to lay around 8 kilometres of cables from the CLP Power Mai Po substation in the shortest possible time to provide power supply. Construction work on this scale usually takes years to complete. However, our engineering team worked together with different Government departments and contractors to overcome all kinds of difficulties and challenges, making it possible for us to connect power in 10 days, which is unprecedented. The Lok Ma Chau Loop supply project should be fully operational within two weeks after Government contractors have completed all the other related works in the area.”

CLP Power Managing Director Mr T K Chiang said: “CLP Power stands shoulder to shoulder with the Government, the community, and the public in fighting COVID-19. We fully support the Government’s anti-pandemic work and are delighted to contribute our power expertise to help Hong Kong in its battle against COVID-19.”

“When we first learned of the Government’s plan to construct community isolation and treatment facilities, our engineering team raced against the clock and worked on manpower and resources allocation, studied the power network and the environment of different locations, and devised a strategy to provide a reliable and stable power supply for the new facilities in the quickest possible way.”

During the fifth wave of the pandemic, CLP Power and its contractors have faced severe challenges in arranging manpower for the emergency power supply projects. Mr Chiang sincerely thanked frontline engineering staff for their dedication and professionalism and appreciated their exceptional efforts to connect power supplies to essential facilities.

“One of our colleagues, who worked in CLP Power for nearly 30 years, learned about the power supply project to the Lok Ma Chau Loop a few days before his retirement in late February and volunteered to help,” Mr Chiang said. “He said he had never participated in an urgent and meaningful project on such a large scale, and wanted to make a contribution to the anti-pandemic effort and bring his power engineering career to a meaningful end.”

CLP Power will continue to work closely with Government departments on the power network construction for other facilities at Tam Mei in Yuen Long, Ma Sik Road in Fanling, Hung Shui Kiu, Kai Tak, Penny’s Bay, and the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities Island of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge. All works are moving forward rapidly to meet the community demand for isolation and treatment facilities.

In addition, CLP Power continues teaming up with various community partners and non-governmental organisations to provide timely assistance to low-income families, elderly people and the underprivileged, including distribution of e-coupons for purchasing food, meal coupons, daily necessities and anti-epidemic supplies.

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

CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (“CLP Power”) is the Hong Kong utility subsidiary wholly owned by CLP Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and one of the largest investor-owned power businesses in Asia. CLP Power operates a vertically integrated electricity supply business in Hong Kong, and provides a highly reliable supply of electricity and excellent customer services to six million people in its supply area. In 2021, CLP celebrated the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding in Hong Kong with a commitment to continue to move forward with the community based on a shared vision of a better tomorrow.

### **Photo captions:**

Photo 1 and 2



Engineering teams from CLP Power work day and night to construct power network and facilities. They connect underground cables to the Tsing Yi Mobile Cabin Hospital as part of their 24/7 efforts to support the early operation of community isolation and treatment facilities.

Photo 3 and 4



CLP Power engineering team and contractor staff lay 8 kilometres of cables to the Lok Ma Chau Loop in a record 10 days.

Photo 5 and 6



Serving the company for nearly 30 years, Engineer I Mr Peter Pang from the CLP Power works on power supply project to the Lok Ma Chau Loop until his last day before retirement in late February.

Photo 5: Mr Peter Pang (third left) attends a site inspection with CLP Power management and reports the project progress.

Photo 6: Colleagues bid farewell and show appreciation to Mr Peter Pang (middle) after a work meeting in the Lok Ma Chau Loop.

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