Hong Kong Association for Cleft Lip and Palate (HKACLP)

In 2007 we supported another “CLP” in Hong Kong – the Hong Kong Association for Cleft Lip and Palate (HKACLP). This is a registered non-profit patients’ self-help organisation which provides assistance to the affected children in both physical and psychological aspects, through mutual support and experience-sharing among their parents.

This year we are supporting HKACLP’s two-year speech therapy programme which will include:

• Direct service to patients – speech assessment and speech therapy for 2 to 6 years old children whose speech is affected by cleft lip and cleft palate;

Helping Our Community

Every year since 2003 CLP, with the generous support of our shareholders and other stakeholders, has used its Annual Report and Sustainability Report as an opportunity to support deserving community initiatives. We do this by donating HK$60 to charity for each shareholder who elects to receive our corporate communications electronically and for each feedback that we receive on the online Sustainability Report. The maximum donation amount is set at HK$350,000 (which we have raised from HK$300,000 last year).

Shareholders who do not yet receive their corporate communications electronically can help support this community initiative by electing for electronic communication through returning to us the notification form which accompanies this Annual Report, using the provided pre-paid mailing label or via email to cosec@clp.com.hk or clp.ecom@computershare.com.hk, on or before 30 June 2013.

Hong Kong Neuro-Muscular Disease Association Ltd. (HKNMDA)

Last year we donated HK$300,000 to the HKNMDA. This organisation provides support services to patients suffering from neuro-muscular diseases and to their families.

The donation from CLP was applied by HKNMDA to two projects. The first of these was a “Computer Training Programme”. This, amongst other benefits, provided participants with basic knowledge of computer applications and the internet. The programme helped strengthen participants’ social network by enabling them to communicate with others electronically. It also helped to train participants’ hand-eye coordination. The “Handicraft Training Programme” offered participants artistic and decorative activities aimed at improving their hand muscle strength, as well as providing an interactive environment which encouraged patients in the skill of overcoming difficulties through cooperation.

These two programmes did not use the entirety of CLP’s donation. The HKNMDA has advised that one of its most demanded services from neuro-muscular patients is transport assistance. Due to the reduction of services provided by its current transport service provider, HKNMDA is unable to maintain its current level of service. As a result, HKNMDA will be using the remaining amount of CLP’s donation, approximately HK$89,000, to procure a shuttle service for wheelchair users from alternative service providers. The subsidy from CLP for travel costs in 2013 will allow HKNMDA more time to develop a long-term plan for the continued provision of transportation services.

This year, as every year, we thank you for your support.