

A Snapshot of CLP in 2019

About the CLP Group

The CLP Group is an investor and operator in the Asia-Pacific energy sector. It has powered the dynamic growth of Hong Kong for more than a century, and serves 80% of the city's population. Today, its business has expanded to Mainland China, India, Southeast Asia, Taiwan, and Australia. The CLP Group has become an important part of the social and economic fabric of the diverse communities in which it operates, working closely together with them to achieve sustainable growth.



India

Much of the electricity industry in India is owned and controlled by the Government, while private companies have been encouraged to invest in the generation segment. Both transmission and distribution have been privatised although most distribution assets are still controlled by state electricity boards and distribution companies, which are often the electricity offtakers. CLP entered the Indian market in 2002 and has built a diversified portfolio, comprising wind, solar, supercritical coal, and gas-fired generation facilities as well as transmission assets. The Canadian pension fund Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CDPQ) became a 40% strategic shareholder in CLP India in 2018. It is CLP and CDPQ's shared objective for CLP India to pursue growth in low-carbon areas.

Australia

Hong Kong

Hong Kong's electricity sector is privately-owned and operated. It consists of two verticallyintegrated utility companies serving different geographical areas of the city. The companies are regulated by a Scheme of Control Agreement, under which they are obliged to provide a safe, reliable, and environmentally-responsible electricity supply at a reasonable rate. CLP Power Hong Kong, a wholly-owned subsidy of the Group, provides a power supply of over 99.999% world-class reliability to 2.64 million customers in Kowloon, the New Territories, and most of the outlying islands.

> The electricity industry in Mainland China is largely state-controlled. Transmission and distribution are limited to two public companies. Generation is dominated by five state-owned utility companies but the segment is open to market competition and has attracted private firms, foreign investors, and dozens of smaller-sized companies run by regional governments and local authorities. CLP first entered the market in 1979 when the Group began providing electricity to Guangdong province. Today, CLP China is one of the largest external independent power producers in Mainland China with over 50 power projects in 15 provinces, municipalities and autonomous region, concentrating on low-carbon energy, including nuclear

CLP has minority interests in a solar project in Thailand and a coal-based generation plant in Taiwan. The electricity industry is Government-controlled in both markets and CLP's involvement is in the generation side of the business. As a committed supporter of global efforts to reduce carbon emissions, CLP is exploring investment opportunities in renewable

> CLP's wholly-owned subsidiary EnergyAustralia operates a customer-focused energy business serving 2.47 million accounts across southeast Australia under the National Electricity Market (NEM). Private generators operating under the NEM and a number of Government-owned assets provide generation services in a competitive wholesale market. The retail market is fully privatised while the transmission and distribution portions of the electricity value chain remain substantially regulated. EnergyAustralia is one of the largest privately-owned electricity generators under the NEM, a major gas and electricity retailer in New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, and the Australian Capital Territory, and an electricity retailer in Queensland.

2019 Operating Earnings



Before Group expenses



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Strategic Framework

Our Purpose

Our Strategy

HOW WE SERVE OUR PURPOSE

our business along with the transition.

Our Values

WHAT GUIDE US IN FULFILLING OUR PURPOSE

CLP cares for people, the community and the environment. We care about performance, respect laws and standards, and value innovation and knowledge.

Key Performance Highlights

Continue to grow a sustainable business



нк\$4,657 million Total earnings • 2018: HK\$13,550 million

нк\$ 11,121 million Operating earnings • 2018: HK\$13,982 million

нк\$ 7,782 million Dividends **•** 2018: HK\$7,630 million

88,573 million kWh Electricity sent out • 2018: 92.333 million kWh

5.11 million **Retail customer** accounts in Hong Kong and Australia • 2018: 5.15 million

Leverage new technologies to aid decarbonisation

> Key innovation projects and investments

launched Smart Energy Connect. invested in R&B Technology Holding Co. Ltd.

0.62 kg CO₂/kWh Carbon intensity • 2018: 0.66 kg CO₂/kWh

13.7% **Proportion of** renewable energy **•** 2018: 12.8%

24.9% **Proportion of** non-carbon emitting capacity . 2018: 24.1%

Empower our customers in making better energy $(\ddot{\neg})$ choices

421,000

Smart meters

connected in Hong Kong since 2018

Demand response programmes

118 MW

demand reduced or capacity contracted in Hong Kong and Australia

Feed-in Tariff

Scheme in Hong Kong

90 MW

approved or connected to the grid since May 2018



Safety performance

0.11Lost Time Injury Rate 2018: 0.10

0.38 **Total Recordable** Injury Rate 🛦

2018: 0.25 1 case

> Fatalities • 2018: 2 cases



Reliability in Hong Kong **A** 2018: 99.995%

10 **Environmental**

regulatory non-compliance cases **•** 2018: 2 cases



distribution and retail Others

* Before unallocated expenses

Evolve our business along

with the transition

Capital investment[#] incurred by asset type % (HK\$ million)



Our Governance HOW WE HOLD OURSELVES ACCOUNTABLE

Good corporate governance is a key enabler of longterm value creation, which enhances our credibility and safeguards the interests of our stakeholders. We remain committed to doing the right thing at all times, and to embedding a corporate governance framework that our stakeholders respect and understand.



Remuneration Policy HOW WE LINK REMUNERATION TO CLP'S PURPOSE AND STRATEGY

performance indicators considered and balanced by total remuneration. The determination of performance outcomes is not formulaic but based on the Board's

Creating Value for Stakeholders

At CLP, we utilise a range of capitals, which represent stores of value that can be built up, transformed or depleted in the production of goods or services, to create value for shareholders, customers, employees and the wider community.

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Inputs

Financial Capital

- Shareholders' funds of HK\$105,455 million
- Total borrowings of HK\$52,349 million

Manufactured Capital

- Generation capacity of 19,238 equity MW
- Long-term capacity and energy purchase agreements of 4,777 MW
- Transmission and high voltage distribution lines of 16,270 km
- 15,099 primary and secondary substations in Hong Kong

Human Capital

7,960 employees

Intellectual Capital

- Research and development
- Innovation and technology

Natural Capital

- 485,453 TJ of coal consumed
- 107,183 TJ of gas consumed

Social and Relationship Capital

 20,015 volunteer hours by staff and family members

Material topics

Responding to climate change

Harnessing the power of technology

Reinforcing cyber resilience and data protection

Industrial and operational risks

attacks, and extreme weather events

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Commercial risk

Material risks to the Group

Regulatory risk

Uncertain regulatory changes, power sector reforms and regulatory compliance issues.

Financial risk

- Cash flow and liquidity, credit and counterparty risks, interest rate risks, foreign currency risks, and market-to-market fair value movements.

Market risk

Economic structural changes, energy market competition and volatility as well as supply and demand imbalance.



What we do



- Design, build, operate and invest in centralised and decentralised power stations and generation facilities
- Procure adequate and appropriate fuel and energy resources from diversified sources

Dynamic system



- Design, build and operate transmission networks
- Enhance transmission networks to facilitate integration of more clean energy into the grid



energy services.

- Design, build and operate distribution networks
- Integrate distributed energy resources into the grid



Design, build and operate systems that integrate centralised and decentralised generation, and balance dynamic customer demand against different generation profiles to optimise cost efficiency, reliability and environmental performance.

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2019 Annual Report



2019 Sustainability Report

Potential losses arising from inadequate gross margins and non-performance of trading partners or counterparties.

- Risks relating to Health, Safety, Security and Environment incidents, plant performance, human capital, data privacy, cyber

Financial Highlights

Group operating earnings of HK\$11,121 million were 20.5% lower than 2018 reflecting the full year impact of the lower permitted rate of return in Hong Kong and a challenging environment in Australia; total earnings decreased by 65.6% to HK\$4,657 million after an impairment of EnergyAustralia's retail goodwill of HK\$6,381 million.

			Increase / (Decrease)
	2019	2018	(Decrease) %
For the year (in HK\$ million)			
Revenue			
Hong Kong electricity business	40,025	40,872	(2.1)
Energy businesses outside Hong Kong	45,088	49,793	(9.4)
Others Total	576	760	(c, z)
	85,689	91,425	(6.3)
Earnings	7.440	0 5 5 0	(12.0)
Hong Kong electricity business	7,448	8,558	(13.0)
Hong Kong electricity business related ¹ Mainland China	211 777 C	227 2.163	5.3
India	2,277 263	572	(54.0)
Southeast Asia and Taiwan	335	162	106.8
Australia	1,566	3,302	(52.6)
Other earnings in Hong Kong	(199)	(92)	
Unallocated net finance costs	(42)	(54)	
Unallocated Group expenses	(738)	(856)	
Operating earnings	11,121	13,982	(20.5)
Items affecting comparability			
Impairment provision	(6,381)	(450)	
Property revaluation	(83)	18	
Total earnings	4,657	13,550	(65.6)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	21,345	23,951	(10.9)
At 31 December (in HK\$ million)			, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Total assets	221,623	230,514	(3.9)
Total borrowings	52,349	55,298	(5.3)
Shareholders' funds	105,455	109,053	(3.3)
Per share (in HK\$)			
Earnings per share	1.84	5.36	(65.6)
Dividends per share	3.08	3.02	2.0
Shareholders' funds per share	41.74	43.16	(3.3)
Ratios			
Return on equity ² (%)	4.3	12.4	
Net debt to total capital ³ (%)	26.7	25.5	
FFO interest cover₄ (times)	12	13	
Price / Earnings ⁵ (times)	45	17	
Dividend yield ⁶ (%)	3.8	3.4	

Notes:

1 Hong Kong electricity business related includes PSDC, Hong Kong Branch Line and sales to Guangdong from Hong Kong

2 Return on equity = Total earnings / Average shareholders' funds

- 3 Net debt to total capital = Net debt / (Equity + advances from non-controlling interests + net debt). Debt = Bank loans and other borrowings. Net debt = Debt - bank balances, cash and other liquid funds.
- 4 FFO (Funds from operations) interest cover = Cash inflow from operations / (Interest charges + capitalised interest)
- 5 Price / Earnings = Closing share price on the last trading day of the year / Earnings per share

6 Dividend yield = Dividends per share / Closing share price on the last trading day of the year





Operating Earnings (Before Unallocated Expenses) by Asset Type

