EPI (Holdings) Limited
長盈集團(控股)有限公司*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 689)

INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2026

The Board of Directors (the "**Board**") of EPI (Holdings) Limited (the "**Company**") hereby announces the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "**Group**") for the six months ended 30 June 2026 together with comparative figures as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2026

		Six months ended 30 June	
		2026	2025
	Notes	***HK$'000***	*HK$'000*
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue	*3*	**41,916**	38,158
Sales of petroleum, net of royalties		**33,286**	33,458
Interest income		**4,505**	357
Sales of electricity		**4,125**	4,343
Purchases, processing and related expenses		**(11,760)**	(10,058)
Other income and losses, net	*5*	**(7,048)**	11,488
Net loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		**–**	(3)
Provision of expected credit loss on loan and interest receivables		**–**	(527)
Provision of expected credit loss on debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income		**–**	(308)
Wages, salaries and other benefits	*8*	**(8,321)**	(6,661)
Share-based payments expense	*8*	**(8,542)**	–
Depreciation	*8*	**(12,643)**	(13,646)
Other expenses		**(5,740)**	(4,978)
Finance costs	*6*	**(868)**	(853)

* *For identification purpose only*

	Notes	Six months ended 30 June **2026** ***HK$'000*** **(Unaudited)**	 2025 *HK$'000* (Unaudited)
(Loss) profit before tax		**(13,006)**	12,612
Income tax expense	*7*	**(2,736)**	(1,495)
(Loss) profit for the period	*8*	**(15,742)**	11,117
Other comprehensive (expense) income			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Fair value loss on debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income		**–**	(308)
Provision of expected credit loss on debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income included in profit or loss		**–**	308
Exchange differences arising on translation of financial statements of foreign operations		**(2,410)**	4,790
Other comprehensive (expense) income for the period, net of income tax		**(2,410)**	4,790
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the period		**(18,152)**	15,907
(Loss) profit for the period attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		**(15,309)**	11,117
Non-controlling interests		**(433)**	–
		(15,742)	11,117
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the period attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		**(17,719)**	15,907
Non-controlling interests		**(433)**	–
		(18,152)	15,907
			(Restated)
(Loss) earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company			
– Basic	*10*	**HK(1.25) cents**	HK1.52 cents

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 June 2026

	Notes	At 30 June 2026 HK$'000 (Unaudited)	At 31 December 2025 HK$'000 (Audited)
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	*11*	**190,280**	193,462
Right-of-use assets	*11*	**3,097**	3,140
Deposits	*12*	**10,838**	9,264
Deferred tax assets		**4,259**	4,060
Total non-current assets		**208,474**	209,926
Current assets			
Inventories		**217**	227
Loan and interest receivables	*13*	**214,577**	66,053
Trade and other receivables and prepayments	*12*	**41,972**	33,558
Tax recoverable		**375**	11
Cash and cash equivalents		**188,940**	154,099
Total current assets		**446,081**	253,948
Current liabilities			
Other payables	*14*	**11,629**	8,063
Other borrowing		**66**	68
Tax payable		**3,351**	1,945
Lease liabilities		**1,114**	1,432
Decommissioning obligation		**572**	589
Total current liabilities		**16,732**	12,097
Net current assets		**429,349**	241,851
Total assets less current liabilities		**637,823**	451,777
Non-current liabilities			
Other borrowing		**308**	351
Lease liabilities		**2,221**	1,881
Deferred tax liabilities		**5,213**	4,204
Decommissioning obligation		**22,766**	23,291
Total non-current liabilities		**30,508**	29,727
Net assets		**607,315**	422,050

	Note	At 30 June 2026 HK$'000 (Unaudited)	At 31 December 2025 HK$'000 (Audited)
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	*15*	**18,577**	6,192
Reserves		**589,216**	415,903
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		**607,793**	422,095
Non-controlling interests		**(478)**	(45)
Total equity		**607,315**	422,050

Notes:

1. Basis of preparation

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("**HKAS**") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "**HKICPA**") as well as the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix D2 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "**Listing Rules**") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Hong Kong Stock Exchange**").

The condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollar ("**HK$**"), which is also the functional currency of the Company and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (HK$'000) except otherwise indicated.

2. Principal accounting policies

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair value.

Other than additional accounting policies resulting from application of amendments to HKFRS Accounting Standards, the accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2026 are the same as those presented in the Group's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Application of amendments to HKFRS Accounting Standards

In the current interim period, the Group has applied the following amendments to HKFRS Accounting Standards issued by the HKICPA, for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the annual period beginning on 1 January 2026 for the preparation of the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements:

Amendments to HKFRS 9 and HKFRS 7	Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments
Amendments to HKFRS 9 and HKFRS 7	Contracts Referencing Nature-dependent Electricity
Amendments to HKFRS Accounting Standards	Annual Improvements to HKFRS Accounting Standards – Volume 11

The application of the amendments to the HKFRS Accounting Standards in the current interim period has had no material impact on the Group's financial positions and performance for the current and prior periods and/or on the disclosures set out in the condensed consolidated financial statements.

3. Revenue

The Group's revenue is arising from petroleum exploration and production, money lending, solar energy and investment in securities businesses.

An analysis of the Group's revenue for the period is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	HK$'000	*HK$'000*
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Sales of petroleum	**38,966**	37,211
Less: Royalties	**(5,680)**	(3,753)
Sales of petroleum, net of royalties	**33,286**	33,458
Interest income from money lending business*	**4,505**	315
Sales of electricity	**4,125**	4,343
Interest income from debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income ("**FVTOCI**")*	**–**	42
	41,916	38,158

* Under effective interest method

During the six months ended 30 June 2026 and 2025, revenue from sales of petroleum was recognised at a point in time. Revenue from sales of petroleum was recognised once the control of the crude oil was transferred from the Group to the customer. Revenue was measured based on the oil price agreed with the customers at the point of sales.

During the six months ended 30 June 2026 and 2025, revenue from sales of electricity was recognised at a point in time when the electricity generated (by solar energy power generation systems) and transmitted was simultaneously received and consumed by the power companies under the Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff Scheme (the "**FiT Scheme**"), jointly launched by the Hong Kong Government and the two power companies in Hong Kong. The Group has no unsatisfied performance obligations at each reporting date.

Interest income fall outside the scope of HKFRS 15 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers".

4. Segment information

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by operating segments, based on the information provided to the chief operating decision maker representing the Board, for the purposes of allocating resources to segments and assessing their performance. This is also the basis upon which the Group is arranged and organised.

The Group's operating segments under HKFRS 8 "Operating Segments" are as follows:

(i) Petroleum exploration and production
(ii) Money lending
(iii) Solar energy
(iv) Motor vehicle (commenced operation during the six months ended 30 June 2026)
(v) Investment in securities

Segment revenue and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by operating segments:

For the six months ended 30 June 2026

	Petroleum exploration and production *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	Money lending *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	Solar energy *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	Motor vehicle *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	Investment in securities *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	Total *HK$'000* (Unaudited)
Segment revenue						
External sales/sources	33,286	4,505	4,125	–	–	41,916
Results						
Segment results	7,800	4,706	222	(92)	–	12,636
Other income and losses, net						(7,924)
Corporate expenses						(9,150)
Share-based payments expense						(8,542)
Finance costs						(26)
Loss before tax						(13,006)
Income tax expense						(2,736)
Loss for the period						(15,742)

For the six months ended 30 June 2025

	Petroleum exploration and production *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	Money lending *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	Solar energy *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	Investment in securities *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	Total *HK$'000* (Unaudited)
Segment revenue					
External sales/sources	33,458	315	4,343	42	38,158
Results					
Segment results before provision of expected credit loss ("**ECL**")	7,990	318	1,634	23	9,965
Provision of ECL	–	(527)	–	(308)	(835)
Segment results	7,990	(209)	1,634	(285)	9,130
Other income and losses, net					10,883
Corporate expenses					(7,357)
Finance costs					(44)
Profit before tax					12,612
Income tax expense					(1,495)
Profit for the period					11,117

Segment results represent the profit earned/loss incurred by each segment without allocation of certain other income and losses, net, corporate expenses, share-based payments expense, certain finance costs and income tax expense.

5. Other income and losses, net

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026 ***HK$'000*** **(Unaudited)**	2025 *HK$'000* (Unaudited)
Bank and other interest income	**1,224**	3,232
Exchange (loss) gain, net	**(8,615)**	8,136
Others	**343**	120
	(7,048)	11,488

6. Finance costs

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	HK$'000	*HK$'000*
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Accretion expense on decommissioning obligation	**784**	772
Interest on lease liabilities	**79**	81
Interest on other borrowing	**5**	–
	868	853

7. Income tax expense

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	HK$'000	*HK$'000*
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Current tax		
Canada withholding tax	**461**	394
New Zealand corporate income tax	**1,313**	–
Deferred tax	**962**	1,101
Income tax expense recognised in profit or loss	**2,736**	1,495

Under the two-tiered profits tax rates regime of Hong Kong Profits Tax, the first HK$2 million of profits of the qualifying group entity will be taxed at 8.25%, and profits above HK$2 million will be taxed at 16.5%. The profits of group entities not qualifying for the two-tiered profits tax rates regime will continue to be taxed at a flat rate of 16.5%. Accordingly, the Hong Kong Profits Tax of the qualifying group entity is calculated at 8.25% on the first HK$2 million of the estimated assessable profits and at 16.5% on the estimated assessable profits above HK$2 million.

The Corporate Tax rate of Canadian subsidiaries is 23% that composed of federal tax rate at 15% and provincial tax rate at 8%.

Withholding tax rate on the interest income and distributable profits from Canadian subsidiaries is 10% and 5% respectively.

The Corporate Income Tax rate of the New Zealand subsidiary is 28%.

8. (Loss) profit for the period

(Loss) profit for the period has been arrived at after charging:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	HK$'000	*HK$'000*
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Staff costs		
– directors' emoluments	**1,095**	903
– other staff costs	**6,989**	5,517
– other staff retirement benefits schemes contributions (excluding directors)	**237**	241
	8,321	6,661
Share-based payments expense		
– directors *(Note 16)*	**5,534**	–
– employees *(Note 16)*	**3,008**	–
	8,542	**–**
Total staff costs	**16,863**	6,661
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	**11,889**	12,934
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	**754**	712
Total depreciation	**12,643**	13,646
Professional and consultancy fees	**2,789**	2,683

9. Dividends

No dividend was paid, declared or proposed for the six months ended 30 June 2026 (30 June 2025: nil), nor has any dividend been proposed since the end of the reporting period (30 June 2025: nil).

10. (Loss) earnings per share

(Loss) earnings per share is calculated by dividing the (loss) profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	HK$'000	*HK$'000*
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
(Loss) earnings:		
(Loss) profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company for the purpose of calculating basic (loss) earnings per share	**(15,309)**	11,117

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	'000	*'000*
		(Restated)
Number of shares:		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating basic (loss) earnings per share	**1,225,175**[1]	729,838[2]

Notes:

[1] The weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculation of the loss per share has been adjusted for the effect of the issue of rights issue shares completed on 15 April 2026.

[2] The weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculation of the earnings per share has been adjusted for the effect of the placing of new shares completed on 12 February 2025, the effect of share consolidation being effective on 1 April 2025, and the effect of the issue of rights issue shares completed on 15 April 2026.

For the six months ended 30 June 2026 and 2025, the diluted (loss) earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company are not presented as there were no dilutive potential ordinary shares in issue.

11. Property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets

During the six months ended 30 June 2026, the Group had additions of oil and gas properties of HK$74,000 (30 June 2025: nil), construction in progress related to oil and gas properties of HK$13,709,000 (30 June 2025: HK$1,867,000), of which HK$1,250,000 (30 June 2025: nil) was transferred to oil and gas properties and other office equipment of nil (30 June 2025: HK$9,000).

During the six months ended 30 June 2026, the Group entered into a new lease agreement with lease terms of 8 years. On the date of lease commencement, the Group recognised right-of-use assets of HK$714,000 and lease liabilities of HK$714,000.

During the six months ended 30 June 2025, the Group entered into a new lease agreement with lease term of 2 years. On the date of lease commencement, the Group recognised right-of-use assets of HK$2,214,000 and lease liabilities of HK$2,214,000.

12. Deposits and trade and other receivables and prepayments

	At 30 June 2026 *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	At 31 December 2025 *HK$'000* (Audited)
Deposit paid for decommissioning obligation *(Note (i))*	**9,116**	9,264
Deposit paid for acquisition of non-current assets *(Note (ii))*	**750**	–
Deposit paid for solar photovoltaic systems *(Note (iii))*	**972**	–
	10,838	9,264
Trade receivables *(Note (iv))*	**7,167**	9,767
Deposits and prepayments *(Note (v))*	**27,855**	23,484
Other receivables *(Note (vi))*	**6,950**	307
	41,972	33,558

Notes:

(i) The amount represented a refundable deposit paid to Alberta Energy Regulator in relation to decommissioning obligation of the Group's petroleum exploration and production business in Canada.

(ii) The amount represented deposit paid for the acquisition of electric vehicles in relation to the Group's motor vehicle business, which would be utilised as consideration upon completion of the acquisition. The management expects the acquisition would be completed within one year.

(iii) The amount represented refundable deposits paid to CLP Holdings Limited in relation to the solar photovoltaic systems of the Group's solar energy business.

(iv) The Group allows an average credit period of 30 to 60 days (31 December 2025: 30 to 60 days).

The ageing analysis of trade receivables based on customers' statement date, as at 30 June 2026 and 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	At 30 June 2026 *HK$'000* (Unaudited)	At 31 December 2025 *HK$'000* (Audited)
– Within 60 days	**5,197**	6,027
– Over 60 days and within 90 days	**–**	661
– Over 90 days and within 120 days	**–**	730
– Over 120 days and within 365 days	**1,970**	2,349
	7,167	9,767

Before accepting any new customer, the Group assesses the potential customer's credit quality and defines credit limit by customer. Credit limit and credit quality attributed to customers are reviewed by the management regularly.

(v) The amount mainly represented deposit and prepayment to suppliers in Canada.

(vi) The amount mainly represented the receivables due from customer in Canada of HK$2,398,000 (31 December 2025: nil), and amount held in an escrow account of a law firm in New Zealand of HK$2,894,000 (31 December 2025: nil). Both amounts have been subsequently received.

13. Loan and interest receivables

	At 30 June 2026 *HK$'000* **(Unaudited)**	At 31 December 2025 *HK$'000* (Audited)
Fixed-rate loan receivables	**213,136**	65,607
Interest receivables	**1,441**	446
	214,577	66,053
Analysed as:		
Current portion	**214,577**	66,053
Analysed as:		
Secured	**214,577**	66,053

For the six months ended 30 June 2026, no provision of ECL (for the six months ended 30 June 2025: provision of ECL of HK$527,000) was recognised on loan and interest receivables.

14. Other payables

	At 30 June 2026	At 31 December 2025
	HK$'000	*HK$'000*
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Accrued professional fees	**214**	522
Payables for additions of property, plant and equipment *(Note (i))*	**5,137**	53
Other payables and accruals *(Note (ii))*	**6,278**	7,488
	11,629	8,063

Notes:

(i) At 30 June 2026, the amount was related to the additions of oil and gas properties in Canada with credit period of 60 days.

(ii) At 30 June 2026, the amount included other payables of HK$1,908,000 (31 December 2025: HK$1,811,000) for operating expenses, workover costs and abandonment costs in relation to the Group's petroleum exploration and production business.

15. Share capital

	Number of ordinary shares	**Share capital**
	'000	***HK$'000***
Authorised:		
Ordinary shares of HK$0.01 each		
At 1 January 2025, 30 June 2025, 31 December 2025, 1 January 2026 and **30 June 2026**	**100,000,000**	**1,000,000**
Issued and fully paid:		
Ordinary shares of HK$0.01 each		
At 1 January 2025	5,240,344	52,403
Issue of new shares under placing *(Note (i))*	952,095	9,521
Share Consolidation *(Note (ii))*	(5,573,195)	–
Capital reduction *(Note (ii))*	–	(55,732)
At 30 June 2025, 31 December 2025, 1 January 2026	619,244	6,192
Issue of rights shares under rights issue *(Note (iii))*	1,238,488	12,385
At 30 June 2026	**1,857,732**	**18,577**

Notes:

(i) On 12 February 2025, a total of 952,095,000 placing shares have been successfully placed to not less than six independent placees at the placing price of HK$0.017 per placing share pursuant to the terms and conditions of the placing agreement dated 15 January 2025.

(ii) On 1 April 2025, the implementation of the capital reorganisation, which involves the share consolidation and capital reduction (the "**Capital Reorganisation**"), became effective. Share consolidation involved a consolidation of every ten (10) issued existing shares of par value of HK$0.01 each into one (1) consolidated share of par value of HK$0.10 each (the "**Share Consolidation**"). Upon the Share Consolidation becoming effective, the capital reduction involved a reduction of the par value of each issued consolidated share from HK$0.10 to HK$0.01 by (a) eliminating any fraction of a consolidated share in the issued share capital of the Company arising from the Share Consolidation in order to round down the total number of the consolidated shares to a whole number; and (b) cancelling the paid-up share capital to the extent of HK$0.09 per issued consolidated share by way of a reduction of capital, the Company's existing issued share capital before Capital Reorganisation of HK$61,924,000 reduced to HK$6,192,000 by HK$55,732,000, which was transferred to the contributed surplus reserve.

(iii) On 8 April 2026, all conditions set out in the prospectus of rights issue have been fulfilled and the rights issue became unconditional. The Company has issued 1,238,487,808 rights shares at the subscription price of HK$0.16 per rights share on 15 April 2026.

16. Share Option Scheme

The existing share option scheme of the Company (the "**2026 Share Option Scheme**") was adopted by the Company at the annual general meeting of the Company held on 30 June 2026 (the "**AGM**") and the previous share option scheme of the Company adopted on 22 June 2016 (the "**2016 Share Option Scheme**") was expired on 21 June 2026 and terminated at the AGM.

2026 Share Option Scheme

On 30 June 2026 (the "**Adoption Date**"), the 2026 Share Option Scheme was approved and adopted by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company at the AGM. Unless otherwise cancelled or amended, the 2026 Share Option Scheme shall be valid and effective for a scheme period of ten (10) years commencing on the Adoption Date and expiring on the tenth anniversary thereof (i.e., 30 June 2036) (the "**Scheme Period**"), after which no further options will be offered or granted, but the provisions of the scheme shall remain in full force and effect to give effect to the exercise of any options granted prior thereto. The purpose of the 2026 Share Option Scheme is to recognise and acknowledge the contributions or potential contributions made or to be made by the eligible participants to the Group, to motivate the eligible participants to optimise their performance and efficiency for the benefit of the Group, and to maintain or attract business relationships with the eligible participants whose contributions are or may be beneficial to the growth and development of the Group. Eligible participants of the 2026 Share Option Scheme include any employee participants, comprising any directors (including executive, non-executive and independent non-executive directors) and any employees (whether full-time or part-time) of the Company or any subsidiary; any related entity participants, comprising any directors and employees (whether full-time or part-time) of any holding company, fellow subsidiary or associated company of the Company; and any service providers, comprising independent firms, consultants, advisors, solution providers, agents and suppliers who provide products or services to any members of the Group on a regular or recurring basis in areas that supplement the Group's core operations, including but not limited to petroleum exploration and production business, solar energy business, and money lending business. The eligibility of each participant shall be determined by the Board from time to time on a case-by-case basis.

The offer of a grant of share options under the 2026 Share Option Scheme shall remain open for acceptance by the participant concerned for a period of twenty-one (21) days from the date of offer, provided that no such offer shall be open for acceptance after the expiry of the Scheme Period or after the 2026 Share Option Scheme has been terminated. The amount payable by each grantee to the Company on acceptance of the offer is HK$1.00.

The subscription price for the shares on the exercise of options under the 2026 Share Option Scheme shall be a price determined by the Board in its absolute discretion at the time of the grant of the relevant option (and shall be stated in the letter containing the offer of the grant of the option) but in any case the subscription price shall be at least the higher of: (i) the closing price of the shares as stated in the Hong Kong Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of grant; (ii) the average closing price of the shares as stated in the Hong Kong Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant; and (iii) the nominal value of the share. The exercise period of the share options granted is determined by the Board but in any event, no longer than ten years from the date of grant.

The total number of shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of the options granted to each participant, together with all options granted and to be granted to the participant under any other share option scheme(s) of the Company within the 12-month period up to and including the date of such grant representing in aggregate over 1% of the total number of the shares in issue (excluding treasury shares) at the proposed date of grant. Such grant must be separately approved by the Company's shareholders in general meeting with such participant and the participant's close associates (or associates if a connected person) abstaining from voting.

The total number of shares which may be issued in respect of all options and awards to be granted under the 2026 Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme(s) of the Company to the service providers must not, in aggregate, exceed 3% of the total number of shares in issue as at the Adoption Date (the "**Service Provider Sublimit**"), representing a maximum of 55,731,951 Shares. In addition, the total number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options and awards to be granted under the 2026 Share Option Scheme, together with all options and awards to be granted under any other share option scheme(s) of the Company (excluding lapsed options), must not represent more than 10% of the total number of the shares in issue as at the date of approval and adoption of the 2026 Share Option Scheme (the "**2026 Scheme Mandate Limit**"), representing a maximum of 185,773,171 Shares, or as at the date of the approval of the refreshed 2026 Scheme Mandate Limit, as the case may be.

As the 2026 Share Option Scheme was adopted on 30 June 2026, no share options or awards have been offered, granted, accepted, exercised, cancelled or lapsed as at 30 June 2026. Accordingly, the number of Shares available for grant under the 2026 Scheme Mandate Limit and the Service Provider Sublimit was 185,773,171 Shares and 55,731,951 Shares respectively, representing approximately 10% and 3% of the Company's issued shares (excluding treasury shares) as at 30 June 2026 and the date of this announcement.

Further details of the 2026 Share Option Scheme were set out in the circular of the Company dated 5 June 2026.

2016 Share Option Scheme

The 2016 Share Option Scheme was adopted by the Company at the annual general meeting of the Company held on 22 June 2016. It was valid for a period of ten (10) years and expired on 21 June 2026, and was formally terminated by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company at the AGM.

Unless otherwise cancelled or amended, the 2016 Share Option Scheme was valid and effective for a period of ten years commencing on the date of adoption. In addition, unless the Directors otherwise determined and stated in the offer to the participant, there was no minimum period for which an option granted under the 2016 Share Option Scheme must be held before it could be exercised. The purpose of the 2016 Share Option Scheme was to enable the Group to grant options to the participants as incentives or rewards for their contribution to the Group or any entity in which the Group held any equity interest (the "**Invested Entity**"). Eligible participants of the 2016 Share Option Scheme included any employees of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity; any directors (including executive, non-executive and independent non-executive directors) of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity; any supplier of goods or services to any member of the Group or any Invested Entity; any customer of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity; any person or entity that provides research, development or other technological support to any member of the Group or any Invested Entity; any consultant or adviser of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity; and any shareholder of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity or any holder of any securities issued by any member of the Group or any Invested Entity.

The offer of a grant of share options should have been remained open for acceptance by the participant concerned for a period of fifteen (15) business days from the date of grant provided that no such offer should have been opened for acceptance after the expiry of the option period or after the 2016 Share Option Scheme had been terminated. The amount payable by each grantee of options to the Company on acceptance of the offer for the grant of options was HK$1.00.

The subscription price for the shares on the exercise of options under the 2016 Share Option Scheme should have been a price determined by the Board in its absolute discretion at the time of the grant of the relevant option (and shall be stated in the letter containing the offer of the grant of the option) but in any case the subscription price shall not be less than the higher of: (i) the closing price of the shares as stated in the Hong Kong Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of grant which must be a business day; (ii) the average closing price of the shares as stated in the Hong Kong Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant; and (iii) the nominal value of the share. The exercise period of the share options granted was determined by the Board but in any event, no longer than ten years from the date of grant.

The total number of shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of the options granted to each participant, together with all options granted and to be granted to the participant under any other share option scheme(s) of the Company within the 12-month period immediately preceding the proposed date of grant (including exercised, cancelled and outstanding options) shall not exceed 1% of the total number of the shares in issue at the proposed date of grant. Any further grant of options to a participant in excess of the 1% limit shall be subject to the approval of the Company's shareholders with such participant and the participant's associates abstaining from voting.

The limit on the total number of shares which might be issued upon exercise of all outstanding options granted and yet to be exercised under the 2016 Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme(s) of the Company must not exceed 30% of the total number of the shares in issue from time to time. In addition, the total number of the shares which might be issued upon exercise of all options to be granted under the 2016 Share Option Scheme, together with all options to be granted under any other share option scheme(s) of the Company (excluding lapsed options), must not represent more than 10% of the total number of the shares in issue as at the date of approval of the 2016 Share Option Scheme (the "**2016 Scheme Mandate Limit**") or as at the date of the approval of the refreshed 2016 Scheme Mandate Limit as the case maybe.

On 4 May 2017, the Company granted share options to eligible persons to subscribe for a total of 436,710,000 ordinary shares of the Company under the 2016 Share Option Scheme. The exercise price of the options granted was HK$0.53 per share and the exercisable period was from 4 May 2017 to 3 May 2020 (both dates inclusive). On 4 May 2020, all the outstanding share options were lapsed.

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 29 June 2021, the shareholders of the Company approved the refreshment of the 2016 Scheme Mandate Limit (the "**2021 Scheme Mandate Limit Refreshment**"). The total number of shares of the Company available for issue under the 2016 Share Option Scheme was 524,034,404 shares as refreshed, representing approximately 10% of the issued shares of the Company as at the date of approval of the 2021 Scheme Mandate Limit Refreshment and as at 31 December 2024. The Company had not granted any options under the 2016 Share Option Scheme for the year ended 31 December 2024. As at 1 January 2024, 30 June 2024, 31 December 2024 and 1 January 2025, the number of share options available for grant under the 2016 Share Option Scheme was 524,034,404 shares, representing approximately 10% of the Company's issued shares (excluding treasury shares) as at the respective dates.

At the special general meeting of the Company held on 28 March 2025, the shareholders of the Company approved the capital reorganisation which became effective on 1 April 2025. As a result, the maximum number of issued shares of the Company which might fall to be issued pursuant to the exercise of any share options under the 2016 Share Option Scheme had been adjusted from 524,034,404 shares to 52,403,440 shares pursuant to the terms of the 2016 Share Option Scheme. As at 30 June 2025, 31 December 2025 and 1 January 2026, the number of share options available for grant under the 2016 Share Option Scheme was 52,403,440 shares, representing approximately 8.5% of the Company's issued shares (excluding treasury shares) at the respective date and the date of 2025 annual report.

On 5 May 2026, the Company granted share options to directors and employees to subscribe for a total of 52,403,440 ordinary shares of the Company under the 2016 Share Option Scheme. The exercise price of options granted is HK$0.27 per share and the exercisable period is from 5 May 2026 to 4 May 2036. As at 30 June 2026 and the date of this announcement, no share options, representing 0% of the Company's issued shares (excluding treasury shares), were available for grant under the 2016 Share Option Scheme.

Details of the movements in the number of share options during the six months ended 30 June 2026 under the 2016 Share Option Scheme are as follows:

Name or category of participant	Date of grant	Exercisable period (both dates inclusive)	Exercise price HK$ *((Note (ii))*	Outstanding at 1 January 2026	Granted during the period	Exercised during the period	Cancelled/ lapsed during the period	Outstanding at 30 June 2026
Directors:								
Mr. Chan Shui Yuen	5 May 2026	5 May 2026 – 4 May 2036	0.27	–	1,500,000	–	–	1,500,000
Mr. Bai Zhifeng	5 May 2026	5 May 2026 – 4 May 2036	0.27	–	18,403,440	–	–	18,403,440
Mr. Wang Jinglu	5 May 2026	5 May 2026 – 4 May 2036	0.27	–	12,000,000	–	–	12,000,000
Mr. Pun Chi Ping	5 May 2026	5 May 2026 – 4 May 2036	0.27	–	150,000	–	–	150,000
Mr. Khoo Wun Fat, William	5 May 2026	5 May 2026 – 4 May 2036	0.27	–	150,000	–	–	150,000
Ms. Jiao Jie *(Note (iv))*	5 May 2026	5 May 2026 – 4 May 2036	0.27	–	150,000	–	–	150,000
				–	32,353,440	–	–	32,353,440
Employees:								
In aggregate	5 May 2026	5 May 2026 – 4 May 2036	0.27	–	20,050,000	–	–	20,050,000
				–	52,403,440	–	–	52,403,440

Notes:

(i) The share options granted are vested upon granted.

(ii) The exercise price of the share options is subject to adjustments in case of capitalisation of profit or reserve, bonus issues, rights issue, open offer, subdivision or consolidation of shares, or reduction of the share capital or other changes in the capital structure of the Company.

(iii) The closing price per share quoted on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange on the trading date immediate before the date on which the share options granted on 5 May 2026 was HK$0.28.

(iv) Ms. Jiao Jie subsequently resigned as Independent Non-executive Director of the Company on 17 July 2026.

The binomial option pricing model was used to estimate the fair value of the share options. The variables and assumptions used in computing the fair value of the share options are based on the independent professional valuer's best estimate. The estimated fair value of the share options at grant date of 5 May 2026 was HK$8,542,000, of which HK$5,534,000 for share options granted to directors (Note 8) and HK$3,008,000 for share options granted to employees (Note 8). The value of an option varies with different variables of certain subjective assumptions. The estimated fair value of the options on their respective grant dates are as follows:

Option type	**Grant date**	**Exercisable period (both dates inclusive)**	**Fair value on grant date** *HK$*
Directors	5 May 2026	5 May 2026 – 4 May 2036	0.171
Employees	5 May 2026	5 May 2026 – 4 May 2036	0.150

The inputs into the model in respect of the share options granted were as follows:

	Option type	
	Directors	**Employees**
Share price on grant date	HK$0.270	HK$0.270
Exercise price on grant date	HK$0.270	HK$0.270
Volatility	103.33%	103.33%
Expected life	10 years	10 years
Risk-free rate	2.9154%	2.9154%

Volatility was determined by using the historical volatility of comparable companies with business natures and operations similar to the Company over the previous three years.

The Group recognised an one-off share-based payments expense of HK$8,542,000 during the six months ended 30 June 2026 (30 June 2025: nil) in relation to the share options granted by the Company.

Details of the impact of the capital reorganisation on the 2016 Share Option Scheme were set out in the announcements of the Company dated 4 February 2025 and 28 March 2025 and the circular of the Company dated 3 March 2025. In addition, further details of the grant of share option were set out in the announcement of the Company dated 5 May 2026.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board has resolved not to declare an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2026 (30 June 2025: nil).

BUSINESS REVIEW

During the six months ended 30 June 2026 ("**HY2026**"), the Group continued to principally engage in the businesses of petroleum exploration and production, money lending, solar energy and investment in securities. As referred to in the announcement of the Company dated 9 June 2026, the Group commenced the motor vehicle dealership and leasing business under the motor vehicle segment.

During HY2026, the Group remained highly proactive and resilient in navigating its operations through an exceptionally volatile economic and geopolitical landscape. Through the dedicated efforts of the management to diversify risks and capture new market opportunities, the Group achieved a notable growth in revenue within its money lending business, while concurrently and steadily driving its core petroleum exploration and production business. In particular, international oil prices experienced extreme volatility. Driven by the escalation of the US-Iran conflict and the partial blockade of the Strait of Hormuz, the price of West Texas Intermediate crude oil, one of the benchmarks of international oil prices, reached its peak of around United States dollars ("**US$**") 115 per barrel ("**/bbl**") in April 2026, before dropping back to around US$82/bbl in June 2026, compared with the price range of US$68/bbl to US$76/bbl in the six months ended 30 June 2025 ("**HY2025**"). International oil prices are expected to remain volatile in 2026 due to ongoing geopolitical tensions in the Middle East, the Russia-Ukraine war, and evolving supply-demand dynamics driven by OPEC+ production policies and global EV adoption. While these continuous macroeconomic uncertainties present persistent challenges, the management remains fully committed to implementing stringent cost-control measures and operational optimisation to mitigate financial risks and executing development plan on the oil field in Windy Lake region, located near Calgary in Alberta Province of Canada (the "**Canadian Oil Assets**") to stabilise the Group's energy segment performance. For HY2026, the petroleum exploration and production business contributed a revenue of HK$33,286,000 (HY2025: HK$33,458,000), earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation ("**EBITDA**") of HK$18,012,000 (HY2025: HK$19,215,000) and an operating profit of HK$7,800,000 (HY2025: HK$7,990,000) to the Group's results.

In line with the Group's ongoing strategy to cultivate stable and diversified income streams, the Group's money lending business has continuously expanded its operational footprint. Complementing its existing operation in Hong Kong since 2016, the Group commenced the money lending business in New Zealand in June 2025, which has been growing rapidly. During HY2026, the Group's money lending business granted new loans of HK$174,801,000 (equivalent to New Zealand dollar ("**NZD**") 39,260,000). As at 30 June 2026, the loan and interest receivables (all from money lending business in New Zealand) amounted to HK$214,577,000. For HY2026, the Group's money lending business contributed a revenue of HK$4,505,000 (HY2025: HK$315,000) and an operating profit of HK$4,706,000 (HY2025: operating loss of HK$209,000) to the Group's results.

Driven by the Group's ongoing strategic initiatives to sustain a diversified and balanced energy business portfolio, the Group continued its active participation in the Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff Scheme (the "**FiT Scheme**"), being a scheme promoted by the Hong Kong Government to incentivise the private sector to produce clean energy for sale to the two power companies in Hong Kong, through investing and managing solar power generation systems acquired pursuant to the two investment agreements entered into in July and August 2021 respectively. As of 30 June 2026, the Group had invested a sum of HK$58,265,000 in solar energy power generation projects under the two aforementioned agreements. For HY2026, the Group's solar energy business contributed a revenue of HK$4,125,000 (HY2025: HK$4,343,000), an EBITDA of HK$2,916,000 (HY2025: HK$4,271,000) and an operating profit of HK$222,000 (HY2025: HK$1,634,000) to the Group's results.

Complementing the Group's long-term deployment in clean energy solutions, the Group took a decisive step during HY2026 to further diversify its green business portfolio and capture emerging carbon-neutral market opportunities. As referred to in the announcement of the Company dated 9 June 2026, the Group commenced the motor vehicle dealership and leasing business under the new motor vehicle segment. The Group, through a non-wholly owned subsidiary in Hong Kong, has entered into a vehicle distribution agreement with BAIC Foton Motor Co., Ltd. ("**BAIC**"), a renowned automobile manufacturer in the People's Republic of China (the "**PRC**") specialising in automobile manufacturing, with its business covering the full range of commercial vehicles. During HY2026, the Group has paid deposit of HK$750,000 to BAIC for acquiring 6 electric vehicles. No revenue has been generated while an operating loss of HK$92,000 was recorded during the interim period.

Overall speaking, for HY2026, the Group recorded an increase in revenue by 10% to HK$41,916,000 (HY2025: HK$38,158,000) and its results experienced a turnaround and recorded a loss attributable to owners of the Company of HK$15,309,000 (HY2025: profit of HK$11,117,000). Such turnaround of the Group's results is mainly the combined effect of (i) the recognition of one-off non-cash share-based payments expense of HK$8,542,000 resulting from the share options granted by the Company on 5 May 2026 (HY2025: nil); and (ii) the recognition of unrealised exchange loss of HK$8,615,000 (HY2025: unrealised exchange gain of HK$8,136,000), mainly resulting from the period-end re-translation of foreign currency denominated balances held within the Group amid the depreciation of Canadian dollar and New Zealand dollar against Hong Kong dollar. Loss per share attributable to owners of the Company was HK1.25 cents (HY2025: earning per share attributable to owners of the Company of HK1.52 cents (restated)).

Petroleum Exploration and Production

The Canadian Oil Assets represent an operating oil field comprising petroleum and natural gas rights, facilities and pipelines, together with other properties and assets located in Windy Lake region, near Calgary in Alberta Province of Canada. The Canadian Oil Assets are managed under EP Resources Corporation ("**EPR**"), an indirect wholly-owned Canadian subsidiary of the Company, by a team of local management with extensive experience in the oil and gas industry in Calgary, Canada.

EPR has entered into a participation and operating agreement on 30 June 2025, and a farm-in and option agreement on 21 July 2025 with BRW Petroleum Corporation ("**BRW**") (together "**Farm-in Agreements**"), to participate and farm-in to the interest of BRW in the lands to earn an interest in the well drilled under the Farm-in Agreements. Further details of the participation and operating agreement were set out in the announcements of the Company dated 30 June 2025 and 21 July 2025. Two new wells were drilled under the Farm-in Agreements, with production of both new wells commenced in August 2025. Daily operation of the 2 new wells were managed by BRW as operator.

For HY2026, the Group's petroleum exploration and production business (constituted by the Canadian Oil Assets and wells drilled under the Farm-in Agreements) generated a revenue of HK$33,286,000 (HY2025: HK$33,458,000), an EBITDA of HK$18,012,000 (HY2025: HK$19,215,000), and an operating profit of HK$7,800,000 (HY2025: HK$7,990,000).

For HY2026, the petroleum exploration and production business produced and sold approximately 73,400 barrel ("**bbl**") of crude oil, and generated a revenue (before royalties payment) of approximately Canadian dollar ("**C$**") 6,862,000 (equivalent to HK$38,966,000) at an average selling price of C$93.5/bbl, whilst in HY2025, the business produced and sold approximately 84,500 bbl of crude oil, and generated a revenue (before royalties payment) of approximately C$6,731,000 (equivalent to HK$37,211,000) at an average selling price of C$79.7/bbl.

The crude oil produced from the Canadian Oil Assets were trucked and sold to the independent oil distributors located in the nearby regions who would largely resell the same to the American importers, while the crude oil produced from the Farm-in Agreements were handled by BRW to sell to oil distributors located in the nearby regions.

Money Lending

During HY2026, the Group's money lending segment underwent a strategic re-allocation of financial resources between its Hong Kong and New Zealand operations.

In Hong Kong, the Group continued to conduct its money lending business in Hong Kong through Have Result Finance Limited, a wholly-owned Hong Kong subsidiary of the Company, and is licensed to conduct money lending activities under the Money Lenders Ordinance. As of 30 June 2026, there was no loan and interest receivables under the Hong Kong money lending business after full repayment by the borrower during HY2026.

In New Zealand, following the commencement of money lending business during June 2025 through EPI ESG Investment (New Zealand) Limited ("**EPINZ**"), a wholly-owned New Zealand subsidiary of the Company and a licensed money lender registered under Financial Services Providers (FSP) (Entity) in New Zealand, the Group has progressively deployed an aggregate working capital of NZD50,400,000 (equivalent to HK$224,401,000), which was fully funded by a combination of the Group's internal financial resources and net proceeds from the rights issue, to expand the money lending business.

During HY2026, the New Zealand money lending business has been growing rapidly, with principal totaling NZD39,260,000 (equivalent to HK$174,801,000) granted to 11 corporate borrowers incorporated in New Zealand and 3 New Zealand residents, which were pledged by lands and properties as collateral.

At 30 June 2026, the carrying amount of the loan portfolio of EPINZ was NZD48,194,000 (equivalent to HK$214,577,000) which was granted to 14 corporate borrowers incorporated in New Zealand and 5 New Zealand residents. All loans were pledged by lands and properties.

The Group's money lending business reported increases in revenue by over 13 times to HK$4,505,000 (HY2025: HK$315,000) and operating profit by over 13 times to HK$4,706,000 (HY2025: HK$318,000, before provision of expected credit loss ("**ECL**")), which were mainly due to the new loans granted by EPINZ since the commencement of business in June 2025. No provision of ECL was recognised during HY2026 (HY2025: provision of ECL of HK$527,000) after evaluation of the realisation value of the collateral.

Overall speaking, the size of the Group's loan portfolio increased by 225% to HK$214,577,000 (31 December 2025: HK$66,053,000) along with the money lending business expansion in New Zealand during HY2026, the Group consistently maintained a cautious lending policy by making loans that could be covered by sufficient collateral, preferably properties and assets with good quality, and to borrowers with good credit history. The target customer groups of the business are individuals and corporate entities that have short-term funding needs for business purpose and could provide sufficient collateral for their borrowings. The Group has a stable source of loan deals from its own business network and sales agents.

Solar Energy

In recent years, major countries in the world are actively formulating their energy policies to curb carbon emissions and it is the Group's business strategy to expand its footprints in the energy sector through investing in renewable energy assets, including solar energy projects, which could support the Group's healthy and sustainable business development. On 23 July 2021, in order to capture the business opportunities in decarbonisation, the Group entered into a cooperation agreement with a specialist solar energy total solution and services provider to invest in solar energy power generation projects, from which the electricity generated can be sold to the two power companies and thereby earning the feed-in tariff income under the FiT Scheme. Moreover, for further development of the solar energy business, on 30 August 2021, the Group entered into an acquisition agreement to acquire a portfolio of existing and to-be-completed solar energy power generation projects which are participating in the FiT Scheme. By March 2023, all the solar energy power generation projects had been completed and the Group currently has 50 solar photovoltaic systems in operation.

As of 30 June 2026, the Group had 50 solar photovoltaic systems in operation with a total on-grid power generation capacity of approximately 3,200-kilowatt, total investment in these solar energy power generation projects amounted to HK$58,265,000. For HY2026, the operations recorded a decrease in revenue by 5% to HK$4,125,000 (HY2025: HK$4,343,000), which was mainly due to the decrease in bright sunshine duration (as published by the Hong Kong Observatory) by 1% to about 890 hours as compared with about 900 hours in HY2025. The operation recorded a decrease in EBITDA to HK$2,916,000 (HY2025: HK$4,271,000) and operating profit of HK$222,000 (HY2025: HK$1,634,000) mainly as the result of recognition of an one-off operational charges of HK$905,000.

Motor Vehicle

As referred to in the announcement of the Company dated 9 June 2026, the Group commenced the motor vehicle dealership and leasing business under the new motor vehicle segment. The Group, through a non-wholly owned subsidiary in Hong Kong, has entered into a vehicle distribution agreement with BAIC, a renowned automobile manufacturer in the PRC specialising in automobile manufacturing, with its business covering the full range of commercial vehicles. During HY2026, the Group has paid deposit of HK$750,000 to BAIC for acquisition of 6 electric vehicles. No revenue has been generated while an operating loss of HK$92,000 was recorded during the interim period.

Investment in Securities

The Group generally acquires securities listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange or other recognised stock exchanges and over-the-counter markets with good liquidity that can facilitate swift execution of securities transactions. For making investment or divestment decision on securities of individual target company, references will usually be made to the latest financial information, news and announcements issued by the target company, investment analysis reports that the Company has access to, as well as industry or macroeconomic news. When deciding on acquiring securities to be held for long-term purpose, particular emphasis will be placed on the past financial performance of the target company including its sales and profit growth, financial healthiness, dividend policy, business prospects, and industry and macroeconomic outlook. When deciding on acquiring securities to be held other than for long-term purpose, in addition to the factors mentioned, references will also be made to prevailing market sentiments on different sectors of the investment markets. In terms of return, for long-term securities investments, the Company mainly emphasises on return of investment in form of capital appreciation and dividend/interest income. For securities investment other than for long-term holding, the Company mainly emphasises on return of investment in form of trading gains.

During HY2026, the Group did not invest or divest any financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("**FVTPL**") and debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income ("**FVTOCI**"). At 30 June 2026, the Group did not hold any financial assets at FVTPL (31 December 2025: nil) and debt instruments at FVTOCI (31 December 2025: nil). As a whole, the Group's securities investments did not generate any revenue (HY2025: HK$42,000) and recorded any operating profit (HY2025: loss of HK$285,000).

Financial assets at FVTPL

During HY2026, the portfolio did not generate any revenue (HY2025: nil) and no profit was recognised on financial assets at FVTPL (HY2025: net loss of HK$3,000).

Debt instruments at FVTOCI

During HY2026, the Group's debt instrument at FVTOCI portfolio did no generate any revenue (HY2025: HK$42,000, representing interest income from debt securities) and did not recognise fair value change on debt instruments at FVTOCI (HY2025: fair value loss of HK$308,000, recognised as other comprehensive expense primarily due to the fall in market value of the debt securities and downward adjustment on fair values of certain debt instruments due to their increased credit risks).

For HY2026, no ECL on debt instruments at FVTOCI was recognised (HY2025: provision of ECL of HK$308,000, as the credit risks of the debt instruments held by the Group had further increased since initial recognition, was recognised in profit or loss with a corresponding adjustment to other comprehensive income). During HY2025, the expected loss given default of these debt instruments, which were corporate bonds issued by property companies based in the Mainland, had increased due to the continued defaults of the bond issuers in making payments of interest and principal for their indebtednesses. As the Group expected the financial uncertainties of these bond issuers would ultimately affect the collection of contractual cash flows of these bonds, a provision of ECL on debt instruments at FVTOCI of HK$308,000 was recognised for HY2025. There was no change in the method used in determining the ECL on debt instruments at FVTOCI from the prior financial year.

Overall Results

For HY2026, the Group's petroleum exploration and production business contributed a profit of HK$7,800,000 (HY2025: HK$7,990,000), the money lending business recorded a profit of HK$4,706,000 (HY2025: loss of HK$209,000), the solar energy business recorded a profit of HK$222,000 (HY2025: HK$1,634,000), the motor vehicle business (commenced business during HY2026) recorded a loss of HK$92,000, and the investment in securities did not record any profit (HY2025: loss of HK$285,000). Overall speaking, the Group reported a loss attributable to owners of the Company of HK$15,309,000 (HY2025: profit of HK$11,117,000), and a total comprehensive expense attributable to owners of the Company of HK$17,719,000 (HY2025: total comprehensive income of HK$15,907,000) which mainly included exchange loss arising on translation of financial statements of foreign operations of HK$2,410,000 (HY2025: exchange gain of HK$4,790,000).

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Liquidity, Financial Resources and Capital Structure

On 15 January 2025, the Company entered into a placing agreement with a placing agent whereby the Company conditionally agreed to place, through the placing agent, on a best effort basis, up to 1,047,000,000 new shares of the Company to not less than six independent placees at the placing price of HK$0.017 per share which represented a discount of approximately 5.56% to the closing price of HK$0.018 per share (the "**Placing**"). The Placing was completed on 12 February 2025 with a total of 952,095,000 placing shares were successfully placed at the placing price of HK$0.017 per placing share. The net proceeds from the Placing, after deduction of the commission and other expenses of the Placing (including but not limited to placing commission, legal expenses and disbursements) from the gross proceeds of HK$16,186,000, amounted to HK$15,753,000 (equivalent to HK$0.017 per placing share).

Reasons of the Placing and the proposed use of the proceeds from the Placing	Actual use of proceeds from the Placing up to 30 June 2026
(i) Approximately 20% for drilling new wells and performing production enhancement works in respect of the Canadian Oil Assets;	(i) Approximately HK$2,953,000 (i.e., 19% of the proceeds) had been utilised for the drilling works on two (2) new wells in respect of the Canadian Oil Assets, which were completed in July 2025;
(ii) Approximately 10% as general working capital; and	(ii) Approximately HK$1,575,000 (i.e., 10% of the proceeds) has been utilised as general working capital;
(iii) Approximately 70% for funding any investment opportunities which have been currently identified and/or may arise from time to time.	(iii) Approximately HK$11,225,000 (i.e., 71% of the proceeds) with (a) HK$3,823,000 had been utilised to develop the new money lending business in New Zealand; and (b) HK$7,402,000 had been utilised for the drilling works of one (1) new well related to participate and farm-in to the interest of BRW Petroleum Corp. in the lands to earn an interest in the wells under the participation and operating agreement, with the details set out in the announcements of the Company dated 30 June 2025 and 21 July 2025, and another drilling work on one (1) well under another farm-in agreement of the petroleum exploration and production business in Canada. The drilling works on both wells have been completed in August 2025.

All the net proceeds raised from the Placing had been fully utilised during the year ended 31 December 2025 according to the intended use of proceeds disclosed by the Company. Further details of the Placing were set out in the announcements of the Company dated 15 January 2025, 27 January 2025 and 12 February 2025.

On 4 February 2025, the Board proposed to implement a capital reorganisation which involved the share consolidation and the capital reduction (the "**Capital Reorganisation**"). Share consolidation involved a consolidation of every ten (10) issued existing shares of par value of HK$0.01 each into one (1) consolidated share of par value of HK$0.10 each (the "**Share Consolidation**"). Upon the Share Consolidation becoming effective, the capital reduction involved a reduction of the par value of each issued consolidated share from HK$0.10 to HK$0.01 by (a) eliminating any fraction of a consolidated share in the issued share capital of the Company arising from the Share Consolidation in order to round down the total number of the consolidated shares to a whole number; and (b) cancelling the paid-up share capital to the extent of HK$0.09 per issued consolidated share by way of a reduction of capital. The Capital Reorganisation was approved by the shareholders in the special general meeting held on 28 March 2025 and became effective on 1 April 2025. The Company's existing issued share capital before Capital Reorganisation of HK$61,924,000 was reduced to HK$6,192,000 by HK$55,732,000 which was transferred to the contributed surplus reserve. Further details of the Capital Reorganisation were set out in the announcements of the Company dated 4 February 2025 and 28 March 2025 and the circular of the Company dated 3 March 2025.

On 13 January 2026, the Board proposed to implement a rights issue on the basis of two (2) rights shares for every one (1) share held by the qualifying shareholders on the record date at the subscription price of HK$0.16 per rights share which represented a discount of approximately 11.11% to the closing price of HK$0.18 per share, to raise up to approximately HK$198,200,000 before costs and expenses by way of issuing up to 1,238,487,808 rights shares (the "**Rights Issue**").

The Rights Issue was approved by the shareholders in the special general meeting of the Company held on 6 March 2026 and the prospectus documents including prospectus, provisional allotment letter and excess application letter were despatched to the registered shareholders on 19 March 2026.

As referred to in the announcement of the Company dated 14 April 2026, the total number of 1,238,487,808 rights shares offered under the Rights Issue were fully subscribed at subscription price of HK$0.16 per rights share of par value of HK$0.01 each, with gross proceed amounted to HK$198,158,000. The net proceeds from the Rights Issue after deduction of all relevant expenses from the gross proceeds amounted to HK$194,875,000 (equivalent to HK$0.16 per rights share) was received by the Company in April 2026.

Reasons of the Rights Issue and the proposed use of the proceeds from the Rights Issue	Actual use of proceeds from the Rights Issue up to 30 June 2026
(i) Approximately HK$100 million for developing the money lending business by enlarging the loan portfolio in New Zealand with all of such proceeds to be utilised during the year ending 31 December 2026;	(i) Approximately HK$100 million has been fully utilised for the new loans granted for the money lending business in New Zealand;
(ii) Approximately HK$30 million for drilling of three new wells and construction of production facilities under the existing farm-in agreement or other potential cooperation with the owner(s) of oil fields in Canada during the year ending 31 December 2026;	(ii) Approximately HK$0.8 million has been utilised for the construction of production facilities under the existing farm-in agreement (the remaining allocated proceeds of HK$29.2 million are proposed to be used as planned and expected to be fully utilised on or before 31 December 2026);
(iii) Approximately HK$20 million for development of the Group's existing exploration and production business in Canada, including drilling of six new wells and performing production enhancement works in respect of the oil field in Windy Lake region, located near Calgary in Alberta Province of Canada of the Group, of which, HK$15.1 million and HK$4.9 million are intended to be utilised during the year ending 31 December 2026 and the year ending 31 December 2027, respectively;	(iii) Approximately HK$8 million has been utilised for the drilling of three new wells in respect of the oil field in Windy Lake region (the remaining allocated proceeds of HK$12 million are proposed to be used as planned, with HK$7.1 million and HK$4.9 million are expected to be fully utilised on or before 31 December 2026 and 31 December 2027 respectively);
(iv) Approximately HK$20 million for acquisition of and/or the investment in businesses that can leverage the Group's existing principal businesses, and competitive edge when suitable opportunities arise, which is intended to be utilised during the year ending 31 December 2026 and the year ending 31 December 2027; and	(iv) Approximately HK$0.8 million has been utilised for the deposit paid for acquisition of electric vehicles under the new motor vehicle segment (the remaining allocated proceeds of HK$19.2 million are proposed to be used as planned and expected to be fully utilised on or before 31 December 2027); and

(v) Approximately HK$22.7 million for general working capital of the Group during the year ending 31 December 2026 and year ending 31 December 2027.	(v) Approximately HK$7 million has been utilised for the working capital of the Group (the remaining allocated net proceeds of HK$15.7 million are proposed to be used as planned and expected to be fully utilised on or before 31 December 2027).

Further details of the Rights Issue were set out in the announcements of the Company dated 13 January 2026, 6 March 2026 and 14 April 2026, the circular of the Company dated 13 February 2026, and the prospectus of the Company dated 19 March 2026.

During HY2026, the Group financed its operation mainly by cash generated from operations, shareholders' funds, including the net proceeds from the Rights Issue. At the period end, the Group had current assets of HK$446,081,000 (31 December 2025: HK$253,948,000) and liquid assets comprising cash and cash equivalents of HK$188,940,000 (31 December 2025: HK$154,099,000). The Group's current ratio, calculated based on current assets over current liabilities of HK$16,732,000 (31 December 2025: HK$12,097,000), was at a very liquid level of about 26.7 (31 December 2025: 21.0).

At 30 June 2026, the Group's total assets amounted to HK$654,555,000 (31 December 2025: HK$463,874,000), the Group's gearing ratio, calculated on the basis of total liabilities of HK$47,240,000 (31 December 2025: HK$41,824,000) divided by total assets, was at a low level of about 7% (31 December 2025: 9%). For HY2026, finance costs represented mainly the accretion expense on decommissioning obligation of HK$784,000 (HY2025: HK$772,000).

The Group's bank and other interest income decreased by 62% to HK$1,224,000 (HY2025: HK$3,232,000), was mainly due to decrease in average time deposit balances and general reduction in interest rate for time deposit. At 30 June 2026, the equity attributable to owners of the Company amounted to HK$607,793,000 (31 December 2025: HK$422,095,000) and was equivalent to an amount of approximately HK32.72 cents (31 December 2025: HK68.16 cents) per share of the Company. The increase in equity attributable to owners of the Company by HK$185,698,000 was attributable to the net proceeds of HK$194,875,000 raised by the Rights Issue and recognition share option reserve of HK$8,542,000 upon grant of share options, which were partly offset by the loss recorded by the Group of HK$15,309,000 and the recognition of other comprehensive expense representing the exchange loss arising on translation of financial statements of foreign operations of HK$2,410,000 during HY2026.

With the amount of liquid assets on hand, the management is of the view that the Group has sufficient financial resources to meet its ongoing operational requirements.

PROSPECTS

The Group's business strategy continues to be built on developing a diversified energy portfolio while strategically deploying capital into its money lending business. By continuing to advance its petroleum exploration and production business alongside the operation of renewable energy projects, the Group ensures a balanced approach to sustainable growth. This dual-focus not only secures a stable and expanding income stream but also enhances our capital resilience, ultimately creating long-term value for our shareholders. In pursuance of these strategic initiatives, the Group has successfully acquired the Canadian Oil Assets, developed solar energy business, strategically allocated capital to further expand the money lending business, and established the motor vehicle business to explore the potential dealership and leasing opportunities.

In respect of the Group's petroleum operations, the Canadian Oil Assets are located near Calgary City, Alberta Province in Canada. The Group remains confident that Canada is one of the ideal countries for developing petroleum exploration and production business as it has a stable political environment, a well-established system of oil regulations and industrial policies, a well-developed business infrastructure for the oil industry, and the fourth largest oil reserves in the world. There are thus continuous and enormous business opportunities available in Canada for the Group to develop its petroleum business.

Complementing the Group's petroleum operations, the money lending business has been established in Hong Kong since 2016. To diversify its existing businesses and to develop and expand a stable source of income from its money lending business, since the establishment of its money lending business in New Zealand in June 2025, the Group has and expects to accelerate its strategic expansion in the New Zealand credit market. With an aim of driving long-term business sustainability, ultimately unlocking enhanced value for our shareholders, the Company deployed capital (sourced from its working capital and net proceeds from the Rights Issue) to expand the size of its loan portfolio and market share in this business.

Looking into the Group's green energy operations, the existing solar energy power generation projects continue to participate in the FiT Scheme, a policy initiative introduced by the Hong Kong Government encouraging private sectors to participate in producing cleaner fuel and develop renewable energy technologies. Under the FiT Scheme, scheme participants who install solar or wind power generation system at their premises can sell the renewable energy generated to the two power companies in Hong Kong at a rate considerably higher than the normal electricity tariff rate until the end of 2033. Through investing in solar energy power generation projects participating in the FiT Scheme, the Group is able to secure a long-term and stable stream of revenue from the tariff income earning projects.

Furthermore, the Group is proactively expanding its business operations to enter the vehicle dealership and leasing sector upon entering into a vehicle distribution agreement in June 2026 with BAIC, a renowned automobile manufacturer in the PRC specialising in automobile manufacturing. In the meantime, the Group also actively explores market opportunities in trading of commercial electric vehicles. This initiative allows the Group to participate in the growing market for commercial electric vehicles, which is expected to generate revenue in the fourth quarter of 2026.

Reviewing the prospects of the aforementioned businesses, the critical external factors shadowing the Group's operational landscapes continue to be heightened volatility of international oil prices and complex geopolitical environments. Specifically, international oil prices remain volatile, driven by uncertain US-Iran conflict, the normalisation of crude oil supply driven by the progress in unwinding voluntary production cuts by OPEC+ and the blockade situation of the Strait of Hormuz; the demands of crude oil caused by the strategic reserve replenishment, global economic growth and accelerating EV adoption; and the escalated tariffs levied by the US on its trading partners. Geopolitical tensions, specifically the ongoing Russia Ukraine war, developments in Latin America and the Arctic in early 2026, continue to shadow the global economy. In response to these multi-layered global fluctuations, the Group will consistently exercise a highly disciplined management approach across all the core operations to maintain heightened prudence in its money lending business and robust risk control amidst shifting market conditions.

Upon the completion of the Rights Issue in April 2026, the Group successfully raised capital of net proceeds of HK$194.9 million. The Group's capital base has been significantly bolstered and, as intended, deployed capital for expanding New Zealand loan portfolio, developing oil exploration and production business in Canada and investing in the new opportunity (i.e., motor vehicle business). The Group will continue its plan to utilise the remaining allocated proceeds from the Rights Issue as intended stipulated in the prospectus of the Company dated 19 March 2026.

Looking ahead, the Group will continue to maintain a disciplined and vigilant approach across its petroleum, money lending, solar energy and motor vehicle businesses to navigate the heightened global uncertainties. However, beyond the core operations, the Group remains agile in exploring strategic acquisitions or investments that leverage its existing principal businesses and competitive strengths. By harnessing this enhanced liquidity, the Group will be well-positioned to capture emerging prospects and drive sustainable growth, even amidst a challenging global landscape.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company had complied with all the applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance Code (the "**CG Code**") set out in Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules for the six months ended 30 June 2026, except for the following deviations with reasons as explained:

Chairman and chief executive

Code Provision C.2.1

Code Provision C.2.1 of the CG Code requires the roles of the chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual.

Deviation

The Company had deviated from Code Provision C.2.1 of the CG Code during the six months ended 30 June 2026 due to the positions of Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer had been left vacant. The Company is still looking for suitable candidates to fill the vacancies of the Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The day-to-day management responsibilities are taken up by the Executive Directors of the Company; and the overall direction and strategy of the businesses of the Group are decided by the agreement of the Board. There are three Independent Non-executive Directors on the Board offering independent and differing perspectives. The Board is therefore of the view that there are adequate balance of power and safeguards in place to enable the Company to make and implement decisions promptly and effectively.

Shareholders meetings

Code Provision F.2.2

Code Provision F.2.2 of the CG Code stipulates that the chairman of the board should attend the annual general meeting.

Deviation

As the position of Chairman of the Board had been left vacant, Mr. Chan Shui Yuen, Executive Director of the Company, was elected and acted as chairman of the annual general meeting of the Company held on 30 June 2026 in accordance with Bye-law 70 of the Company's Bye-laws.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2026 have not been audited, but have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and are duly approved by the Board under the recommendation of the Audit Committee.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

During the six months ended 30 June 2026, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities (including the sales of treasury shares, if any).

As at 30 June 2026, the Company did not hold any treasury shares.

By Order of the Board
EPI (Holdings) Limited
Bai Zhifeng
Executive Director

Hong Kong, 28 August 2026

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises three Executive Directors, namely Mr. Chan Shui Yuen, Mr. Bai Zhifeng and Mr. Wang Jinglu; and three Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Pun Chi Ping, Mr. Khoo Wun Fat, William and Ms. Ji Wenting.