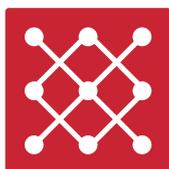


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CHINA COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES CORPORATION LIMITED

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 552)

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERIM RESULTS
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2018**

HIGHLIGHTS

The Group overcame the adverse impacts of the declining investment in telecommunications industry for consecutive years, transformed its growth momentum successfully, and expedited transformation towards the digital services. The Group achieved favourable operating results, with revenue growth hit 6-year high and revenue structure optimized noticeably.

- Total revenues were RMB50,792 million, up by 13.2%, in which revenue from the Core Businesses increased by 17.1%.
- Profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company was RMB1,595 million, up by 8.6%.
- Free cash flow was RMB877 million, sustained at a healthy level continuously.
- Gross profit margin and net profit margin were 12.2% and 3.1%, respectively.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

Dear Shareholders,

In the first half of 2018, the Group successfully transformed its growth momentum and achieved favourable operating results by adhering to the overall roadmap of “value-driven, seeking steady yet progressive growth and high-quality development”, adapting to the development trend and expanding cooperation in ecosystems. The Group successfully overcame the adverse impacts of the declining investment in telecommunications industry for consecutive years through leveraging both domestic non-telecom operator market and domestic telecommunications operator market as the dual growth drivers, and total revenues of the Group realized double-digit growth, which hit 6-year high. The Group's net profit achieved high single-digit growth, and its free cash flow¹ sustained at a healthy level. Meanwhile, the further control on the products distribution business of lower efficiency and effective market expansion enabled the Group to further optimize its business and customer structures, in which the proportion of the Core Businesses² continuously increased and the mix of customer revenue became more balanced, further reduced reliance on a single customer. Focused on seizing development opportunities in China such as Digital Economy, Smart Society and 5G construction, the Group has clearly pinpointed “Smart” services as the main track of development. The Group will accelerate its transformation towards digital services, endeavour to enhance development quality and reinforce new growth momentum, with a view to laying a solid foundation for sustainable, healthy and high-quality development in the long run.

Operating Performance

During the first half of 2018, the Group endeavoured to expand the domestic non-telecom operator market, solidified the fundamental of the domestic telecommunications operator market and proactively controlled the development of the products distribution business. As a result, the Group realized total revenues of RMB50,792 million, representing a growth of 13.2% year-on-year, in which the Core Businesses revenue increased by 17.1% year-on-year. Cost of revenues amounted to RMB44,616 million, up by 13.9% year-on-year. Gross profit was RMB6,176 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 8.2%. Due to the decreased service prices and increased costs in relation to labour, gross profit margin was 12.2%, representing a 0.5 percentage point decrease year-on-year. With the Group's continued effort on controlling the selling, general and administrative expenses, such expenses amounted to RMB4,661 million and its percentage over the total revenues further decreased by 0.5 percentage point year-on-year to 9.2%. Profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company grew by 8.6% year-on-year to RMB1,595 million, and the growth rate increased by 2.7 percentage points year-on-year. Net profit margin was 3.1%, decreased by 0.2 percentage point year-on-year. Basic earnings per share amounted to RMB0.230, representing a year-on-year growth of 8.6%. Due to the

¹ Free cash flow = Profit for the year + Depreciation and amortization – Changes in working capital – Capital expenditure

² Core Businesses include telecommunications infrastructure (“TIS”) services, business process outsourcing (“BPO”) services (excluding products distribution), as well as applications, content and other (“ACO”) services.

significant increase in free cash flow last year, free cash flow for the current period dropped from the same period of last year to RMB877 million, but still accounted for over 50% of the profit attributable to equity shareholders, which continued to stand at a healthy level.

Market Expansion

During the first half of 2018, the Group reaped fruitful results in market development by seizing the crucial opportunities in the domestic non-telecom operator market, the domestic telecommunications operator market and the overseas market, and all the three markets showed a stronger development impetus compared to the same period of last year, among which the domestic non-telecom operator market and the domestic telecommunications operator market both realized a double-digit revenue growth, while the revenue from the overseas market stabilized and recovered. During the period, the Group's customer revenue mix continued to optimize. Among that, revenues contribution from both the domestic non-telecom operator market and the domestic telecommunications operators other than China Telecom continued to increase, and the proportion of Core Businesses revenues from these two markets over total Core Businesses revenue reached 30% for the first time, respectively.

The Group's revenue from the domestic non-telecom operator market increased by 19.3% year-on-year to RMB16,396 million, indicating a remarkable acceleration as compared to the same period of last year³ and accounting for 32.3% of the total revenues. In the meantime, the Group continued to optimize its business structure. Excluding the products distribution business, revenue from the Core Businesses reported a rapid year-on-year increase of 29.0% to RMB14,448 million, accounting for over 88% of the revenue from such market. Internally, the Group carried out synergistic operation in research and development and launched more smart society products. Leveraging the "Capabilities Accumulation, Capabilities Enabling" initiative, the Group enriched integrated service capabilities for industry penetration through strengthening the collaboration among products, markets and businesses. Externally, the Group focused on key sectors such as government, electricity and transportation, endeavoured to broaden the cooperation for a continued "Capabilities Expansion", and strengthen the "Smart Service Industrial Ecosystem Alliance". By promoting its "Consultant + Staff" business model and demonstrating its integrated service capabilities, the Group leveraged its top-level design and high-end consultation to drive project development and achieved favourable results. The series of smart products, including the Smart City, Smart Town, Smart Park, Smart Security and Smart Highway, were successively launched in different regions across the nation, and the Group's branding and competitiveness in the industry have been effectively enhanced.

³ In the first half of 2017, the revenue from domestic non-telecom operator customers increased by 7.5% year-on-year.

In the first half of 2018, the Group insisted on the “CAPEX and OPEX-driven”⁴ businesses as the dual growth drivers to further penetrate and expand into the domestic telecommunications operator market, and consistently increased market share. Revenue from such market increased by 10.7% year-on-year to RMB32,950 million and accounted for 64.9% of the total revenues. Among that, revenue from China Telecom amounted to RMB18,368 million, representing a year-on-year growth of 0.5%, and accounting for 36.2% of the total revenues. Driven by the rapid revenue growth from domestic telecommunications operator customers other than China Telecom, aggregate revenue from those customers grew by 27.0% year-on-year to RMB14,582 million, with its percentage of the total revenues increased to 28.7%⁵.

In the first half of 2018, the Group further optimized its overseas management structure by promoting the synergistic allocation of resources and enhancing service capabilities as well as risk prevention capabilities. With these efforts, the overseas market stabilized and revenue from such market resumed growth and increased by 4.6% year-on-year to RMB1,446 million, accounting for 2.8% of the total revenues. In tandem with developing traditional overseas telecommunications operator customers, the Group further expanded the overseas market of industrial customers by replicating its successful experience in China, in which key projects made a breakthrough and several large-scale projects in electricity, education and telecommunications, etc. in regions such as the Middle East and Southeast Asia made further progress.

Business Development

In the first half of 2018, all three businesses of the Group showed a stronger development impetus compared to the same period of last year. Revenue from TIS services amounted to RMB28,330 million, representing an expedited growth⁶ of 17.7% year-on-year, and accounting for 55.8% of the total revenues. For TIS services, the Group continuously improved its delivery quality and service capabilities, and captured the opportunities arising from the optimization of 4G network and the construction of broadband transmission infrastructures by domestic telecommunications operators, supporting them to build intelligent supreme networks with its high-quality integrated services. At the same time, focusing on the flourishing domestic demand for informatization construction, the Group stepped up its efforts in developing the TIS business of domestic non-telecom operator customers through cross-sector operation and penetration among businesses. Of the revenue from TIS services, the revenue from China Telecom recorded a year-on-year decline of 6.9%; the revenue from domestic telecommunications operator customers other than China Telecom had a rapid year-on-year growth of 31.6%; and the revenue from domestic non-telecom operator market grew sharply by 44.2% year-on-year, indicating a remarkable acceleration as compared to the same period of last year⁷. The rapid growth in revenue from TIS services for domestic non-telecom operator customers strongly bolsters the positive development of the business and has become a new impetus for future business growth.

⁴ CAPEX and OPEX refer to the capital expenditure and operating expenditure of domestic telecommunications operators, respectively.

⁵ Based on the revenue from the Core Businesses (excluding the products distribution business), revenue from domestic telecommunications operator customers other than China Telecom accounted for 30.0%.

⁶ In the first half of 2017, the revenue from TIS services increased by 11.0% year-on-year.

⁷ In the first half of 2017, the revenue from TIS services for domestic non-telecom operator market increased by 20.3% year-on-year.

In the first half of 2018, the Group's revenue from BPO services amounted to RMB16,608 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 4.7% and accounting for 32.7% of the total revenues. In pursuit of high-quality development, the Group continued to proactively control the products distribution business, and as a result, revenue from products distribution business decreased by 28.9% year-on-year and its proportion to the total revenues decreased to 5.3%. Excluding the impact of such factor, the Core BPO services⁸ grew healthily and realized a revenue of RMB13,894 million, up by 15.3% year-on-year. The Group achieved breakthroughs in the areas of synergistic operation for logistic business, building integrated capabilities for distribution channels, constructing unified platform for property management and uplifting standard of its integrated maintenance capabilities continuously. All the above measures have accelerated the development of the Core BPO services.

In the first half of 2018, the Group's revenue from ACO services amounted to RMB5,854 million, indicating a rapid growth of 18.2% year-on-year and its proportion to the total revenues increased to 11.5%. During the period, the Group increased R&D investment, strengthened the competitiveness of its products including the software and industrial applications, launched a series of smart society products and focused on establishing industrial ecosystems. Leading by its design and consultation businesses as well as capitalizing on its core software products, the Group further promoted the development of other businesses by providing its customers with integrated solutions. The synergistic effect and mutual interaction created between businesses and cross-region operation have become increasingly prominent, allowing the ACO services to effectively drive sound development of both TIS services and BPO services.

Innovation and Transformation

The Group has been persistent in deepened reform in order to speed up its innovation and transformation towards smart and digital services. During the first half of 2018, the Group adopted a science-prioritized and technology-driven approach to promote business integration and consolidate its product capabilities, thus cultivating a series of products for smart society, building the “Big” Smart City IT structure, promoting product-oriented services such as Smart Safety and Smart Town, and initially establishing our cloud services (CCSYUN) and Internet of Things (“IoT”) platforms. In May 2018, the Group formally introduced China Comservice Smart Society Products successfully in the “7th China International Big Data Industry Expo”, which has been well recognized by the community and customers. In June 2018, China Information Technology Industry Federation ranked the Group 6th among “China's Top 100 Software Enterprises 2018”, showcasing its entry to the software ecosystem and enhanced influence in the industry. Meanwhile, the Group is committed to the main development track of “Building Smart Society, Boosting Digital Economy, Serving a Good Life” for the domestic non-telecom operator market. The Group initiated the “Smart Service Industrial Ecosystem Alliance”

⁸ Core BPO services include management of infrastructure for information technology (network maintenance), general facilities management and supply chain services.

through cooperation with the top scientific research institution in China, industrial partners and related technology and innovative enterprises, to consolidate resources along industry chain, accelerate the deployment of its financial segment, explore the integration of finance with industrial development, and jointly build a value-sharing ecosystem with its partners in an open, collaborative and win-win way, with a goal to boost development into a new phase.

Corporate Governance

The Company's standardized and effective corporate governance has always been highly recognized by the capital market. In the "8th Asian Excellence Recognition Awards" organized by *Corporate Governance Asia*, a renowned corporate governance journal in Asia, Mr. Si Furong, the Executive Director, President of the Company, and Ms. Hou Rui, the Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer and an Executive Vice President of the Company, were awarded the "Best CEO" and "Best CFO", respectively. Meanwhile, the Group also won the "Best Investor Relations" Award. In the "Tao Zhu Gong Awards" organized by *EuroFinance* and supported by the Association of International Certified Professional Accountants, the Company was awarded 2018 "Tao Zhu Gong Awards — Best Working Capital Management". In the "Asia's Best Managed Companies Poll 2018" organized by *FinanceAsia*, an authoritative financial magazine in Asia-Pacific, the Company was one of the companies in the top 10 list in various award categories for China, including the "Best Managed Company" and the "Most Committed to Corporate Governance". In 2018, the Company was ranked 81st on the "2018 FORTUNE China 500" released by *FORTUNE China*.

Social Responsibilities

The Group has always committed to the fulfillment of its corporate social responsibilities and rewarding its customers and the society through practical actions. In poverty alleviation, in order to actively implement the requirements of national policies, the Group carried out poverty alleviation programmes in different locations of Sichuan and Xinjiang. Such initiatives effectively improved the living standard of local people and was well recognized by the society. In combating natural disasters, the Group has always played an active role on the frontline. In 2018, Tropical Storm Ewiniar and Typhoon Maria made landfall over the regions in Guangdong, Jiangsu, Fujian and other places, and continuous and heavy rainfalls occurred in Sichuan, Guizhou and the neighbouring places, which triggered a number of flood disasters. The Group initiated contingency plans at once, organized manpower to commence repair works and more than 5,600 communications facilities were restored in total. In communications support, the Group acted as the communications support unit in the "Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2018", deploying more than 100 person-time for construction, maintenance and support to conduct testing and optimization on the communications network near the conference venue. A total of 494 kilometres of communications lines were checked and more than 100 potential issues were eliminated. Stable network operation and normal communication signal coverage in key areas were thus ensured, and the Group's work was highly recognized by the organizer of the conference. Besides, the Group also proactively participated in the communications support work in events such as international marathons held in different regions of China.

Future Outlook

2018 is a crucial year for the Group's reform and development. New technologies such as IoT and Artificial Intelligence are integrating with traditional economy, and Digital Economy, Smart Society as well as 5G are going to create a vast market space. However, in the wake of situation such as the China-US trade dispute, the international economic environment has been getting more complicated and presented uncertainties to the economic development of China. Besides, under the above new situation, there will be dramatic changes in customer demand, market environment and business model. Facing opportunities and challenges, the Group will plan ahead and remain vigilant. By adhering to its overall roadmap of "value-driven, seeking steady yet progressive growth and high-quality development" and persisting in its "main tracks" of development, the Group will grasp the opportunities arising from the reform, explore new market space for its digital services and accelerate its high-quality development.

The domestic non-telecom operator market is the growth pole for the development of the Group's businesses. We will focus on the main track of "Building Smart Society, Boosting Digital Economy, Serving a Good Life". To achieve this, we will integrate internal and external resources and strengthen our collaboration with industrial partners. On top of continuously solidifying our product-oriented services, we will speed up our development of platform-oriented products, explore ways for constructing platforms and ecosystems and establish a new branding for Smart Comservice. We will continue to focus on key industries such as electricity, transportation and information security, enlarge the industry scale and deepen the industry penetration, so as to provide integrated service solutions to our customers.

The domestic telecommunications operator market remains a fundamental for the Group's business development, and we will focus on the main track of "Bolstering Cyberpower Strategy, Integrating into Ecosystem Construction, Serving Transformation and Upgrade". To achieve this, we will integrate ourselves into operators' ecosystem, keep abreast of the new technologies such as 5G and IoT and equip ourselves with accumulating technologies, resources and capabilities to enhance service quality, and further penetrate into CAPEX business and expand OPEX business. Meanwhile, we will seek to apply the new businesses and new models of the domestic non-telecom operator market to the development of the domestic telecommunications operator market, with a view to enhancing the capabilities to expand into the domestic telecommunications operator market and integrating ourselves into the new ecosystem for the domestic telecommunications operator market.

For the overseas market, we will focus on the main track of "Serving 'Belt and Road' Information Infrastructure Construction, Promoting Smart Society Construction Overseas". To achieve this, we will adapt to the political and environmental changes in domestic and international markets, strengthen the collaboration between our domestic product centres and external business partners, enhance cooperation with domestic operators and "Go Abroad" state-owned enterprises to jointly develop projects. We will leverage on different parties' resources, focus on large-scale projects, and extend our domestic smart products and capabilities overseas, striving to achieve transformation and upgrade of our overseas business.

Although the external macro-environmental changes will bring certain uncertainties to our operating environment, the development of Digital Economy and informatization as well as 5G construction in China are creating favourable opportunities for the future growth of the Group. Besides, in August 2018, the Company has been included by the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council in the list of State-owned Enterprise Reform “Double-hundred Action” which provided good opportunities for further promoting deepened reform. The Group believes that the reform could further enhance its vibrancy and motivation, increase its operating efficiency and risk prevention capability, thereby promoting a healthier, sustainable and high-quality growth. Going forward, the Group will grasp the best window of opportunity for development, and overcome difficulties with its proactive attitude and unremitting efforts. The Group will persist in high-quality operation, foster high-quality features, realize high-quality management and establish high-quality team, with a view to laying solid foundation for the future and rewarding its shareholders and customers with better development and enhanced performance.

Finally, on behalf of the Board, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our shareholders, customers and all sectors of society for their long-term attention and support. I would also like to deeply thank our employees for their continued dedication and hard work.

Zhang Zhiyong

Chairman

Beijing, PRC

30 August 2018

GROUP RESULTS

China Communications Services Corporation Limited (the “Company”) is pleased to announce the consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “Group”) for the six months ended 30 June 2018 extracted from the unaudited financial information of the Group as set out in its 2018 Interim Report.

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss (Unaudited)

For the six months ended 30 June 2018

		Six months ended 30 June	
		2018	2017
	Notes	RMB'000	RMB'000
Revenues	5	50,792,100	44,888,394
Cost of revenues	6	(44,616,496)	<u>(39,178,948)</u>
Gross profit		6,175,604	5,709,446
Other operating income	7	444,312	412,110
Selling, general and administrative expenses		(4,660,717)	(4,346,851)
Other operating expenses		(61,794)	(32,592)
Finance costs	8	(8,031)	(21,904)
Share of profits of associates and joint ventures		52,809	<u>25,624</u>
Profit before tax	9	1,942,183	1,745,833
Income tax	10	(338,685)	<u>(270,658)</u>
Profit for the period		<u>1,603,498</u>	<u>1,475,175</u>
Attributable to:			
Equity shareholders of the Company		1,595,476	1,468,668
Non-controlling interests		8,022	<u>6,507</u>
Profit for the period		<u>1,603,498</u>	<u>1,475,175</u>
Basic earnings per share (RMB)	13	<u>0.230</u>	<u>0.212</u>

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

For the six months ended 30 June 2018

		Six months ended 30 June	
		2018	2017
	<i>Notes</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Profit for the period		<u>1,603,498</u>	<u>1,475,175</u>
Other comprehensive (expense)/income for the period (after tax)			
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss (after tax):			
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income:			
Net movement in the fair value reserve	<i>11</i>	(202,355)	–
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss (after tax):			
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of subsidiaries outside Mainland China		3,007	(18,471)
Available-for-sale securities:			
Net movement in the fair value reserve	<i>11</i>	<u>–</u>	<u>(3,126)</u>
		<u>(199,348)</u>	<u>(21,597)</u>
Total comprehensive income for the period		<u>1,404,150</u>	<u>1,453,578</u>
Attributable to:			
Equity shareholders of the Company		1,396,167	1,447,115
Non-controlling interests		<u>7,983</u>	<u>6,463</u>
Total comprehensive income for the period		<u>1,404,150</u>	<u>1,453,578</u>

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position (Unaudited)

At 30 June 2018

	<i>Notes</i>	30 June 2018 RMB'000 (unaudited)	31 December 2017 RMB'000 (audited)
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment, net		4,328,033	4,190,375
Investment properties		631,860	637,867
Construction in progress		244,908	539,359
Lease prepayments		730,107	738,886
Goodwill		103,005	103,005
Other intangible assets		313,683	325,690
Interests in associates and joint ventures		303,526	220,117
Available-for-sale financial assets		–	851,560
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income		3,739,862	–
Deferred tax assets		625,421	542,672
Other non-current assets		<u>450,512</u>	<u>240,523</u>
Total non-current assets		<u>11,470,917</u>	<u>8,390,054</u>
Current assets			
Inventories		1,953,025	2,275,735
Accounts and bills receivable, net	14	20,447,008	30,370,500
Contract assets, net	15	15,548,567	–
Prepayments and other current assets		14,087,057	11,815,129
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		854,029	1,262,514
Restricted deposits		1,678,032	3,354,288
Cash and cash equivalents		<u>13,069,466</u>	<u>13,266,631</u>
Total current assets		<u>67,637,184</u>	<u>62,344,797</u>
Total assets		<u>79,108,101</u>	<u>70,734,851</u>
Current liabilities			
Interest-bearing borrowings		389,593	308,876
Accounts and bills payable	16	28,482,644	24,600,681
Contract liabilities		7,317,366	–
Receipts in advance for contract work		–	4,997,284
Accrued expenses and other payables		9,728,212	11,320,729
Income tax payable		<u>400,305</u>	<u>339,393</u>
Total current liabilities		<u>46,318,120</u>	<u>41,566,963</u>
Net current assets		<u>21,319,064</u>	<u>20,777,834</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>32,789,981</u>	<u>29,167,888</u>

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position (Unaudited) (Continued)

At 30 June 2018

		30 June	31 December
		2018	2017
	<i>Notes</i>	RMB'000	RMB'000
		(unaudited)	(audited)
Non-current liabilities			
Interest-bearing borrowings		18,526	17,642
Other non-current liabilities		521,001	328,859
Deferred tax liabilities		746,203	<u>1,736</u>
Total non-current liabilities		<u>1,285,730</u>	<u>348,237</u>
Total liabilities		<u>47,603,850</u>	<u>41,915,200</u>
Equity			
Share capital	<i>17</i>	6,926,018	6,926,018
Reserves		24,095,783	<u>21,403,080</u>
Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company		31,021,801	28,329,098
Non-controlling interests		482,450	<u>490,553</u>
Total equity		<u>31,504,251</u>	<u>28,819,651</u>
Total liabilities and equity		<u><u>79,108,101</u></u>	<u><u>70,734,851</u></u>

Notes:

1. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

China Communications Services Corporation Limited (the “Company”) and its subsidiaries (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Group”) is a leading integrated service provider to the telecommunications, media and technology industries in the PRC. Its principal activities comprise provision of a full range of telecommunications support services in the PRC and overseas, including (i) telecommunications infrastructure design, construction and project supervision and management; (ii) business process outsourcing services (including management of infrastructure for information technology, general facilities management, supply chain and products distribution); and (iii) a variety of other services including applications, content and others.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The interim financial report contains condensed consolidated financial statements and selected explanatory notes. The notes include an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in financial position and performance of the Group since the 2017 annual financial statements. The condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereof do not include all of the information required for a full set of financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”). IFRSs include all applicable IFRSs, International Accounting Standards (“IASs”) and related interpretations.

This interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, and IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting.

3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The interim financial report has been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair values.

The interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the same accounting policies and methods of computation adopted in the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2017, except as described below.

In the current interim period, the Group has applied, for the first time, the following new and amendments to IFRSs which are mandatory effective for the annual period beginning on or after 1 January 2018 for the preparation of the interim financial report:

IFRS 9	Financial Instruments
IFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers and the related Amendments
IFRIC 22	Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration
Amendments to IFRS 2	Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions
Amendments to IFRS 4	Applying IFRS 9 Financial Instruments with IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts
Amendments to IAS 28	As part of the Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2014–2016 Cycle
Amendments to IAS 40	Transfers of Investment Property

The Group has not applied any new or revised IFRSs that is not yet effective for the current period.

Except for IFRS 9 Financial Instruments and IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and the related Amendments, the application of the above amendments to IFRS and interpretation has had no material effect on the Group's interim financial report.

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments and IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and the related Amendments have been applied in accordance with the relevant transition provision in the respective standards and amendments which results in changes in accounting policies, amounts reported and/or disclosures as described below.

3.1 Impacts and changes in accounting policies of application on IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The Group has applied IFRS 15 for the first time in the current interim period. IFRS 15 superseded IAS 18 Revenue, IAS 11 Construction Contracts and the related interpretations.

The Group mainly recognises revenue from the following major sources:

- (i) construction;
- (ii) management of infrastructure for information technology; and
- (iii) design.

The Group has applied IFRS 15 retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initially applying this Standard recognised at the date of initial application, 1 January 2018. Any difference at the date of initial application is recognised in the opening retained earnings and comparative information has not been restated. Furthermore, in accordance with the transition provisions in IFRS 15, the Group has elected to apply the Standard retrospectively only to contracts that are not completed at 1 January 2018 and has used the practical expedient for all contracts modifications that occurred before the date of initial application, the aggregate effect of all of the modifications was reflected at the date of initial application. Accordingly, certain comparative information may not be comparable as comparative information was prepared under IAS 18 Revenue, IAS 11 Construction Contracts and the related interpretations.

3.1.1 Key changes in accounting policies resulting from application of IFRS 15

Under IFRS 15, the Group recognises revenue when (or as) a performance obligation is satisfied, i.e. when "control" of the goods or services underlying the particular performance obligation is transferred to the customer.

A performance obligation represents a good and service (or a bundle of good or services) that is distinct or a series of distinct goods or services that are substantially the same.

Control is transferred over time and revenue is recognised over time by reference to the progress towards complete satisfaction of the relevant performance obligation if one of the following criteria is met:

- (i) the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Group's performance as the Group performs;
- (ii) the Group's performance creates and enhances an asset that the customer controls as the Group performs; or

(iii) the Group's performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the Group and the Group has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date.

Otherwise, revenue is recognised at a point in time when the customer obtains control of the distinct good or service.

A contract asset represents the Group's right to consideration in exchange for goods or services that the Group has transferred to a customer that is not yet unconditional. It is assessed for impairment in accordance with IFRS 9. In contrast, a receivable represents the Group's unconditional right to consideration, i.e. only the passage of time is required before payment of that consideration is due.

A contract liability represents the Group's obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Group has received consideration (or an amount of consideration is due) from the customer.

Contracts with multiple performance obligations (including allocation of transaction price)

For contracts that contain more than one performance obligations, the Group allocates the transaction price to each performance obligation on relative stand-alone selling price basis.

Over time revenue recognition: measurement of progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation

The progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation is mainly measured based on output method, which is to recognise revenue on the basis of direct measurements of the value of the goods or services transferred to the customer to date relative to the remaining goods or services promised under the contract, that best depict the Group's performance in transferring control of goods or services.

Warranties

If a customer has the option to purchase a warranty separately, the Group accounts for the warranty as a separate performance obligation and allocates a portion of the transaction price to that performance obligation.

If a customer does not have the option to purchase a warranty separately, the Group accounts for the warranty in accordance with IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets unless the warranty provides the customer with a service in addition to the assurance that the product complies with agreed-upon specification (i.e. service-type warranties).

For service-type warranties, the promised service is a performance obligation. In that case, the Group allocates a portion of the transaction price to the warranty.

Existence of significant financing component

In determining the transaction price, the Group adjusts the promised amount of consideration for the effects of the time value of money if the timing of payments agreed (either explicitly or implicitly) provides the customer or the Group with a significant benefit of financing the transfer of goods or services to the customer. In those circumstances, the contract contains a significant financing component. A significant financing component may exist regardless of whether the promise of financing is explicitly stated in the contract or implied by the payment terms agreed to by the parties to the contract.

For contract where the period between payment and transfer of the associated goods or services is less than one year, the Group applies the practical expedient of not adjusting the transaction price for any significant financing component.

3.1.2 Summary of effects arising from initial application of IFRS 15

For the major service contracts of the Group, the timing of revenue recognition and the method to measure the progress towards complete satisfaction of the performance obligation generally remain the same under IFRS 15.

The net effects arising from the initial application of IFRS 15 resulted in a decrease in the opening balance of retained earnings at an amount of approximately RMB2 million.

Adjustments made to the amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at 1 January 2018 are detailed in Note 3.3.

The impacts of applying IFRS 15 on the Group's consolidated statement of profit or loss and consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the current interim period were not material.

3.2 Impacts and changes in accounting policies of application on IFRS 9 Financial Instruments

In the current period, the Group has applied IFRS 9 Financial Instruments and the related consequential amendments to other IFRSs. IFRS 9 introduces new requirements for 1) the classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities, 2) expected credit losses ("ECL") for financial assets and other items (for example, contract assets and lease receivables) and 3) general hedge accounting.

The Group has applied IFRS 9 in accordance with the transition provisions set out in IFRS 9. i.e. applied the classification and measurement requirements (including impairment) retrospectively to instruments that have not been derecognised as at 1 January 2018 (date of initial application) and has not applied the requirements to instruments that have already been derecognised as at 1 January 2018. The difference between carrying amounts as at 31 December 2017 and the carrying amounts as at 1 January 2018 are recognised in the opening retained earnings and other components of equity, without restating comparative information.

Accordingly, certain comparative information may not be comparable as comparative information was prepared under IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement.

3.2.1 Key changes in accounting policies resulting from application of IFRS 9

Classification and measurement of financial assets

Accounts receivable arising from contracts with customers are initially measured in accordance with IFRS 15.

All recognised financial assets that are within the scope of IFRS 9 are subsequently measured at amortised cost or fair value, including unquoted equity investments measured at cost less impairment under IAS 39.

Debt instruments that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at amortised cost:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and

- the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Debt instruments that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (“FVTOCI”):

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling the financial assets; and
- the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

All other financial assets are subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss (“FVTPL”), except that at the date of initial application/initial recognition of a financial asset the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value of an equity investment in other comprehensive income (“OCI”) if that equity investment is neither held for trading nor contingent consideration recognised by an acquirer in a business combination to which IFRS 3 Business Combinations applies.

Equity instruments designated as at FVTOCI

At the date of initial application/initial recognition, the Group may make an irrevocable election (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to designate investments in equity instruments as at FVTOCI.

Investments in equity instruments at FVTOCI are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with gains and losses arising from changes in fair value recognised in OCI and accumulated in the fair value reserve; and are not subject to impairment assessment. The cumulative gain or loss will not be reclassified to profit or loss on disposal of the equity investments, and will be transferred to retained earnings.

Dividends on these investments in equity instruments are recognised in profit or loss when the Group’s right to receive the dividends is established in accordance with IFRS 9, unless the dividends clearly represent a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Dividends are included in the “other operating income” line item in profit or loss.

Financial assets at FVTPL

Financial assets that do not meet the criteria for being measured at amortised cost or FVTOCI or designated as FVTOCI are measured at FVTPL.

Financial assets at FVTPL are measured at fair value at the end of each reporting period, with any fair value gains or losses recognised in profit or loss.

The directors of the Company reviewed and assessed the Group’s financial assets as at 1 January 2018 based on the facts and circumstances that existed at that date. Changes in classification and measurement on the Group’s financial assets and the impacts thereof are detailed in Note 3.2.2.

Impairment under ECL model

The Group recognises a loss allowance for ECL on financial assets which are subject to impairment under IFRS 9 (including accounts receivable and financial assets included in prepayments and other current assets), lease receivables and contract assets. The amount of ECL is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition.

Lifetime ECL represents the ECL that will result from all possible default events over the expected life of the relevant instruments. In contrast, 12-month ECL (“12m ECL”) represents the portion of lifetime ECL that is expected to result from default events that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date. Assessment are done based on the Group’s historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current conditions at the reporting date as well as the forecast of future conditions.

The Group always recognises lifetime ECL for accounts receivable, lease receivables and contract assets. The ECL on these assets are assessed individually for debtors with significant balances and collectively using a provision matrix with appropriate groupings.

For all other instruments, i.e. financial assets included in prepayments and other current assets, the Group measures the loss allowance equal to 12m ECL, unless when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the Group recognises lifetime ECL. The assessment of whether lifetime ECL should be recognised is based on significant increases in the likelihood or risk of a default occurring since initial recognition.

Significant increase in credit risk

In assessing whether the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition. In making this assessment, the Group considers both quantitative and qualitative information that is reasonable and supportable, including historical experience and forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort.

Measurement and recognition of ECL

The measurement of ECL is a function of the probability of default, loss given default (i.e. the magnitude of the loss if there is a default) and the exposure at default. The assessment of the probability of default and loss given default is based on historical data adjusted by forward-looking information.

Generally, the ECL is estimated as the difference between all contractual cash flows that are due to the Group in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at the effective interest rate determined at initial recognition. For a lease receivable, the cash flows used for determining the ECL is consistent with the cash flows used in the measuring the lease receivable in accordance with IAS 17 Leases.

The Group recognises an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss by adjusting their carrying amount, with the exception of accounts receivable, contract assets and lease receivables where the corresponding adjustment is recognised through a loss allowance account.

As at 1 January 2018, the directors of the Company reviewed and assessed the Group's existing financial assets, contract assets and lease receivables for impairment using reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort in accordance with the requirements of IFRS 9. The results of the assessment and the impact thereof are detailed in Note 3.2.2.

3.2.2 Summary of effects arising from initial application of IFRS 9

The classification and measurement (including impairment) of financial assets and other items subject to ECL under IFRS 9 and IAS 39 at the date of initial application, 1 January 2018, are as followings.

(a) *From available-for-sale financial assets to FVTOCI*

The Group elected to present in OCI for the fair value changes of all its equity investments previously classified as available-for-sale financial assets. These investments are not held for trading and not expected to be sold in the foreseeable future. At the date of initial application of IFRS 9, RMB852 million were reclassified from available-for-sale investments to equity instruments at FVTOCI, of which RMB795 million related to unlisted equity securities previously measured at cost less impairment under IAS 39. The fair value gain of RMB3,157 million relating to those unlisted equity instruments previously carried at cost less impairment were adjusted to equity instruments at FVTOCI and fair value reserve, and a corresponding deferred tax liabilities of RMB789 million have been recognised against fair value reserve as at 1 January 2018. The fair value gain of RMB35 million relating to those investments previously carried at fair value continued to accumulate in fair value reserve.

(b) *Financial assets at FVTPL and/or designated at FVTPL*

At the date of initial application, the Group no longer applied designation as measured at FVTPL for the portfolio of wealth management products and structured deposits and these financial assets are mandatorily measured at FVTPL under IFRS 9, because the contractual terms of these financial assets do not give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. As a result, the fair value of these investments of RMB1,262 million were reclassified from financial assets designated at FVTPL to financial assets at FVTPL.

(c) *Impairment under ECL model*

The Group applied the IFRS 9 simplified approach to measure ECL which uses a lifetime ECL for all accounts receivable, contract assets and lease receivables. To measure the ECL, accounts receivable and contract assets have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics. The contract assets relate to unbilled revenues and have substantially the same risk characteristics as the accounts receivable for the same type of contracts. The Group has therefore concluded that the expected loss rates for the accounts receivable are a reasonable approximation of the loss rates for the contract assets.

As at 1 January 2018, the additional credit loss allowance of RMB98 million related to accounts receivable and contract assets, and a corresponding deferred tax assets of RMB6 million have been recognised against retained earnings.

Adjustments made to the amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at 1 January 2018 are detailed in Note 3.3.

3.3 Impacts on opening consolidated statement of financial position arising from the application of all new standards

As a result of the changes in the Group's accounting policies above, the opening consolidated statement of financial position had to be restated. The following table shows the adjustments recognised for each individual line item.

	31 December 2017 <i>RMB'000</i> (audited)	IFRS 15 <i>RMB'000</i>	IFRS 9 <i>RMB'000</i>	1 January 2018 <i>RMB'000</i> (restated)
Non-current assets				
Available-for-sale financial assets	851,560	–	(851,560)	–
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	–	–	4,008,605	4,008,605
Deferred tax assets	542,672	–	5,818	548,490
Other non-current assets	240,523	3,493	–	244,016
Others with no adjustments	<u>6,755,299</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>6,755,299</u>
Total non-current asset	<u>8,390,054</u>	<u>3,493</u>	<u>3,162,863</u>	<u>11,556,410</u>
Current assets				
Inventories	2,275,735	10,314	–	2,286,049
Accounts and bills receivable, net	30,370,500	(11,703,674)	(47,257)	18,619,569
Contract assets, net	–	11,687,405	(50,473)	11,636,932
Others with no adjustments	<u>29,698,562</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>29,698,562</u>
Total current assets	<u>62,344,797</u>	<u>(5,955)</u>	<u>(97,730)</u>	<u>62,241,112</u>
Total assets	<u>70,734,851</u>	<u>(2,462)</u>	<u>3,065,133</u>	<u>73,797,522</u>
Current liabilities				
Receipts in advance for contract work	4,997,284	(4,997,284)	–	–
Accrued expenses and other payables	11,320,729	(3,292,591)	–	8,028,138
Contract liabilities	–	8,289,875	–	8,289,875
Others with no adjustments	<u>25,248,950</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>25,248,950</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>41,566,963</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>41,566,963</u>
Net current assets	<u>20,777,834</u>	<u>(5,955)</u>	<u>(97,730)</u>	<u>20,674,149</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>29,167,888</u>	<u>(2,462)</u>	<u>3,065,133</u>	<u>32,230,559</u>

	31 December			1 January
	2017	IFRS 15	IFRS 9	2018
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(audited)			(restated)
Non-current liabilities				
Deferred tax liabilities	1,736	–	789,261	790,997
Others with no adjustments	<u>346,501</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>346,501</u>
Total non-current liabilities	<u>348,237</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>789,261</u>	<u>1,137,498</u>
Total liabilities	<u>41,915,200</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>789,261</u>	<u>42,704,461</u>
Equity				
Share capital	6,926,018	–	–	6,926,018
Reserves	<u>21,403,080</u>	<u>(2,462)</u>	<u>2,276,259</u>	<u>23,676,877</u>
Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	<u>28,329,098</u>	<u>(2,462)</u>	<u>2,276,259</u>	<u>30,602,895</u>
Non-controlling interests	<u>490,553</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>(387)</u>	<u>490,166</u>
Total equity	<u>28,819,651</u>	<u>(2,462)</u>	<u>2,275,872</u>	<u>31,093,061</u>
Total liabilities and equity	<u>70,734,851</u>	<u>(2,462)</u>	<u>3,065,133</u>	<u>73,797,522</u>

The preparation of an interim financial report in conformity with IAS 34 requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses on a year to date basis. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

4. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Group principally has one operating and reportable segment, which is the provision of integrated telecommunications support services in the informatisation sector. Therefore, no additional segment information has been presented. Additional information about major customers and geographical areas of the Group has been disclosed in note 5.

5. REVENUES

Revenues are derived from the provision of integrated telecommunications support services, net of sales taxes and after allowance for sales discounts. The Group's revenues by business nature can be summarised as follows:

Disaggregation of revenue

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Revenue from telecommunications infrastructure services	28,330,195	24,071,435
Revenue from business process outsourcing services	16,607,607	15,863,997
Revenue from applications, content and other services	5,854,298	4,952,962
	<u>50,792,100</u>	<u>44,888,394</u>

The Group's major customers are telecommunications operators which include China Telecommunications Corporation and its subsidiaries (excluding the Group) ("CTC Group") and China Mobile Communications Group Co., Ltd. and its subsidiaries ("CM Group"), each contributing a revenue exceeding 10% of the Group's total revenues. Revenues from the provision of integrated telecommunications support services to CTC Group and CM Group for the six months ended 30 June 2018 amounted to RMB18,368 million and RMB10,800 million respectively (six months ended 30 June 2017: RMB18,273 million and RMB7,876 million respectively), being 36.2% and 21.3% of the Group's total revenues respectively (six months ended 30 June 2017: 40.7% and 17.5% respectively). The revenue derived from areas outside Mainland China for the six months ended 30 June 2018 amounted to RMB1,446 million (six months ended 30 June 2017: RMB1,382 million).

For the six months ended 30 June 2018, the Group's first three businesses that contributed to the overall revenues were construction, management of infrastructure for information technology and design, the revenues from which amounted to RMB20,942 million, RMB6,604 million and RMB5,355 million, respectively (six months ended 30 June 2017: The Group's first three businesses that contributed to the overall revenues were construction, management of infrastructure for information technology and design, the revenues from which amounted to RMB17,235 million, RMB5,802 million and RMB5,089 million, respectively).

The Group's rental revenues for the six months ended 30 June 2018 amounted to RMB325 million (six months ended 30 June 2017: RMB309 million).

6. COST OF REVENUES

Six months ended 30 June

2018 2017

RMB'000 RMB'000

Depreciation and amortisation	238,546	237,939
Direct personnel costs	3,958,562	4,101,251
Operating lease charges	689,747	619,995
Materials costs	5,007,925	4,124,385
Direct costs of products distribution	2,529,320	3,519,540
Subcontracting charges	27,413,721	22,423,871
Others	4,778,675	4,151,967
	<u>44,616,496</u>	<u>39,178,948</u>

7. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

Six months ended 30 June

2018 2017

RMB'000 RMB'000

Interest income	92,614	94,740
Dividend income from equity instruments	1,029	76,813
Government grants	93,056	111,266
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	4,045	1,451
Penalty income	2,790	1,242
Management fee income	119,179	104,528
Investment income and fair value gains on wealth management products and structured deposits	106,895	–
Others	24,704	22,070
	<u>444,312</u>	<u>412,110</u>

8. FINANCE COSTS

Six months ended 30 June

2018 2017

RMB'000 RMB'000

Interest on bank and other borrowings	8,031	4,707
Interest for convertible preference shares and preference shares	–	17,197
	<u>8,031</u>	<u>21,904</u>

For the six months ended 30 June 2018 and 2017, no borrowing costs were capitalised in relation to construction in progress.

9. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

Profit before tax has been arrived at after charging (crediting) the following items:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
(a) Staff costs:		
Salaries, wages and other benefits	6,364,259	6,403,460
Contributions to defined contribution retirement schemes	<u>645,456</u>	<u>586,113</u>
	<u>7,009,715</u>	<u>6,989,573</u>
(b) Other items:		
Amortisation	66,667	72,832
Depreciation	358,320	352,002
Materials costs	5,007,925	4,124,385
Direct costs of products distribution	2,529,320	3,519,540
Inventory write-down and losses, net of reversals	13,499	18,622
Impairment losses on accounts receivable, other receivables and contract assets	172,037	100,264
Reversal of impairment losses on accounts receivable, other receivables and contract assets	(89,449)	(26,432)
Investment income and fair value gains of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	15,352	1,015
Operating lease charges	822,796	744,173
Research and development costs	<u>1,134,619</u>	<u>1,012,452</u>

The selling expenses, general and administrative expenses and other expenses of the Group are RMB779 million, RMB3,580 million and RMB302 million (six months ended 30 June 2017: RMB658 million, RMB3,414 million and RMB275 million) respectively for the six months ended 30 June 2018. Research and development costs include staff costs of RMB947 million (six months ended 30 June 2017: RMB816 million), which is also included in the staff costs disclosed in note 9(a).

10. INCOME TAX

(a) Income tax in the consolidated statement of profit or loss represents:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Current tax		
Income tax	394,022	340,015
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	<u>(55,337)</u>	<u>(69,357)</u>
Total income tax	<u><u>338,685</u></u>	<u><u>270,658</u></u>

(b) Reconciliation between income tax expense and accounting profit at applicable tax rates:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Profit before tax	<u><u>1,942,183</u></u>	<u><u>1,745,833</u></u>
Expected income tax expense at a statutory tax rate of 25% (six months ended 30 June 2017: 25%)	485,546	436,458
Differential tax rates on subsidiaries' profits (<i>note (i)</i>)	(151,383)	(135,192)
Non-deductible expenses (<i>note (ii)</i>)	52,908	25,711
Non-taxable income	(34,824)	(27,518)
Tax losses not recognised	50,646	41,397
Utilisation of previously unrecognised tax losses	(4,864)	(6,300)
Over provision in respect of prior years	(10,442)	(12,120)
Effect of tax exemptions	(15)	(70)
Others (<i>note (iii)</i>)	<u>(48,887)</u>	<u>(51,708)</u>
Income tax	<u><u>338,685</u></u>	<u><u>270,658</u></u>

Notes:

- (i) The provision for income tax of the Group is calculated based on a statutory rate of 25% of the assessable profit of the Group as determined in accordance with the relevant PRC income tax rules and regulations for the six months ended 30 June 2018 and 2017, except for certain domestic subsidiaries of the Group, which are taxed at a preferential rate of 15% and 10%, where applicable; and for certain overseas subsidiaries of the Group, which are taxed at respective statutory rates.
- (ii) The amounts represent staff cost and miscellaneous expenses in excess of statutory deductible limits for tax purposes.
- (iii) The amounts primarily represent the effect of additional deductions in research and development expense.

11. OTHER COMPREHENSIVE EXPENSE

Available-for-sale securities

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Changes in fair value recognised during the period	–	(3,678)
Net deferred tax charged to other comprehensive income	–	552
	<u>–</u>	<u>552</u>
Net movement in the fair value reserve during the period recognised in other comprehensive expense	<u>–</u>	<u>(3,126)</u>

Equity instruments at FVTOCI

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Changes in fair value recognised during the period	(268,743)	–
Net deferred tax charged to other comprehensive income	66,388	–
	<u>66,388</u>	<u>–</u>
Net movement in the fair value reserve during the period recognised in other comprehensive expense	<u>(202,355)</u>	<u>–</u>

12. DIVIDENDS

(a) Dividends attributable to the period

The Board of Directors does not propose the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2018 (six months ended 30 June 2017: nil).

(b) Dividends attributable to the previous financial year, approved during the period

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2018	2017
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Final dividend in respect of the previous financial year, approved during the period of RMB0.1176 per share (2017: RMB0.1098 per share)	814,500	760,477
Special dividend in respect of the previous financial year, approved during the period of RMB0.0235 per share (2017: RMB0.0220 per share)	162,761	152,372
	<u>977,261</u>	<u>912,849</u>

No final dividend or special dividend was paid during the six months ended 30 June 2018 and 2017.

13. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2018 of RMB1,595 million (six months ended 30 June 2017: RMB1,469 million) and the number of shares in issue during the six months ended 30 June 2018 of 6,926,018 thousand shares (six months ended 30 June 2017 of 6,926,018 thousand shares).

14. ACCOUNTS AND BILLS RECEIVABLE, NET

	At 30 June 2018	At 31 December 2017
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Bills receivable	190,390	119,314
Unbilled revenues for contract work	–	7,615,867
Accounts receivable	21,569,519	<u>23,979,276</u>
	21,759,909	31,714,457
Less: impairment losses	(1,312,901)	<u>(1,343,957)</u>
	<u>20,447,008</u>	<u>30,370,500</u>

- (a) Included in accounts receivable and bills receivable are amounts due from CTC Group, associates of the Group and associates of CTC Group of RMB11,938 million as at 30 June 2018 (31 December 2017: RMB20,023 million), which are unsecured, interest-free and are expected to be recovered within one year.
- (b) The ageing analysis of accounts receivable and bills receivable (net of impairment losses) based on credit terms is as follows:

	At 30 June 2018	At 31 December 2017
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Current	601,717	12,865,705
Within 1 year	17,379,824	15,273,116
After 1 year but less than 2 years	1,663,221	1,529,211
After 2 years but less than 3 years	482,426	488,983
After 3 years	319,820	<u>213,485</u>
	<u>20,447,008</u>	<u>30,370,500</u>

15. CONTRACT ASSETS, NET

The contract assets relate to the Group's rights to consideration for work completed and not billed because the rights are conditional on the Group's future performance in achieving specified milestones at the reporting date on construction, design and other service contracts. The contract assets are transferred to accounts receivable when the rights become unconditional. The Group typically transfers the contract assets to accounts receivable within one year. Accounting policies of contract assets are detailed in note 3.1.

16. ACCOUNTS AND BILLS PAYABLE

Accounts and bills payable comprise:

	At 30 June 2018	At 31 December 2017
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Accounts payable	27,738,805	23,723,340
Bills payable	743,839	877,341
	<u>28,482,644</u>	<u>24,600,681</u>

The ageing analysis of accounts and bills payable based on the invoice date is as follows:

	At 30 June 2018	At 31 December 2017
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Within 1 year	26,727,810	22,989,350
After 1 year but less than 2 years	1,080,412	1,029,424
After 2 years but less than 3 years	354,287	308,399
After 3 years	320,135	273,508
	<u>28,482,644</u>	<u>24,600,681</u>

Included in accounts and bills payable are amounts due to CTC Group, associates of the Group and associates of CTC Group of RMB1,259 million as at 30 June 2018 (31 December 2017: RMB1,146 million), which are unsecured, interest-free and are expected to be settled within one year.

17. SHARE CAPITAL

	At 30 June 2018	At 31 December 2017
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
Registered, issued and fully paid:		
4,534,598,160 (31 December 2017: 4,534,598,160) Domestic shares of RMB1.00 each	4,534,598	4,534,598
2,391,420,240 (31 December 2017: 2,391,420,240) H shares of RMB1.00 each	2,391,420	2,391,420
	<u>6,926,018</u>	<u>6,926,018</u>

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

According to paragraph 40 of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Listing Rules”), save as disclosed in this announcement, the Company confirms that the Company’s current information in relation to those matters set out in paragraph 32 of Appendix 16 has not been changed significantly from the information disclosed in the Company’s 2017 Annual Report.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee has reviewed with management and the Company’s international auditors, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed the risk management, internal control and financial reporting matters including the review of the Interim Report for the six months ended 30 June 2018.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

As a joint stock limited company incorporated in the PRC with limited liability and listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”), the Company has not only complied with the relevant provisions of the Listing Rules but also has abided by the PRC Company Law and the applicable laws, regulations and regulatory requirements of Hong Kong and the PRC as the basic guidelines for the Company’s corporate governance. Throughout the six months ended 30 June 2018, the Company has complied with the code provisions as set out in the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS OF LISTED ISSUERS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the “Model Code”) as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules to govern securities transactions by the directors and supervisors of the Company. The Company has made specific enquiries to the directors and supervisors, and each of the directors and supervisors has confirmed his/her compliance with the Model Code in connection with the transactions of the Company’s securities for the six months ended 30 June 2018.

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

During the six months ended 30 June 2018, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company’s listed securities.

INTERIM REPORT

The Interim Report for the six months ended 30 June 2018 will be despatched to shareholders and made available on the “HKExnews” website of the Stock Exchange (www.hkexnews.hk) and the website of the Company (www.chinaccs.com.hk) in due course.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The Company would also like to caution readers about the forward-looking nature of certain of the above statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions, which are beyond our control. Potential risks and uncertainties include those concerning the growth of the telecommunications industry in China, the development of the regulatory environment and our ability to successfully execute our business strategies. In addition, these forward-looking statements reflect our current views with respect to future events and are not a guarantee of future performance. We do not intend to update these forward-looking statements. Actual results of the Company may differ materially from the information contained in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors.

Beijing, PRC
30 August 2018

As at the date of this announcement, our executive directors are Mr. Zhang Zhiyong, Mr. Si Furong and Ms. Hou Rui, our non-executive directors are Mr. Li Zhengmao and Mr. Shao Guanglu, and our independent non-executive directors are Mr. Zhao Chunjun, Mr. Siu Wai Keung, Francis, Mr. Lv Tingjie, Mr. Wu Taishi and Mr. Liu Linfei.