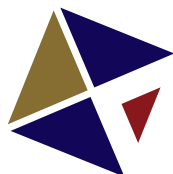


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CHINA PROPERTIES INVESTMENT HOLDINGS LIMITED

中國置業投資控股有限公司*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock code: 736)

PLACING OF NEW SHARES UNDER GENERAL MANDATE

Placing Agent

Cheong Lee Securities Limited

On 6 January 2012 after trading hours, the Company entered into the Placing Agreement with the Placing Agent pursuant to which the Placing Agent has agreed to place, on a best effort basis, to not less than six independent Placées for up to 49,000,000 new Shares at a price of HK\$0.195 per Placing Share, for and on behalf of the Company.

The Placing is conditional upon the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange granting the listing of and permission to deal in the Placing Shares. If such condition is not fulfilled, the Placing will not proceed.

The maximum number of 49,000,000 Placing Shares represents approximately 19.95% of the entire issued share capital of the Company of 245,610,329 Shares as at the date of this announcement and approximately 16.63% of the Company's entire issued share capital as enlarged by the Placing. The net proceeds from the Placing of approximately HK\$9.14 million (assuming the Placing Shares are fully placed and after all relevant expenses) will be used for financing the Acquisition and general working capital after the completion of the Acquisition (if materialize), or financing any other acquisition opportunities identified by the Company; and the possible redemption of the convertible bonds issued by the Company with outstanding principal amount of HK\$15 million.

* *For identification purpose only*

THE PLACING AGREEMENT

- Date: 6 January 2012
- Placing Agent: Cheong Lee Securities Limited. To the best of the Company's knowledge, information and belief after making reasonable enquiries, the Placing Agent and its ultimate beneficial owners are Independent Third Parties.
- Placees: The Placing Shares will be placed to not less than six Placees (who will be independent individual, corporate and/or institutional investors) and their ultimate beneficial owners will be Independent Third Parties. Further announcement will be made by the Company if the Placing Agent fails to identify at least six Placees. It is expected that no Placee will become a substantial Shareholder (as such term is defined in the Listing Rules) immediately following completion of the Placing.
- Number of Placing Shares: Up to 49,000,000 new Shares, to be placed by the Placing Agent on a best effort basis. Assuming the Placing Shares are fully placed, the Placing Shares represents approximately 19.95% of the entire issued share capital of the Company of 245,610,329 Shares as at the date of this announcement and approximately 16.63% of the Company's entire issued share capital as enlarged by the Placing. The nominal value of the Placing Shares is HK\$1,470,000.00.
- Placing Price: HK\$0.195 per Placing Share. The Placing Price was agreed after arm's length negotiations between the Company and the Placing Agent, with reference to, among other things, the recent trading price of the Shares on the Stock Exchange. The Placing Price represents:
- (a) a discount of approximately 15.22% to the closing price of HK\$0.23 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange on 6 January 2012, being the date of the Placing Agreement; and
 - (b) a discount of approximately 19.69% to the average closing price of approximately HK\$0.2428 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange for the last 5 full trading days of the Shares immediately before the date of the Placing Agreement.
- The Company will bear the costs and expenses in connection with the Placing and the net proceeds from the Placing is estimated to be approximately HK\$9.14 million (assuming the Placing Shares are fully placed). As a result, the net price per Placing Share will be approximately HK\$0.187.

- Placing Commission:** The Placing Agent is entitled to an arrangement fee of HK\$100,000 upon signing of the Placing Agreement and upon completion a placing commission of 3% on the gross proceeds of the Placing less the said arrangement fee.
- General Mandate:** The Placing Shares will be issued pursuant to the general mandate to allot, issue and deal with Shares granted to the Directors by resolution of the Shareholders passed at the Company's special general meeting held on 10 November 2011 up to 49,122,065 Shares. As at the date of this Announcement, no Share has been issued pursuant to the general mandate.
- Ranking of Placing Shares:** The Placing Shares, when issued and fully paid, will rank pari passu among themselves and with Shares in issue at the time of issue and allotment of the Placing Shares.
- Conditions to the Placing:** The Placing is conditional upon the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange granting listing of and permission to deal in the Placing Shares.
- Application will be made to the Stock Exchange for approval for the listing of and permission to deal in the Placing Shares.
- The Placing is not subject to Shareholders' approval.
- Completion of the Placing:** Subject to the satisfaction of all the conditions set out above, the Placing is expected to be completed on or before 26 March 2012 or such later time and/or such other date as the Placing Agent and the Company may agree.
- Termination:** The Placing Agent may terminate the Placing Agreement prior to completion of the Placing Agreement if in the opinion of the Placing Agent the success of the Placing or the business or financial prospects of the Group would or is likely to be materially and adversely affected by:
- (a) any material breach of any of the representations and warranties set out in the Placing Agreement; or
 - (b) any suspension in dealings in or the listing of the Shares on the Stock Exchange for a period of more than 5 trading days (other than in connection with the Placing); or
 - (c) the introduction of any new law or regulation or any change in existing laws or regulations or change in the interpretation or application thereof; or

- (d) the occurrence of any event, development or change (whether or not local, national or international or forming part of a series of events or changes occurring or continuing before, on and/or after the date hereof and including an event or change in relation to or a development of an existing state of affairs) of a political, military, industrial, financial, economic or other nature, whether or not sui generis with any of the foregoing, resulting in a material adverse change in, or which might be expected to result in a material adverse change in, political, economic or stock market conditions; or
- (e) the imposition of any moratorium, suspension or material restriction on trading in securities generally on the Stock Exchange occurring due to exceptional financial circumstances or otherwise; or
- (f) a change or development involving a prospective change in taxation in Hong Kong, Bermuda or the People's Republic of China or the implementation of exchange controls which shall or might materially and adversely affect the Group or its present or prospective shareholders in their capacity as such; or
- (g) any change or deterioration in the conditions of local, national or international securities markets.

EFFECT OF THE PLACING ON SHAREHOLDING

The shareholdings in the Company as at the date of this announcement and immediately after completion of the Placing are and will be as follows:

| Shareholders | As at the date hereof | | Immediately after completion of Placing | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------|---|--------|
| | No. of Shares | % | No. of Shares | % |
| Yu Wai Fong (<i>note</i>) | 2,118,871 | 0.86 | 2,118,871 | 0.72 |
| Public Shareholders | 243,491,458 | 99.14 | 243,491,458 | 82.65 |
| Placees | 0 | 0.00 | 49,000,000 | 16.63 |
| Total | 245,610,329 | 100.00 | 294,610,329 | 100.00 |

Note: Ms Yu Wai Fong is a director of the Company

REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS OF THE PLACING AND USE OF THE PROCEEDS

The Group is principally engaged in (i) the properties investment business, comprising the rental of investment properties and the provision of the property management services; and (ii) the exploitation of copper and molybdenum in a mine located in Inner Mongolia, the PRC.

In view of the current market conditions, the Directors consider that the Placing represent a good opportunity to broaden the shareholders base and capital base of the Company. The Directors consider the terms of the Placing Agreement to be fair and reasonable and in the interest of the Group and the Shareholders as a whole.

The Company will bear all costs and expenses of approximately HK\$410,000 in connection with the Placing. The net proceeds of approximately HK\$9.14 million from the Placing will be used for financing the Acquisition and general working capital after the completion of the Acquisition (if materialize), or financing any other acquisition opportunities identified by the Company; and the possible redemption of the convertible bonds issued by the Company with outstanding principal amount of HK\$15 million.

EQUITY FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES IN THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS

The following table summaries the capital raising activities of the Group for the 12 months immediately before the date of this announcement:

| Date of announcement | Event | Net proceeds | Intended use of proceeds | Actual use of proceeds as at the date of this announcement |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|
| 27 January 2011 | Placing of new shares | Approximately HK\$10.5 million | For early redemption of the convertible bonds as stated in the announcement of the company dated 16 November 2010; and for general working capital of the Group | Used for the professional fees and working capital of the Company |

| Date of announcement | Event | Net proceeds | Intended use of proceeds | Actual use of proceeds as at the date of this announcement |
|-----------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---|---|
| 16 February 2011 | Rights Issue | Approximately HK\$326.5 million | as to (i) not more than HK\$180 million for the reduction of liabilities of the Company, including but not limited to the possible early redemption of the convertible bonds issued by the Company with outstanding principal amount of HK\$180 million; and (ii) the remaining for financing any future investment opportunities identified/ to be identified by the Company (including but not limited to the possible acquisition of the oilfield in Nevada). Should the said possible acquisition is not materialized, the Company will apply those proceeds for the general corporate and working capital requirements of the Group, including but not limited to the exploitation of copper and molybdenum of a mine located in Inner Mongolia, the PRC | HK\$169.5 million was used for early redemption of convertible bonds and payment of the relevant interest incurred; HK\$36.4 million was used as general working capital, including bank loan and interest repayment, professional fees and general operating expenses; HK\$42 million was used as participation amount in relation to the participation deed entered into with Simsen Capital Finance Limited; HK\$8 million was used as participation amount in relation to the sub-participation agreement entered into with Power Alliance International Limited; and the remaining balance was deposited at bank |

| Date of announcement | Event | Net proceeds | Intended use of proceeds | Actual use of proceeds as at the date of this announcement |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|
| 15 August 2011 | Placing of new shares | Approximately HK\$21.8 million | For financing the Acquisition and general working capital after the completion of the Acquisition (if materialize), or financing any other acquisition opportunities identified by the Company; and the possible redemption of the convertible bonds | Deposited at bank |
| 28 September 2011 | Placing of new shares | Approximately HK\$6.88 million | For financing the Acquisition and general working capital after the completion of the Acquisition (if materialize), or financing any other acquisition opportunities identified by the Company; and the possible redemption of the convertible bonds | Deposited at bank |

DEFINITIONS:

Unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall have the meanings set out below:

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| “Acquisition” | the proposed acquisition of the oilfield in Nevada |
| “associate(s)” | has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules |
| “Board” | board of Directors |
| “Business Day” | a day (excluding Saturday) on which licensed banks in Hong Kong are generally open for business |

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| “Company” | China Properties Investment Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange |
| “connected person(s)” | has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules |
| “Director(s)” | director(s) of the Company |
| “Group” | the Company and its subsidiaries |
| “Listing Rules” | the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited |
| “Hong Kong” | the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China |
| “Independent Third Party(ies)” | an independent third party, to the best of the Directors’ knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiry, who is not connected with the Company and its connected persons (as defined under the Listing Rules) |
| “Placee” | any individual, institutional or other professional investor procured by the Placing Agent to purchase any of the Placing Shares pursuant to the Placing Agreement |
| “Placing” | the placing of the Placing Shares by the Company, through the Placing Agent, pursuant to the Placing Agreement |
| “Placing Agent” | Cheong Lee Securities Limited |
| “Placing Agreement” | the placing agreement entered into between the Company and the Placing Agent dated 6 January 2012 in relation to the Placing |
| “Placing Price” | HK\$0.195 per Placing Share |
| “Placing Shares” | a maximum of 49,000,000 new Shares to be placed pursuant to the Placing Agreement |
| “Share(s)” | ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.03 each in the share capital of the Company |
| “Shareholder(s)” | holder(s) of the Share(s) |

“Stock Exchange” The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

“HK\$” Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong

“%” per cent.

By Order of the Board of
CHINA PROPERTIES INVESTMENT HOLDINGS LIMITED
Xu Dong
Chairman

Hong Kong, 6 January 2012.

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Xu Dong and Mr. Au Tat On, the non-executive Director is Ms. Yu Wai Fong, and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Lai Wai Yin, Wilson, Ms. Cao Jie Min and Mr. Tse Kwong Wah.