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## **China Fire Safety Enterprise Group Holdings Limited**

**中國消防企業集團控股有限公司\***

*(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

(Stock code: 8201)

### **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of China Fire Safety Enterprise Group Holdings Limited (the “Company”) will be held at Caine Room, Level 7, Conrad Hong Kong, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong on 21 April 2004 (Wednesday) at 3:00p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (together, the “Group”) and the report of the directors and auditors for the year ended 31 December 2003;
2. To approve and declare a final dividend;
3. To re-elect retiring directors of the Company (“the “Directors”) and authorise the board of Directors (the “Board”) to fix their remuneration;
4. To re-appoint the auditors Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu and authorise the Board to fix their remuneration; and

By way of special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as ordinary resolution;

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

5. “THAT:
  - (a) subject to paragraph (c) of this Resolution, the Directors be and are hereby granted an unconditional general mandate to exercise during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined in this Resolution) all the power of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the Company (the “Shares”) and to allot, issue or grant securities convertible or exchangeable into Shares, or options, warrants or similar rights to subscribe for or acquire Shares or such convertible or exchangeable securities, and to make or grant offers, agreements and options in respect thereof;
  - (b) the mandate referred to in paragraph (a) of this Resolution shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements, options and rights of exchange or conversion which might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;

- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital of the Company allotted, issued or dealt with or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted, issued or dealt with (whether pursuant to options or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the mandate referred to in paragraph (a), otherwise than pursuant to
- (i) a Rights Issue;
  - (ii) the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any options, warrants or similar rights or convertible securities issued by the Company or any securities which are convertible or exchangeable into Shares;
  - (iii) the exercise of the subscription rights under options granted under any option scheme or similar arrangement of the Company for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers or employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any eligible participants under such scheme or arrangement of Shares or rights to acquire Shares; or
  - (iv) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment and issue of Shares or other securities of the Company in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the articles of association of the Company,

shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing this Resolution and the said approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution shall be limited accordingly;

- (d) for the purposes of this Resolution:

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this Resolution up to:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable law or the articles of association of the Company to be held; or
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting,

whichever is the earliest; and

“Rights Issue” means an offer of Shares or other securities of the Company open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of Shares registered on the register of shareholders of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such Shares as at that date (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may in their absolute discretion deem necessary, desirable or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory applicable to the Company).”

6. “THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) of this Resolution, the exercise by the Directors all powers of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined in this Resolution) to repurchase its own shares (the “Shares”), be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

(b) the aggregate nominal amount of Shares which may be repurchased by the Company on the Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”) or any other stock exchange recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing this Resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

(c) for the purpose of this Resolution:

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this Resolution up to:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable law or the articles of association of the Company to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting,

whichever is the earliest.”

7. “THAT conditional upon the passing of Ordinary Resolutions No. 5 and 6 set out in the notice, of which this Resolution forms part, the aggregate nominal amount of share capital of the Company that may be allotted, issued or dealt with or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted, issued or dealt with by the Directors pursuant to and in accordance with the mandate granted under Ordinary Resolution No. 5 be and is hereby increased and extended by the addition thereto of the aggregate nominal amount of the shares in the Company repurchased by the Company pursuant to and in accordance with the mandate granted under Ordinary Resolution No. 6 since the granting of such repurchase mandate, provided that such amount shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing this Resolution.”

8. “THAT subject to and conditional upon the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited granting the listing of, and permission to deal in, the shares of HK\$0.01 each (“Shares”) in the share capital of the Company to be issued pursuant to the exercise of options which may be granted under the Refreshed Limit (as defined below), the existing scheme mandate limit under the share option scheme (“Share Option Scheme”) of the Company adopted pursuant to written resolution of the then sole shareholder of the Company passed on 20 September 2002 be refreshed so that the aggregate nominal amount of share capital to be allotted and issued pursuant to the grant or exercise of any options under the Share Option Scheme and any other schemes of the Company (excluding options previously granted, outstanding, cancelled, lapsed or exercised under the Share Option Scheme and any other schemes of the Company) shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue on the date of the passing of this Resolution (“Refreshed Limit”) and that the Directors be and are hereby unconditionally authorised to grant options up to the Refreshed Limit and to exercise all powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with Shares pursuant to the exercise of such options.”

9. By way of special business to consider and, if though fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolutions as special resolution:

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

“THAT the existing Articles of Association of the Company be and are hereby amended in the following manner:

- a. inserting the following new definition of “associate” in Article 2:

“associate”        the meaning attributed to it in the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange.”

- b. re-numbering existing Article 76 as Article 76(1);

- c. inserting the following as new Article 76(2):

“(2) Where any Member is, under the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange, required to abstain from voting on any particular resolution or restricted to voting only for or only against any particular resolution, any votes cast by or on behalf of such Member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted.”

- d. deleting the words “not less than seven (7) clear days but not more than fourteen (14) clear days before the date of the general meeting” in the last sentence of Article 88 and replacing therewith the following proviso:

“provided that the minimum length of the period, during which such Notice(s) are given, shall be at least seven (7) days and that the period for lodgment of such Notice(s) shall commence no earlier than the day after the dispatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election and end no later than seven (7) days prior to the date of such general meeting.”

- e. deleting the existing Article 103 in its entirety and replacing therewith the following new Article 103:

“103. (1) A Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the Board approving any contract or arrangement or any other proposal in which he or any of his associates is materially interested, but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters namely:

- (i) any contract or arrangement for the giving to such Director or his associate(s) any security or indemnity in respect of money lent by him or any of his associates or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of his associates at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
- (ii) any contract or arrangement for the giving of any security or indemnity to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his associate(s) has himself/themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;

- (iii) any contract or arrangement concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in for subscription or purchase, where the Director or his associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
  - (iv) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company;
  - (v) any contract or arrangement concerning any other company in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or a shareholder other than a company in which the Director and/or his associate(s) is/are beneficially interested in five (5) per cent or more of the issued shares or of the voting rights of any class of shares of such company (or any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associates is derived); or
  - (vi) any proposal concerning the adoption, modification or operation of a share option scheme, a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme or other arrangement which relates both to directors, his associates and employees of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director, or his associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not accorded to the employees to which such scheme or fund relates.
- (2) A company shall be deemed to be a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) own(s) five (5) per cent. or more if and so long as (but only if and so long as) he and/or his associates (either directly or indirectly) are the holders of or beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company or of the voting rights available to members of such company (or of any third company through which his/their interest or that of any of his associates is derived). For the purpose of this paragraph there shall be disregarded any shares held by a Director or his associate(s) as bare or custodian trustee and in which he or any of them has no beneficial interest, any shares comprised in a trust in which the interest of the Director or his associate(s) is/are in reversion or remainder if and so long as some other person is entitled to receive the income thereof, and any shares comprised in an authorised unit trust scheme in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only as a unit holder and any shares which carry no voting right at general meetings and very restrictive dividend and return of capital right.
- (3) Where a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) holds five (5) per cent. or more is/are materially interested in a transaction, then that Director and/or his associate(s) shall also be deemed materially interested in such transaction.

- (4) If any question shall arise at any meeting of the Board as to the materiality of the interest of a Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) or his associate(s) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than such chairman) to vote and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting, such question shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and his ruling in relation to such other Director shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of the Director and/or his associate(s) concerned as known to such Director has not been fairly disclosed to the Board. If any question as aforesaid shall arise in respect of the chairman of the meeting such question shall be decided by a resolution of the Board (for which purpose such chairman shall not vote thereon) and such resolution shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of such chairman as known to such chairman has not been fairly disclosed to the Board.”

By Order of the Board  
**China Fire Safety Enterprise Group Holdings Limited**  
**Li Ching Wah**  
*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 29 March 2004

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Notes:

1. A member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting convened is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote on his behalf. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
2. In case of a joint holding, the form of proxy may be signed by any joint holder, but if more than one joint holder is present at the meeting, whether in person or by proxy, that one of the joint holders whose name stands first on the register of members in respect of the relevant joint holding shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.

3. To be valid, the form of proxy together with any power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of such power or authority must be deposited with the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the Annual General Meeting or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude a member from attending and voting in person.

4. A form of proxy for the meeting will be enclosed with the Annual Report.

5. The register of members of the Company will be closed from 19 April 2004 to 21 April 2004, both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend, all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged for registration with the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong investor Services Limited of Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, 16 April 2004.

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