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(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability) (Stock Code: 0017)

# PROPOSALS INVOLVING GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE SHARES AND TO ISSUE SHARES AND RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening an annual general meeting of New World Development Company Limited (the "Company") to be held at Meeting Room N101B (Expo Drive Entrance), Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 Expo Drive, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Wednesday, 21 November 2012, at 11:45 a.m. is set out on pages 16 to 20 of this document. Whether or not you propose to attend the meeting, you are requested to complete the accompanying proxy form in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return the same to the Company's share registrar, Tricor Tengis Limited, 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be). Completion and return of a proxy form will not preclude shareholders from attending and voting at the annual general meeting if they so wish.

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# DEFINITIONS

In this document, the following expressions have the following meanings unless the context requires otherwise:

"Annual General Meeting"	the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at Meeting Room N101B (Expo Drive Entrance), Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 Expo Drive, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Wednesday, 21 November 2012 at 11:45 a.m., notice of which is set out on pages 16 to 20 of this document
"Companies Ordinance"	the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
"Company"	New World Development Company Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability under the Companies Ordinance, the shares of which are listed on the Stock Exchange
"Directors"	directors of the Company
"Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries
"Hong Kong"	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of The People's Republic of China
"Latest Practicable Date"	15 October 2012, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this document
"Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
"Repurchase Proposal"	the proposal to give a general mandate to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to repurchase during the period as set out in the Repurchase Resolution Shares up to a maximum of 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of the Repurchase Resolution
"Repurchase Resolution"	the proposed ordinary resolution as referred to in resolution no.5 of the notice of the Annual General Meeting
"SFO"	the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong)

# DEFINITIONS

"Share(s)"	fully paid-up share(s) of HK\$1.00 each in the share capital of the Company
"Share Repurchase Rules"	the relevant rules set out in the Listing Rules to regulate the repurchase by companies with primary listing on the Stock Exchange of their own securities on the Stock Exchange
"Shareholder(s)"	holder(s) of Shares
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"Takeovers Code"	The Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers
"HK\$"	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong

# 前世界發展有限公司

New World Development Company Limited

(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability) (Stock Code: 0017)

#### **Directors:**

Executive Directors: Dr. CHENG Kar-Shun, Henry (Chairman) Mr. CHENG Chi-Kong, Adrian (Joint General Manager) Mr. CHEN Guanzhan (Joint General Manager) Ms. KI Man-Fung, Leonie, JP Mr. CHENG Chi-Heng Ms. CHENG Chi-Man, Sonia

#### **Registered Office:**

30th Floor, New World Tower. 18 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong

Non-executive Directors: Mr. LIANG Chong-Hou, David Mr. CHENG Kar-Shing, Peter

Independent non-executive Directors: Mr. YEUNG Ping-Leung, Howard Mr. CHA Mou-Sing, Payson, *IP* (alternate director to Mr. Cha Mou-Sing, Payson: Mr. CHA Mou-Zing, Victor) Mr. HO Hau-Hay, Hamilton

Mr. LEE Luen-Wai, John, JP

Mr. LIANG Cheung-Biu, Thomas

22 October 2012

To the shareholders and, for information purposes only, the holders of the outstanding share options of the Company

Dear Sir or Madam,

# **PROPOSALS INVOLVING GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE SHARES** AND TO ISSUE SHARES AND RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### **INTRODUCTION** 1.

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with information, and to seek your approval for the proposals involving general mandates to allot, issue and deal with Shares and to repurchase Shares and re-election of retiring Directors at the Annual General Meeting.

# LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

#### 2. GENERAL MANDATE TO REPURCHASE SHARES

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 22 November 2011, a general mandate was given to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to repurchase Shares. Such mandate will lapse at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting. The Directors propose to seek your approval of the Repurchase Resolution to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting. An explanatory statement as required under the Share Repurchase Rules to provide the requisite information of the Repurchase Proposal is set out in Appendix I hereto.

#### 3. GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES

It will also be proposed at the Annual General Meeting two ordinary resolutions respectively granting to the Directors a general mandate to allot, issue and deal with Shares not exceeding 20% of the issued share capital of the Company at the date of the resolution and adding to such general mandate so granted to the Directors any Shares representing the aggregate nominal amount of the Shares repurchased by the Company after the granting of the general mandate to repurchase up to 10% of the issued share capital of the Company at the date of the Repurchase Resolution.

#### 4. **RE-ELECTION OF THE RETIRING DIRECTORS**

Pursuant to Article 103(A) of the Articles of Association of the Company, Ms. Ki Man-Fung, Leonie, Mr. Cheng Chi-Heng, Mr. Cheng Kar-Shing, Peter, Mr. Ho Hau-Hay, Hamilton and Mr. Lee Luen-Wai, John shall retire from office and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.

Mr. Chen Guanzhan and Ms. Cheng Chi-Man, Sonia were appointed as Executive Directors by the Directors on 1 March 2012. Pursuant to Article 94 of the Articles of Association of the Company, they shall hold office only until the Annual General Meeting and shall be eligible and offer themselves for re-election.

Details of the retiring Directors proposed to be re-elected at the Annual General Meeting are set out in Appendix II hereto.

#### 5. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Set out on pages 16 to 20 of this document is the notice convening the Annual General Meeting to be held at Meeting Room N101B (Expo Drive Entrance), Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 Expo Drive, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Wednesday, 21 November 2012 at 11:45 a.m.

# LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

At the Annual General Meeting, resolutions will be proposed to the Shareholders in respect of ordinary business to be considered at the Annual General Meeting, including the re-election of Directors, and special business to be considered at the Annual General Meeting, being the ordinary resolutions proposed to approve the general mandates to repurchase Shares and to issue new Shares and the extension of the general mandate to issue new Shares.

#### 6. ACTION TO BE TAKEN

A proxy form for use at the Annual General Meeting is enclosed herewith. Whether or not you intend to attend the Annual General Meeting, you are requested to complete the proxy form and return it to the Company's share registrar, Tricor Tengis Limited, 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Annual General Meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be). Completion and return of a proxy form will not prevent Shareholders from attending and voting at the Annual General Meeting if they so wish.

#### 7. VOTING BY WAY OF POLL

Pursuant to Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules, all votes at the Annual General Meeting will be taken by poll except where the chairman, in good faith, decides to allow a resolution which relates purely to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted on by a show of hands. The Company will announce the results of the poll in the manner prescribed under Rule 13.39(5) of the Listing Rules.

#### 8. **RECOMMENDATION**

The Directors believe that the Repurchase Proposal, the proposed general mandate for Directors to issue new Shares, the proposed extension of the general mandate to issue new Shares and the proposed re-election of the retiring Directors are all in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders. Accordingly, the Directors recommend that all Shareholders should vote in favour of the resolutions to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting to give effect to them.

> Yours faithfully, For and on behalf of **New World Development Company Limited Dr. CHENG Kar-Shun, Henry** *Chairman*

# **APPENDIX I**

This appendix serves as an explanatory statement required under Rule 10.06(1)(b) of the Listing Rules to provide you with the information necessary for your consideration of the Repurchase Proposal.

This appendix also constitutes the memorandum required under Section 49BA(3) of the Companies Ordinance.

#### 1. SHARE CAPITAL

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the issued share capital of the Company comprised 6,154,681,507 Shares.

Subject to the passing of the Repurchase Resolution and on the basis that no further Shares are issued or repurchased prior to the Annual General Meeting, the Company would be allowed under the Repurchase Resolution to repurchase a maximum of 615,468,150 Shares representing not more than 10% of the issued share capital of the Company at the Latest Practicable Date.

#### 2. REASONS FOR REPURCHASE

The Directors believe that the Repurchase Proposal is in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders. Such repurchase may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net assets and/or earnings per Share of the Company and will only be made when the Directors believe that such a repurchase will benefit the Company and its Shareholders.

#### 3. FUNDING OF REPURCHASE

In repurchasing any Shares, the Company may only apply funds legally available for such purpose in accordance with its memorandum and articles of association and the Companies Ordinance. The Companies Ordinance provides that the amount of capital repaid in connection with a share repurchase may only be paid from the distributable profits of the Company and/or the proceeds of a new issue of Shares, made for the purpose of the repurchase to such an extent allowable under the Companies Ordinance.

There might be an adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company as compared with the position disclosed in the audited accounts contained in the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2012 in the event that the power to repurchase Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Proposal was to be carried out in full at any time during the proposed repurchase period. However, the Directors do not propose to exercise the power to repurchase Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Proposal to such extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or the gearing levels which in the opinion of the Directors are from time to time appropriate for the Company.

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#### 4. SHARE PRICES

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares have traded on the Stock Exchange in each of the previous twelve months before the Latest Practicable Date are as follows:-

	Shares	
	Highest	Lowest
	HK\$	HK\$
October 2011	8.59	6.56*
November 2011	8.19	6.22
December 2011	6.86	6.13
January 2012	8.76	6.30
February 2012	10.96	8.40
March 2012	10.58	8.90
April 2012	9.70	8.93
May 2012	10.08	7.95
June 2012	9.25	8.00
July 2012	10.12	9.16
August 2012	10.50	9.50
September 2012	12.20	9.38
October 2012		
(up to the Latest Practicable Date)	12.80	11.84

\* the price has been adjusted for the rights issue of the Company completed in November 2011.

#### 5. UNDERTAKING

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange that, so far as the same may be applicable, they will exercise the powers of the Company to make repurchases pursuant to the Repurchase Resolution and in accordance with the Listing Rules and the applicable laws of Hong Kong.

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, their associates, have any present intention to sell any Shares to the Company or its subsidiaries under the Repurchase Proposal if such is approved by the Shareholders.

No other connected persons of the Company (as defined in the Listing Rules) have notified the Company that they have a present intention to sell Shares to the Company or its subsidiaries, or have undertaken not to do so, in the event that the Repurchase Proposal is approved by the Shareholders.

## **APPENDIX I**

#### 6. TAKEOVERS CODE

If on the exercise of the power to repurchase Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Proposal, a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purposes of Rule 32 of the Takeovers Code. As a result, a Shareholder or group of Shareholders acting in concert, could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rules 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, each of Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings) Limited and Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings II) Limited, indirectly through its subsidiaries, is deemed to have interest in 2,598,549,166 Shares representing approximately 42.22% of the issued share capital of the Company. In the event the Directors exercised in full the power to repurchase Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Proposal, then (if the present shareholding remains the same) the deemed interest of each of Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings) Limited and Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings II) Limited would be increased to approximately 46.91% of the issued share capital of the Company.

In the event that the Repurchase Proposal is exercised in full, an obligation to make a general offer to Shareholders under Rules 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code may arise. The Directors have no present intention to exercise the power to repurchase Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Proposal to such an extent as to result in takeover obligations. In the event that the Repurchase Proposal is exercised in full, the number of Shares held by the public would not fall below 25%.

#### 7. SHARE REPURCHASES MADE BY THE COMPANY

The Company had not purchased any Shares (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise) in the six months preceding the Latest Practicable Date.

#### Mr. Chen Guanzhan

Aged 53, was appointed as an Executive Director and Joint General Manager in March 2012. Mr. Chen joined the Company as General Manager in January 2011. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company. He also acts as director of New World Group Charity Foundation Limited and certain subsidiaries of the Group. Mr. Chen was an executive director of Yuexiu Transport Infrastructure Limited (formerly known as GZI Transport Limited), a listed public company in Hong Kong, up to his resignation on 3 November 2009. Except as disclosed, Mr. Chen did not hold directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years or any position with the Company or other members of the Group.

Mr. Chen holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from Sun Yat-Sen University in Guangzhou and a Master of Science Degree in Environmental Chemical Engineering from South China University of Technology in Guangzhou. He had also been a visiting scholar to the California State University, Northridge in the U.S.A., where he studied Public Administration. Mr. Chen had previously taught at South China University of Technology, and held certificates as university lecturer, senior engineer, and held offices in various departments of the Guangzhou Municipal People's Government. Mr. Chen has extensive experience in administration management, corporate management and capital management with a strong theoretical and practical foundation.

Mr. Chen has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a fixed term of three years commencing from 16 March 2012, subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. His emoluments comprise a director's fee to be reviewed and determined by the Board of Directors annually with the authorization granted by the Shareholders at an annual general meeting of the Company annually and with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market condition. For the financial year ended 30 June 2012, his emoluments comprise director's fee of HK\$66,667 from the Company and other emoluments of HK\$3,742,900 from the Group.

Mr. Chen does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company. As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Chen has personal interest in 3,500,462 underlying shares of the Company attached to the share options granted by the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Chen is not aware of any other matters or information that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements set out in Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules in connection with his re-election.

#### Ms. Ki Man-Fung, Leonie SBS, JP

Aged 65, was appointed as a Non-executive Director in December 2008 and was re-designated as Executive Director in March 2012. Ms. Ki is a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company. Ms. Ki has been the managing director of New World China Enterprises Projects Limited (a subsidiary of the Company) since 1997 and is also a director of certain subsidiaries of the Group. Ms. Ki is an independent non-executive director of Clear Media Limited and Sa Sa International Holdings Limited, both are listed public companies in Hong Kong. Except as disclosed, Ms. Ki did not hold directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years or any position with the Company or other members of the Group.

Ms. Ki is also a director of Chow Tai Fook Charity Foundation and New World Group Charity Foundation Limited. Ms. Ki has more than 30 years' experience in integrated communication and marketing services. She was the founder, partner and chairman/chief executive officer of Grey Hong Kong Advertising Limited and Grey China Advertising Limited. Ms. Ki is committed to the community and public services. She was the first chief executive of The Better Hong Kong Foundation. She is currently a life member of the Children's Cancer Foundation, trustee of Ocean Park Conservation Fund, honorary secretary of Wu Zhi Qiao Charitable Foundation, a member of the Sports Commission of Hong Kong, a member of the Hong Kong Housing Society, a court and council member of Lingnan University, a member of the Asian Advisory Board of Cheng Yu Tung Management Institute, Richard Ivey School of Business (University of Western Ontario, Canada), a member of the Advisory Board of the EMBA Programme of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, a member of the Career Advisory Board of The University of Hong Kong, and a member of The Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference of Yunnan Province, and a recipient of Honorary University Fellows from The Open University of Hong Kong and The University of Hong Kong, Beta Gamma Sigma from The Chinese University of Hong Kong Faculty of Business Administration, Justice of Peace and the Silver Bauhinia Star by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

Ms. Ki has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a fixed term of three years commencing from 16 March 2012, subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. Her emoluments comprise a director's fee to be reviewed and determined by the Board of Directors annually with the authorization granted by the Shareholders at an annual general meeting of the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market condition. For the financial year ended 30 June 2012, her emoluments comprise director's fee of HK\$166,667 from the Company and other emoluments of HK\$5,650,000 from the Group.

Ms. Ki does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company. As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. Ki has personal interest in 90,000 shares of the Company and 3,000,396 underlying shares of the Company attached to the share options granted by the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, Ms. Ki is not aware of any other matters or information that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements set out in Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules in connection with her re-election.

#### Mr. Cheng Chi-Heng

Aged 34, was appointed as an Executive Director in June 2010. Mr. Cheng is a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company. He also acts as director of certain subsidiaries of the Group. Mr. Cheng is an executive director of Chow Tai Fook Jewellery Group Limited, a listed public company in Hong Kong. Except as disclosed, Mr. Cheng did not hold directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years or any position with the Company or other members of the Group.

Mr. Cheng worked in Yu Ming Investment Management Limited from 1999 to 2000 as a corporate finance executive. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree majoring in Economics from the University of Western Ontario, Canada in 1999.

Mr. Cheng has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a fixed term of three years commencing from 16 March 2012, subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. His emoluments comprise a director's fee to be reviewed and determined by the Board of Directors annually with the authorization granted by the Shareholders at an annual general meeting of the Company annually and with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market condition. For the financial year ended 30 June 2012, his emoluments comprise director's fee of HK\$200,000 from the Company and other emoluments of HK\$400,000 from the Group.

Mr. Cheng is a director of Chow Tai Fook (Holding) Limited and Chow Tai Fook Enterprises Limited which are substantial shareholders of the Company. He is the son of Mr. Cheng Kar-Shing, Peter, the nephew of Dr. Cheng Kar-Shun, Henry and the cousin of Mr. Cheng Chi-Kong, Adrian and Ms. Cheng Chi-Man, Sonia. Except as disclosed, Mr. Cheng does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company. As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Cheng has personal interest in 500,066 underlying shares of the Company attached to the share options granted by the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Cheng is not aware of any other matters or information that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements set out in Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules in connection with his re-election.

#### Ms. Cheng Chi-Man, Sonia

Aged 31, appointed as an Executive Director in March 2012. Ms. Cheng is a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company. She is currently the chief executive officer of New World Hospitality and oversees the hotel division as well as the project management division of the Group. She is also an executive director of New World China Land Limited, a listed public company in Hong Kong, and a director of certain subsidiaries of the Group. Except as disclosed, Ms. Cheng did not hold directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years or any position with the Company or other members of the Group.

Before joining the Group in 2008, Ms. Cheng worked in a major international investment bank and a global US private equity firm specialising in real estate investments. Ms. Cheng holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Applied Mathematics with concentration in Economics from Harvard University in the U.S.A.

Ms. Cheng has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a fixed term of three years commencing from 16 March 2012, subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. Her emoluments comprise a director's fee to be reviewed and determined by the Board of Directors annually with the authorization granted by the Shareholders at an annual general meeting of the Company annually and with reference to her duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market condition. For the financial year ended 30 June 2012, her emoluments comprise director's fee of HK\$66,667 from the Company and other emoluments of HK\$6,899,000 from the Group.

Ms. Cheng is the daughter of Dr. Cheng Kar-Shun, Henry, the sister of Mr. Cheng Chi-Kong, Adrian, the niece of Mr. Cheng Kar-Shing, Peter, and the cousin of Mr. Cheng Chi-Heng. Except as disclosed, Ms. Cheng does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company. As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. Cheng has personal interest in 3,000,396 underlying shares of the Company attached to the share options granted by the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, Ms. Cheng is not aware of any other matters or information that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements set out in Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules in connection with her re-election.

#### Mr. Cheng Kar-Shing, Peter

Aged 60, was appointed as Director in October 1994. Mr. Cheng is a director of New World Hotels (Holdings) Limited, the deputy managing director of New World Development (China) Limited, and a director of NWS Service Management Limited and certain subsidiaries of the Group. He is also an executive director of New World China Land Limited, and an independent non-executive director of King Fook Holdings Limited and Symphony Holdings Limited, all being listed public companies in Hong Kong. Except as disclosed, Mr. Cheng did not hold directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years or any position with the Company or other members of the Group.

Mr. Cheng is the chairman of Chow Tai Fook Charity Foundation. He is a Fellow of The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, a Fellow of The Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators, an Accredited Mediator of Hong Kong Mediation Centre, a CEDR Accredited Mediator, HKIAC Accredited Mediator (General), a Panel Mediator of Land (Compulsory Sale For Redevelopment) Ordinance Pilot Mediation Scheme of The Joint Mediation Helpline Office and an Arbitrator of Huizhou Arbitration Commission.

Mr. Cheng has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a fixed term of three years commencing from 16 March 2012, subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. His emoluments comprise a director's fee to be reviewed and determined by the Board of Directors annually with the authorization granted by the Shareholders at an annual general meeting of the Company annually and with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market condition. For the financial year ended 30 June 2012, his emoluments comprise director's fee of HK\$150,000 from the Company and other emoluments of HK\$4,842,200 from the Group.

Mr. Cheng is a director of Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings) Limited, Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings II) Limited, Chow Tai Fook Capital Limited, Chow Tai Fook (Holding) Limited and Chow Tai Fook Enterprises Limited, all of them are substantial shareholders of the Company. Mr. Cheng is the father of Mr. Cheng Chi-Heng, the brother of Dr. Cheng Kar-Shun, Henry and the uncle of Mr. Cheng Chi-Kong, Adrian and Ms. Cheng Chi-Man, Sonia. Except as disclosed, Mr. Cheng does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company attached to the share options granted by the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Cheng is not aware of any other matters or information that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements set out in Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules in connection with his re-election.

#### Mr. Ho Hau-Hay, Hamilton

Aged 61, was appointed as Non-executive Director in August 2004 and was re-designated as Independent Non-executive Director in November 2007. Mr. Ho was an alternate Director of the Company from 7 January 2004 to 29 August 2004. Mr. Ho is the chairman of the Remuneration Committee and a member of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company. He is also an independent non-executive director of King Fook Holdings Limited (a listed public company in Hong Kong). He was an independent non-executive director of CITIC Pacific Limited and a non-executive director of Dah Chong Hong Holdings Limited, both being listed public companies in Hong Kong, until 1 January 2010. He is also an executive director of Honorway Investments Limited and Tak Hung (Holding) Company Limited. Except as disclosed, Mr. Ho did not hold directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years or any position with the Company or other members of the Group.

Mr. Ho has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a fixed term of three years commencing from 16 March 2012, subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. His emoluments comprise a director's fee to be reviewed and determined by the Board of Directors annually with the authorization granted by the Shareholders at an annual general meeting of the Company annually and with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market condition. For the financial year ended 30 June 2012, his emoluments comprise director's fee of HK\$280,000 from the Company.

Mr. Ho does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company. As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Ho has corporate interest in 658,765 shares of the Company and personal interest in 500,066 underlying shares of the Company attached to the share options granted by the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Ho is not aware of any other matters or information that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements set out in Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules in connection with his re-election.

#### Mr. Lee Luen-Wai, John BBS, JP

Aged 63, was appointed as Independent Non-executive Director in August 2004. Mr. Lee is a member of the Audit Committee, the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company. Mr. Lee is also the managing director and chief executive officer of Lippo Limited, an executive director and chief executive officer of Lippo China Resources Limited and Hongkong Chinese Limited, as well as an independent non-executive director of New World China Land Limited, all being listed public companies in Hong Kong. He was a non-executive director of Asia Now Resources Corp., a company listed on TSX Venture Exchange of Canada, and Export and Industry Bank, Inc., a listed public company in the Republic of Philippines, up to his resignation on 21 June 2012 and 13 December 2011 respectively. Export and Industry Bank, Inc. was placed under receivership on 26 April 2012. Except as disclosed, Mr. Lee did not hold directorship in other listed public companies in the past three years or any position with the Company or other members of the Group.

Mr. Lee is a Fellow Member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and an Associate Member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. He was a partner of Price Waterhouse (now PricewaterhouseCoopers) in Hong Kong and has extensive experience in corporate finance and capital markets. Mr. Lee is an Honorary Fellow of the City University of Hong Kong and a Justice of Peace in Hong Kong. He serves as a member on a number of Hong Kong Government Boards and Committees including as a member of the Hospital Authority and the chairman of its Finance Committee. He is also the chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Hospital Authority Provident Fund Scheme, as well as the chairman of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Governing Committee. In addition, Mr. Lee serves as a member of Non-local Higher and Professional Education Appeal Board and a member of the Appeal Boards Panel (Education). Mr. Lee was awarded the Bronze Bauhinia Star by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in 2011.

Mr. Lee has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a fixed term of three years commencing from 16 March 2012, subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. His emoluments comprise a director's fee to be reviewed and determined by the Board of Directors annually with the authorization granted by the Shareholders at an annual general meeting of the Company annually and with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market condition. For the financial year ended 30 June 2012, his emoluments comprise director's fee of HK\$285,000 from the Company and other emoluments of HK\$260,000 from the Group.

Mr. Lee does not have any relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company. As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Lee has personal interest in 500,066 underlying shares of the Company attached to the share options granted by the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Lee is not aware of any other matters or information that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements set out in Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules in connection with his re-election.

# **<b> 新世界發展有限公司** New World Development Company Limited

(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability) (Stock Code: 0017)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an Annual General Meeting of New World Development Company Limited (the "Company") will be held at Meeting Room N101B (Expo Drive Entrance), Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 Expo Drive, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Wednesday, 21 November 2012 at 11:45 a.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To consider and adopt the audited Statement of Accounts and the Reports of the Directors and the Independent Auditors for the year ended 30 June 2012.
- 2. To declare a final dividend.
- 3. To re-elect Directors and authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration, including:
  - (a) to re-elect Mr. Chen Guanzhan as Director;
  - (b) to re-elect Ms. Ki Man-Fung, Leonie as Director;
  - (c) to re-elect Mr. Cheng Chi-Heng as Director;
  - (d) to re-elect Ms. Cheng Chi-Man, Sonia as Director;
  - (e) to re-elect Mr. Cheng Kar-Shing, Peter as Director;
  - (f) to re-elect Mr. Ho Hau-Hay, Hamilton as Director;
  - (g) to re-elect Mr. Lee Luen-Wai, John as Director; and
  - (h) to authorise the Board of Directors to fix the remuneration of the Directors.
- 4. To re-appoint Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers as Auditor and authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration.

5. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION**

### "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase shares of HK\$1.00 each in the capital of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") or any other stock exchange on which the securities of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in connection with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of shares of the Company which the Directors of the Company is authorised to repurchase pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing this resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution,

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (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 law to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

6. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION**

#### "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below and pursuant to Section 57B of the Companies Ordinance, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares of HK\$1.00 each in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) and issued by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue, (ii) an issue of shares as scrip dividends pursuant to the articles of association of the Company from time to time; (iii) an issue of shares under any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company; or (iv) an issue of shares upon conversion by the bondholders of their bonds into shares of the Company in accordance with the terms and conditions of an issue of convertible guaranteed bonds by the Company or a special purpose subsidiary wholly owned by the Company, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and

(d) for the purpose of this resolution,

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (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 law to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting; and

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to the holders of shares of the Company on the register 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 of the Company may deem necessary 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 outside Hong Kong applicable to the Company)."

7. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without modifications, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION**

"THAT subject to the passing of resolution nos. 5 and 6 set out in the notice convening this meeting, the general mandate granted to the Directors of the Company to allot and deal with additional shares pursuant to resolution no. 6 set out in the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of shares in the capital of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to resolution no. 5 set out in the notice convening this meeting, provided that such amount of shares so repurchased shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing the said resolution."

By Order of the Board Wong Man-Hoi Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 22 October 2012

Notes:

- 1. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. To be valid, a proxy form, together with any power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must be lodged with the Company's share registrar, Tricor Tengis Limited at 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be).
- 3. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 14 November 2012 to Wednesday, 21 November 2012, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to determine the entitlement to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, all shares transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company's share registrar, Tricor Tengis Limited at 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 13 November 2012.
- 4. Referring to item no. 4 in this notice, one of the existing joint auditors, H. C. Watt & Company Limited, will retire as one of the joint auditors of the Company with effect from the conclusion of the meeting. A resolution will be proposed at the meeting to reappoint Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers, being the other joint auditor of the Company, as the sole auditor of the Company.
- 5. As at the date of this notice, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises (a) six Executive Directors, namely Dr. Cheng Kar-Shun, Henry, Mr. Cheng Chi-Kong, Adrian, Mr. Chen Guanzhan, Ms. Ki Man-Fung, Leonie, Mr. Cheng Chi-Heng and Ms. Cheng Chi-Man, Sonia; (b) two Non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Liang Chong-Hou, David and Mr. Cheng Kar-Shing, Peter and; and (c) five Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Yeung Ping-Leung, Howard, Mr. Cha Mou-Sing, Payson (alternate director to Mr. Cha Mou-Sing, Payson: Mr. Cha Mou-Zing, Victor), Mr. Ho Hau-Hay, Hamilton, Mr. Lee Luen-Wai, John and Mr. Liang Cheung-Biu, Thomas.