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# **2014 Interim Results Presentation**

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## Agenda

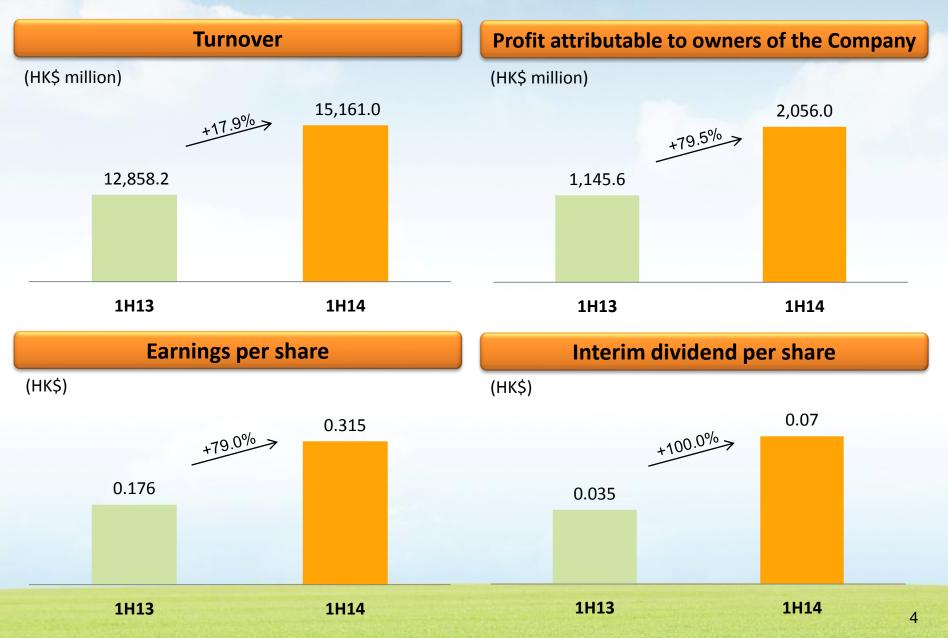


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# **Corporate Overview**



## **2014 Interim Results**



## **Company Overview**



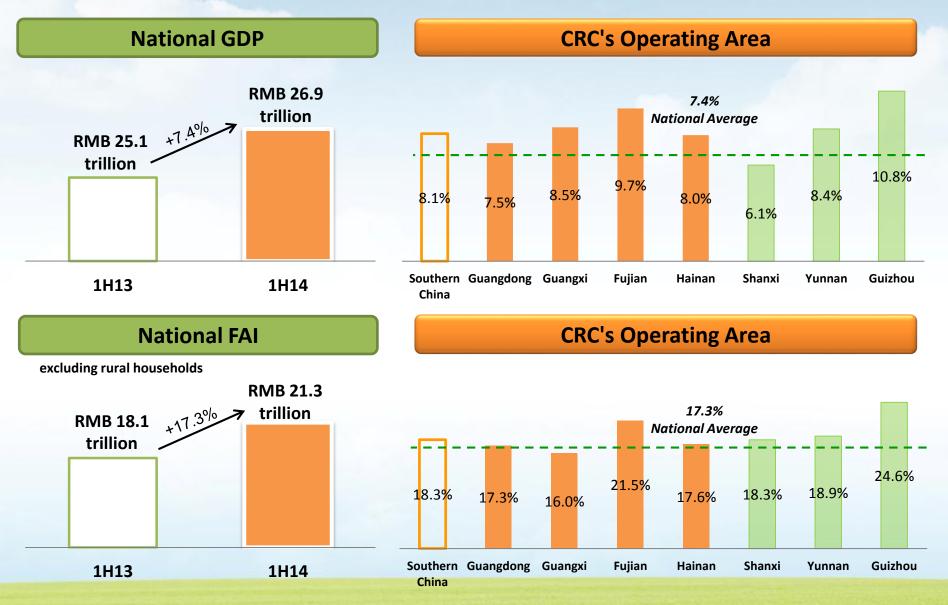
Subsidiary of CR Group	Social Responsibility
One of 7 <b>strategic business units</b> of China Resources Group (holding 73.35% of issued shares)	<ul> <li>Devote for</li> <li>Sustainability of cement industry</li> <li>Emission reduction of NOx &amp; PM</li> <li>Carbon credit trading</li> </ul>
Lowest Total Cost	Leading Position

# **Industry Overview**



## **Steady Economic Growth in 1H14**





Note: Southern China encompasses Guangdong, Guangxi, Fujian and Hainan Source: National Bureau of Statistics of China, provincial Bureau of Statistics

## **Cement Industry – Demand**



Infrastructure investment (excluding power supply): RMB3.4 trillion, +25.1% YoY, in 1H14

- National railway lines
  - > Annual target railway FAI increased from RMB600 billion to RMB800 billion
  - Over 7,000 km is expected to be in operation in 2014
  - Will reach 120,000 km by the end of 2015
- Investment +8.9% YoY to RMB235.1 billion in 1H14
- The government aims to introduce capital in various ways to relieve the funding need of railway constructions
- Investment +9.4% YoY to RMB656.3 billion in 1H14

Total target length of national operating highway will be increased to **136,000 km** by 2030

### Highway & Waterway

#### **Real Estate**

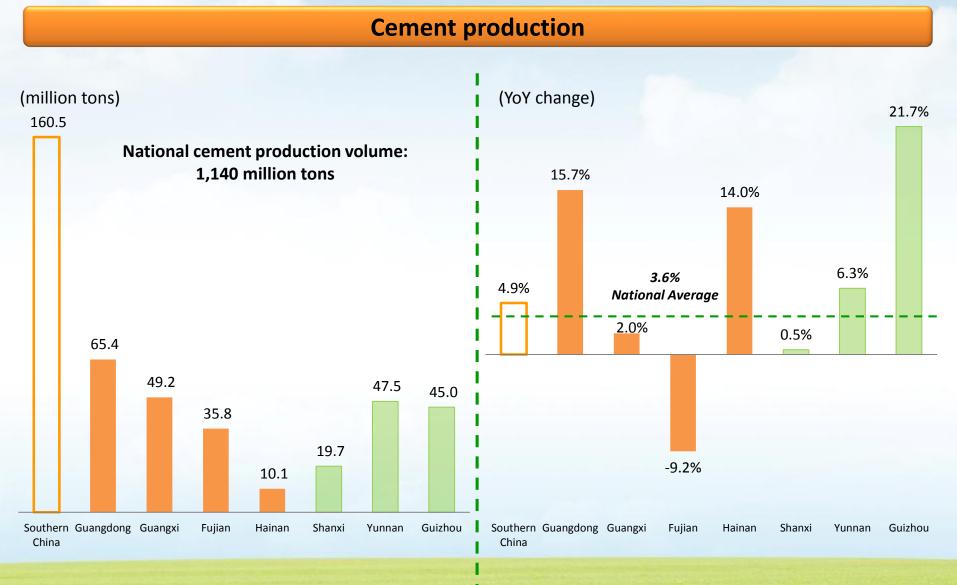
Railway

- Total area of commodity housing sold -6.0% YoY to 480 million m<sup>2</sup> in 1H14
- Total area of newly commenced construction of real estate projects -16.4% YoY to 800 million m<sup>2</sup> in 1H14
- Real estate investment **+14.1%** YoY to **RMB4.2 trillion** and total area completed **+8.1%** to **380 million m<sup>2</sup>** in 1H14
- **Social housing**: New start construction of **5.3 million** units and completed **2.8 million** units, with a total investment of **RMB720 billion** in 1H14

Source: China Railway Corporation, Ministry of Transport of China, National Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of China

## **Cement Industry – Demand (Cont'd)**



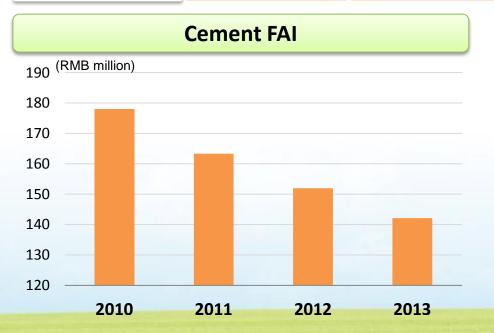


Source: National Bureau of Statistics, China Cement Association

## **Cement Industry - Supply**



1H14	National	Southern China	<u>Shanxi</u>	Yunnan	Guizhou
New clinker production capacity released	22 lines with 31.1mt -20.0%	1 line with 1.6 mt -60.0%	N/A	4 lines with 5.1mt +312.5%	4 lines with 4.7mt -23.5%
Obsolete capacity to be eliminated in 2014	82.1mt	13.8mt	1.1 mt	2.5 mt	4.0mt



- FAI in the China cement industry has been declining for the third consecutive year
- H14, cement FAI amounted to approximately RMB49.0 billion, -12.2% YoY

## **Business Environment**



Stringent approval of capacity expansion

> Stricter environmental standards

Elimination of obsolete capacity

> Removal of grade 32.5 composite cement

In May 2013, the Government published the "Notice on curbing the blind expansion of serious overcapacity industries" (No. 892), which stated that the overcapacity issue and new capacity control of certain industries, including the cement industry, will be the emphasis of work plan for the year so as to strictly control the new production capacities for those industries.

In December 2013, the Government published a new "Air Pollutants Emission Standard for the Cement Industry", which raises the emission standards on nitrogen oxides and particulate matters. The new standard has been applied to newly built cement projects since March this year and will apply to existing production lines from July next year.

In May 2014, the Government issued the "Notice on matters relating to the Use of Pricing Tactics to Promote Industrial Structure Adjustment of Cement Industry" in order to increase the electricity tariffs of obsolete cement kilns and accelerate the phasing out of capacity using backward technology.

In October 2013, the State Council of China published the "Guidance on Resolving the Conflict Concerning Severe Overcapacity" which proposed the abolition of grade 32.5 composite cement. This policy is still under discussion and if it is fully implemented, it will accelerate the elimination of obsolete capacity.

# **Financial Highlights**



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(HK\$ million)	1H13	1H14	Change
Turnover	12,858.2	15,161.0	+17.9%
Gross profit	2,966.3	4,831.3	+62.9%
EBITDA	2,684.9	4,101.8	+52.8%
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	1,145.6	2,056.0	+79.5%
Basic Earnings per share (HK\$)	0.176	0.315	+79.0%

### **Dividend payout** (HK\$)

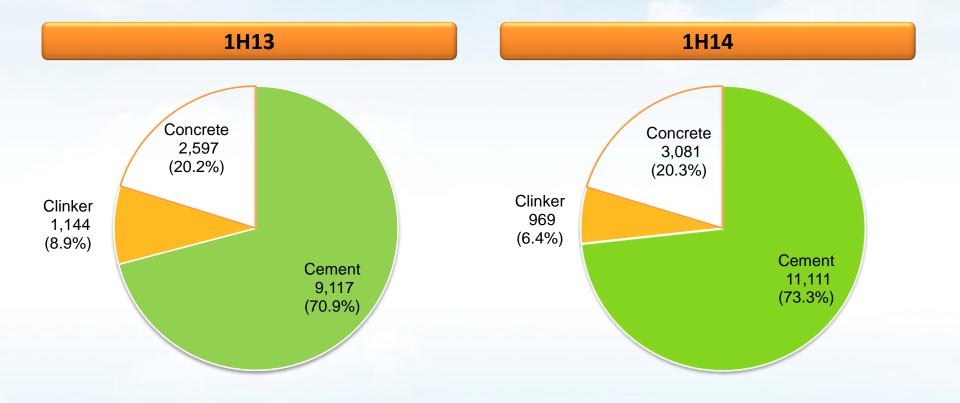




> Dividend payout ratio has been increasing steadily for the third consecutive year

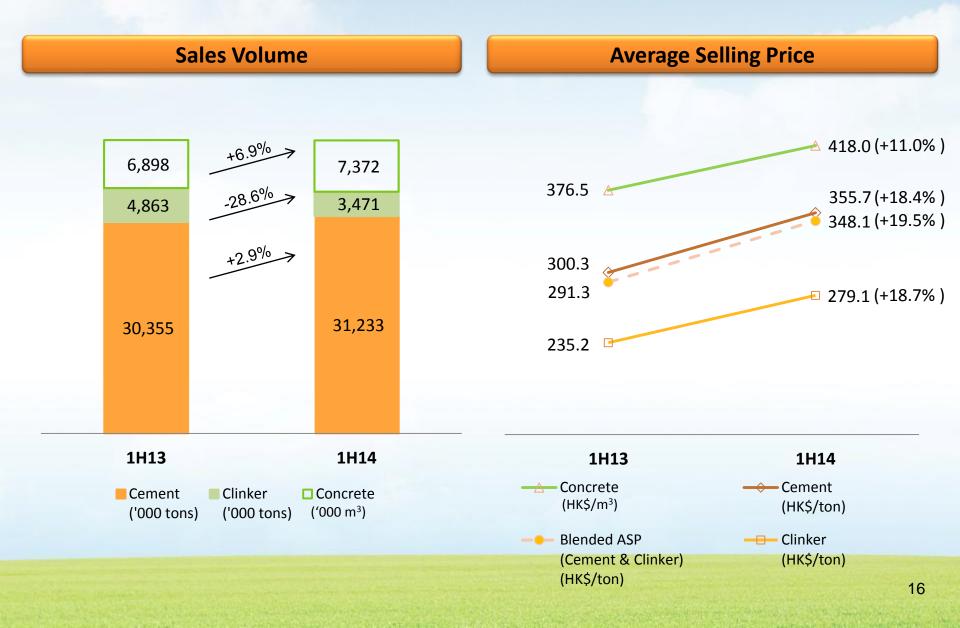
### **Turnover by Product** (HK\$ million)





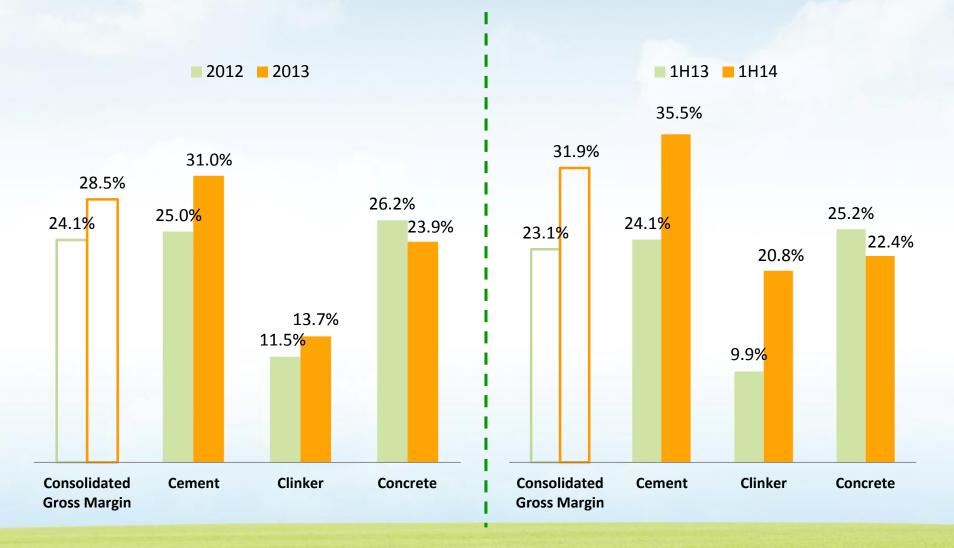
## **Sales Volume & Average Selling Price**





## **Gross Margin by Product**

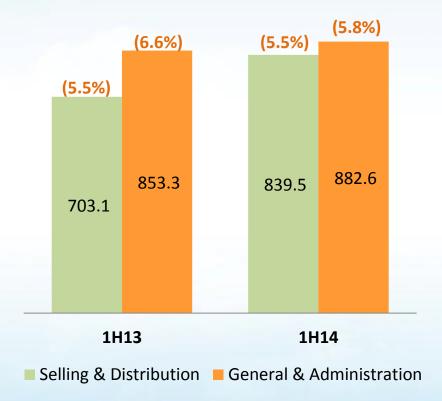




## Selling, General & Administrative Expenses



HK\$ million, Number in the brackets represents the expense as a percentage to turnover



- Higher transportation costs because of increased volume of cement and clinker being delivered from Guangxi to Guangdong for sale.
- As a percentage of consolidated turnover, selling and distribution expenses remained flat at 5.5%, general & administrative expenses decreased to 5.8%.



# **Finance Cost & Exchange Difference**

(HK\$ million)



The finance cost has been decreased by 6.7% to HK\$349.5 million.

An exchange loss of HK\$145.6 million from net borrowings was generated due to the depreciation of RMB during the Period. For the corresponding period in 2013, an exchange gain of HK\$223.8 million was recorded.

#### Finance cost Exchange difference

## Taxation



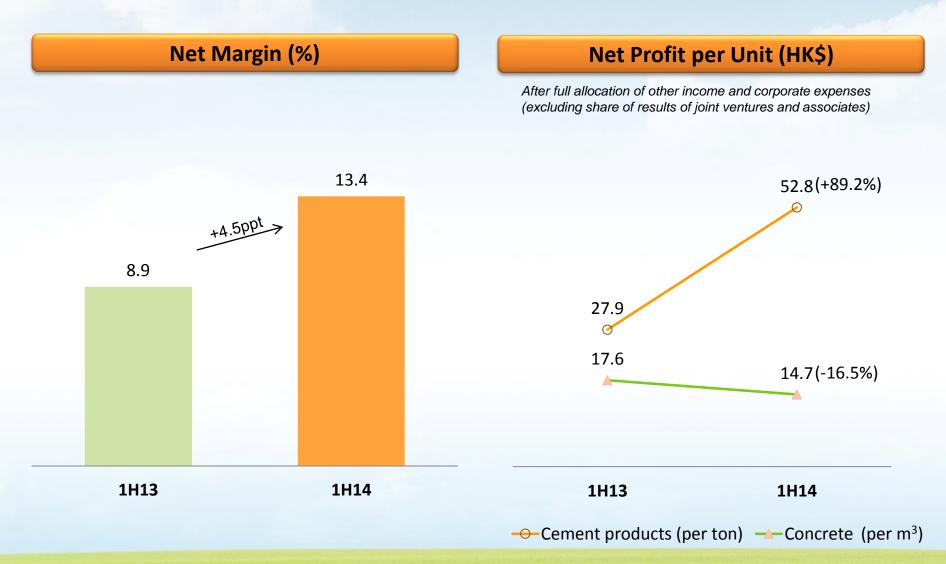
	1H13	1H14	Change
Taxation (HK\$ million)	248.0	753.7	+203.9%
Effective tax rate	17.7%	27.0%	+9.3ppt

#### Higher effective tax rate in 1H14

Cessation of tax holidays previously enjoyed by certain subsidiaries for the current year and the Group has accounted income tax at the Chinese Mainland Enterprise Income Tax rate of 25% on the profit generated in the Chinese Mainland.

## Profitability





## **Financial Position**



(HK\$ million)	31 Dec 2013	30 Jun 2014	Change
Total assets	54,179.7	54,420.8	+0.4%
Net borrowings	17,618.1	17,621.2	-
Net gearing	71.0%	67.3%	-3.7ppt
Net assets per share (HK\$)	3.80	4.01	+5.5%

Note:

1. Net borrowings equal to total indebtedness less cash and bank balances and pledged bank deposits.

2. Net gearing ratio is calculated by dividing net borrowings by equity attributable to owners of the Company.

3. Net assets per share – book is calculated by dividing equity attributable to owners of the Company by the number of issued shares at the end of the relevant reporting period.

## **Cash Flows**



(HK\$ million)	30 Jun 2013	30 Jun 2014	Change
Net cash generated from operating activities	1,292.5	2,235.5	+73.0%
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,484.8)	(1,816.7)	+22.4%
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,047.2)	(659.6)	-37.0%
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents for the period	(1,239.4)	(240.7)	-80.6%
Cash and cash equivalent at end of the period	2,374.0	2,555.1	+7.6%

Total payments for capital expenditure of the Group are expected to be approximately HK\$3,200.5 million and HK\$3,677.1 million in the 2H 2014 and in the year of 2015 respectively, which will be financed by bank loans and internally generated funds.

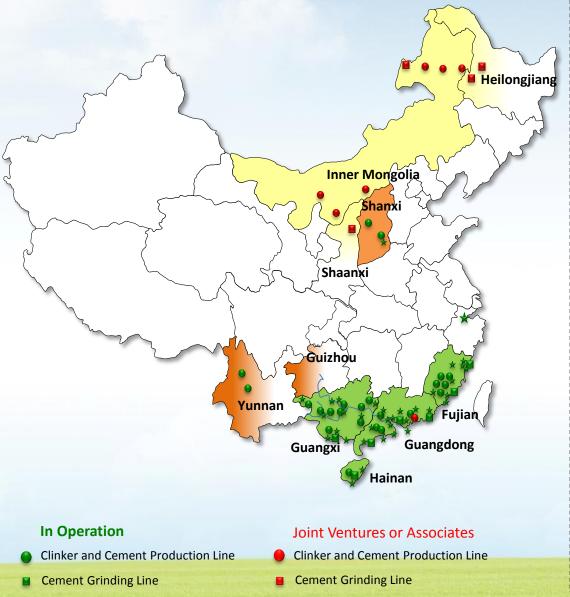
# **Operational Review**

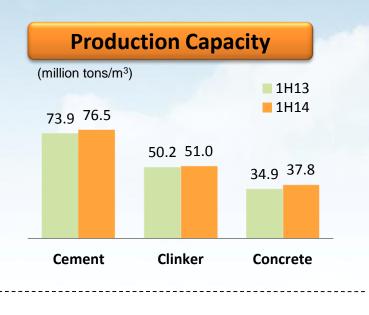


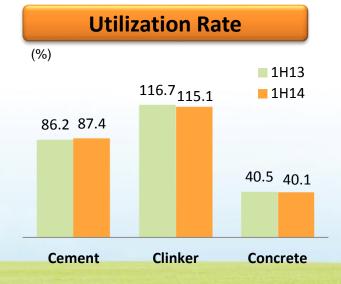
### **Production Capacity**

(As at 30 June 2014)



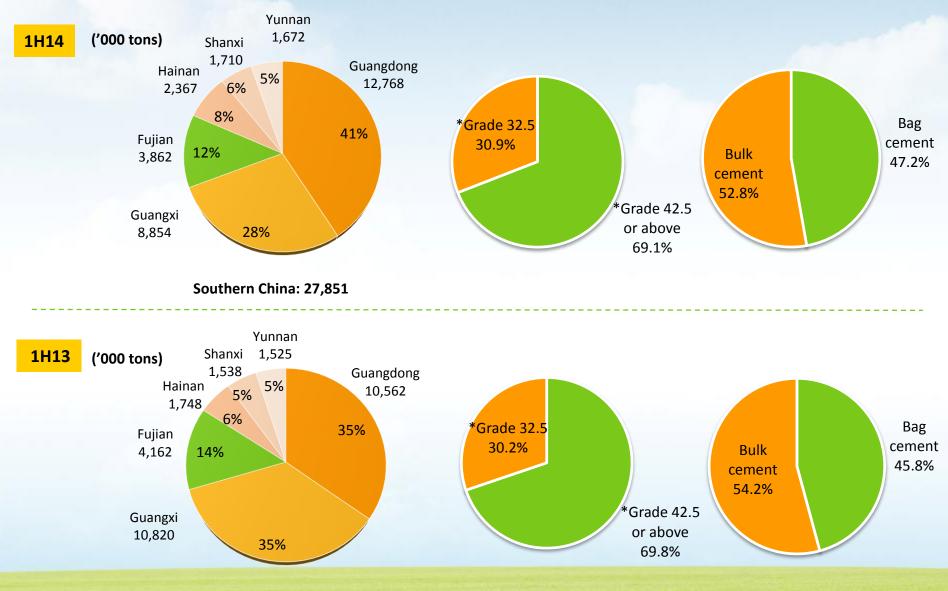






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# **Breakdown of Cement Sales Volume**

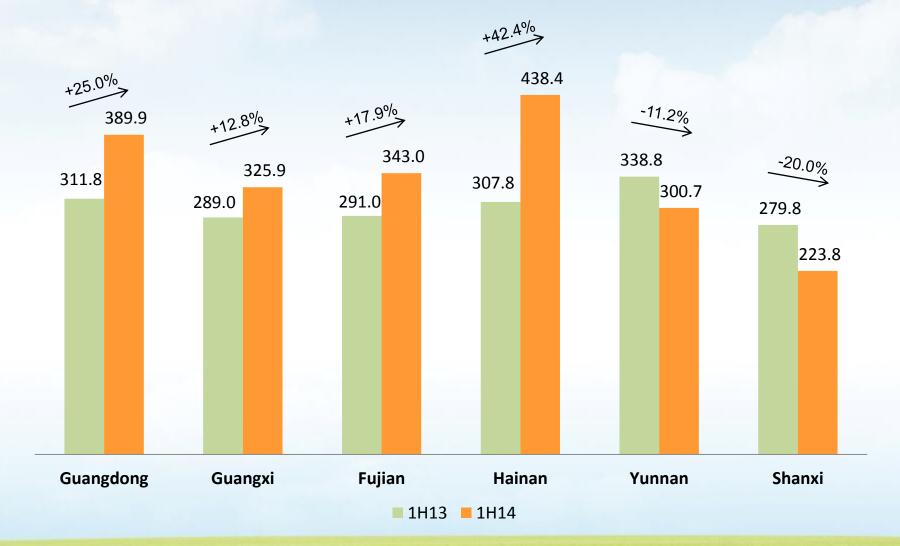






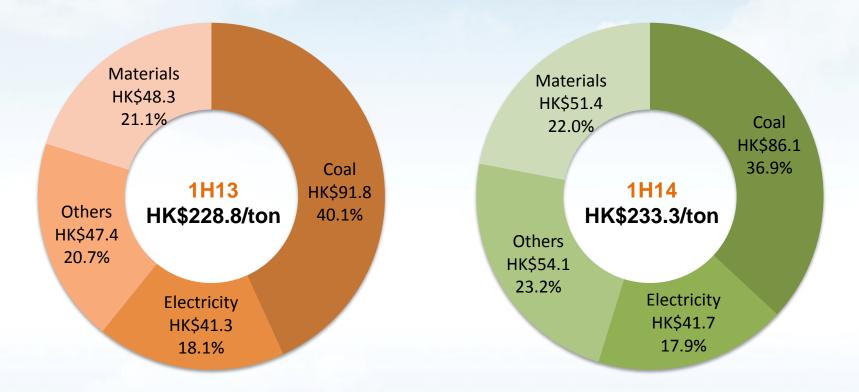
# **Cement ASP by Geographical Areas**

(HK\$/ton)





### **Cost Structure of Cement Products** (HK\$/ton)



*Note: Cement products refer to cement & clinker* 

## **Improved Coal Consumption**

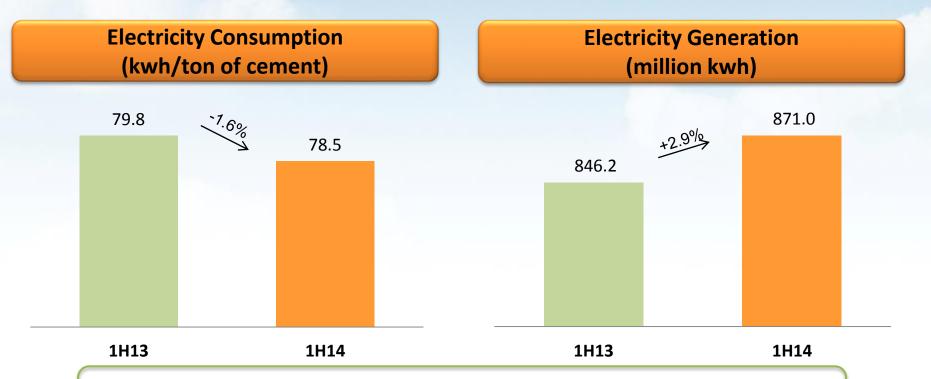




Quality of coal improved with average thermal value increased by 3.3% to 5,196 kcal per kg

Average coal cost of production decreased 4.1% to HK\$105.3/ton of clinker

## **Improved Electricity Consumption**



Reduced electricity consumption represents a cost saving of approximately HK\$31.4 million (1H13: HK\$149.3 million)

#### Residual heat recovery generators

 Generated 871 million kwh of electricity, providing approximately 30.4% (1H13: 29.3 %) of required electricity consumption, representing a cost saving of approximately HK\$549.2 million (1H13: HK\$538.8 million)

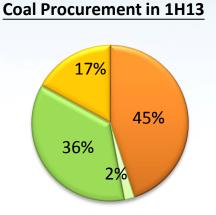
## **Cost Control**



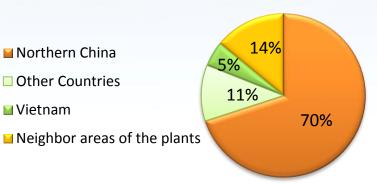
Expand procurement channels and stabilize cooperation with strategic suppliers : Adopted a short-cycle and multi-channel sourcing strategy

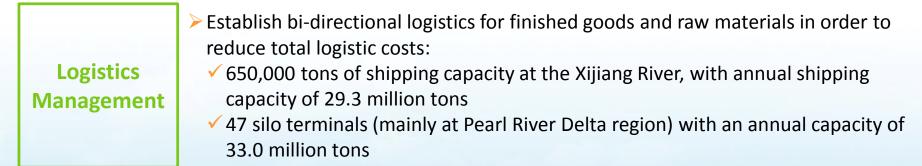
 Effective cost and risk control through reasonable adjustment of procurement channels





#### **Coal Procurement in 1H14**





## **Safety and Environmental Protection**



#### **Comply with the new emission standard**

• Completed technological upgrades on denitrogenation of all the 39 clinker production lines & dust collection system for 13 clinker production lines

#### Participate in the pilot carbon credit trading scheme in Guangdong

- 8 production plants in Guangdong province have already made the settlement for the carbon emission quotas of 2013
- One of the companies that have made the settlement in the early stage

#### **Promote production safety**

- Production safety standardization, by State Administration of Work Safety in China:
  - First-Class: 14 cement production plants
  - Second-Class: 9 quarries
  - Third-Class: all concrete batching plants
- Emergency plans have been developed and drills were organized for quarries, hazardous chemicals, road traffic, fire and natural disasters

# **Outlook & Prospects**



## **Government Keynote Policy**



In 1H14, in order to cope with the pressure of domestic economic downturn, the Chinese government launched a series of measures to ensure steady economic growth, promote reform and restructuring, and improve people's livelihood.

In 2H14, we believe the Chinese government will continue its consistent and stable macroeconomic policies in order to maintain a reasonable economic growth. In 2014, the government has set the GDP growth target of 7.5% and FAI growth target of 17.5%.

In March 2014, the State Council of China published the "<u>National</u> <u>New-type Urbanization Plan (2014-2020)</u>" which rolls out the future development path of urbanization and aims to lift the urbanization rate to 60% by 2020.

# **Production Capacity (Cont'd)**



#### (As at 30 June 2014)

#### **Controlled by the Group**

Attributable

	Cement		Clinker		Concrete	
Province/SAR	No. of lines	million tons	No. of lines	million tons	No. of plants	million m <sup>3</sup>
Guangdong	21	19.9	7	9.4	24	14.7
Guangxi	35	31.1	17	25.0	18	10.6
Fujian	14	10.9	6	6.8	9	5.4
Hainan	5	4.6	3	3.3	5	3.0
Shanxi	6	6.0	3	4.2	1	0.6
Yunnan	5	4.0	3	2.3	1	0.6
Guizhou	-	-	-	-	1	0.3
Zhejiang	-	-	-	-	2	1.1
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	3	1.5
Total	86	76.5	39	51.0	64	37.8
Controlled by joint ventures and associates						
Guangdong (Guangzhou )	8	8.1	2	3.7	1	0.5
Inner Mongolia	26	17.1	9	10.8	-	-

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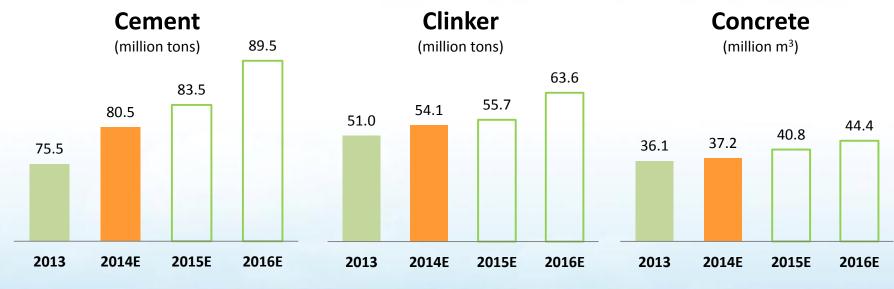
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## **Strategies and Prospects**

To persevere with the "3+2" development strategy - Through the control, conversion and distribution of resources, we will endeavour to be the lowest total cost producer with leading market position in the region

While promoting internal lean management, reducing cost and increasing efficiency, we will continue to seek for mergers and acquisitions opportunities in the regions where we have operations, strengthen research and innovation, focus on energy saving, promote green development in the industry



### **Capacity Expansion through Organic Growth**

\* Excluding the capacity held through equity interest in joint ventures and associates



# **Q & A**

We will continue to perform Market consolidation, promote energy conservation and emission reduction, and contribute to a sustainable development of the cement industry in China.





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## CR Cement – "3+2" Development Strategy

	Control of Resources	<ul> <li>The top priority of enter into a regional market is getting control of quality limestone reserves with following criteria:</li> <li>Abundant quantity for at least 30 years of cement production</li> <li>Good quality with 50% or above CaO content</li> <li>Low disposal ratio in convenient location</li> </ul>
<b>3</b> Business – Model	Conversion of Resources	<ul> <li>Efficient and environmental production facilities with standard operating procedure</li> <li>100% large-scale NSP cement production line</li> <li>100% cement production line equipped with residual heat recovery generator and can consume industrial waste during production process</li> </ul>
	Distribution of Resources	<ul> <li>Establish comprehensive and efficient logistics network includes waterway freight (with silo terminal), road freight and transshipment</li> <li>Promote direct sales model and sales channel management to lower distribution expense</li> </ul>
Competitive	Lowest Total Cost	• Being the lowest total cost operator via cost management throughout the whole industry chain, i.e. control, conversion and distribution of resources, to maintain our sustainable competitiveness in regional market
Strategy	Leading in Regional Market	•Target for a minimum 25% market share with strong pricing power in regional cement market



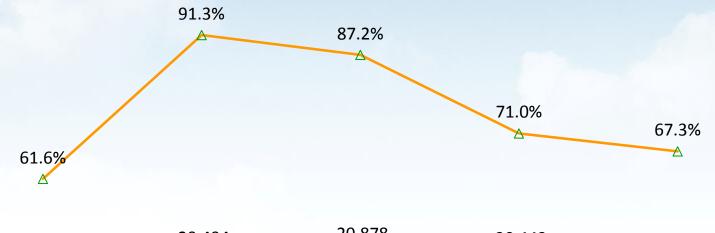




## **Debt Structure**



### (HK\$ million)





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