



新奥燃气控股有限公司 XinAo Gas Holdings Limited

(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 2688)

(Website: www.xinaogas.com)

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual general meeting (the “Meeting”) of XinAo Gas Holdings Limited (the “Company”) will be held at Aberdeen, Level 3, JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong, 1 Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong on Monday, 23 May 2005 at 11:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the audited financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended 31 December 2004;
2. To declare a final dividend;
3. To re-elect retiring directors and to authorise the board of directors to fix the directors’ fees;
4. To re-appoint the auditors and to authorise the board of directors to fix their remuneration;
5. As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

A. “**THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, and pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”), 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 any unissued shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including but not limited to warrants, bonds and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) shall authorise the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including but not limited to warrants, bonds and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined);
- (c) the aggregate nominal value of the share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted or issued (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); or (ii) an issue of shares upon the exercise of the subscription rights attaching to any warrants which may be issued by the Company from time to time; or (iii) an issue of shares upon the exercise of options which may be granted under any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted or to adopt for the grant or issue to any officers, employees and/or directors of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries and/or any other participants of such scheme or arrangement of shares or rights to acquire shares; or (iv) any scrip dividend scheme or similar arrangement providing for the allotment and issue of shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on shares in accordance with the articles of association of the Company; or (v) a specific authority granted by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting, shall not exceed

20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal value of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of 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; or
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held; or
- (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking, varying or renewing the authority given to the directors of the Company by this Resolution; and

“Rights Issue” means an offer of shares or issue of options, warrants or other securities giving the right to subscribe for shares, open for a period fixed by the directors of the Company to holders of shares whose names appear on the register of shareholders of the Company (and, where appropriate, to holders of other securities of the Company entitled to the offer) on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (or, where appropriate, such other securities), subject in all cases 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 applicable to the Company.”

B. “THAT:

(a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all powers of the Company to repurchase securities of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”), subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and/or 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 value of the shares in the capital of the Company repurchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) shall in the case of shares not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal value of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of this Resolution, and the authority granted pursuant to paragraph (a) above 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; or
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held; or
- (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking, varying or renewing the authority given to the directors of the Company by this Resolution.”

C. “THAT conditional upon Resolutions numbered 5A and 5B set out in the notice of this meeting being passed, the general mandate granted to the directors of the Company and for the time being in force to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with any unissued shares pursuant to Resolution numbered 5A set out in the notice of this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition to the aggregate nominal value of the share capital of the Company which may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the directors of the Company pursuant to such general mandate of an amount representing the aggregate nominal value of the share capital of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to Resolution numbered 5B set out in the notice of this meeting, provided that such extended amount shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal value of share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of the said Resolution.”

6. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as a special resolution of the Company:

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

“**THAT** the existing articles of association of the Company be and are hereby amended in the following matter:–

- (a) Article 99
By deleting the words “provided that any Director who so retires shall not be taken into account in determining the number of Directors who are to retire at such meeting by rotation pursuant to Article 116” at the end of this Article”;
- (b) Article 106(vii)
By deleting the words “ordinary resolution” in the first and second lines of Article 106(vii) and replacing it with the words “special resolution”;
- (c) Article 116
By deleting the existing Article 116 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article and its marginal note:

Rotation and retirement of Directors	116.	Subject to the manner of retirement by rotation of Directors as from time to time prescribed under the Listing Rules and notwithstanding any contractual or other terms on which any Director may be appointed or engaged, at each annual general meeting, one-third of the Directors for the time being (or, if their number is not a multiple of three (3), the number nearest to but not less than one-third) shall retire from office by rotation provided that every Director shall be subject to retirement at least once every three years. The Directors to retire in every year shall be those who have been longest in office since their last election but as between persons who became Directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree between themselves) be determined by lot. A retiring Director shall retain office until the close of the meeting at which he retires, and shall be eligible for re-election thereat.
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- (d) Article 122.(a)
By deleting the existing Article 122.(a) in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article and its marginal note:

Power to remove Director by special resolution	122.(a)	The Company may by special resolution at any time remove any Director (including a Managing Director or other executive Director) before the expiration of his period of office notwithstanding anything in these Articles or in any agreement between the Company and such Director and may by ordinary resolution elect another person in his stead. Any person so elected shall hold office during such time only as the Director in whose place he is elected would have held the same if he had not been removed.”
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By Order of the Board
XINAO GAS HOLDINGS LIMITED
CHENG Chak Ngok
Executive Director and Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 28 April 2005

Principal place of business in Hong Kong:

Rooms 3101-03, 31st Floor

Tower 1, Lippo Centre

89 Queensway

Hong Kong

Notes:

1. Every shareholder 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 in his stead. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company.
2. In order to ascertain the identity of the shareholders for attending the Meeting, all share transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company’s branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the appointed time for holding the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.
3. To be valid, a form of proxy and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority, must be deposited at the Company’s branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, 46th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

4. Completion and delivery of the form of proxy will not preclude a shareholder of the Company from attending and voting at the Meeting if the shareholder of the Company so desires.
5. Where there are joint registered holders of any share in the Company, any one of such persons may vote at the Meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he were solely entitled thereto; but if more than one of such joint holders be present at the Meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present being the most or, as the case may be, the more senior shall alone be entitled to vote in respect of the relevant joint holding and, for this purpose, seniority shall be determined by reference to the order in which the names of the joint holders stand on the register of members in respect of the relevant joint holding.
6. For the purpose of determining the entitlements to the proposed final dividend and the identity of shareholders of the Company who are entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, 17 May 2005 to Monday, 23 May 2005, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares in the Company will be effected. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend, all transfers of shares in the Company accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, 13 May 2005.
7. With regard to item no.3 in this notice, the board of directors of the Company proposes that the retiring directors of the Company, namely Mr. QIAO Limin, Mr. JIN Yongsheng, Mr. CHENG Chak Ngok, Ms. YIEN Yu Yu, Catherine and Mr. KONG Chung Kau be re-elected as directors of the Company. Particulars of the said retiring directors are set out in the Appendix II to the circular to the shareholders of the Company dated 28 April 2005.
8. With regard to the resolutions referred to in items nos. 5A, 5B, 5C and 6 of this notice, the board of directors of the Company proposes to seek its shareholders' approval of the general mandates to issue shares in the Company and to repurchase shares in the Company and the amendments to the articles of association of the Company, and a circular of the Company dated 28 April 2005 in connection with such proposals will be despatched to the shareholders of the Company.
9. As at the date of this notice, the board of directors of the Company comprises nine executive directors, namely Mr. WANG Yusuo (Chairman), Mr. YANG Yu (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. CHEN Jiacheng, Mr. ZHAO Jinfeng, Mr. QIAO Limin, Mr. JIN Yongsheng, Mr. YU Jianchao, Mr. CHEUNG Yip Sang and Mr. CHENG Chak Ngok; one non-executive director, namely Ms. ZHAO Baoju; and three independent non-executive director, namely Mr. WANG Guangtian, Ms. YIEN Yu Yu, Catherine and Mr. KONG Chung Kau.

*Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in
The Standard and Hong Kong Economic Times.*