CHINA CONSERVATIONAL POWER HOLDINGS LTD: AND, NOW, THE HONGKONG TAXMAN SUES A SUBSIDIARY

The Commissioner of Inland Revenue of Hongkong has issued legal Proceedings in the District Court of the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC), seeking \$HK222,337 from Yew Sang Hong Trading Ltd ().

Yew Sang Hong Trading is a wholly owned subsidiary of <u>China Conservational Power Holdings Ltd</u> <u>()</u>(Code: 290, Main Board, the Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd.

No details are given about the allegations of The Commissioner, other than this is a tax matter.

Trading in the shares of China Conservational Power has been suspended since September 29, 2005, following an action by the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), culminating in the arrest of 22 people in the territory for alleged corruption.

Two of the people, who were arrested by the ICAC, included Messrs Chan Tat Chee () and Hon Ming Kong (), both former Directors of China Conservational Power.

It is alleged by the ICAC that these 2 gentlemen conspired to defraud China Conservational Power of \$HK13 million, belonging to the company.

It is further alleged that Messrs Chan and Hon were involved in other conspiracies to defraud China Sciences Conservational Power Ltd () (Code: 351, Main Board, The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd).

Those alleged offences were said to have taken place between January 2004 and April 2005.

China Conservational Power alleges that it is not, and never has been, a party to any of the ICAC charges and that the company is not implicated in these matters, in any way.

Be that as it may, this publicly listed company has suffered since the dramatic events of September 2005.

For the Financial Year, ended March 31, 2006, China Conservational Power suffered its largest single Year's losses on record: About \$HK131.25 million.

That result was on a Turnover of about \$HK29.69 million.

This company is (or, at least, was) in the businesses of electrical engineering contracting work, trading, securities brokerage and financing and sea freight forwarding.

The following table is lifted from the database of **TOLFIN** () (The Computerised Online Financial Intelligence Service and Web-Based, Credit-Checking Provider):

Financial Year, Ended March 31							
2006	2005	2004	2003	2002			
All Figures Are Denominated In \$HK'000							

Turnover	29,690	102,427	166,243	199,722	106,217
Profit/(Loss) Before Taxation	(131,092)	(96,752)	(57,399)	(40,448)	2,669
Taxation	(159)	(36)	(86)	(113)	(1,784)
Net Profit/(Loss) Attributable To Shareholders	(131,251)	(94,376)	(57,198)	(40,555)	885
Shareholders' Funds	40,056	139,937	219,400	183,322	105,784

The above table, aside from illustrating the rapid deterioration in this company's fortunes, also shows that taxes, paid over the years, have been miniscule.

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