

Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited take no responsibility for the contents of this announcement, make no representation as to its accuracy or completeness and expressly disclaim any liability whatsoever for any loss howsoever arising from or in reliance upon the whole or any part of the contents of this announcement.



Concord New Energy Group Limited

協合新能源集團有限公司 *

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 182)

DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION

FINANCE LEASE ARRANGEMENT

FINANCE LEASE ARRANGEMENT

The Board is pleased to announce that after trading hours on 30 April 2025:

1. Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing agreed on the Finance Lease Arrangement A:
 - a) Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing entered into an agreement to ratify the Original Purchase Agreement between Jinhu Concord and Tianjin Huaxing for the Purchase Price A of approximately RMB232.81 million, and to confirm that the ownership of the Equipment vests in Industrial Bank Financial Leasing; and
 - b) Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing entered into the Finance Lease Agreement A, pursuant to which Industrial Bank Financial Leasing shall lease the Equipment back to Jinhu Concord during the Lease Period A in consideration of Jinhu Concord paying the half-yearly Lease Payment A.
2. Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing agreed on the Finance Lease Arrangement B, pursuant to which Industrial Bank Financial Leasing shall purchase the Auxiliary Facilities from Jinhu Concord at the Purchase Price B of approximately RMB224.39 million, and shall lease the Auxiliary Facilities back to Jinhu Concord during the Lease Period B in consideration of Jinhu Concord paying the half-yearly Lease Payment B.

LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

As the highest Applicable Percentage Ratio in respect of the Finance Lease Arrangements exceeds 5% but is less than 25%, the transactions constitute a discloseable transaction for the Company under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules and are thus subject to the notification and publication requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

INTRODUCTION

The Board is pleased to announce that after trading hours on 30 April 2025, Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing agreed on the Finance Lease Arrangement A, details of which are set out below.

FINANCE LEASE ARRANGEMENT A

Entrusted Purchase Agreement

Date:	30 April 2025
Parties:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Industrial Bank Financial Leasing as the ultimate purchaser of the Equipment; and(ii) Jinhu Concord as the entrusted agent for the purchase of the Equipment.
Subject Asset:	The Equipment, the ownership of which shall be confirmed to be vested in Industrial Bank Financial Leasing by way of ratifying the Original Purchase Agreement.
Purchase Price:	The entrusted Purchase Price A payable to Jinhu Concord by Industrial Bank Financial Leasing for the purchase of the Equipment shall be approximately RMB232.81 million, which was determined after arm's length negotiation with reference to the original purchase price of the Equipment under the Original Purchase Agreement between Jinhu Concord and Tianjin Huaxing, and the amount of financing needs of the Group. The purchase price of the Equipment is in line with its market value.

The Purchase Price A shall be payable in four installments based on the construction progress of the Power Plant after the fulfilment of the following conditions:

- (a) the Security Documents A (as defined below) and other supporting documents having been executed and becoming effective, all the relevant procedures for them having been completed, and there being no subsisting breaches of such Security Document(s) and ancillary documents;
- (b) Jinhu Concord having provided to Industrial Bank Financial Leasing the supporting document of capital contribution;
- (c) all other conditions or procedures as required by the Finance Lease Agreement A having been fulfilled.

In addition, as at the payment of the Purchase Price A:

- (a) there being no material changes to the fiscal, taxation or financial policies or governmental regulatory measures and standards on the financial and financial leasing industries, no significant increase in the market financing cost, and no force majeure or changes of circumstances that may affect the realisation of creditor's right by Industrial Bank Financial Leasing;
- (b) there being no material change to the control or financial conditions of Jinhu Concord and/or the guarantors or pledgers of the Security Documents A, and no occurrence of any events that may adversely affect the performance of the Finance Lease Agreement A, the Security Documents A and the related agreements; and
- (c) there being no subsisting breaches of the Finance Lease Agreement A, the Entrusted Purchase Agreement, the Original Purchase Agreement, and any other agreements between Jinhu Concord of the one part, and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing or any other third party of the other part.

The first installment amounting to RMB70 million is expected to be paid in early May 2025; the second installment amounting to RMB10.48 million will be paid before the shipment of the first batch of the Equipment, which is expected to be paid around June 2025; the third installment amounting to RMB46.56 million will be paid after the delivery of all the Equipment, which is expected to be paid around September 2025; and the fourth installment amounting to approximately RMB11.45 million will be paid after the Power Plant is connected to the power grid, which is expected to be paid around October 2025.

FINANCE LEASE AGREEMENT A

Date:	30 April 2025
Parties:	Industrial Bank Financial Leasing as the lessor; and Jinhu Concord as the lessee.
Lease Period:	A period of 12 years commencing from the date of payment of the purchase price.
Lease Payments and Interest Rate:	<p>Jinhu Concord shall pay the half-yearly Lease Payment A to Industrial Bank Financial Leasing during the Lease Period A. The total Lease Payments represent the Purchase Price A plus interest attributable to the Finance Lease Arrangement A, and the interest is to be determined based on the following applicable interest rate.</p> <p>The applicable interest rate is a floating interest rate equal to the over-5-year LPR applicable at the time minus 20 basis points. The applicable interest rate is 3.4% for the first Lease Payment. The applicable interest rate will be adjusted on each anniversary of the date of payment of the purchase price.</p> <p>The applicable interest rate was determined after arm's length negotiation between Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing with reference to the prevailing market cost of equipment finance lease. Assuming that the applicable interest rate is 3.4% throughout the Lease Period A, the total Lease Payments will be approximately RMB285.02 million.</p>

Security Documents:	As security for the due performance of all Jinhu Concord's obligations under the Finance Lease Agreement A, the Group and certain wholly-owned subsidiaries (namely Jinhu Concord and Concord New Energy Investment) shall, in favour of Industrial Bank Financial Leasing, execute the security documents (the " Security Documents A ") consisting of (i) the guarantee given by the Group; (ii) the pledge given by Concord New Energy Investment in respect of its equity in Jinhu Concord; and (iii) the pledge given by Jinhu Concord in respect of its electricity incomes arising from the operation of the Power Plant. The Security Documents A and the Finance Lease Agreement A have no material adverse effect on the operation and management of the Group's businesses.
Security Deposit:	Nil.
Handling Fee:	Nil.
Buyback Option:	Upon the expiry of the Lease Period A, Jinhu Concord has the option to buy back the Equipment at a consideration of RMB100.

FINANCE LEASE ARRANGEMENT B

FINANCE LEASE AGREEMENT B

Date:	30 April 2025
Parties:	Industrial Bank Financial Leasing as the lessor; and Jinhu Concord as the lessee.
Subject Assets:	The Auxiliary Facilities, which will be leased from Industrial Bank Financial Leasing by Jinhu Concord.

Purchase Price: The Purchase Price B payable by Industrial Bank Financial Leasing to Jinhu Concord for the acquisition of the Auxiliary Facilities shall be approximately RMB224.39 million, which was determined after arm's length negotiation between Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing with reference to the total subcontracting price for the construction of the Auxiliary Facilities plus the management costs of the Group attributable to the Auxiliary Facilities. The total sub-contract price for the construction of the Auxiliary Facilities was determined based on the Group's experience in hiring sub-contractors accumulated in past years and through reviewing the quotations submitted by potential subcontractors, who are all independent third parties. As at the date of this announcement, the construction of the Auxiliary Facilities has not been completed.

It is expected that the Purchase Price B will be paid around October 2025.

Lease Period: A period of 12 years commencing from the date of payment of the purchase price.

Lease Payments and Interest Rate: Jinhu Concord shall pay the half-yearly Lease Payment B to Industrial Bank Financial Leasing during the Lease Period B. The total Lease Payments represent the Purchase Price B plus interest attributable to the Finance Lease Arrangement B, and the interest is to be determined based on the following applicable interest rate.

The applicable interest rate is a floating interest rate equal to the over-5-year LPR applicable at the time minus 20 basis points. The applicable interest rate is 3.4% for the first Lease Payment. The applicable interest rate will be adjusted on each anniversary of the date of payment of the purchase price.

The applicable interest rate was determined after arm's length negotiation between Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing with reference to the prevailing market cost of auxiliary facilities finance lease. Assuming that the applicable interest rate is 3.4% throughout the Lease Period B, the total Lease Payments will be approximately RMB274.72 million.

Security Documents:	As security for the due performance of all Jinhu Concord's obligations under the Finance Lease Agreement B, the Group and certain wholly-owned subsidiaries (namely Jinhu Concord and Concord New Energy Investment) shall, in favour of Industrial Bank Financial Leasing, execute the security documents (the " Security Documents B ") consisting of (i) the guarantee given by the Group; (ii) the pledge given by Concord New Energy Investment in respect of its equity in Jinhu Concord; and (iii) the pledge given by Jinhu Concord in respect of its electricity incomes arising from the operation of the Power Plant. The Security Documents B and the Finance Lease Agreement B have no material adverse effect on the operation and management of the Group's businesses.
Security Deposit:	Nil.
Handling Fee:	Nil.
Buyback Option:	Upon the expiry of the Lease Period B, Jinhu Concord has the option to buy back the Equipment at a consideration of RMB100.

REASONS FOR AND BENEFIT OF THE FINANCE LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

The entering into of the Finance Lease Arrangements is in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group, which allows the Group to obtain financial resources as required for its operations. The Directors consider that the terms of the Finance Lease Arrangements are on normal commercial terms, fair and reasonable and are in the interests of the Shareholders as a whole.

The asset value of the Equipment as at 31 March 2025 was approximately RMB232.81 million, and the asset value of the Auxiliary Facilities was approximately RMB224.39 million. According to the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, the transactions contemplated under the Finance Lease Arrangements will not give rise to any disposal gain or loss to be recorded by the Group.

INTENDED USE OF PROCEEDS

The Company will generate a proceed of approximately RMB457.2 million under the Finance Lease Arrangements, which will be used for its general business operation and activities.

INFORMATION ON THE PARTIES TO THE FINANCE LEASE AGREEMENTS

The Company is an investment holding company. The Group is principally engaged in (i) investing in wind and photovoltaic power projects; and (ii) offering professional technical services and integrated solutions to the wind and photovoltaic power generation projects.

Jinhu Concord is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company and is engaged in the operation of photovoltaic power generation projects in the PRC.

Industrial Bank Financial Leasing is a company established in the PRC, and principally engaged in the business of finance leasing. Insofar as the Company is aware, as at the date of this announcement, Industrial Bank Financial Leasing is wholly-owned by Industrial Bank Co., Ltd. (興業銀行股份有限公司), a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange (Stock Code: 601166). To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief after having made all reasonable enquiries, Industrial Bank Financial Leasing and its ultimate beneficial owners are third parties independent of the Company and its connected persons.

LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

As the highest Applicable Percentage Ratio in respect of the Finance Lease Arrangements exceeds 5% but is less than 25%, the transactions constitute a discloseable transaction for the Company under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules and are thus subject to the notification and publication requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms and expressions have the following meanings:

“Applicable Percentage Ratio”, “connected person(s)” and “subsidiary(ies)”	have the meanings ascribed to them under the Listing Rules;
“Auxiliary Facilities”	certain auxiliary facilities used for the Power Plant (including other equipment, booster station and auxiliary facilities of the photovoltaic power plant);
“Company”	Concord New Energy Group Limited (協合新能源集團有限公司*) (Stock Code: 182), a company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability, the ordinary shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange;
“Concord New Energy Investment”	Century Concord New Energy Investment Co., Ltd.* (協合新能源投資有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company;
“Director(s)”	the director(s) of the Company;

“Entrusted Purchase Agreement”	the entrusted purchase agreement dated 30 April 2025 entered into between Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing for the purchase of the Equipment by Industrial Bank Financial Leasing;
“Equipment”	certain photovoltaic power equipment used for the Power Plant (including modules, box transformers, power cables and other photovoltaic power generation equipment);
“Finance Lease Agreement A”	the finance lease agreement dated 30 April 2025 entered into between Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing for the purchase of the Equipment by Industrial Bank Financial Leasing from Jinhu Concord and the leasing of the Equipment back to Jinhu Concord;
“Finance Lease Agreement B”	the finance lease agreement dated 30 April 2025 entered into between Jinhu Concord and Industrial Bank Financial Leasing for the purchase of the Auxiliary Facilities by Industrial Bank Financial Leasing from Jinhu Concord and the leasing of the Auxiliary Facilities back to Jinhu Concord;
“Finance Lease Arrangement A”	the transactions contemplated under the Entrusted Purchase Agreement and the Finance Lease Agreement A;
“Finance Lease Arrangement B”	the transaction contemplated under the Finance Lease Agreement B;
“Finance Lease Arrangements”	the Finance Lease Arrangement A and the Finance Lease Arrangement B;
“Group”	the Company and its subsidiaries;
“Hong Kong”	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC;
“Industrial Bank Financial Leasing”	Industrial Bank Financial Leasing Co., Ltd. (興業金融租賃有限責任公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability;
“Jinhu Concord”	Jinhu Century Concord Solar Power Co., Ltd.* (金湖協合光伏發電有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company;

“Lease Payment A”	the half-yearly lease payment(s) payable by Jinhu Concord to Industrial Bank Financial Leasing under the Finance Lease Agreement A during the Lease Period A for the leasing of the Equipment;
“Lease Payment B”	the half-yearly lease payment(s) payable by Jinhu Concord to Industrial Bank Financial Leasing under the Finance Lease Agreement B during the Lease Period B for the leasing of the Auxiliary Facilities;
“Lease Period A”	a period in which Jinhu Concord shall lease the Equipment from Industrial Bank Financial Leasing;
“Lease Period B”	a period in which Jinhu Concord shall lease the Auxiliary Facilities from Industrial Bank Financial Leasing;
“Listing Rules”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange;
“LPR”	the loan prime rate (貸款市場報價利率) announced by the National Interbank Funding Center (中國銀行間同業拆借中心) from time to time;
“Original Purchase Agreement”	the equipment purchase and sale agreement dated 21 February 2025 entered into between Tianjin Huaxing and Jinhu Concord;
“Power Plant”	the photovoltaic power plant constructed and operated by Jinhu Concord in Jiangsu Province, the PRC (中國江蘇省);
“PRC”	the People’s Republic of China, which, for the purposes of this announcement, excludes Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC and Taiwan;
“Purchase Price A”	the purchase price payable to Jinhu Concord by Industrial Bank Financial Leasing for the purchase of the Equipment;
“Purchase Price B”	the purchase price payable to Jinhu Concord by Industrial Bank Financial Leasing for the purchase of the Auxiliary Facilities;
“RMB”	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC;
“Shareholder(s)”	holder(s) of the shares of the Company;
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited;

“Tianjin Huaxing”

Tianjin Century Concord Huaxing Wind Power Equipment Co., Ltd.* (天津協合華興風電裝備有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company; and

“%”

per cent.

For and on behalf of
Concord New Energy Group Limited
Liu Shunxing
Chairman

Hong Kong, 30 April 2025

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Liu Shunxing (Chairman), Ms. Liu Jianhong (Vice Chairperson), Mr. Gui Kai (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Niu Wenhui, Mr. Zhai Feng, Ms. Shang Jia and Mr. Chan Kam Kwan, Jason (who are executive Directors), Mr. Wang Feng (who is a non-executive Director), and Ms. Huang Jian, Mr. Jesse Zhixi Fang, Mr. Zhang Zhong, Ms. Li Yongli and Mr. Chua Pin (who are independent non-executive Directors).

** For identification purposes only*