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四川能投發展股份有限公司

Sichuan Energy Investment Development Co., Ltd.*

(a joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 01713)

CONNECTED TRANSACTION PRELIMINARY DESIGN CONTRACT

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LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

As at the date of this announcement, Hydropower Group is one of the controlling Shareholders of the Company, Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hydropower Group, and certain other project implementation units (as defined below) are associates of Hydropower Group. Therefore, pursuant to Rule 14A.07 of the Listing Rules, Hydropower Group, Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy and certain other project implementation units are connected persons of the Company. Consequently, under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules, the transaction involving the contribution and payment of the contract price (inclusive of tax) of RMB2,897,433.00 (with an expected fluctuation in the final settlement of no more than 5%) by the Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group to Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy for the portion of the projects in which they participate under the Preliminary Design Contract constitutes a connected transaction of the Company.

As the highest applicable percentage ratio for the contract price to be borne by the Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group exceeds 0.1% but is less than 5%, and the consideration exceeds HK\$3 million, the Preliminary Design Contract and the transactions contemplated thereunder are subject to the reporting and announcement requirements but are exempt from the circular and independent shareholders' approval requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

INTRODUCTION

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PRELIMINARY DESIGN CONTRACT

The principal terms of the Preliminary Design Contract are set out below:

- Date:** 9 March 2026 (after trading hours)
- Parties:**
- (1) Hydropower Group (as principal);
 - (2) Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy (as contractor);
 - (3) Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group; and
 - (4) Other project implementation units.
- Project:** 2025 Rural Power Grid Consolidation and Improvement Project
- Project content:** The project involves the construction and renovation of 9 110kV substations, 12 main transformers with a total capacity of 572.5 MVA, and 210.22 km of 110kV lines. It also includes the construction and renovation of 17 35kV substations, 9 main transformers with a capacity of 75 MVA, and 141.52 km of 35kV lines. Furthermore, the project covers the construction and renovation of 2,380.38 km of 10kV lines, 3,167 distribution transformers, 6,236.9 km of low-voltage lines, and 59,247 customer meters. In addition, it involves the installation and upgrade of 680 integrated primary and secondary circuit breakers, 1,766 fault indicators, and 1,733 concentrators.

Scope of works: Survey and design (preliminary design phase), including but not limited to the following works: (1) completing the survey and design work for the preliminary design phase of the aforementioned Project (including the preparation of technical specifications for major equipment and materials, equipment and material lists, budgetary estimates, preliminary design drawings and specifications, etc.); (2) cooperating in the completion of the project preliminary design review; and (3) providing services such as cooperating in the preparation of construction drawings and the execution of work related to the preliminary design during the construction period.

Contract period: Total calendar days of the construction period: 60 days

Conditions precedent: The contract shall become effective subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions precedent: (1) the Contract being signed or sealed by the legal representatives or their authorized agents of the principal, project implementation units and contractor; (2) the principal having confirmed receipt of the approved performance guarantee submitted by the contractor; (3) the Rural Power Grid Investment Contract having been duly signed and becoming effective between the principal and the project implementation units (if any Project Implementation Unit has not entered into an effective Rural Power Grid Investment Contract, the projects undertaken by such Project Implementation Unit shall not be implemented, which shall not affect the implementation of projects of other Project Implementation Units under the Preliminary Design Contract)^{Note}; (4) the project self-raised capital (if any) of the project implementation units being in place; (5) if the project involves Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group, the Company having completed the necessary internal review and external approval procedures (as applicable) for this Contract and the transactions thereunder in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Listing Rules.

Note: As at the date of this announcement, the Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group have not yet executed the Rural Power Grid Investment Contract. Upon execution of the Rural Power Grid Investment Contract, the Company will fulfill its disclosure obligations in accordance with the relevant requirements of the Listing Rules (if applicable).

Total contract price and allocation arrangements:

The total contract price is RMB39,774,735.00 (tax inclusive), covering the preliminary design fee, taxes and other expenses (including travel, accommodation, communication, and document printing costs), but excluding the preliminary design review fee. This total price corresponds to the preliminary design service fees for all 110kV, 35kV and 10kV projects under the 2025 Rural Power Grid Consolidation and Improvement Project, covering 25 counties (cities, districts) within Sichuan Province.

Each project implementation unit shall share the costs according to the projects under its responsibility, with the respective apportioned amounts separately specified in the Preliminary Design Contract. Among these, the Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group only participate in certain projects in Xuzhou District, Gao County, Gong County, Junlian County, Pingshan County and Xingwen County, and the corresponding apportioned costs, representing the Proportionate Share of the Contract Price Payable by the Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group, amount to RMB2,897,433.00 (tax inclusive). Based on the Company's experience and expectations, any fluctuation in the final settlement amount is not expected to exceed 5% of such contract price.

Payment terms:

The contract price shall be paid as follows:

(i) Advance Payment

The advance payment shall be 15% of the contract price and shall be paid within 14 days after the corresponding project implementation units approve the application for advance payment.

(ii) Progress Payments

Upon the issuance of the review opinion by the corresponding project implementation units on the preliminary design documents, payment shall be made up to 50% of the contract price (including the advance payment).

Upon the issuance of the approval document (or review opinion) by the principal after evaluation, payment shall be made up to 85% of the contract price.

Upon successful completion of the project acceptance inspection, payment shall be made up to 97% of the contract price.

The remaining 3% shall be retained as a quality guarantee fund and shall be paid upon expiration of the defect liability period.

Performance guarantee:

The contractor shall provide performance guarantee in the amount equivalent to 10% of the total contract price to the principal by way of cash or a letter of guarantee. The period of the contractor's performance guarantee shall be six months after the contract construction period. The performance guarantee shall be returned to the contractor 3 months after the satisfactory completion and delivery of the preliminary design works.

Basis for Determination of the Contract Price under the Preliminary Design Contract

The contract price was the successful tender price offered by Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy in the public tender and was accepted by the bid evaluation committee (評標委員會) after thorough evaluation pursuant to the relevant rules and regulations of the PRC and the tender documents. When selecting the successful bidder, the bid evaluation committee had considered a basket of factors including, among others, (i) from the business aspects, the bidders' background, experience, credibility and the bidding price for the required services; and (ii) from the technical aspects, the timeliness of work, quality control and assurance, and the qualification(s) possessed by the professional team of the bidder to be engaged.

Reasons and Benefits of Entering into the Preliminary Design Contract

According to the Approval of the Sichuan Province Development and Reform Commission on Central Budgetary Investment Project of the 2025 Rural Power Grid Consolidation and Improvement Project Feasibility Study Report (Chuan Fa Gai Neng Yuan [2024] No. 485) (四川省發展和改革委員會關於2025年農網鞏固提升工程中央預算內投資項目可行性研究報告的批覆(川發改能源[2024] 485 號)), Hydropower Group shall be responsible for the unified organization and implementation of the 2025 Rural Power Grid Consolidation and Improvement Project. As such, Hydropower Group conducted public tender in compliance with the requirements of the Bidding Law of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國招投標法》) and other relevant laws and regulations and finally determined the winning bidder of the Preliminary Design Contract. The implementation of the 2025 Rural Power Grid Consolidation and Improvement Project will further improve the power grid structure within the supply area of the Group, enhance the quality of rural power grid electricity supply within the supply area and better serve the rural areas and boost the economy.

In light of the above, the Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors) are of the view that (i) the Preliminary Design Contract was entered into in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group; (ii) the transactions contemplated under the Preliminary Design Contract are on normal commercial terms or better; and (iii) the terms and conditions contained under the Preliminary Design Contract are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Group and the Shareholders as a whole.

As Mr. He Jing, Mr. Wang Yuanchun and Ms. Xie Peixi are the Directors nominated by Hydropower Group, they have voluntarily abstained from voting on the Board resolutions to approve the entering into of the Preliminary Design Contract. Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors had material interest in the Preliminary Design Contract and hence no other Director was required to abstain from voting on the relevant resolution approving the same.

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INFORMATION OF THE PARTIES INVOLVED

The Company

The Company is a vertically integrated power supplier and service provider in Yibin City, Sichuan Province, with a full power supply value chain covering power generation and electricity distribution and sales.

Xuzhou Electricity

Xuzhou Electricity is a limited liability company established in the PRC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company engaged in the development, generation and sale of power.

Gao County Electricity

Gao County Electricity is a limited liability company established in the PRC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company engaged in the generation and supply of power and the trading of electrical equipment.

Gong County Electricity

Gong County Electricity is a limited liability company established in the PRC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company engaged in the generation and supply of power.

Junlian Electricity

Junlian Electricity is a limited liability company established in the PRC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company engaged in power supply service and the trading of power supply equipment.

Pingshan Electricity

Pingshan Electricity is a limited liability company established in the PRC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company engaged in power generation and supply in Pingshan County, Yibin City, Sichuan Province.

Xingwen Electricity

Xingwen Electricity is a limited liability company established in the PRC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company engaged in the supply of power and the manufacture and sale of electrical equipment.

Hydropower Group

Hydropower Group is owned as to approximately 77.74% by Sichuan Energy Development Group, and owned as to 9.16% by China Construction Bank Corporation* (中國建設銀行股份有限公司) (a bank with state-owned background in the PRC dually listed on the Stock Exchange (stock code: 00939) and the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 601939)), approximately 6.55% by Agricultural Bank of China Limited* (中國農業銀行股份有限公司) (a bank with state-owned background in the PRC dually listed on the Stock Exchange (stock code: 01288) and the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 601288)), and approximately 6.55% by Bank of China Limited*

(中國銀行股份有限公司) (a bank with state-owned background in the PRC dually listed on the Stock Exchange (stock code: 03988) and the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 601988)).

As at the date of the announcement, Sichuan Energy Development Group was owned as to 50.054% by State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the Sichuan Provincial Government* (四川省政府國有資產監督管理委員會), 45.333% by Sichuan Development Co. and 4.613% by Sichuan Provincial Department of Finance* (四川省財政廳). Sichuan Development Co. was in turn owned as to 90% by the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the Sichuan Provincial Government* (四川省政府國有資產監督管理委員會) and as to 10% by the Sichuan Provincial Department of Finance* (四川省財政廳), respectively.

Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy

Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy is a limited liability company established in the PRC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hydropower Group. Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy is principally engaged in power transmission and supply, installation, maintenance and testing of power receiving facilities, engineering survey, design and construction and engineering project costs consultation services.

Other Implementation Units

Other Implementation Units comprise Sichuan Energy Investment Changning Electric Power Co., Ltd.* (四川能投長寧電力有限公司), Dazhou Electricity Group Co., Ltd.* (達州電力集團有限公司), Sichuan Hydropower Group Dazhu Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電集團大竹電力有限公司), Sichuan Hydropower Investment and Management Group Kaijiang Mingyue Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電投資經營集團開江明月電力有限公司), Sichuan Hydropower Investment and Management Group Qu County Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電投資經營集團渠縣電力有限責任公司), Sichuan Hydropower Investment and Management Group Wanyuan City Longyuan Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電投資經營集團萬源市龍源電力有限責任公司), Sichuan Hydropower Investment and Management Group Puge Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電投資經營集團普格電力有限公司), Sichuan Hydropower Investment and Management Group Meigu Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電投資經營集團美姑電力有限公司), Sichuan Hydropower Group Jinyang Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電集團金陽電力有限公司), Sichuan Zhaojue Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川昭覺電力有限責任公司), Sichuan Hydropower Investment and Management Group Dege Gesaer Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電投資經營集團德格格薩爾電力有限公司), Sichuan Guangan AAA Public Co., Ltd.* (四川廣安愛眾股份有限公司), Sichuan Yuechi Aizhong Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省岳池愛眾電力有限公司), Sichuan Hydropower Investment and Management Group Yongan Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電投資經營集團永安電力股份有限公司), Sichuan Energy Investment Hejiang Electric Power Co., Ltd.* (四川能投合江電力有限公司), Sichuan Hydropower Investment and Management Group Zizhong Longyuan Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電投資經營集團資中龍源電力有限公司), and Sichuan Pingwu

Electricity (Group) Co., Ltd.* (四川省平武電力(集團)有限公司), all of which are established in the PRC and are principally engaged in power generation and supply and are controlled or invested by Hydropower Group.

DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings when used herein:

“Preliminary Design Contract”	the preliminary design contract entered into by the Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group (all of which are subsidiaries of the Company) and other project implementation units with Hydropower Group (as principal) and Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy (as contractor), pursuant to which Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy agreed to undertake the survey and design work for the preliminary design phase of the 2025 Rural Power Grid Consolidation and Improvement Project
“Board”	the board of Directors
“Chairman”	Chairman of the Board
“Company”	Sichuan Energy Investment Development Co., Ltd.* (四川能投發展股份有限公司) (stock code: 01713), a company established in the PRC as a joint stock company with limited liability on 29 September 2011
“Gao County Electricity”	Sichuan Energy Investment Gao County Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川能投高縣電力有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“Gong County Electricity”	Sichuan Energy Investment Gong County Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川能投珙縣電力有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“Junlian Electricity”	Sichuan Energy Investment Junlian Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川能投筠連電力有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“Pingshan Electricity”	Sichuan Energy Investment Pingshan Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川能投屏山電力有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company

“Xuzhou Electricity”	Sichuan Energy Investment Yibin City Xuzhou Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川能投宜賓市敘州電力有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“Xingwen Electricity”	Sichuan Energy Investment Xingwen Electricity Co., Ltd.* (四川能投興文電力有限公司), a company established in the PRC with limited liability and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“Hydropower Group”	Sichuan Province Hydropower Investment and Management Group Co., Ltd.* (四川省水電投資經營集團有限公司), a limited liability company established in the PRC and one of the controlling shareholders of the Company
“Listing Rules”	Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange as amended from time to time
“PRC”	the People’s Republic of China, for the purposes of this announcement, excludes Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC and Taiwan
“RMB”	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
“Share(s)”	the Domestic Share(s) and the H Share(s)
“Shareholder(s)”	holder(s) of the Shares
“Sichuan Development Co.”	Sichuan Development (Holding) Co., Ltd.* (四川發展(控股)有限責任公司), a wholly state-owned enterprise with limited liability established under the laws of the PRC and one of the controlling shareholders
“Sichuan Energy Development Group”	Sichuan Energy Development Group Co., Ltd.* (四川能源發展集團有限責任公司), a limited liability company established in the PRC and one of the controlling shareholders of the Company
“Project Implementation Unit”	refers to county- or municipal-level power enterprises authorised by the principal to exercise the latter’s rights within their respective county- or municipal-level administrative regions, fully performing the duties of the construction unit and are responsible for the entire process management of rural grid construction projects, encompassing project quality, safety, progress, investment, contract and information management, as well as internal audit of settlements and payment of project funds

- “Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group” Gao County Electricity, Gong County Electricity, Junlian Electricity, Pingshan Electricity, Xuzhou Electricity and Xingwen Electricity
- “Proportionate Share of the Contract Price Payable” refers to the contract price (inclusive of tax) payable by the Project Implementation Units Affiliated with the Group to Sichuan Energy Investment Integrated Energy under the Preliminary Design Contract for the relevant projects under their responsibility in Xuzhou District, Gao County, Gong County, Junlian County, Pingshan County and Xingwen County, amounting to RMB2,897,433.00. Based on the Company’s past experience and estimates, the fluctuation in the final settlement amount of such payment is expected not to exceed 5% of this amount

By order of the Board
Sichuan Energy Investment Development Co., Ltd.*
He Jing
Chairman

Chengdu, Sichuan Province, the PRC
9 March 2026

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors are Mr. He Jing, Mr. Wang Yuanchun and Ms. Xie Peixi; the non-executive directors are Mr. Yao Gengsheng, Ms. Xie Beidi, Mr. Gao Bin, Mr. Xia Long and Mr. Chen Yan; and the independent non-executive directors are Mr. Siu Chi Hung, Mr. Chen Chuan, Mr. Mou Yingshi, Prof. Li Jian and Ms. He Yin.

* *For identification purposes only*