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**港華燃氣有限公司**  
**Towngas China Company Limited**

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 1083)**

**PROPOSALS INVOLVING GENERAL MANDATES  
TO ISSUE AND BUY BACK SHARES,  
DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND, SCRIP DIVIDEND SCHEME AND  
CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS,  
RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS  
AND  
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

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The notice convening an annual general meeting of the Company to be held at Meeting Rooms S426-S427 (Harbour Road Entrance), Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 21 May 2019 at 11:00 a.m. is set out on pages 20 to 25 of this circular. Whether or not you are able to attend the meeting in person, please complete and return the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon to the office of the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event no later than 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, 19 May 2019, or not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of any adjourned meeting (as the case may be). Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting at the meeting (or any adjournment thereof) should you so wish.

15 April 2019

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## DEFINITIONS

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*In this circular, the following expressions have the following meanings unless the context requires otherwise:*

“AGM”	the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at Meeting Rooms S426-S427 (Harbour Road Entrance), Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Wanchai, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 21 May 2019 at 11:00 a.m. and any adjournment thereof, notice of which is set out on pages 20 to 25 of this circular
“AGM Notice”	the notice for convening the AGM set out on pages 20 to 25 of this circular
“Annual Report”	the annual report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2018
“Articles”	the articles of association of the Company
“Board”	the board of Directors
“Companies Law”	the Companies Law (2018 Revision) of the Cayman Islands
“Company”	Towngas China Company Limited (Stock Code: 1083), a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability, the Shares of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange
“Director(s)”	the director(s) of the Company
“Dividend”	the final dividend proposed to be paid out of the share premium account of the Company of HK fifteen cents per Share in respect of the year ended 31 December 2018
“Group”	the Company and its subsidiaries
“HKCG”	The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited, a controlling shareholder of the Company

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“Hong Kong”	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China
“Latest Practicable Date”	8 April 2019, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular for ascertaining certain information contained herein
“Listing Rules”	Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
“Ordinary Resolution(s)”	the proposed ordinary resolution(s) as referred to in the AGM Notice
“Buy-back Mandate”	a general mandate to the Directors to exercise the power of the Company to buy back Shares during the period as set out in Ordinary Resolution No. 5 in the AGM Notice up to a maximum of 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of such resolution
“Scrip Dividend Scheme”	the scrip dividend scheme proposed by the Board and announced in the results announcement of the Company on 19 March 2019 which offers Shareholders a scrip alternative whereby Shareholders may elect to receive the Dividend wholly or partly by the allotment of new Share(s) credited as fully paid to be issued under the Scrip Dividend Scheme in lieu of cash
“SFO”	the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
“Share(s)”	share(s) of HK\$0.10 each in the share capital of the Company
“Share Buy-back Rules”	the relevant rules set out in the Listing Rules to regulate the buy-backs by companies with primary listing on the Stock Exchange of their own securities

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“Shareholder(s)”	holder(s) of Shares
“Share Issue Mandate”	a general mandate to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with the Shares during the period as set out in Ordinary Resolution No. 6 in the AGM Notice up to a maximum of 20% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of such resolution
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“Takeovers Code”	The Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buy-backs
“HK\$”	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
“%”	per cent.

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LETTER FROM THE BOARD

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**港華燃氣有限公司**  
**Towngas China Company Limited**

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

(Stock Code: 1083)

*Executive Directors:*

Mr. Alfred Chan Wing-kin (*Chairman*)  
Mr. Peter Wong Wai-ye (Chief Executive Officer)  
Mr. John Ho Hon-ming (*Company Secretary*)  
Mr. Martin Kee Wai-ngai (*Chief Operating Officer*)

*Independent Non-Executive Directors:*

Dr. Moses Cheng Mo-chi  
Mr. Brian David Li Man-bun  
Mr. James Kwan Yuk-choi

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Hong Kong

15 April 2019

*To the Shareholders*

Dear Sir or Madam,

**PROPOSALS INVOLVING GENERAL MANDATES  
TO ISSUE AND BUY BACK SHARES,  
DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND, SCRIP DIVIDEND SCHEME AND  
CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS,  
RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS  
AND  
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 1 June 2018, resolutions were passed by the Shareholders, amongst other things, to give general unconditional mandates to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to:

- (i) allot, issue and otherwise deal with Shares not exceeding 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of such resolution;

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- (ii) buy back Shares up to a maximum of 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing of such resolution; and
- (iii) extend the general mandate for issuing Shares as mentioned in paragraph (i) above by an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company bought back by the Company under the general mandate granted to the Directors to buy back Shares as mentioned in paragraph (ii) above.

The above general mandates will lapse at the conclusion of the AGM. It is therefore proposed to seek your approval at the AGM to grant fresh general mandates to the Directors to exercise the above powers.

The Board announced in the results announcement of the Company dated 19 March 2019 that it was the intention of the Board to recommend the payment of the dividend out of the share premium account of the Company of HK fifteen cents per Share in respect of the year ended 31 December 2018. It is therefore proposed to seek your approval at the AGM for the payment of the Dividend.

The purpose of this circular is to, inter alia, provide you with information regarding the proposals for the grant of the Buy-back Mandate and the Share Issue Mandate, the declaration of the Dividend, the Scrip Dividend Scheme and closure of the register of members of the Company, the re-election of retiring Directors, and to seek your approval in connection with such matters at the AGM.

### **2. GENERAL MANDATE TO BUY BACK SHARES**

An ordinary resolution will be proposed at the AGM to grant to the Directors the Buy-back Mandate, details of which are set out in Ordinary Resolution No. 5 in the AGM Notice. The Shares which may be bought back by the Company pursuant to the Buy-back Mandate shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of the Ordinary Resolution approving the Buy-back Mandate (subject to adjustment in the total number of issued shares of the Company in the case of consolidation, division or sub-division of all or any of the share capital of the Company).

An explanatory statement as required under the Share Buy-back Rules to be sent to the Shareholders, giving certain information regarding the Buy-back Mandate to enable the Shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against Ordinary Resolution No. 5, is set out in Appendix I hereto.

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### 3. GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES

Two ordinary resolutions, namely Ordinary Resolutions Nos. 6 and 7 in the AGM Notice, will be proposed at the AGM (i) to grant to the Directors a general mandate to allot, issue and deal with new Shares not exceeding 20% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of Ordinary Resolution No. 6 in the AGM Notice (subject to adjustment in the total number of issued shares of the Company in the case of consolidation, division or sub-division of all or any of the share capital of the Company) and (ii) to extend such general mandate so granted to the Directors by adding thereto any Shares bought back by the Company pursuant to the Buy-back Mandate up to 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of Ordinary Resolution No. 7 in the AGM Notice (subject to adjustment in the total number of issued shares of the Company in the case of consolidation, division or sub-division of all or any of the share capital of the Company).

Details of the Share Issue Mandate and the extension of the Share Issue Mandate are respectively set out in Ordinary Resolutions Nos. 6 and 7 in the AGM Notice.

### 4. DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND, SCRIP DIVIDEND SCHEME AND CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

As mentioned in the results announcement of the Company dated 19 March 2019, it was the intention of the Board to recommend the payment of the Dividend out of the share premium account of the Company of HK fifteen cents per Share in respect of the year ended 31 December 2018 to Shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company as at the close of business on 29 May 2019, totaling not less than HK\$421,504,000, subject to the approval of the Shareholders at the AGM and compliance with the Companies Law.

The Dividend will be payable in cash, with an option granted to Shareholders to receive new and fully paid Shares in lieu of cash in whole or in part under the Scrip Dividend Scheme. The new Shares will, on issue, rank pari passu in all respects with Shares in issue on the date of the allotment and issue of the new Shares except that they shall not be entitled to the Dividend. The circular containing details of the Scrip Dividend Scheme and the relevant election form is expected to be sent to Shareholders on or about 5 June 2019.

The Scrip Dividend Scheme is conditional upon the passing of the resolution relating to the payment of the Dividend at the AGM and the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange granting the listing of, and permission to deal in, the new Shares to be issued under the Scrip Dividend Scheme.

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It is expected that the cheques for cash dividends and the share certificates to be issued under the Scrip Dividend Scheme will be sent by ordinary mail to Shareholders at their own risk on or about 4 July 2019.

Under Section 34(2) of the Companies Law, the share premium account may be applied by the company paying dividends to shareholders provided that no dividend may be paid to members out of the share premium account unless, immediately following the date on which the dividend is proposed to be paid, the company shall be able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business. The Board confirms that with respect to the Dividend, the Company meets the solvency test as laid down under the Companies Law and shall be able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business immediately following the date on which the Dividend is proposed to be paid.

The register of members will be closed for the following periods:

- (1) from 16 May 2019 to 21 May 2019, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares will be registered for the purpose of ascertaining the Shareholders entitled to attend and vote at the AGM; and
- (2) from 27 May 2019 to 29 May 2019, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares will be registered for the purpose of ascertaining the Shareholders entitled to the Dividend to be approved at the AGM.

All completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the branch share registrar of the Company in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on 15 May 2019 and 24 May 2019 respectively.

### **5. RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The Board currently consists of seven Directors, namely Mr. Alfred Chan Wing-kin (Chairman), Mr. Peter Wong Wai-ye (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. John Ho Hon-ming (Company Secretary) and Mr. Martin Kee Wai-ngai (Chief Operating Officer), being the executive Directors, and Dr. Moses Cheng Mo-chi, Mr. Brian David Li Man-bun and Mr. James Kwan Yuk-choi, being the independent non-executive Directors.

Pursuant to Article 112 of the Articles, at each annual general meeting, one-third of the Directors for the time being who have been longest in office since their last election shall retire from office by rotation such that each Director will be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years at the annual general meeting.

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In accordance with Article 112 of the Articles, Mr. Peter Wong Wai-ye, Mr. John Ho Hon-ming and Mr. Brian David Li Man-bun shall retire from office by rotation at the AGM and all of them, being eligible, would offer themselves for re-election at the AGM.

Mr. Brian David Li Man-bun was appointed to the Board on 23 May 2007 and has served on the Board for more than 9 years. Mr. Li has given a confirmation in writing of his independence to the Company pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. The Board, through the assessment and recommendation by the Nomination Committee, has considered him to be independent. The Board is of the view that, as Mr. Li is not involved in the daily management of the Group nor in any relationships or circumstances which would interfere with the exercise of his independent judgment as an independent non-executive Director, he has demonstrated his ability to provide independent view to the Company's affairs and is able to continue to fulfill his role as required.

Mr. Li is an accounting professional and has wide experience in banking, corporate finance and management. After having considered a balance of factors such as skills, experience and diversity of perspectives appropriate to the requirements of the Company's business, as set out in the diversity policy of the Company, the Nomination Committee and the Board recommends Mr. Li for re-election at the AGM.

Brief biographical details of the above-mentioned Directors who are proposed to be re-elected at the AGM are set out in Appendix II to this circular.

### **6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The AGM Notice, which contains, inter alia, the Ordinary Resolutions for the Buy-back Mandate, the Share Issue Mandate, the extension of the Share Issue Mandate, the declaration of the Dividend, the Scrip Dividend Scheme, closure of the register of members and the re-election of retiring Directors, is set out on pages 20 to 25 of this circular.

### **7. ACTION TO BE TAKEN**

A form of proxy for use at the AGM is enclosed with this circular. Whether or not you are able to attend the AGM in person, please complete and return the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon to the office of the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event no later than 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, 19 May 2019, or not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of any adjourned meeting (as the case may be). Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the AGM or any adjourned meeting (as the case may be).

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### 8. RECOMMENDATION

The Directors are of the opinion that the proposals referred to in this circular are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders and therefore recommend you to vote in favour of all the relevant resolutions to be proposed at the AGM.

### 9. DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

This circular, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this circular is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this circular misleading.

Yours faithfully,  
By Order of the Board  
**Towngas China Company Limited**  
**John Ho Hon-ming**  
*Executive Director and Company Secretary*

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## **APPENDIX I      EXPLANATORY STATEMENT ON THE BUY-BACK MANDATE**

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### **1.      LISTING RULES**

The Listing Rules permit companies with a primary listing on the Stock Exchange to buy back their own shares on the Stock Exchange subject to certain restrictions. This appendix serves as an explanatory statement as required by the Share Buy-back Rules to be sent to the Shareholders in connection with the proposed Buy-back Mandate.

### **2.      REASONS FOR BUY-BACK**

The Directors believe that the Buy-back Mandate is in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole. Such buy-back may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net asset value and/or earnings per Share of the Company and will only be made when the Directors believe that such a buy-back will benefit the Company and its Shareholders.

### **3.      TOTAL NUMBER OF ISSUED SHARES**

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the total number of issued shares of the Company comprised 2,810,027,892 Shares.

Subject to the passing of Ordinary Resolution No. 5 in the AGM Notice and on the basis that no further Shares will be issued or bought back by the Company prior to the AGM, the Company would be allowed under the Buy-back Mandate to buy back a maximum of 281,002,789 Shares (representing 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the Latest Practicable Date) (subject to adjustment in the total number of issued shares of the Company in the case of consolidation, division or sub-division of all or any of the share capital of the Company) during the period from the date of passing of Ordinary Resolution No. 5 set out in the AGM Notice up to (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Articles or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands to be held; or (iii) the revocation, variation or renewal of the Buy-back Mandate by ordinary resolution of the Shareholders in general meeting, whichever is the earliest.

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### 4. FUNDING OF BUY-BACK

In repurchasing Shares, the Company may only apply funds legally available for such purpose in accordance with its memorandum of association, the Articles and the applicable laws and regulations of the Cayman Islands. The Company may not purchase securities on the Stock Exchange for a consideration other than cash or for settlement otherwise than in accordance with the trading rules of the Stock Exchange from time to time.

### 5. GENERAL

There might be a material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company (as compared with the position disclosed in the audited consolidated financial statements contained in the Annual Report) in the event that the Buy-back Mandate is exercised in full. However, the Directors do not propose to exercise the Buy-back Mandate to such an extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or on its gearing levels which in the opinion of the Directors are from time to time appropriate for the Company.

### 6. SHARE PRICES

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares were traded on the Stock Exchange during each of the previous twelve months and up to the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

	Share Price	
	Highest <i>HK\$</i>	Lowest <i>HK\$</i>
May 2018	8.18	6.92
June 2018	7.76	7.00
July 2018	8.05	7.39
August 2018	8.00	6.70
September 2018	7.39	6.79
October 2018	6.88	5.25
November 2018	6.10	5.44
December 2018	6.26	5.50
January 2019	6.30	5.53
February 2019	6.60	6.12
March 2019	6.58	5.97
April 2019 (up to the Latest Practicable Date)	6.35	6.17

**7.      UNDERTAKING**

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange that, so far as the same may be applicable, they will exercise the powers of the Company to make buy-back pursuant to the Buy-back Mandate and in accordance with the Listing Rules, the memorandum of association of the Company, the Articles and the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands.

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge, having made all reasonable enquiries, any of their close associates (as defined in the Listing Rules), has any present intention to sell any Shares to the Company under the Buy-back Mandate if such is approved by the Shareholders and exercised by the Board.

No core connected person (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company has notified the Company that it has a present intention to sell Shares to the Company, nor has undertaken not to do so, in the event that the Buy-back Mandate is approved by the Shareholders and exercised by the Board.

**8.      TAKEOVERS CODE**

If as a result of a buy-back of Shares, a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purpose of Rule 32 of the Takeovers Code. As a result, a Shareholder, or a group of Shareholders acting in concert (within the meaning under the Takeovers Code), depending on the level of increase in the relevant Shareholder's interests, could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and become(s) obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

Saved as disclosed above, the Directors are not aware of any other consequences which will arise under the Takeovers Code as a result of the exercise of the Buy-back Mandate. The Directors do not intend to exercise the Buy-back Mandate to an extent which would, in the circumstances, trigger any potential consequences under the Takeovers Code.

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As at the Latest Practicable Date, so far as is known to the Directors, (a) the number of Shares held by HKCG, through its various wholly-owned subsidiaries, was 1,895,264,270 Shares representing approximately 67.45% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the Latest Practicable Date and (b) the number of Shares held by Commonwealth Bank of Australia, through its various indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries, was 193,747,684 Shares representing approximately 6.89% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the Latest Practicable Date. In the event that the Directors exercise in full the power to buy back Shares under the Buy-back Mandate, (a) the percentage shareholding of HKCG, through its various wholly-owned subsidiaries, in the Company shall increase from approximately 67.45% to approximately 74.94% and (b) the aggregate percentage shareholding of Commonwealth Bank of Australia, through its various indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries, in the Company shall increase from approximately 6.89% to approximately 7.66%. The Directors consider that such an increase would not give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

**9.    SHARE BUY-BACK BY THE COMPANY**

No buy-back of Shares have been made by the Company in the six months preceding the Latest Practicable Date, whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise.

**(1) MR. PETER WONG WAI-YEE**

Mr. Peter Wong Wai-ye, *C.P.A.(CANADA), C.M.A., C.P.A.(H.K.), A.C.I.S., A.C.S., F.I.G.E.M., F.H.K.I.o.D., M.B.A.*, aged 67, has been an Executive Director and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company since March 2007. Mr. Wong is also an Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer of the Utilities Business of HKCG (a listed public company and the controlling shareholder of the Company). Mr. Wong also holds directorships in various subsidiaries of HKCG. He is the Vice Chairman of Foshan Gas Group Co., Ltd. and a director of Shenzhen Gas Corporation Ltd., both of which are listed public companies. He is a Member of the Mainland Business Advisory Committee of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council. Mr. Wong was named consecutively as one of “The Best CEO of Chinese Listed Companies” by Forbes in 2012 and 2013. He is a chartered professional accountant of Canada, a certified public accountant of Hong Kong and a chartered company secretary both in Hong Kong and the United Kingdom. Mr. Wong is a Fellow of the Institution of Gas Engineers & Managers of the United Kingdom. He completed the Advanced Management Program from Harvard Business School in the United States. Mr. Wong was formerly a director of the Certified Management Accountants Society of British Columbia, Canada and the president of its Hong Kong branch. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the Department of Accounting of Hong Kong Shue Yan University and a member of the Advisory Committee of the College of Professional and Continuing Education, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. Mr. Wong has over 42 years of experience in corporate finance, management and international working experience. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Wong did not hold any directorship in any other public companies, the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the previous 3 years or hold any other major appointments or professional qualifications.

Pursuant to an appointment letter dated 1 April 2012 between the Company and Mr. Wong, Mr. Wong has no fixed or proposed term of director's service with the Company but his term of office is subject to the Listing Rules and the provisions of the Company's memorandum of association and articles of association in force from time to time, including but not limited to, the requirements for retirement, rotation and vacation of office of directors as set forth in the Company's articles of association. Mr. Wong's current director's fee is HK\$200,000 per annum. In addition, Mr. Wong has also received other emoluments of approximately HK\$6,006,000 for the year ended 31 December 2018. His remuneration is subject to determination by the Board from time to time with reference to his duties and responsibilities and the Company's performance and profitability.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Wong had personal interest in 3,075,000 Shares, representing approximately 0.11% of the total number of the then issued Shares.

Save as disclosed herein, as at the Latest Practicable Date, (a) Mr. Wong did not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company; and (b) as far as the Directors are aware, there were no other matters concerning Mr. Wong that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company nor any information to be disclosed pursuant to the requirements of Rule 13.51(2)(h) to Rule 13.51(2)(w) of the Listing Rules.

**(2) MR. JOHN HO HON-MING**

Mr. John Ho Hon-ming, *F.C.A., F.C.P.A., F.H.K.I.o.D., B.A.(Hons.)*, aged 62, has been an Executive Director and the Company Secretary of the Company since March 2007. Mr. Ho is the chief financial officer and the company secretary of HKCG (a listed public company and the controlling shareholder of the Company) and holds directorships in various subsidiaries of HKCG. He is a director of Changchun Gas Co., Ltd., Shenzhen Gas Corporation Ltd. and Foshan Gas Group Co., Ltd., all of which are listed public companies. Mr. Ho is a General Committee member of the Chamber of Hong Kong Listed Companies and a member of the Taxation Committee of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Directors. Mr. Ho graduated from the University of Manchester in the United Kingdom with an honorable Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and Social Studies (Accounting and Finance). He completed the Advanced Management Program from Harvard Business School in the United States, the Senior Executive Program offered by Harvard Business School, Tsinghua University School of Economics and Management and China Europe International Business School, and the Chief Executive Program from Singapore Institute of Management. Mr. Ho has over 40 years of experience in accounting, corporate finance and investments. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Ho did not hold any directorship in any other public companies, the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the previous 3 years or hold any other major appointments or professional qualifications.

Pursuant to an appointment letter dated 1 April 2012 between the Company with Mr. Ho, Mr. Ho has no fixed or proposed term of director's service with the Company but his term of office is subject to the Listing Rules and the provisions of the Company's memorandum of association and Articles in force from time to time, including but not limited to, the requirements for retirement, rotation and vacation of office of directors as set forth in the Articles. Mr. Ho's director's fee is HK\$200,000 per annum. In addition, Mr. Ho has also received other emoluments of approximately HK\$3,907,000 for the year ended 31 December 2018. His remuneration is subject to determination by the Board from time to time with reference to his duties and responsibilities and the Company's performance and profitability.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Ho had personal interest in 1,061,168 Shares, representing approximately 0.04% of the total number of the then issued Shares. Mr. Ho also had personal interest in 45,939 shares in HKCG (a listed public company in Hong Kong and the controlling shareholder of the Company) (being an associated corporation of the Company) as at the Latest Practicable Date, representing approximately 0.0003% of the then total number of issued shares of HKCG.

Save as disclosed herein, as at the Latest Practicable Date, (a) Mr. Ho did not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company; and (b) so far as the Directors are aware, there were no other matters concerning Mr. Ho that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company nor any information to be disclosed pursuant to the requirements of Rule 13.51(2)(h) to Rule 13.51(2)(w) of the Listing Rules.

**(3) MR. BRIAN DAVID LI MAN-BUN**

Mr. Brian David Li Man-bun, *JP, FCA, MBA, MA (Cantab)*, aged 44, has been an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company since May 2007 and is the Chairman of the Board Audit and Risk Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee of the Company. Mr. Li is an Executive Director & Deputy Chief Executive of The Bank of East Asia, Limited (“**BEA**”) (a listed company on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange). He was General Manager & Head of Wealth Management Division of BEA from July 2004 to March 2009. He was appointed Deputy Chief Executive of BEA in April 2009 in which capacity he is primarily responsible for BEA’s China and international businesses. He is also an independent non-executive director of Hopewell Highway Infrastructure Limited and China Overseas Land & Investment Limited, both of which are listed companies on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. Mr. Li holds a number of public and honorary positions, including being a member of the National Committee of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference, a Member of the Chief Executive’s Council of Advisers on Innovation & Strategic Development of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, a Council Member of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council, a Director of the Financial Services Development Council, Chairman of the Traffic Accident Victims Assistance Advisory Committee, a member of the Aviation Development and Three-runway System Advisory Committee, a member of the Hong Kong-Europe Business Council and a member of the Hongkong–Japan Business Co-operation Committee. He is also a Vice Chairman of the Asian Financial Cooperation Association and a member of the Financial Consulting Committee for Authority of Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone of Shenzhen. Mr. Li is a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. He is also a Full Member of the Treasury Markets Association. Mr. Li holds an MBA degree from Stanford University as well as a BA degree from the University of Cambridge. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Li did not hold any directorship in any other public companies, the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the previous 3 years or hold any other major appointments or professional qualifications.

Pursuant to an appointment letter dated 17 March 2016 between the Company and Mr. Li, Mr. Li was appointed for a term of 3 years commencing from 23 May 2016 to 22 May 2019. His term of office is also subject to the Listing Rules and the provisions of the Company's memorandum of association and articles of association in force from time to time, including but not limited to, the requirements for retirement, rotation and vacation of office of directors as set forth in the Company's articles of association. Mr. Li's director's fee is HK\$500,000 per annum, subject to determination by the Board from time to time with reference to his duties and responsibilities and the Company's performance and profitability.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Li did not have any interests in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed herein, as at the Latest Practicable Date, (a) Mr. Li did not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company; and (b) as far as the Directors are aware, there were no other matters concerning Mr. Li that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company nor any information to be disclosed pursuant to the requirements of Rule 13.51(2)(h) to Rule 13.51(2)(w) of the Listing Rules.

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# 港華燃氣有限公司 Towngas China Company Limited

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

(Stock Code: 1083)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the annual general meeting (the “**Annual General Meeting**”) of TOWNGAS CHINA COMPANY LIMITED (the “**Company**”) will be held at Meeting Rooms S426-S427 (Harbour Road Entrance), Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Wanchai, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 21 May 2019, at 11:00 a.m., for the following purposes:

1. To receive and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements and the reports of the directors of the Company (the “**Directors**”) and the auditor of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2018;
2. To re-elect the retiring Directors, each as a separate resolution;
3. To authorise the board of Directors (the “**Board**”) to fix the remuneration of the Directors;
4. To re-appoint the auditor of the Company and to authorise the Board to fix the remuneration of the auditor of the Company;
5. To consider and, if thought fit, pass (with or without modifications) the following resolution as an ordinary resolution of the Company:

“**THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) of this resolution, the exercise by the directors of the Company (the “**Directors**”) during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all powers of the Company to buy back the issued shares in the share capital of the Company (the “**Shares**”) on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”) or any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and recognised by The Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong (the “**Securities and Futures Commission**”) and the Stock Exchange for such purpose, subject to and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Futures Commission, the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time and all applicable laws in this regard, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

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- (b) the aggregate number of Shares which the Directors are authorised to buy back pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing of this resolution (subject to adjustment in the total number of issued Shares in the case of consolidation, division or sub-division of all or any of the share capital of the Company during the Relevant Period) and the authority pursuant to paragraph (a) of this resolution shall be limited accordingly; and
  - (c) for the purpose of this resolution, “**Relevant Period**” means the period from the date of passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
    - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
    - (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 law of the Cayman Islands to be held; and
    - (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the Directors by this resolution.”
6. To consider and, if thought fit, pass (with or without modifications) the following resolution as an ordinary resolution of the Company:

“**THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) of this resolution, and pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, the exercise by the directors of the Company (the “**Directors**”) during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares of HK\$0.10 each in the share capital of the Company (the “**Shares**”) and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants, debentures, notes and any securities which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such powers be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

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- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to allot, issue and deal with additional Shares and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants, debentures, notes and any securities which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate number of Shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to options or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution during the Relevant Period, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); or (ii) any issue of Shares for the grant or exercise of any option under any share option scheme of the Company or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/or employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company; or (iii) any issue of Shares as scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company in force from time to time; or (iv) any issue of Shares in the Company upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any existing warrants of the Company or any existing securities of the Company, shall not exceed 20% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing of this resolution (subject to adjustment in the total number of issued Shares in the case of consolidation, division or sub-division of all or any of the share capital of the Company during the Relevant Period) and the authority pursuant to paragraph (a) of this resolution shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purpose of this resolution, “**Relevant Period**” means the period from the date of passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
  - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (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 law of the Cayman Islands to be held; and

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- (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the Directors by this resolution.

“**Rights Issue**” means an offer of shares in the Company, or offer or issue of warrants, options or other securities giving rights to subscribe for shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of shares in the Company whose names appear on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the Directors 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, or the expense or delay which may be involved in determining the existence or extent of any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, any jurisdiction applicable to the Company, or any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange applicable to the Company).”

- 7. To consider and, if thought fit, pass (with or without modifications) the following resolution as an ordinary resolution of the Company:

“**THAT** conditional upon the passing of resolutions nos. 5 and 6 set out in the notice convening this meeting, the unconditional general mandate granted to the directors of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional Shares and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers pursuant to resolution no. 6 set out in the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of such number of Shares representing the aggregate number of Shares bought back by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to resolution no. 5 set out in the notice convening this meeting, provided that such number of additional Shares shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing of this resolution (subject to adjustment in the total number of issued Shares in the case of consolidation, division or sub-division of all or any of the share capital of the Company during the Relevant Period).”

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8. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass (with or without modifications) the following resolution as an ordinary resolution of the Company:

“**THAT** the payment of a final dividend, with an option for scrip dividend, from the share premium account of the Company of HK fifteen cents per share in respect of the year ended 31 December 2018 to the shareholders of the Company whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 29 May 2019 be and is hereby approved.”

By Order of the Board  
**Towngas China Company Limited**  
**John Ho Hon-ming**  
*Executive Director and Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 15 April 2019

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*Notes:*

1. A member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote instead of such member. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
2. Completion and delivery of the form of proxy will not preclude a member of the Company from attending and voting at the meeting if the member so desires.
3. At the Annual General Meeting, in compliance with Rule 13.39(4) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, the chairman of the meeting will exercise his power under Article 76 of the Articles of Association to put each of the resolutions set out in this notice of Annual General Meeting to vote by way of poll.
4. In order to be valid, the form of proxy together with a power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy of such power or authority must be deposited with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, no later than 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, 19 May 2019, or not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding of any adjourned meeting (as the case may be).
5. With regard to item no. 2 in this notice, the Board proposes that the retiring Directors, namely, Mr. Peter Wong Wai-yee, Mr. John Ho Hon-ming and Mr. Brian David Li Man-bun, be re-elected as Directors. Biographical details of these Directors are set out in Appendix II to the circular despatched to shareholders of the Company dated 15 April 2019.
6. As at the date of this notice, the executive Directors of the Company are Mr. Alfred Chan Wing-kin, (Chairman), Mr. Peter Wong Wai-yee (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. John Ho Hon-ming (Company Secretary) and Mr. Martin Kee Wai-ngai (Chief Operating Officer), and the independent non-executive Directors of the Company are Dr. Moses Cheng Mo-chi, Mr. Brian David Li Man-bun and Mr. James Kwan Yuk-choi.