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# CHUN WO COMMENCES THE CONSTRUCTION OF TUEN MUN WESTERN TRUNK SEWERAGE PROJECT VALUED AT HK\$710,000,000

# Uses tunnel Boring Machine to Excavate by Trenchless Method

(Hong Kong – 7 November 2010) **Chun Wo Development Holdings Limited** ("Chun Wo" or "the Group") (stock code: 711) announced that it has cooperated with the Drainage Services Department of Hong Kong to commence the Tuen Mun Western Trunk Sewerage Project valued at HK\$710,000,000. The project is about 6km long extending from Po Tin Estate to Pillar Point Sewage Treatment Works, aiming to improve the flow capacity of the sewage collection system in Tuen Mun.

The construction consists of building a trunk sewer of about 6km long and a sewage pumping station. Chun Wo will use the tunnel boring machine for pipe construction over a 4 km stretch of the trunk sewer. This technology allows construction to be monitored and controlled by an operator above ground through the tunnel boring machine. This method enhances safety of the project as it reduces the time for workers to physically work in the sewer. In addition, this technology could avoid the need to excavate the entire section of the roads where the sewers will be laid, thus minimizing traffic disruption and disturbance to the public.

The entire project commenced construction in December 2009 and is expected to be completed by 2014. By then, the flow capacity of Tuen Mun Western Trunk Sewerage will be improved to cater for the population growth and future development in the district.

Mr. Clement Kwok, Managing Director of Chun Wo, said, "We are pleased to become the main contractor of the Tuen Mun Western Trunk Sewerage Project. In order to mitigate the impact to the local residents, we have purchased two new tunnel boring machine for laying the underground pipes. We hope the technology can be more widely applied in Hong Kong in the future to preserve the quality of living environment for local residents while we push ahead with city development projects. This also reinforces Chun Wo's core value of "Safety, Environment and the Public Interest Take Priority".

To better inform the public of the construction progress, the Drainage Services Department and Chun Wo collaborately held a "Trenchless Construction Exhibition" at Tuen Mun Park from 6 to 8 November 2010, the public could also know more about the microtunnelling method used in this project and other trenchless construction technology.

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#### Chun Wo Development Holdings Limited (Stock code: 711)

Chun Wo was founded in 1968 and listed on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in 1993. It is a renowned construction company in Hong Kong in building construction, civil engineering, foundations, electrical and mechanical engineering, railway and transport engineering, maintenance engineering and interior design engineering. Apart from developing its core construction business, Chun Wo has been diversifying its business into property development, property investments, property management and security services in recent years. Construction and development projects of the Group are widely distributed in Hong Kong, Mainland China, Macau, Taiwan, Thailand, Singapore, Vietnam and the United Arab Emirates. Its signature projects included the Hong Kong International Airport Skyplaza, East Rail, West Rail, No. 8 Clear Water Bay Road, Foundation Project for the Express Railway Link and Central-Wan Chai Bypass etc.

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#### **Photo Captions:**

### Photo 1



The officiating guests of the launch ceremony of the "Trenchless Construction Exhibition" with the display of the tunnel boring machine:

## From left to right:

Mr. Andy Yiu, Director of Chun Wo Construction and Engineering Company Limited

Mr. Ko Wing Hon, JP, Deputy Director of Drainage Services Department

Mr. Bevis Mak Wai-lung, Executive Director, Water and Urban Development, AECOM

Mr. Leung Kin Man, MH, Vice-Chairman of Tuen Mun District Council

Mr. Clement Kwok, Managing Director of Chun Wo

Mr. Lau Wong Fat, GBM, GBS, JP, Chairman of Tuen Mun District Council

Mr. Chan Chi Chiu, JP, Director of Drainage Services Department

#### Photo 2



Mr. Clement Kwok, Managing Director of Chun Wo is pleased to announce that Chun Wo becomes the main contractor of the Tuen Mun Western Trunk Sewerage Project.