

## Towngas received three accolades at the "7th Hong Kong Outstanding Corporate Citizenship Awards"

(15 December 2016) The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited (Towngas) was honoured with Gold Award in "Enterprise" category, Gold Award in "Volunteer Team" category and Special Commendation for Community Care today at the "7th Hong Kong Outstanding Corporate Citizenship Awards" organised by the Hong Kong Productivity Council in recognition of our commitments to fulfill social responsibility. Our efforts in community care and sustainable development of the economy, society and environment have been widely recognised.

Over the years, Towngas is committed to fulfilling social responsibility. We not only keep improving family-friendly employment policies within the Company, but also actively promote environmentally-friendly and charity programmes in the community. Towngas Managing Director Alfred Chan was very glad that the Company was honoured with Gold Award in "Enterprise" category, Gold Award in "Volunteer Team" category and Special Commendation for Community Care at the same time. He said, "Towngas always adheres to the concept of good corporate citizenship and sets the vision for social responsibility – actively participating in charity service to show our love and care for the needy, and do our utmost to protect the environment to care for the community. Our employees at all levels are making persistent efforts to realise this vision and the awards we have received recognise their efforts."

Towngas spares no effort in promoting environment protection. In 2003, we launched the "Used Gas Appliance Recycling Programme", creating a win-win-win solution for our customers, our contractors and the environment. Under this programme, when new gas appliances are installed in customer premises, we offer free removal of the old appliances which are disassembled for

recycling. Since 2006, the reduction of carbon emission through the utilization of landfill gas and natural gas for gas production amounts to over 800,000 tons, equivalent to the planting of 35 million trees. We also care for the underprivileged in the community. The "Towngas Rice Dumplings for the Community" Campaign has been organised annually since 2000 to distribute rice dumplings to the elderly and needy families. Up to 2016, a total of 2,448,000 rice dumplings were distributed.

Towngas won Gold Award in "Volunteer Team" category for our efforts in serving the community. Established in 1999, the Towngas Volunteer Service Team has continuously promoted volunteer service and offered a variety of innovative services, with an accumulated total of 690,000 service hours since the Team was set up. In addition to the concession schemes for the disadvantaged groups in society, we have also distributed hot soup, mooncakes and rice dumplings to the elderly and needy families in collaboration with district organisations. To promote the spirit of social integration, Towngas also held "Social Harmony - Cooking Contest" for the hearing impaired and persons with normal hearing as well as the Games for the Disabled this year so that the public can get to know the potential of the disabled.

Looking ahead, Towngas will continue to fulfill social responsibility and integrate the concept of corporate citizenship into the Company's operation strategy and management measures. We will also promote the concept of community care and sustainable development to our employees and their families, customers as well as the public. We will constantly enhance operational level, and at the same time, actively serve the community to foster the sustainable development of Hong Kong society.



Matthew Cheung (right), Secretary for Labour and Welfare presented Gold Award in "Enterprise" category at the "7th Hong Kong Outstanding Corporate Citizenship Awards" to Alfred Chan, Managing Director of Towngas.



Matthew Cheung (right), Secretary for Labour and Welfare presented Gold Award in "Volunteer Team" category at the "7th Hong Kong Outstanding Corporate Citizenship Awards" to Lam Ho Ling, Chairman of Towngas Volunteer Service Team.

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