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## **Towngas “Mooncakes for the Community” Programme Launches First Ever “Towngas Customer Volunteer Team” to Deliver Care to the Community**

(11 September 2005) - The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited (Towngas) today held a special event to kick off this year’s Towngas “Mooncakes for the Community” programme, and announced the set-up of the “Towngas Customer Volunteer Team”. The Team aims to spread the spirit of love and care in the community. During the Mid-Autumn Festival, they will pass on the festive warmth of the season to the elderly by delivering 40,000 heart-shaped mooncakes to them.

At the Kick-off Event, Towngas invited artists Candy Lo, Annie Lau, and Him Law to join the “Towngas Customer Volunteer Team”. They led the Team in a mass pledge, and enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of performances and games with more than two hundreds elderly attendees.

Towngas has been organizing the Towngas “Mooncakes for the Community” programme for five consecutive years. ‘Towngas has always encouraged its employees to participate in volunteer activities. I believe that setting up the “Towngas Customer Volunteer Team” will enlarge the scope of our voluntary service, and at the same time will build a harmonious atmosphere in the community. I am also very glad to see that our customers are actively participating in this programme, especially those customers bringing their family members to the Team together. I truly hope that they will enthusiastically support the community in the future,’ said James Yuk-choi Kwan, Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer of Towngas.

This year, the Towngas “Mooncakes for the Community” programme is especially meaningful because it aspires to spread the spirit of caring via the “Towngas Customer Volunteer Team”. Towngas believes that this programme can drive the development of local voluntary service. It offers a good opportunity for Towngas customers and their relatives to join and organize volunteer activities during their leisure time, and thus enhance the relationship between family members. More than 60 customers, including some ex-Towngas employees and retirees, were invited to be the first members of the “Towngas Customer Volunteer Team”.

The Towngas “Mooncakes for the Community” programme this year is supported by the famous Kee Wah Bakery, which produced 40,000 heart-shaped mooncakes for the programme, setting a record for mooncakes produced in recent years. In the past four years, the Towngas “Mooncakes for the Community” programme produced and delivered 60,000 mooncakes to the elderly in total, an expression of the love and respect the community feels for them.

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