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CHINA GAS HOLDINGS LIMITED
中國燃氣控股有限公司*

(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 384)

**EXTENSION OF TIME FOR DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR
REGARDING MAJOR AND CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS**

Application has been made to the Stock Exchange for the date of despatch of the circular containing, among other things, details of the Great Sun Acquisition and the JV Acquisition as announced by the Company on 23 August 2004 to be extended to not later than 24 September 2004.

Reference is made to the press announcement (the “**Announcement**”) issued by the Company dated 23 August 2004 regarding the Great Sun Acquisition and the JV Acquisition. Capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement unless otherwise stated.

Pursuant to Rule 14.38, Rule 14.40 and Rule 14A.49 of the Listing Rules, the circular (the “**Circular**”) containing, among other things, details of the Great Sun Acquisition and the JV Acquisition, is required to be despatched by the Company to the Shareholders within 21 days after the publication of the Announcement.

Since additional time is required to finalise the letter of advice from the independent financial adviser, the accountants’ reports on Great Sun, Hanchuan Jiaxu, Xiaogan Jiaxu, Yingcheng Jiaxu and Yumeng Jiaxu, and other financial information on the Group to be included in the Circular, such as the pro forma financial information on the Group after completion of the Great Sun Acquisition and the JV Acquisition, the Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for an extension of the deadline for despatching the Circular to not later than 24 September 2004.

By order of the board of directors of
China Gas Holdings Limited
Liu Ming Hui
Managing Director

Hong Kong, 14 September 2004

* *for identification purpose only*

As at the date of this announcement, Mr. Li Xiaoyun, Mr. Xu Ying, Mr. Liu Ming Hui, Mr. Ma Jin Long and Mr. Zhu Wei Wei are the executive Directors, Mr. Wu Bangjie is the non-executive Director and Mr. Zhao Yu Hua, Dr. Mao Er Wan and Ms. Wong Sin Yue, Cynthia are the independent non-executive Directors.

Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in The Standard.