

Smart Charge renders full support to prospective applicants of EV-charging at Home Subsidy Scheme

HKT (SEHK: 6823) – HONG KONG, December 7, 2020 – Smart Charge (HK) Limited, a joint venture of HKT Limited (HKT) and CLP Holdings Limited (CLP), is extending full support including free site inspection and pre-assessment to those interested in applying for funding from the Government's EV-charging at Home Subsidy Scheme (EHSS) to install EV charging-enabling infrastructure in the car parks of private residential buildings.

Combining HKT's and CLP's substantial technical expertise, solid project management experience and quality customer service, Smart Charge has already provided technical proposals on building a complete EV charging infrastructure for more than 400 residential car parks, with more projects in the pipeline. Smart Charge is ready to assist building management offices (BMOs) and incorporated owners' committees (IOCs) of private residential buildings in applying for EHSS, and is able to provide one-stop solutions with professional consultancy and services to residential properties seeking to equip their car parks with EV charging facilities. The total solution aims to address the entire process of EV charging, from power supply, overall design and installation of the EV charging facilities to their long-term operation.

Mr. Ringo Ng, Managing Director of HKT's Consumer Group and Smart Charge, said, "Home charging has long been a major development focus of Smart Charge since its establishment in 2016, especially with the emergence of new and popular EV models in the past two years fueling a growing demand for charging facilities at the EV owner's private parking space. As one of Hong Kong's leading EV charging solutions providers, Smart Charge fully supports the Government's EHSS and hopes to provide timely assistance to BMOs and IOCs as they prepare their EHSS applications. The scope of assistance includes, but is not limited to, sharing with them our experience in overcoming the challenges that they may face during the application process and in dealing with issues arising after setting up the EV infrastructure, such as formulating guidelines for the installation of individual EV chargers, daily operation and maintenance issues."

To support and facilitate EHSS applications of BMOs and IOCs, Smart Charge will provide pre-tendering advice and perform site inspection at no charge.

A series of webinars, case studies and practical tips will also be offered to the BMOs and IOCs to help them identify and address any questions and difficulties that they may encounter during the installation and subsequent operation of the EV charging infrastructure. For service details, please call the Smart Charge 7x24 customer service hotline on +852 2888 0088 or visit www.smartcharge.com.hk.

For properties that are not eligible for the Government's EHSS, Smart Charge also offers an alternative one-stop, hassle-free solution encompassing EV charging network design, installation, operation, maintenance and after-sales services.

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HKT is the first local mobile operator to launch a true 5G network in Hong Kong. Backed by its substantial holding of 5G spectrum across all bands and a robust and extensive fiber backhaul infrastructure, HKT is committed to providing comprehensive 5G network coverage across the city.

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Riding on its massive loyal customer base, HKT has also built a digital ecosystem integrating its loyalty program, e-commerce, travel, insurance, FinTech and HealthTech services. The ecosystem deepens HKT's relationship with its customers thereby enhancing customer retention and engagement.

For more information, please visit www.hkt.com.

About Smart Charge (HK) Limited

Established in 2016 by HKT and CLP as a joint venture, Smart Charge (HK) Limited employs unique technology and customer know-how to provide customers with complete electric vehicle (EV) charging solutions to meet the rising demand in Hong Kong, with a focus on home charging service.

Smart Charge's one-stop solution addresses the entire process of EV charging, from engaging with property developers, building management offices (BMOs) and incorporated owners' committees (IOCs) for pre-installing electrical infrastructure in residential car parks, to charger installation, maintenance and after service. Customers no longer need to undergo a lengthy and complicated process of liaison with different parties or make a huge investment for the construction of charging facilities. Instead, they can enjoy hassle-free EV charging service at car parks already equipped with Smart Charge's EV charging infrastructure simply through subscribing to Smart Charge's service plans at a fixed monthly fee according to their EV usage pattern. The infrastructure comes with advanced supervisory, control and automation technologies and an intelligent network management solution with an aim to ensuring safe and reliable operation. For further details, please visit www.smartcharge.com.hk or call +852 2888 0088.

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