



China Telecom Corporation Limited

中国电信股份有限公司

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 0728)

CHANGE OF IMPORTANT EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

The board of directors (the "Board") of China Telecom Corporation Limited (the "Company") announces that Mr. Leng Rongquan has given notice to resign as the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company, with effect from 8 July 2008. The Board also announces that Mr. Shang Bing has been appointed as the President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company and Mr. Yang Xiaowei has been appointed as an Executive Vice President of the Company, with effect from 8 July 2008.

Mr. Shang Bing, aged 52, is a Vice President of China Telecommunications Corporation, the controlling shareholder of the Company. Mr. Shang is a senior economist. He graduated in 1982 from Shenyang Chemical Industry Institution with a bachelor's degree in chemical industry and received a master's degree in business administration from New York State University in 2002. He received a doctorate degree in business administration from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 2005. Mr. Shang served as a Director of Industrial Technology Development Centre in Liaoning Province, a Deputy General Manager and General Manager of Economic and Technological Development Company in Liaoning Province. Mr. Shang served as a Deputy General Manager and General Manager of China United Telecommunications Corporation ("Unicom Group") Liaoning Branch, a Vice President of Unicom Group, a Director of Unicom Group, the President of Unicom Group and an Executive Director and President of China Unicom Limited. In addition, Mr. Shang also served as a Director and President of the China United Telecommunications Corporation Limited and China Unicom Corporation Limited. Mr. Shang has extensive experience in management and telecommunications industry.

Mr. Yang Xiaowei, aged 44, is a Vice President of China Telecommunications Corporation, the controlling shareholder of the Company. Mr. Yang is a senior engineer. He received a bachelor's degree from the Computer Application Department of Chongqing University in 1998 and a master's degree in engineering from the Management Engineering Department of Chongqing University in 2001. Mr. Yang held the positions of Assistant to Director and Deputy Director of Chongqing Telecommunications Bureau, a Deputy Director of the Chongqing Telecommunications Administration Bureau and a Director of Chongqing Municipal Communication Administration Bureau. Mr. Yang served as General Manager of the Chongqing branch and the Guangdong branch of the Unicom Group, a Vice President of the Unicom Group, a Director of the Unicom Group and an Executive Director and Vice President China Unicom Limited. Mr. Yang also served as a Director and a Vice President of China Unicom Corporation Limited and the Chairman of Unicom Huasheng Telecommunications Technology Co. Ltd.. Mr. Yang has extensive experience in management and telecommunications industry.

As of the date of this announcement, the Board consists of Mr. Wang Xiaochu as the chairman and chief executive officer, Mr. Leng Rongquan, Madam Wu Andi as the executive vice president and chief financial officer, Mr. Zhang Jiping, Mr. Zhang Chenshuang, Mr. Li Ping, Mr. Yang Jie, Mr. Sun Kangmin as the executive vice presidents, Mr. Li Jinming as the non-executive director, and Mr. Zhang Youcai, Mr. Lo Hong Sui, Vincent, Mr. Shi Wanpeng, Mr. Xu Erming and Mr. Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius as the independent non-executive directors.

By Order of the Board
China Telecom Corporation Limited
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Wang Xiaochu

Beijing, PRC, 8 July 2008