Chief Telecom Inc. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Financial Statements for the Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 and Independent Auditors' Report

DECLARATION OF CONSOLIDATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF AFFILIATES

The entities that are required to be included in the consolidated financial statements of affiliates in accordance with the "Criteria Governing Preparation of Affiliation Reports, Consolidated Business Reports and Consolidated Financial Statements of Affiliated Enterprises" for the year ended December 31, 2023 are the same as those included in the consolidated financial statements of Chief Telecom Inc. and subsidiaries prepared in conformity with the International Financial Reporting Standard 10 "Consolidated Financial Statements". Relevant information that should be disclosed in the consolidated financial statements of affiliates is included in the consolidated financial statements of Chief Telecom Inc. and subsidiaries. Hence, we did not prepare a separate set of consolidated financial statements of affiliates.

Very truly yours,

CHIEF TELECOM INC.

By

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YEN-HUNG WU
Chairman

February 16, 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors and Shareholders
Chief Telecom Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Chief Telecom Inc. and its subsidiaries (the "Group"), which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the consolidated statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the years then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with the Regulations Governing the Preparation of Financial Reports by Securities Issuers, and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), International Accounting Standards (IAS), IFRIC Interpretations (IFRIC), and SIC Interpretations (SIC) endorsed and issued into effect by the Financial Supervisory Commission of the Republic of China.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with the Regulations Governing Financial Statement Audit and Attestation Engagements of Certified Public Accountants and the Standards on Auditing of the Republic of China. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with The Norm of Professional Ethics for Certified Public Accountant of the Republic of China, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key Audit Matter

The key audit matter is a matter that, in our professional judgment, was of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023. This matter was addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on this matter.

The key audit matter for the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 is as follows:

<u>Revenue Recognition</u>

The Group's main source of revenue comes from the provision of network integration, internet data center ("IDC"), communications integration, and cloud application services. The Group's bills are normally calculated via an automated process and billed on a regular basis, which may not align with the Group's fiscal year end. Therefore, as a result of different billing cycles of its customers, the amount to be billed for the remaining period is manually calculated for the amount to be charged from the last billed date to the Group's fiscal year end. This estimation is identified as a key audit matter since incomplete or incorrect data manually extrapolated may have a direct effect on the accuracy of revenue recorded.

See Note 4 for relevant accounting policies for revenue recognition related to network integration, IDC, communications integration, and cloud application services.

We understood the revenue business process, and evaluated the design and implementation and operating effectiveness of the Group's internal controls.

Our audit procedures related to the Group's systems to recognize estimated revenue from transactions not yet billed included the following:

1. We verified the completeness and accuracy of data captured by IT systems used during the process of manual revenue calculation.

2. We recalculated revenue to be recognized for customers not yet billed with the applicable rate in order to verify the accuracy of revenue recognized.

3. We compared subsequent billings with customers to ensure that no material discrepancy exists.

Other Matter

We have also audited the parent company only financial statements of Chief Telecom Inc. as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 on which we have issued an unmodified opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with the Regulations Governing the Preparation of Financial Reports by Securities Issuers and IFRS, IAS, IFRIC, and SIC endorsed and issued into effect by the Financial Supervisory Commission of the Republic of China, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance, including the audit committee, are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Standards on Auditing of the Republic of China will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing of the Republic of China, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

1. Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

2. Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.

3. Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

4. Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.

5. Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

6. Obtain sufficient and appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision, and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023, and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditors' report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partners on the audits resulting in this independent auditors' report are Yih-Shin Kao and Mei Yen Chiang.

Deloitte & Touche
Taipei, Taiwan
Republic of China

February 16, 2024

<u>Notice to Readers</u>

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are intended only to present the consolidated financial position, financial performance and cash flows in accordance with accounting principles and practices generally accepted in the Republic of China and not those of any other jurisdictions. The standards, procedures and practices to audit such consolidated financial statements are those generally applied in the Republic of China.

For the convenience of readers, the independent auditors' report and the accompanying consolidated financial statements have been translated into English from the original Chinese version prepared and used in the Republic of China. If there is any conflict between the English version and the original Chinese version or any difference in the interpretation of the two versions, the Chinese-language independent auditors' report and consolidated financial statements shall prevail.

CHIEF TELECOM INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
(In Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars)

	2023		2022	
ASSETS	**Amount**	**%**	**Amount**	**%**
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents (Notes 6 and 25)	$ 1,981,999	28	$ 2,361,816	41
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss - current (Notes 7 and 25)	421	-	439	-
Notes receivable (Notes 8 and 25)	2,502	-	3,991	-
Trade receivables, net (Notes 8 and 25)	187,102	3	184,704	3
Trade receivables from related parties (Notes 8, 25 and 26)	42,619	-	40,832	1
Inventories	3,031	-	3,561	-
Prepayments (Note 26)	114,971	2	53,012	1
Other financial assets (Notes 9 and 25)	76,763	1	113,224	2
Other current assets (Note 26)	17,076	-	22,678	-
Total current assets	2,426,484	34	2,784,257	48
NONCURRENT ASSETS				
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (Notes 10 and 25)	116,420	2	121,440	2
Property, plant and equipment (Note 12)	2,201,880	31	1,099,243	19
Right-of-use assets (Note 13)	2,305,615	32	1,656,028	29
Intangible assets (Note 14)	49,650	1	53,185	1
Deferred income tax assets (Notes 4 and 20)	1,411	-	2,118	-
Other noncurrent assets (Notes 25 and 26)	33,977	-	35,069	1
Total noncurrent assets	4,708,953	66	2,967,083	52
TOTAL	$ 7,135,437	100	$ 5,751,340	100
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Contract liabilities (Notes 18 and 26)	$ 35,609	1	$ 52,978	1
Notes payable (Note 25)	28	-	75	-
Accounts payable (Note 25)	57,072	1	42,089	1
Accounts payable to related parties (Notes 25 and 26)	67,898	1	67,055	1
Other payables (Notes 15 and 25)	737,671	10	305,725	5
Current tax liabilities (Notes 4 and 20)	123,985	2	119,718	2
Lease liabilities - current (Notes 13, 25 and 26)	88,685	1	93,653	2
Other current liabilities	26,401	-	18,651	-
Total current liabilities	1,137,349	16	699,944	12
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES				
Deferred income tax liabilities (Notes 4 and 20)	677	-	552	-
Lease liabilities - noncurrent (Notes 13, 25 and 26)	2,301,125	32	1,630,490	28
Net defined benefit liabilities (Notes 4, 16 and 19)	9,812	-	10,959	-
Guarantee deposits (Notes 25 and 26)	71,173	1	81,583	2
Total noncurrent liabilities	2,382,787	33	1,723,584	30
Total liabilities	3,520,136	49	2,423,528	42
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF THE PARENT (Note 17)				
Capital stock	778,664	11	707,449	12
Capital surplus	1,361,996	19	1,349,141	24
Retained earnings				
Legal reserve	495,424	7	411,916	7
Special reserve	1,988	-	10,926	-
Unappropriated earnings	974,825	14	835,320	15
Total retained earnings	1,472,237	21	1,258,162	22
Other equity	(7,327)	-	(1,990)	-
Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent	3,605,570	51	3,312,762	58
NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS	9,731	-	15,050	-
Total equity	3,615,301	51	3,327,812	58
TOTAL	$ 7,135,437	100	$ 5,751,340	100

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

CHIEF TELECOM INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
(In Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars, Except Earnings Per Share)

	2023		2022	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
NET REVENUE (Notes 18 and 26)	$ 3,242,698	100	$ 3,080,306	100
OPERATING COSTS (Notes 16, 19 and 26)	1,656,542	51	1,611,678	52
GROSS PROFIT	1,586,156	49	1,468,628	48
OPERATING EXPENSES (Notes 16, 19 and 26)				
Marketing	303,097	9	299,606	10
General and administrative	115,472	4	116,085	4
Research and development	18,898	1	15,369	-
Expected credit gain (Note 8)	(688)	-	(1,016)	-
Total operating expenses	436,779	14	430,044	14
OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSES (Note 19)	660	-	37	-
OPERATING INCOME	1,150,037	35	1,038,621	34
NONOPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSES				
Interest income	32,454	1	14,587	1
Other income	5,369	-	5,636	-
Other gains and losses	1,682	-	13,514	-
Interest expense (Notes 19 and 26)	(38,523)	(1)	(29,534)	(1)
Total nonoperating income and expenses	982	-	4,203	-
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX	1,151,019	35	1,042,824	34
INCOME TAX (Notes 4 and 20)	229,425	7	205,571	7
NET INCOME	921,594	28	837,253	27
TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)				
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:				
Remeasurement of defined benefit pension plans	515	-	(2,156)	-
Unrealized gain or loss on investments in equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	(5,019)	-	(694)	-
Income tax relating to items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	(103)	-	431	-

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
(In Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars, Except Earnings Per Share)

	2023		2022	
	Amount	**%**	**Amount**	**%**
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:				
Exchange differences arising from the translation of the foreign operations	$ (480)	-	$ 9,843	-
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of income tax	(5,087)	-	7,424	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	$ 916,507	28	$ 844,677	27
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO				
Shareholders of the parent	$ 921,112	28	$ 836,810	27
Noncontrolling interests	482	-	443	-
	$ 921,594	28	$ 837,253	27
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO				
Shareholders of the parent	$ 916,187	28	$ 844,021	27
Noncontrolling interests	320	-	656	-
	$ 916,507	28	$ 844,677	27
EARNINGS PER SHARE (Note 21)				
Basic	$ 11.84		$ 10.77	
Diluted	$ 11.78		$ 10.71	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements. (Concluded)

CHIEF TELECOM INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
(In Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars, Except Dividends Per Share)

	Equity Attributable to Shareholders of the Parent (Note 17)										
								Other Equity			
	Capital Stock			Retained Earnings							
	Shares (In Thousands)	Amount	Capital Surplus	Legal Reserve	Special Reserve	Unappropriated Earnings	Total	Exchange Differences Arising from the Translation of Foreign Operations	Unrealized Gain or Loss on Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income	Non-controlling Interests	Total Equity
BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2022	70,470	$ 704,701	$ 1,346,535	$ 343,336	$ 6,991	$ 687,687	$ 1,038,014	$ (8,887)	$ (2,039)	$ 14,394	$ 3,092,718
Appropriation of 2021 earnings											
Legal reserve	-	-	-	68,580	-	(68,580)	-	-	-	-	-
Special reserve	-	-	-	-	3,935	(3,935)	-	-	-	-	-
Cash dividends - $8.70 per share	-	-	-	-	-	(614,937)	(614,937)	-	-	-	(614,937)
Donations from shareholders	-	-	248	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	248
Issuance of cash dividends from capital surplus	-	-	(42,409)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(42,409)
Net income for the year ended December 31, 2022	-	-	-	-	-	836,810	836,810	-	-	443	837,253
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the year ended December 31, 2022	-	-	-	-	-	(1,725)	(1,725)	9,630	(694)	213	7,424
Total comprehensive income for the year ended December 31, 2022	-	-	-	-	-	835,085	835,085	9,630	(694)	656	844,677
Issuance of ordinary shares under employee share options	275	2,748	35,929	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38,677
Share-based payment transactions (Note 22)	-	-	8,838	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,838
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2022	70,745	707,449	1,349,141	411,916	10,926	835,320	1,258,162	743	(2,733)	15,050	3,327,812
Appropriation of 2022 earnings											
Legal reserve	-	-	-	83,508	-	(83,508)	-	-	-	-	-
Special reserve	-	-	-	-	(8,938)	8,938	-	-	-	-	-
Share dividends - $1.00 per share	7,074	70,745	-	-	-	(70,745)	(70,745)	-	-	-	-
Cash dividends - $9.00 per share	-	-	-	-	-	(636,704)	(636,704)	-	-	-	(636,704)
Cash dividends distributed by subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(5,639)	(5,639)
Donations from shareholders	-	-	275	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	275
Net income for the year ended December 31, 2023	-	-	-	-	-	921,112	921,112	-	-	482	921,594
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the year ended December 31, 2023	-	-	-	-	-	412	412	(318)	(5,019)	(162)	(5,087)
Total comprehensive income for the year ended December 31, 2023	-	-	-	-	-	921,524	921,524	(318)	(5,019)	320	916,507
Issuance of ordinary shares under employee share options	47	470	7,600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,070
Share-based payment transactions (Note 22)	-	-	4,980	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,980
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2023	77,866	$ 778,664	$ 1,361,996	$ 495,424	$ 1,988	$ 974,825	$ 1,472,237	$ 425	$ (7,752)	$ 9,731	$ 3,615,301

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

CHIEF TELECOM INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
(In Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars)

	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Income before income tax	$ 1,151,019	$ 1,042,824
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation expense	176,281	172,134
Amortization expense	6,367	9,431
Expected credit gain	(688)	(1,016)
Net loss on fair value changes of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	18	177
Finance costs	38,523	29,534
Interest income	(32,454)	(14,587)
Dividend income	(4,944)	(4,944)
Compensation cost of employee share options	4,980	8,838
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(660)	(37)
Net gain on disposal of financial assets	-	(726)
Provision for impairment (gain) loss and obsolescence of inventory	(2,240)	568
Unrealized loss (gain) on foreign currency exchange	464	(2,200)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Notes receivable	1,489	(1,104)
Trade receivables	(2,043)	(8,445)
Trade receivables from related parties	(1,768)	(5,620)
Inventories	2,770	(1,797)
Prepayments	(61,959)	(16,068)
Other current assets	4,837	5,770
Contract liabilities	(17,369)	14,421
Notes payable	(47)	(7,869)
Accounts payable	15,235	(8,791)
Accounts payable to related parties	843	10,752
Other payables	19,351	51,772
Other current liabilities	7,750	6,425
Net defined benefit plans	(632)	(715)
Cash generated from operations	1,305,123	1,278,727
Interest paid	(38,523)	(29,534)
Income tax paid	(224,429)	(177,875)
Net cash generated from operating activities	1,042,171	1,071,318
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	(3,302)
Purchase of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	(6,893)
Proceeds from sale of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	9,570
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(765,573)	(594,810)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	1,403	37

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
(In Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars)

	2023	2022
Acquisition of intangible assets	$ (1,645)	$ (3,789)
Acquisition of time deposits with maturities of more than three months	(459,825)	(483,625)
Proceeds from disposal of time deposits with maturities of more than three months	495,195	2,011,810
Decrease in noncurrent assets	5,464	7,081
Interest received	33,219	13,287
Dividends received	4,944	4,944
Net cash (used in) generated from investing activities	(686,818)	954,310
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
(Decrease) increase in guarantee deposits	(10,410)	15,508
Repayment of the principal portion of lease liabilities	(90,942)	(92,989)
Cash dividends paid	(636,704)	(657,346)
Dividends paid to noncontrolling interests	(5,639)	-
Employees share options exercised	8,070	38,677
Donations from shareholders	275	248
Net cash used in financing activities	(735,350)	(695,902)
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	180	12,154
NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(379,817)	1,341,880
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	2,361,816	1,019,936
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF THE YEAR	$ 1,981,999	$ 2,361,816

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements. (Concluded)

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
(In Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars, Unless Stated Otherwise)

1. GENERAL

Chief Telecom Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Chief" or the "Company") was incorporated in January 1991, mainly offering network integration, internet data center ("IDC"), communications integration, and cloud application services. Chief and its subsidiaries are hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Group".

On June 5, 2018, the common shares of Chief were listed and traded on the Taipei Exchange (the "TPEX").

Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd., the parent company of the Group, and its subsidiaries were holding 58.63% and 58.67% of the shares of the Group as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Chief's functional currency, the New Taiwan dollar.

2. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The consolidated financial statements were approved by Chief's board of directors on February 16, 2024.

3. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS

a. Initial application of the amendments to the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), International Accounting Standards (IAS), IFRIC Interpretations (IFRIC), and SIC Interpretations (SIC) (collectively, the "IFRS Accounting Standards") endorsed and issued into effect by the Financial Supervisory Commission (FSC)

   The initial application of the amendments to the IFRS Accounting Standards endorsed and issued into effect by the FSC did not have material impact on the Group's accounting policies.

b. The IFRS Accounting Standards endorsed by the FSC for application starting from 2024

New, Amended and Revised Standards and Interpretations	Effective Date Announced by IASB (Note)
Amendments to IAS 1 "Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current"	January 1, 2024
Amendments to IAS 1 "Non-current Liabilities with Covenants"	January 1, 2024

Note: Unless stated otherwise, the above IFRS Accounting Standards are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after their respective effective dates.

c. The IFRS Accounting Standards in issue but not yet endorsed and issued into effect by the FSC

New, Amended and Revised Standards and Interpretations	Effective Date Announced by IASB (Note 1)
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 "Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture"	To be determined by IASB
Amendments to IAS 21 "Lack of Exchangeability"	January 1, 2025 (Note 2)

Note 1: Unless stated otherwise, the above IFRS Accounting Standards are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after their respective effective dates.

Note 2: An entity shall apply those amendments for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2025. Upon initial application of the amendments, the entity recognizes any effect as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings. When the entity uses a presentation currency other than its functional currency, it shall, at the date of initial application, recognize any effect as an adjustment to the cumulative amount of translation differences in equity.

As of the date the consolidated financial statements were authorized for issue, the Group is continuously assessing the possible impact that the amendments to the above standards and interpretations will have on the Group's financial position and operating results and will disclose the relevant impact when the assessment is completed.

4. SUMMARY OF MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

Statement of Compliance

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Regulations Governing the Preparation of Financial Reports by Securities Issuers and IFRS Accounting Standards as endorsed and issued into effect by the FSC.

Basis of Preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments that are measured at fair values and net defined benefit liabilities which are measured at the present value of the defined benefit obligations less the fair value of plan assets.

The fair value measurements, which are grouped into Levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value measurement inputs are observable and based on the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, are described as follows:

a. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

b. Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for an asset or liability, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices); and

c. Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for an asset or liability.

Current and Noncurrent Assets and Liabilities

Current assets include:

a. Assets held primarily for the purpose of trading;

b. Assets expected to be realized within twelve months after the reporting period; and

c. Cash and cash equivalents unless the asset is restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

Current liabilities include:

a. Liabilities held primarily for the purpose of trading;

b. Liabilities due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period; and

c. Liabilities for which the Group does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

Assets and liabilities that are not classified as current are classified as noncurrent.

Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and the entities controlled by the Company (i.e., its subsidiaries). When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with those of the Group. All intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated in full upon consolidation. Total comprehensive income of subsidiaries is attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

See Note 11, Table 3 and Table 4 for detailed information on subsidiaries, percentages of ownership and main businesses.

Foreign Currencies

In preparing the financial statements of each individual entity, transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency (foreign currencies) are recognized at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions.

At the end of each reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Exchange differences on monetary items arising from settlement or translation are recognized in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

Non-monetary items that are measured at historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

For the purpose of presenting consolidated financial statements, the financial statements of the Group's foreign operations are translated into the New Taiwan dollar, as follows: Assets and liabilities are translated at the exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period; and income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period. The resulting currency translation differences are recognized in other comprehensive income, attributed to the owners of the Company and non-controlling interests as appropriate.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable. Inventory write-downs are made by item, except where it may be appropriate to group similar or related items. The net realizable value is the estimated selling price of inventories less all estimated costs of completion and costs necessary to make the sale. Inventories are recorded at the weighted-average cost.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss.

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment is recognized using the straight-line method. Each significant part is depreciated separately. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation methods are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effects of any changes in the estimates accounted for on a prospective basis.

On derecognition of an item of property, plant and equipment, the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset is recognized in profit or loss.

Intangible Assets

Intangible assets with finite useful lives that are acquired separately are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost less accumulated amortization. Amortization is recognized on a straight-line basis. The estimated useful lives, and amortization method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives that are acquired separately are measured at cost less accumulated impairment loss.

On derecognition of an intangible asset, the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset is recognized in profit or loss.

Impairment of Tangible and Intangible Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets, to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss. When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment at least annually, and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. If the recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset or cash-generating unit is reduced to its recoverable amount, with the resulting impairment loss recognized in profit or loss.

When an impairment loss is subsequently reversed, the carrying amount of the asset or cash-generating unit is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but only to the extent of the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset or cash-generating unit in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss.

Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issuance of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognized immediately in profit or loss.

a. Financial assets

   All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognized and derecognized on a trade date basis.

   1) Measurement category

      Financial assets are classified into the following categories: Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL), financial assets at amortized cost, and investments in equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI).

      a) Financial assets at FVTPL

         Financial assets at FVTPL are subsequently measured at fair value, and any dividends earned on such financial assets are recognized in other income and interest income; any remeasurement gains or losses on such financial assets are recognized in other gains or losses. Fair value is determined in the manner described in Note 25.

      b) Financial assets at amortized cost

         Financial assets that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at amortized cost:

         i. The financial assets are held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and

         ii. The contractual terms of the financial assets give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

         Subsequent to initial recognition, financial assets at amortized cost, including cash and cash equivalents, notes and trade receivables at amortized cost, other financial assets and refundable deposits, are measured at amortized cost, which equals the gross carrying amount determined using the effective interest method less any impairment loss. Exchange differences are recognized in profit or loss.

         Interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of such financial assets.

         Cash equivalents include time deposits and commercial papers with original maturities within 3 months from the date of acquisition, which are highly liquid, readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. These cash equivalents are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments

c) Investments in equity instruments at FVTOCI

On initial recognition, the Group may make an irrevocable election to designate investments in equity instruments as at FVTOCI. Designation at FVTOCI is not permitted if the equity investment is held for trading or if it is contingent consideration recognized by an acquirer in a business combination.

Investments in equity instruments at FVTOCI are subsequently measured at fair value with gains and losses arising from changes in fair value recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in other equity. The cumulative gain or loss will not be reclassified to profit or loss on disposal of the equity investments. Instead, it will be transferred to retained earnings.

Dividends on these investments in equity instruments are recognized in profit or loss when the Group's right to receive the dividends is established, unless the dividends clearly represent a recovery of part of the cost of the investment.

2) Impairment of financial assets

As of balance sheet dates, the Group evaluates the impairment losses for expected credit losses (ECLs) on financial assets at amortized cost (i.e., notes and trade receivables).

The Group always recognizes lifetime expected credit losses for notes and trade receivables. Expected credit losses reflect the weighted average of credit losses with the respective risks of default occurring as the weights. Lifetime ECLs represent the expected credit losses that will result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument.

The impairment loss of all financial assets is recognized in profit or loss by a reduction in their carrying amounts through a loss allowance account.

3) Derecognition of financial assets

The Group derecognizes a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity.

On derecognition of a financial asset measured at amortized cost in its entirety, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable is recognized in profit or loss. On derecognition of an investment in an equity instrument at FVTOCI, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable is recognized in profit or loss, and the cumulative gain or loss which had been recognized in other comprehensive income is transferred directly to retained earnings, without recycling through profit or loss.

b. Financial liabilities

1) Subsequent measurement

All financial liabilities are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

2) Derecognition of financial liabilities

The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognized and the consideration paid and payable, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognized in profit or loss.

Revenue Recognition

The Group identifies performance obligations from contracts with customers, allocates the transaction price to the performance obligations and recognizes revenue when performance obligations are satisfied.

Sales of products are recognized as revenue when the following criteria have been satisfied:

a. The risks and rewards of ownership have transferred.

b. The seller does not retain managerial involvement to the extent normally associated with ownership nor retain effective control.

c. The amount of revenue can be reliably measured.

d. It is probable that the economic benefit will flow to the Group.

e. The costs incurred can be measured reliably.

Revenue from the rendering of services comes from providing IDC and other services, with related revenue recognized when all of the related performance obligations are satisfied according to the contracts.

The Group has established fixed rate charges for IDC services. However, for network integration, communications integration, and cloud application services, customers can select from a fixed rate or usage-based pricing, which is calculated based on actual consumption or minutes used. The Group recognized contract liabilities for monthly subscription charges and usage charges received in advance, which is recognized as revenue when subsequent usage occurs.

Since the four types of revenue from contracts with customers are not sold as bundled sales, and the contract duration between the transfer of products and services and consideration received is one year at maximum, transaction prices are not adjusted based on significant financing components.

Leasing

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether the contract is, or contains, a lease.

a. The Group as lessor

   Rental income from operating leases is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

b. The Group as lessee

   The Group recognizes right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for all leases at the commencement date of a lease, except for low-value asset leases accounted for by applying a recognition exemption where lease payments are recognized as expenses on a straight-line basis over the lease terms.

   Right-of-use assets are initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial measurement of lease liabilities and lease payments made at or before the commencement date. Right-of-use assets are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses and adjusted for any remeasurement of the lease liabilities. Right-of-use assets are presented separately on the consolidated balance sheets.

   Right-of-use assets are depreciated using the straight-line basis from the commencement dates to the earlier of the end of the useful lives of the right-of-use assets or the end of the lease terms.

Lease liabilities are initially measured at the present value of the lease payments, which comprise fixed payments, in-substance fixed payments, variable lease payments which depend on an index or a rate. The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in a lease, if that rate can be readily determined. If such rate cannot be readily determined, the lessee’s incremental borrowing rate is used.

Lease liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, with interest expense recognized over the lease terms. When there is a change in a lease term or a change in future lease payments resulting from a change in an index or a rate used to determine those payments, the Group remeasures the lease liabilities with a corresponding adjustment to the right-of-use-assets. However, if the carrying amount of the right-of-use assets is reduced to zero, any remaining amount of the remeasurement is recognized in profit or loss. The Group accounts for the remeasurement of the lease liability as a result of the decrease of lease scope by decreasing the carrying amount of the right-of-use assets and recognizing in profit or loss any gain or loss on the partial or full termination of the lease. Lease liabilities are presented separately on the consolidated balance sheets.

Variable lease payments not depending on an index or a rate are recognized as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Retirement Benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans are recognized as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

Defined benefit costs (including service cost, net interest and remeasurement) under the defined benefit retirement benefit plans are determined using the projected unit credit method. Service cost (including current service cost) and net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset) are recognized as employee benefits expense in the period they occur.

Remeasurement, comprising actuarial gains and losses, and the return on plan assets (excluding interest), is recognized in other comprehensive income in the period in which it occurs. Remeasurement recognized in other comprehensive income is reflected immediately in retained earnings and will not be reclassified to profit or loss.

Net defined benefit liabilities represent the actual deficit in the Group’s defined benefit plans.

Share-based Payment Arrangements - Employee Share Options

The fair value determined at the grant date of the employee share options is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Group’s best estimate of shares or options that are expected to ultimately vest, with a corresponding increase in capital surplus - employee share options. The expense is recognized in full at the grant date if the grants are vested immediately. The grant date of issued ordinary shares for cash which are reserved for employees is the date on which the number of shares that the employees purchase is confirmed.

At the end of each reporting period, the Group revises its estimate of the number of employee share options that are expected to vest. The impact of the revision of the original estimates, if any, is recognized in profit or loss such that the cumulative expense reflects the revised estimate, with a corresponding adjustment to capital surplus - employee share options.

Income Tax

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

a. Current tax

According to the Income Tax Law in the ROC, an additional tax on unappropriated earnings is provided for in the year the shareholders approve to retain earnings.

Adjustments of prior years' tax liabilities are added to or deducted from the current year's tax provision.

b. Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognized on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit.

Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognized for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognized for all deductible temporary differences, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilized.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered. A previously unrecognized deferred tax asset is also reviewed at the end of each reporting period and recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profit will allow the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset realized, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period. The measurement of deferred tax assets and liabilities reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

c. Current and deferred taxes

Current and deferred taxes are recognized in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognized in other comprehensive income, in which case, the current and deferred taxes are also recognized in other comprehensive income.

5. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, management is required to make judgments, estimates and assumptions which are based on historical experience and other factors that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed by management on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

6. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	December 31 2023	December 31 2022
Cash on hand	$ 150	$ 150
Bank deposits	132,097	280,246
Cash equivalents (investments with maturities of less than three months)		
Time deposits	1,730,000	2,081,420
Commercial papers	119,752	-
	$ 1,981,999	$ 2,361,816

The annual yield rates of bank deposits, time deposits, and commercial papers as of balance sheet dates were as follows:

	December 31 2023	December 31 2022
Bank deposits	0.05%-1.45%	0.15%-1.05%
Time deposits	1.30%-1.40%	0.31%-4.30%
Commercial papers	0.72%	-

7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	December 31 2023	December 31 2022
Financial assets - current		
Mandatorily measured at FVTPL		
Non-derivatives		
Listed shares - domestic	$ 421	$ 439

The Group holds its listed shares - domestic for short-term investment purposes.

8. NOTES AND TRADE RECEIVABLES, NET (INCLUDING RELATED PARTIES)

	December 31 2023	December 31 2022
Notes receivable		
Notes receivable - operating	$ 2,502	$ 3,991
Trade receivables		
At amortized cost		
Gross carrying amount	$ 230,839	$ 228,100
Less: Allowance for impairment loss	(1,118)	(2,564)
	$ 229,721	$ 225,536

The main credit terms for the Group's sale of products range from 30 to 90 days. The Group adopted a policy of only dealing with entities that are rated the equivalent of investment grade or higher. The Group uses other publicly available financial information or its own trading records to rate its major customers. The Group's exposure and the credit ratings of its counterparties are continuously monitored.

The Group measures the loss allowance for notes and trade receivables at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. The expected credit losses on notes and trade receivables are estimated using a provision matrix prepared by reference to the past default experience of the customer, the customer's current financial position, economic condition of the industry in which the customer operates, as well as the GDP forecasts. As the Group's historical credit loss experience does not show significantly different loss patterns for different customer segments, the provision for loss allowance based on past due status is not further distinguished according to the Group's different customer base.

The Group writes off a note or trade receivable when there is evidence indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, e.g. when the debtor has been placed under liquidation. For notes or trade receivables that have been written off, the Group continues to engage in enforcement activity to attempt to recover the receivables due. Where recoveries are made, these are recognized in profit or loss.

The following table details the loss allowance of notes and trade receivables based on the Group's provision matrix.

December 31, 2023

	Not Past Due	1 to 60 Days Past Due	61 to 90 Days Past Due	91 to 120 Days Past Due	Over 120 Days Past Due	Total
Expected credit loss rate	0%-0.29%	0.69%-2.36%	22.80%	42.75%	60.53%-100%	
Gross carrying amount	$ 190,048	$ 42,976	$ 11	$ 1	$ 305	$ 233,341
Loss allowance (Lifetime ECLs)	(467)	(355)	(2)	(1)	(293)	(1,118)
Amortized cost	$ 189,581	$ 42,621	$ 9	$ -	$ 12	$ 232,223

December 31, 2022

	Not Past Due	1 to 60 Days Past Due	61 to 90 Days Past Due	91 to 120 Days Past Due	Over 120 Days Past Due	Total
Expected credit loss rate	0%-0.29%	0.67%-2.44%	12.58%	37.89%	71.54%-100%	
Gross carrying amount	$ 180,664	$ 49,649	$ 91	$ 45	$ 1,642	$ 232,091
Loss allowance (Lifetime ECLs)	(462)	(466)	(11)	(17)	(1,608)	(2,564)
Amortized cost	$ 180,202	$ 49,183	$ 80	$ 28	$ 34	$ 229,527

The movements of the loss allowance of notes and trade receivables were as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Balance at January 1	$ 2,564	$ 3,647
Less: Reversal of credit loss	(688)	(1,016)
Less: Amounts written off	(758)	(67)
Balance at December 31	$ 1,118	$ 2,564

9. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Time deposits with maturities of more than three months	$ 76,763	$ 113,224

The annual yield rates of time deposits with maturities of more than three months at the balance sheet dates were as follows:

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Time deposits with maturities of more than three months	4.80%-5.00%	0.95%-2.70%

10. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Non-current		
Investments in equity instruments		
Listed shares - domestic	$ 115,273	$ 120,236
Unlisted shares - domestic	1,147	1,204
	$ 116,420	$ 121,440

The Group holds preferred shares of WPG Holdings Limited and WT Microelectronics Co., Ltd., and common shares of 3 Link Information Service Co., Ltd. for long-term strategic purposes. Accordingly, management elected to designate these investments in equity instruments as at FVTOCI as it believes that recognizing short-term fluctuations in these investments' fair value in profit or loss would not be consistent with the Group's strategy of holding these investments for long-term purposes.

11. SUBSIDIARIES

Subsidiaries included in the consolidated financial statements were as follows:

			Proportion of Ownership (%)	
			December 31	
Investor	Investee	Nature of Activities	2023	2022
Chief Telecom Inc.	Unigate Telecom Inc.	Telecommunications and internet service	100	100
	Chief International Corp.	Telecommunications and internet service	100	100
	Shanghai Chief Telecom Co., Ltd.	Telecommunications and internet service	49	49

According to the mutual agreements among shareholders of Shanghai Chief Telecom Co., Ltd. ("SCT"), since the Company has two of three seats in SCT's board of directors, the Company has control over SCT; therefore, SCT is deemed a subsidiary of the Group. SCT mainly operates in the telecommunications and data service business.

12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Computer Equipment	Telecommunications Equipment	Miscellaneous Equipment	Construction in Progress and Equipment to be Accepted	Total
Cost					
Balance at January 1, 2022	$ 20,030	$ 1,962,943	$ 5,299	$ 330,071	$ 2,318,343
Additions	1,808	17,303	-	577,103	596,214
Disposals	(27)	(8,922)	(3)	-	(8,952)
Reclassifications	971	10,988	-	(13,412)	(1,453)
Effect of foreign exchange differences	7	-	-	-	7
Balance at December 31, 2022	$ 22,789	$ 1,982,312	$ 5,296	$ 893,762	$ 2,904,159
Accumulated depreciation and impairment					
Balance at January 1, 2022	$ (18,480)	$ (1,723,238)	$ (4,966)	$ -	$ (1,746,684)
Depreciation expense	(575)	(66,378)	(226)	-	(67,179)
Disposals	27	8,922	3	-	8,952
Effect of foreign exchange differences	(5)	-	-	-	(5)
Balance at December 31, 2022	$ (19,033)	$ (1,780,694)	$ (5,189)	$ -	$ (1,804,916)
Carrying amount at December 31, 2022	$ 3,756	$ 201,618	$ 107	$ 893,762	$ 1,099,243
Cost					
Balance at January 1, 2023	$ 22,789	$ 1,982,312	$ 5,296	$ 893,762	$ 2,904,159
Additions	3,127	53,535	-	1,121,511	1,178,173
Disposals	(333)	(94,449)	(80)	-	(94,862)
Reclassifications	2,191	57,736	-	(61,114)	(1,187)
Effect of foreign exchange differences	(8)	-	-	-	(8)
Balance at December 31, 2023	$ 27,766	$ 1,999,134	$ 5,216	$ 1,954,159	$ 3,986,275
Accumulated depreciation and impairment					
Balance at January 1, 2023	$ (19,033)	$ (1,780,694)	$ (5,189)	$ -	$ (1,804,916)
Depreciation expense	(1,331)	(67,808)	(95)	-	(69,234)
Disposals	333	89,334	80	-	89,747
Effect of foreign exchange differences	8	-	-	-	8
Balance at December 31, 2023	$ (20,023)	$ (1,759,168)	$ (5,204)	$ -	$ (1,784,395)
Carrying amount at December 31, 2023	$ 7,743	$ 239,966	$ 12	$ 1,954,159	$ 2,201,880

No impairment test was performed for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, as there was no indication of impairment.

The construction of the Company's IDC was resolved in the board of directors' meeting on January 26, 2021. Physical construction has commenced with costs incurred recognized in construction in progress and equipment to be accepted under property, plant and equipment.

The above items of property, plant and equipment used by the Group are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Computer equipment	
Telecommunications equipment	3-5 years
Telecommunication circuits	2-30 years
Telecommunication machinery and antennas equipment	2-30 years
Miscellaneous equipment	
Mechanical and air conditioner equipment	3-5 years
Others	3-5 years

13. LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

a. Right-of-use assets

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Carrying amount		
Land	$ 560,551	$ 572,394
Buildings	1,744,158	1,082,168
Transportation equipment	906	1,466
	$ 2,305,615	$ 1,656,028

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Additions to right-of-use assets	$ 756,915	$ 2,569
Depreciation charge for right-of-use assets		
Land	$ 11,843	$ 11,843
Buildings	94,249	91,611
Transportation equipment	955	1,501
	$ 107,047	$ 104,955

Except for the aforementioned addition and recognized depreciation, the Group did not have significant impairment for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

b. Lease liabilities

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Carrying amount		
Current	$ 88,685	$ 93,653
Non-current	2,301,125	1,630,490
	$ 2,389,810	$ 1,724,143

Range of discount rates for lease liabilities was as follows:

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Land	1.60%	1.60%
Buildings	1.565%-2.10%	1.19%-1.70%
Transportation equipment	1.19%-1.69%	1.19%-1.44%

c. Material leasing activities and terms

The Group leases land and buildings with lease terms ranging from 1 to 50 years. These arrangements contain renewal options to extend the lease upon expiration.

Extension options are included in the land and building leases across the Group. Extension options are included to provide greater flexibility to the Group. Since the Group is reasonably certain to use the optional extended lease term, payments associated with the optional period are included within lease liabilities.

For the needs for business development, the Company’s board of directors resolved to renew the building lease agreement with the fellow subsidiary, Light Era, in April 2023, and this transaction was resolved by the shareholders in their meeting on June 29, 2023. The transaction increased the right-of-use assets and the corresponding lease liabilities by $739,314 thousand, respectively.

d. Other lease information

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Expenses relating to low-value asset leases	$ 177	$ 177
Total cash outflow for leases	$ 129,358	$ 122,551

The Group’s leases of certain office equipment qualify as low-value asset leases. The Group has elected to apply the recognition exemption and thus, did not recognize right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for these leases.

14. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Computer Software	Others	Total
Cost			
Balance at January 1, 2022	$ 58,289	$ 31,533	$ 89,822
Additions	3,789	-	3,789
Reclassifications	1,452	-	1,452
Balance at December 31, 2022	$ 63,530	$ 31,533	$ 95,063
Accumulated amortization			
Balance at January 1, 2022	$ (32,447)	$ -	$ (32,447)
Amortization expense	(9,431)	-	(9,431)
Balance at December 31, 2022	$ (41,878)	$ -	$ (41,878)
Carrying amount at December 31, 2022	$ 21,652	$ 31,533	$ 53,185
Cost			
Balance at January 1, 2023	$ 63,530	$ 31,533	$ 95,063
Additions	1,645	-	1,645
Reclassifications	1,187	-	1,187
Balance at December 31, 2023	$ 66,362	$ 31,533	$ 97,895
Accumulated amortization			
Balance at January 1, 2023	$ (41,878)	$ -	$ (41,878)
Amortization expense	(6,367)	-	(6,367)
Balance at December 31, 2023	$ (48,245)	$ -	$ (48,245)
Carrying amount at December 31, 2023	$ 18,117	$ 31,533	$ 49,650

Computer software is amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of 3 to 8 years. Other intangible asset is an IP address acquired separately, which is considered to have an indefinite useful life and is not amortized, since only an annual fee is necessary to maintain its usage rights, and there is no foreseeable limit to the period over which the asset is expected to generate net cash flows.

15. OTHER PAYABLES

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Payables for salaries and bonuses	$ 178,222	$ 172,159
Payables for accrued compensation of employees and remuneration of directors	88,740	80,613
Payables for purchases of equipment	428,551	15,951
Others	42,158	37,002
	$ 737,671	$ 305,725

16. RETIREMENT BENEFIT PLANS

a. Defined contribution plans

The Group adopted a pension plan under the Labor Pension Act (LPA), which is a state-managed defined contribution plan. Under the LPA, the Group makes monthly contributions to employees' individual pension accounts at 6% of monthly salaries and wages.

b. Defined benefit plans

The defined benefit plans adopted by the Company in accordance with the Labor Standards Act is operated by the government of the ROC. Pension benefits are calculated on the basis of the length of service and average monthly salaries of the 6 months before retirement. The Company contributes an amount equal to 2% of total monthly salaries to a pension fund administered by the pension fund monitoring committee. Pension contributions are deposited in the Bank of Taiwan in the committee's name. Before the end of each year, the Group assesses the balance in the pension fund. If the amount of the balance in the pension fund is inadequate to pay retirement benefits for employees who conform to retirement requirements in the next year, the Group is required to fund the difference in one appropriation that should be made before the end of March of the next year. The pension fund is managed by the Bureau of Labor Funds, Ministry of Labor (the "Bureau"); the Group has no right to influence the investment policy and strategy.

The amounts included in the consolidated balance sheets in respect of the Group's defined benefit plans are as follows:

	December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Present value of defined benefit obligation	$ 31,477	$ 32,765
Fair value of plan assets	(21,665)	(21,806)
Net defined benefit liabilities	$ 9,812	$ 10,959

Movements in net defined benefit liabilities were as follows:

	Present Value of Funded Defined Benefit Obligations	**Fair Value of Plan Assets**	**Net Defined Benefit Liabilities**
Balance at January 1, 2022	$ 32,564	$ (23,046)	$ 9,518
Current service cost			
Net interest expense (income)	153	(107)	46
Amounts recognized in profit or loss	153	(107)	46
Remeasurement			
Return on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest)	-	(1,757)	(1,757)
Actuarial losses recognized from changes in demographic assumptions	94	-	94
Actuarial losses recognized from experience adjustments	3,819	-	3,819
Amounts recognized in other comprehensive income	3,913	(1,757)	2,156

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	Present Value of Funded Defined Benefit Obligations	Fair Value of Plan Assets	Net Defined Benefit Liabilities
Contributions from employer	$ -	$ (761)	$ (761)
Benefits paid	(3,865)	3,865	-
Balance at December 31, 2022	$ 32,765	$ (21,806)	$ 10,959
Balance at January 1, 2023	$ 32,765	$ (21,806)	$ 10,959
Current service cost			
Net interest expense (income)	410	(278)	132
Amounts recognized in profit or loss	410	(278)	132
Remeasurement			
Return on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest)	-	(131)	(131)
Actuarial gains recognized from experience adjustments	(384)	-	(384)
Amounts recognized in other comprehensive income	(384)	(131)	(515)
Contributions from employer	-	(764)	(764)
Benefits paid	(1,314)	1,314	-
Balance at December 31, 2023	$ 31,477	$ (21,665)	$ 9,812

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An analysis by function of the amounts recognized in profit or loss in respect of the defined benefit plans is as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Operating costs	$ 12	$ 4
Selling and marketing expenses	82	29
General and administrative expenses	32	11
Research and development expenses	6	2
	$ 132	$ 46

Through the defined benefit plans under the Labor Standards Act, the Company is exposed to the following risks:

1) Investment risk: The plan assets are invested in domestic and foreign equity and debt securities, bank deposits, etc. The investment is conducted at the discretion of the Bureau or under the mandated management. However, in accordance with relevant regulations, the return generated by plan assets shall not be below the interest rate for a 2-year time deposit with local banks.

2) Interest risk: A decrease in the government/corporate bond interest rate will increase the present value of the defined benefit obligation; however, this will be partially offset by an increase in the return on the plans' debt investments.

3) Salary risk: The present value of the defined benefit obligation is calculated using the future salaries of plan participants. As such, an increase in the salaries of the plan participants will increase the present value of the defined benefit obligation.

The actuarial valuations of the present value of the defined benefit obligation were carried out by qualified actuaries. The significant assumptions used for the purposes of the actuarial valuations are as follows:

	December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Discount rate	1.25%	1.25%
Expected rate of salary increase	2.00%	2.00%

If possible reasonable changes in each of the significant actuarial assumptions will occur and all other assumptions will remain constant, the present value of the defined benefit obligation will increase (decrease) as follows:

	December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Discount rate		
0.5% increase	$ (1,242)	$ (1,421)
0.5% decrease	$ 1,316	$ 1,511
Expected rate of salary increase		
0.5% increase	$ 1,279	$ 1,469
0.5% decrease	$ (1,219)	$ (1,396)

The above sensitivity analysis may not be representative of the actual changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligation as it is unlikely that changes in assumptions will occur in isolation of one another as some of the assumptions may be correlated.

	December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Expected contributions to the plans for the next year	$ 761	$ 778
Average duration of the defined benefit obligation	8.1 years	8.9 years

	December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Maturity analysis of undiscounted pension benefits		
Not later than 1 year	$ 829	$ 884
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	10,767	5,093
Later than 5 years	9,543	14,176
	$ 21,139	$ 20,153

17. EQUITY

a. Share capital - ordinary shares

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Number of shares authorized (in thousands)	88,000	88,000
Shares authorized	$ 880,000	$ 880,000
Number of shares issued and fully paid (in thousands)	77,866	70,745
Shares issued	$ 778,664	$ 707,449

Each issued ordinary share with par value of $10 is entitled the right to vote and receive dividends.

On February 17, 2022, the Company's board of directors resolved to issue 212.25 thousand shares with par value of $10, as new shares designated for subscription when the share options of 2022 are exercised, and the subscription base date was determined by the board of directors to be March 16, 2022. On April 11, 2022, the above transaction was approved by Department of Commerce, MOEA.

On December 15, 2022, the Company's board of directors resolved to issue 62.5 thousand shares with par value of $10, as new shares designated for subscription when the share options of 2022 are exercised, and the subscription base date was determined by the board of directors to be December 16, 2022. On January 4, 2023, the above transaction was approved by Department of Commerce, MOEA.

On June 29, 2023, the Company's shareholders resolved to issue 7,074 thousand shares with par value of $10 from the retained earnings which will increase the share capital issued and fully paid to $778,194 thousand. The above transaction has been approved by the FSC on July 14, 2023, and the subscription base date was determined by the board of directors to be August 25, 2023. On September 12, 2023, the above transaction was approved by Department of Commerce, MOEA.

On December 25, 2023, the Company's board of directors resolved to issue 47 thousand shares with par value of $10, as new shares designated for subscription when the share options of 2023 are exercised, and the subscription base date was determined by the board of directors to be December 28, 2023. On January 17, 2024, the above transaction was approved by Department of Commerce, MOEA.

b. Capital surplus

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Issuance of ordinary shares	$ 1,350,340	$ 1,335,782
Employee share options	10,368	12,346
Donations	1,288	1,013
	$ 1,361,996	$ 1,349,141

Capital surplus arising from share premium and donated capital, except due to unclaimed dividends, may be utilized to offset deficit. Furthermore, when the Company has no deficit, it may be distributed in cash or capitalized, which however is limited to a certain percentage of the Company's paid-in capital.

Capital surplus arising from employee share option plans cannot be utilized; however, upon expiration, the capital surplus transferred may be used to offset deficit.

c. Retained earnings and dividends policy

Under the dividends policy as set forth in the Company's Articles of Incorporation, where the Company made a profit in a fiscal year, the profit shall be first utilized for paying taxes, offsetting losses of previous years, setting aside as legal reserve 10% of the remaining profit, setting aside or reversing a special reserve in accordance with the laws and regulations, and then any remaining profit together with any undistributed retained earnings shall be used by the Company's board of directors as the basis for proposing a distribution plan, which should be resolved in the shareholders' meeting for the distribution of dividends and bonuses to shareholders. For the distribution in cash, the board of directors shall be authorized to distribute the profit in cash upon resolution by a majority vote at a board meeting attended by two-thirds or more of the directors, to distribute all or part of dividends and bonuses in cash, and a report of such distribution shall be submitted in the shareholders' meeting. Such distribution does not apply the preceding shareholders' approval requirement. For the policies on the distribution of compensation of employees and remuneration of directors after the amendment, refer to compensation of employees and remuneration of directors in Note 19(e).

Appropriation of earnings to a legal reserve shall be made until the legal reserve equals the Company's paid-in capital. The legal reserve may be used to offset deficit. If the Company has no deficit and the legal reserve has exceeded 25% of the Company's paid-in capital, the excess may be transferred to capital or distributed in cash.

The Company should appropriate a special reserve for cumulative net debit balance of other equity items from prior period. Distributions can be made out of any subsequent reversal of the cumulative net debit balance of other equity items.

The appropriations of earnings for 2022 and 2021 which were approved in the shareholders meetings on June 29, 2023 and June 7, 2022, respectively, were as follows:

	Appropriation of Earnings		**Dividends Per Share (NT$)**	
	For Fiscal Year 2022	**For Fiscal Year 2021**	**For Fiscal Year 2022**	**For Fiscal Year 2021**
Legal reserve	$ 83,508	$ 68,580		
(Reversal) appropriation of special reserve	(8,938)	3,935		
Cash dividends	636,704	614,937	$ 9.00	$ 8.70
Share dividends	70,745	-	1.00	-

The above 2022 and 2021 appropriations for cash dividends were resolved by the board of directors on February 16, 2023 and were resolved by the shareholders in their meeting on June 7, 2022, respectively.

The appropriation for share dividends of $1 per share, for a total of $70,745 thousand for 2022, was proposed by the board of directors on February 16, 2023, and it had been resolved by the shareholders in their meeting on June 29, 2023. The appropriation for cash dividends from capital surplus of $0.6 per share, for a total of $42,409 thousand for 2021, was resolved by the shareholders in their meeting on June 7, 2022.

The appropriations of earnings for 2023, which were proposed by the Company's board of directors on February 16, 2024, were as follows:

	Appropriation of Earnings	**Dividends Per Share (NT$)**
Legal reserve	$ 92,152	
Special reserve	5,337	
Cash dividends	825,384	$ 10.60

The above appropriation for cash dividends has been resolved by the Company's board of directors; the other proposed appropriations will be resolved by the shareholders in their meeting to be held on May 28, 2024. Information on the appropriation of the Company's earnings proposed by the board of directors and approved by the shareholders is available at the Market Observation Post System website.

d. Other equity items

Exchange differences arising from the translation of the foreign operations

The exchange differences arising from the translation of the foreign operations from their functional currency to New Taiwan dollars were recognized as exchange differences arising from the translation of the foreign operations in other comprehensive income.

18. REVENUE

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Major products and service revenue		
Revenue from data service	$ 1,424,228	$ 1,385,978
Revenue from IDC service	1,015,577	960,182
Revenue from cloud service	527,251	495,686
Revenue from voice service	275,642	238,460
	$ 3,242,698	$ 3,080,306
Revenue from contracts with customers		
Revenue from telecommunications service	$ 3,209,254	$ 3,027,394
Revenue from rendering of services	31,243	51,789
Revenue from sale of goods	2,201	1,123
	$ 3,242,698	$ 3,080,306

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Contract liabilities		
Telecommunications business	$ 35,609	$ 52,978

The changes in the balance of contract liabilities primarily result from the timing difference between the satisfaction of performance obligations and the respective customer's payment.

Revenue that was recognized from the contract liability balance at the beginning of the year for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 was $38,843 thousand and $29,331 thousand, respectively.

19. NET INCOME

a. Other operating income and expenses

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	$ 660	$ 37

b. Finance costs

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Interest on lease liabilities	$ 38,239	$ 29,385
Other	284	149
	$ 38,523	$ 29,534

c. Depreciation and amortization expenses

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Property, plant and equipment	$ 69,234	$ 67,179
Right-of-use assets	107,047	104,955
Intangible assets	6,367	9,431
	$ 182,648	$ 181,565
An analysis of depreciation by function		
Operating costs	$ 165,692	$ 162,561
Operating expenses	10,589	9,573
	$ 176,281	$ 172,134
An analysis of amortization by function		
Operating costs	$ 5,716	$ 6,944
Operating expenses	651	2,487
	$ 6,367	$ 9,431

d. Employee benefits expense

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Post-employment benefits		
Defined contribution plan	$ 8,091	$ 7,530
Defined benefit plans (Note 16)	132	46
	8,223	7,576
Share-based payment		
Employee share options (Note 22)	4,980	8,838
Other employee benefits		
Salaries	309,644	306,740
Insurance	20,793	19,667
Other employee benefits	96,737	88,264
	427,174	414,671
Total employee benefits expense	$ 440,377	$ 431,085
An analysis of employee benefits expense by function		
Operating costs	$ 49,352	$ 43,001
Operating expenses	391,025	388,084
	$ 440,377	$ 431,085

e. Compensation of employees and remuneration of directors

According to the Company's Articles, the Company accrues compensation of employees and remuneration of directors at rates between 3.5% and 6.9% and no higher than 2.3%, respectively, of net profit before income tax, compensation of employees, and remuneration of directors. The compensation of employees and the remuneration of directors for the year ended December 31, 2023, which were approved by the Company's board of directors on February 16, 2024, were $85,267 thousand and $3,360 thousand, accrued at rates of 6.9% and 0.3%, respectively, of net profit before income tax.

If there is a change in the amounts after the annual consolidated financial statements are authorized for issue, the differences are recorded as a change in the accounting estimate.

The compensation of employees and the remuneration of directors of for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, which were approved by the Company's board of directors on February 16, 2023 and February 17, 2022, respectively, were as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2022	2021
	Cash	Cash
Compensation of employees	$ 77,253	$ 63,366
Remuneration of directors	3,360	3,360

There was no difference between the actual amounts of compensation of employees and remuneration of directors paid and the amounts recognized in the consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Information on the compensation of employees and remuneration of directors approved by the board of directors is available at the Market Observation Post System website.

20. INCOME TAX

a. Income tax recognized in profit or loss

Major components of income tax expense are as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Current tax		
In respect of the current year	$ 226,043	$ 204,719
Adjustments for prior year	2,653	-
	228,696	204,719
Deferred tax		
In respect of the current year	729	852
	729	852
Income tax expense recognized in profit or loss	$ 229,425	$ 205,571

A reconciliation of accounting profit and income tax expense is as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Income before income tax	$ 1,151,019	$ 1,042,824
Income tax expense calculated at the statutory rate	$ 230,204	$ 208,565
Nondeductible expenses in determining taxable income	1	1
Tax-exempt income	(3,122)	(2,929)
Income tax on unappropriated earnings	2,653	-
Unrecognized investment credits	(3,389)	-
Effect of different tax rates of entities operating in other jurisdictions	(32)	(44)
Others	3,110	(22)
Income tax expense recognized in profit or loss	$ 229,425	$ 205,571

b. Income tax recognized in other comprehensive income

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Deferred tax		
In respect of the current year		
Remeasurement on defined benefit pension plans	$ 103	$ (431)

c. Current tax liabilities

	December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Income tax payable	$ 123,985	$ 119,718

d. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities

The movements of deferred income tax assets were as follows:

For the year ended December 31, 2023

Deferred Tax Assets	**Beginning Balance**	**Recognized in Profit or Loss**	**Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income**	**Ending Balance**
Temporary differences				
Defined benefit pension plans	$ 1,325	$ (126)	$ (103)	$ 1,096
Provision for impairment loss and obsolescence of inventory	705	(448)	-	257
Allowance for doubtful receivables over limit	53	-	-	53
Fair value changes of financial assets at FVTPL	35	(30)	-	5
	$ 2,118	$ (604)	$ (103)	$ 1,411

Deferred Tax Liabilities	Beginning Balance	Recognized in Profit or Loss	Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income	Ending Balance
Temporary differences				
Unrealized net exchange gains	$ 552	$ 125	$ -	$ 677

For the year ended December 31, 2022

Deferred Tax Assets	Beginning Balance	Recognized in Profit or Loss	Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income	Ending Balance
Temporary differences				
Defined benefit pension plans	$ 1,037	$ (143)	$ 431	$ 1,325
Provision for impairment loss and obsolescence of inventory	592	113	-	705
Unrealized net exchange losses	61	(61)	-	-
Allowance for doubtful receivables over limit	297	(244)	-	53
Fair value changes of financial assets at FVTPL	-	35	-	35
	$ 1,987	$ (300)	$ 431	$ 2,118

Deferred Tax Liabilities	Beginning Balance	Recognized in Profit or Loss	Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income	Ending Balance
Temporary differences				
Unrealized net exchange gains	$ -	$ 552	$ -	$ 552

e. Unused loss carryforwards for which no deferred tax assets have been recognized in the consolidated balance sheets

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Loss carryforwards		
Expire in 2023	$ 5	$ 123
Expire in 2024	118	118
Expire in 2025	117	117
Expire in 2026	137	137
Expire in 2027	129	129
Expire in 2028	118	118
Expire in 2029	26	26
	$ 650	$ 768

f. Income tax assessments

The income tax returns through 2021 of Chief and Unigate have been examined by the tax authorities.

21. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Net income and weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation of earnings per share were as follows:

Net Income

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Net income used to compute the basic and diluted earnings per share		
Net income attributable to the parent	$ 921,112	$ 836,810

Weighted Average Number of Shares

(Thousand Shares)

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the computation of basic earnings per share	77,820	77,717
Effect of potentially dilutive ordinary shares		
Employee share options	86	118
Compensation of employees	295	296
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the computation of diluted earnings per share	78,201	78,131

The weighted average number of shares outstanding used for the earnings per share computation was adjusted retroactively for the issuance of bonus shares on August 25, 2023. The basic and diluted earnings per share adjusted retrospectively for the year ended December 31, 2022 were as follows:

Unit: NT$ Per Share

	Before Retrospective Adjustment	**After Retrospective Adjustment**
Basic earnings per share	$ 11.85	$ 10.77
Diluted earnings per share	$ 11.78	$ 10.71

The Company may settle the compensation of employees in cash or shares; therefore, the Company assumes that the entire amount of the compensation will be settled in shares, and the resulting potential shares are included in the weighted average number of shares outstanding used in the computation of diluted earnings per share, as the effect is dilutive. Such dilutive effect of the potential shares is included in the computation of diluted earnings per share until the number of shares to be distributed to employees is resolved in the following year.

22. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Employee share option plan of the Company:

Effective Date for Plan Registration	Resolution Date by the Board of Directors	Units Granted	Exercise Price (NT$)
2020.09.16	2020.10.26	200.00	$171.70 (Original price $206.00)
2017.12.18	2018.10.31	50.00	$130.30 (Original price $147.00)
2017.12.18	2017.12.19	950.00	$124.70 (Original price $147.00)

Each option is eligible to subscribe for one thousand ordinary shares of the Company; the options are granted to qualified employees of the Company. For any subsequent changes in the Company's ordinary shares or the distribution of cash dividends, the exercise price is adjusted accordingly. The options granted are valid for 5 years and exercisable at certain percentages after the second anniversary from the grant date.

Compensation costs recognized for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 were as follows:

	2023	2022
Granted on November 13, 2020	$ 4,980	$ 8,780
Granted on October 31, 2018	-	58
	$ 4,980	$ 8,838

The Company modified the plan terms of share options granted on October 26, 2020 in July 2022 and August 2023; therefore, the exercise price changed from $199.70 to $193.50 and from $193.50 to $171.70 per share, respectively. The modification did not cause any incremental fair value.

The Company modified the plan terms of share options granted on October 31, 2018 in September 2021 and July 2022; therefore, the exercise price changed from $138.70 to $134.50 and from $134.50 to $130.30 per share, respectively. The modification did not cause any incremental fair value.

The Company modified the plan terms of share options granted on December 19, 2017 in September 2021 and July 2022; therefore, the exercise price changed from $132.70 to $128.70 and from $128.70 to $124.70 per share, respectively. The modification did not cause any incremental fair value.

Information on employee share options was as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2023	
	Granted on November 13, 2020	
	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price (NT$)
Options outstanding at beginning of the period	142.25	$193.50
Options exercised	(47.00)	171.70
Options forfeited	(2.25)	-
Options outstanding at end of the period	93.00	171.70

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	For the Year Ended December 31, 2023	
	Granted on November 13, 2020	
	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price (NT$)
Options exercisable at end of the period	-	-
Weighted average remaining contractual life (years)	1.87	

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	For the Year Ended December 31, 2022					
	Granted on November 13, 2020		Granted on October 31, 2018		Granted on December 19, 2017	
	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price (NT$)	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price (NT$)	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price (NT$)
Options outstanding at beginning of the year	194.00	$ 199.70	10.50	$ 134.50	213.25	$ 128.70
Options exercised	(51.00)	193.50	(10.50)	130.30	(213.25)	124.70
Options forfeited	(0.75)	-	-	-	-	-
Options outstanding at end of the year	142.25	193.50	0.00	-	0.00	-
Options exercisable at end of the year	0.50	193.50	-	-	-	-
Weighted average remaining contractual life (years)	2.87		0.83		-	

Chief evaluated the fair value of the options using the Black-Scholes model and binomial option pricing model and the related assumptions and the fair value of the options were as follows:

	Granted on November 13, 2020	Granted on October 31, 2018	Granted on December 19, 2017
Grant-date share price (NT$)	$356.00	$166.00	$95.92
Dividend yield	-	-	-
Risk-free interest rate	0.18%	0.72%	0.62%
Expected life	5 years	5 years	5 years
Expected volatility	34.61%	16.60%	17.35%
Weighted average fair value of grants (NT$)	$173,893	$33,540	$2,318

The expected volatility for the options granted in 2020 was based on Chief's average annualized historical share price volatility from June 5, 2018, Chief's listing date on Taipei Exchange, to the grant date. The expected volatilities for the options granted from 2017 to 2018 were based on the average annualized historical share price volatility of Chief's comparable companies before the grant date.

23. NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS

The Group entered into the following non-cash investing activities for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Increase in property, plant and equipment	$ 1,178,173	$ 596,214
Changes in payables for equipment	(412,600)	(1,404)
	$ 765,573	$ 594,810

24. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as going concerns while maximizing the return to stakeholders through the optimization of the debt and equity balance.

The Group adheres to “The Procedures for Acquisition or Disposal of Assets” for transactions involving shares of listed entities; refer to the Market Observation Post System website for information on related policies.

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

a. Fair value of financial instruments not measured at fair value

The carrying amounts of financial assets and liabilities of the Group that are not measured at fair value approximate their fair values.

b. Financial instruments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis

1) Fair value hierarchy

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	Fair Value			
	Level 1	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Total**
Financial assets at FVTPL				
Listed shares - domestic	$ 421	$ -	$ -	$ 421
Financial assets at FVTOCI				
Investments in equity instruments				
Listed shares - domestic	$ 115,273	$ -	$ -	$ 115,273
Unlisted shares - domestic	-	-	1,147	1,147
	$ 115,273	$ -	$ 1,147	$ 116,420

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	Fair Value			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets at FVTPL				
Listed shares - domestic	$ 439	$ -	$ -	$ 439
Financial assets at FVTOCI				
Investments in equity instruments				
Listed shares - domestic	$ 120,236	$ -	$ -	$ 120,236
Unlisted shares - domestic	-	-	1,204	1,204
	$ 120,236	$ -	$ 1,204	$ 121,440

There were no transfers between Levels 1 and 2 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

2) Valuation techniques and inputs applied for Level 3 fair value measurement

The fair values of unlisted equity securities - ROC were determined using the income approach. In this approach, the discounted cash flow method was used to capture the present value of the expected future economic benefits to be derived from the ownership of these investees. An increase in long-term revenue growth rates or long-term pre-tax operating margin or a decrease in the WACC or discount for lack of marketability used in isolation would result in an increase in the fair value.

c. Categories of financial instruments

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Financial assets		
Financial assets at amortized cost (1)	$ 2,299,675	$ 2,713,195
Financial assets at FVTPL	421	439
Financial assets at FVTOCI		
Equity instruments	116,420	121,440
Financial liabilities		
Amortized cost (2)	666,879	243,755

1) The balances include financial assets at amortized cost, which comprise cash and cash equivalents, notes receivable, trade receivables, trade receivables from related parties, other financial assets, and refundable deposits (classified as noncurrent assets).

2) The balances include financial liabilities at amortized cost, which comprise notes payable, accounts payable, accounts payable to related parties, partial other payables, and guarantee deposits.

d. Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Group's major financial instruments include trade receivables, accounts payable, and lease liabilities. The Group's Finance Department provides services to the business, and monitors and manages the financial risks relating to the operations of the Group through internal risk reports that analyze exposures by degree and magnitude of risks. These risks include market risk (including foreign currency risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

1) Market risk

The Group's activities exposed it primarily to the financial risks of changes in foreign currency exchange rates (see (a) below) and interest rates (see (b) below).

There has been no change to the Group's exposure to market risks or the manner in which these risks are managed and measured.

a) Foreign currency risk

The carrying amounts of the Group's foreign currency denominated monetary assets and monetary liabilities at the balance sheet dates were as follows:

	December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Assets		
USD	$ 103,856	$ 94,240
Liabilities		
USD	20,005	20,952

Sensitivity analysis

The Group is mainly exposed to the fluctuations of the USD.

The following table details the Group's sensitivity to a 5% increase and decrease in the New Taiwan dollar against the U.S. dollar. The sensitivity rate used when reporting foreign currency risk internally to key management personnel and representing management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates is 5%. The sensitivity analysis included only outstanding foreign currency denominated monetary items. A positive/negative number below indicates an increase/a decrease in pre-tax profit associated with the New Taiwan dollar weakening 5% against the U.S. dollar.

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Profit or loss		
Monetary assets and liabilities (Note)		
USD	$ 4,193	$ 3,664

Note: This is mainly attributable to the exposure on outstanding foreign currency bank deposits and foreign currency denominated receivables and payables of the Group at the balance sheet dates.

For a 5% strengthening of the New Taiwan dollar against the U.S. dollar, there would be an equal and opposite impact on pre-tax profit.

b) Interest rate risk

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities with exposure to interest rates at the end of the year were as follows:

	December 31	
	2023	**2022**
Fair value interest rate risk		
Financial assets	$ 1,926,515	$ 2,194,644
Financial liabilities	2,389,810	1,724,143
Cash flow interest rate risk		
Financial assets	132,087	280,236

Sensitivity analysis

The sensitivity analysis below was determined based on the Group's exposure to interest rates for non-derivative instruments at the end of the year. A 25 basis point increase or decrease is used when reporting interest rate risk internally to key management personnel and represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in interest rates.

If interest rates had been 25 basis points higher/lower and all other variables were held constant, the Group's pre-tax profit for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 would have decreased/increased by $330 thousand and $701 thousand, respectively, which was mainly a result of variable-rate interest on the Group's bank deposits.

2) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in a financial loss to the Group. At the end of the year, the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk, which would cause a financial loss to the Group due to the failure of the counterparty to discharge its obligation and due to the financial guarantees provided by the Group, could be equal to their carrying amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheet as of the balance sheet date.

The Group transacts with a large number of unrelated customers and thus, credit risk is not highly concentrated.

3) Liquidity risk

The Group manages liquidity risk by monitoring and maintaining a level of cash and cash equivalents deemed adequate to finance the Group's operations and mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows.

a) Liquidity and interest rate risk tables for non-derivative financial liabilities

The table has been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of the Group's remaining contractual maturities for its non-derivative financial liabilities from the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay.

December 31, 2023

	On Demand or Less than 1 Month	1-3 Months	3 Months to 1 Year	1-5 Years	5+ Years	Total
Non-derivative financial liabilities						
Non-interest bearing	$ 595,707	$ -	$ -	$ 71,172	$ -	$ 666,879
Lease liabilities	11,193	22,289	101,247	538,061	2,348,892	3,021,682
	$ 606,900	$ 22,289	$ 101,247	$ 609,233	$ 2,348,892	$ 3,688,561

Further information on the maturity analysis of lease liabilities was as follows:

	Less than 1 Year	1-5 Years	5-10 Years	10-15 Years	15+ Years	Total
Lease liabilities	$ 134,728	$ 538,061	$ 654,208	$ 636,584	$ 1,058,101	$ 3,021,682

December 31, 2022

	On Demand or Less than 1 Month	1-3 Months	3 Months to 1 Year	1-5 Years	5+ Years	Total
Non-derivative financial liabilities						
Non-interest bearing	$ 162,172	$ -	$ -	$ 81,583	$ -	$ 243,755
Lease liabilities	10,177	20,360	90,940	491,480	1,485,444	2,098,401
	$ 172,349	$ 20,360	$ 90,940	$ 573,063	$ 1,485,444	$ 2,342,156

Further information on the maturity analysis of lease liabilities was as follows:

	Less than 1 Year	1-5 Years	5-10 Years	10-15 Years	15+ Years	Total
Lease liabilities	$ 121,477	$ 491,480	$ 603,987	$ 300,375	$ 581,082	$ 2,098,401

b) Financing facilities

	December 31 2023	December 31 2022
Unsecured bank loan facilities:		
Amount used	$ -	$ -
Amount unused	500,000	350,000
	$ 500,000	$ 350,000

26. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

a. Related party name and category

Related Party Name	Related Party Category
Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd.	Parent company
Chunghwa System Integration Co., Ltd.	Fellow subsidiary
CHYP Multimedia Marketing & Communications Co., Ltd.	Fellow subsidiary
Spring House Entertainment Tech. Inc.	Fellow subsidiary
Light Era Development Co., Ltd. (Light Era)	Fellow subsidiary
Senao International Co., Ltd.	Fellow subsidiary
Honghwa International Co., Ltd. (Honghwa International)	Fellow subsidiary
Chunghwa Telecom Singapore Pte., Ltd. (Chunghwa Singapore)	Fellow subsidiary
Chunghwa Telecom Global, Inc.	Fellow subsidiary
Donghwa Telecom Co., Ltd.	Fellow subsidiary
Chunghwa Telecom Japan Co., Ltd. (Chunghwa Japan)	Fellow subsidiary
KingwayTek Technology Co., Ltd.	Associate of the Company’s parent
So-net Entertainment Taiwan Limited (So-net)	Associate of the Company’s parent
Shenzhen Century Communication Co., Ltd.	Other related party (significant influence over subsidiary, Shanghai Chief Telecom Co., Ltd.)

b. Balances and transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries, which are related parties of the Company, have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note. Transactions with related parties do not contain terms that differ significantly from transactions with non-related parties; in the event where no transaction of similar type can be referenced, transaction terms were negotiated separately by both parties.

1) Operating revenue

Related Party Category	For the Year Ended December 31 2023	2022
Parent company	$ 202,790	$ 223,977
Fellow subsidiaries		
Chunghwa Singapore	85,451	55,215
Others	7,139	6,971
Associates		
So-net	143,085	141,493
Others	88	88
Other related parties	24,620	25,480
	$ 463,173	$ 453,224

2) Operating costs and expenses

Related Party Category	For the Year Ended December 31 2023	2022
Parent company	$ 484,263	$ 483,512
Fellow subsidiaries		
Light Era	86,041	84,341
Others	66,110	46,172
Associates	2,061	2,507
Other related parties	2,721	2,870
	$ 641,196	$ 619,402

3) Receivables from related parties

Related Party Category	December 31 2023	2022
Parent company	$ 9,304	$ 10,772
Fellow subsidiaries		
Chunghwa Singapore	8,901	5,751
Others	53	65
Associates		
So-net	24,361	24,244
	$ 42,619	$ 40,832

4) Payables to related parties

Related Party Category	December 31 2023	2022
Parent company	$ 60,653	$ 60,896
Fellow subsidiaries		
Chunghwa Singapore	7,226	5,763
Others	-	396
Associates	19	-
	$ 67,898	$ 67,055

5) Prepayments

Related Party Category	December 31 2023	2022
Parent company	$ 9,250	$ 21,821
Fellow subsidiaries	-	23
	$ 9,250	$ 21,844

6) Payment on behalf of others (classified as other current assets)

Related Party Category	December 31 2023	2022
Parent company	$ 2,117	$ 2,231

7) Other deferred expenses (classified as other noncurrent assets)

Related Party Category	December 31 2023	December 31 2022
Parent company	$ 5,683	$ 9,695

8) Refundable deposits (classified as other noncurrent assets)

Related Party Category	December 31 2023	December 31 2022
Parent company	$ 3,410	$ 3,476

9) Lease arrangements

The Group leased right-of-use of land and office buildings from its parent company and fellow subsidiaries. The terms of the contracts were negotiated by both parties; lease payments are paid monthly.

	December 31 2023	December 31 2022
Lease liabilities		
Parent company	$ 578,195	$ 583,491
Light Era	1,760,054	1,082,413
	$ 2,338,249	$ 1,665,904

	For the Year Ended December 31 2023	For the Year Ended December 31 2022
Interest expense		
Parent company	$ 9,278	$ 9,362
Light Era	28,035	18,995
	$ 37,313	$ 28,357

10) Contract liabilities

Related Party Category	December 31 2023	December 31 2022
Parent company	$ 767	$ 767
Fellow subsidiaries		
Chunghwa Japan	68	68
	$ 835	$ 835

11) Guarantee deposits received

Related Party Category	**December 31** 2023	2022
Fellow subsidiaries		
Honghwa International	$ 20	$ 20

c. Compensation of key management personnel

	For the Year Ended December 31 2023	2022
Short-term employee benefits	$ 50,078	$ 43,271
Post-employment benefits	809	802
Share-based payments	857	1,481
	$ 51,744	$ 45,554

The remuneration of directors and key executives, as determined by the remuneration committee, is based on the performance of individuals and market trends.

27. SIGNIFICANT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES DENOMINATED IN FOREIGN CURRENCIES

The Group's significant financial assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies aggregated by the foreign currencies other than functional currencies of the entities in the Group and the related exchange rates between the foreign currencies and the respective functional currencies were as follows:

December 31, 2023

Assets denominated in foreign currencies	**Foreign Currency**	**Exchange Rate**	**Carrying Amount**
Monetary items			
Cash and cash equivalents			
USD	$ 963	30.705	$ 29,554
Trade receivables			
USD	2,420	30.705	74,302
Liabilities denominated in foreign currencies			
Monetary items			
Accounts payable			
USD	652	30.705	20,005

December 31, 2022

	Foreign Currency	Exchange Rate	Carrying Amount
Assets denominated in foreign currencies			
Monetary items			
Cash and cash equivalents			
USD	$ 445	30.71	$ 13,662
Trade receivables			
USD	2,624	30.71	80,578
Liabilities denominated in foreign currencies			
Monetary items			
Accounts payable			
USD	682	30.71	20,952

The significant realized and unrealized foreign exchange gains (losses) were as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Unrealized exchange (losses) gains	$ (464)	$ 2,200
Realized exchange gains	2,141	10,769
	$ 1,677	$ 12,969

It is impractical to disclose net foreign exchange gains (losses) by each significant foreign currency due to the variety of the functional currencies of the entities in the Group.

28. SEPARATELY DISCLOSED ITEMS

a. Information on significant transactions and b. Information on investees:

1) Financing provided to others: None.

2) Endorsements/guarantees provided: None.

3) Marketable securities held (excluding investments in subsidiaries): Table 1.

4) Marketable securities acquired or disposed of at costs or prices of at least NT$300 million or 20% of the paid-in capital: None.

5) Acquisition of individual real estate at costs of at least NT$300 million or 20% of the paid-in capital: None.

6) Disposal of individual real estate at prices of at least NT$300 million or 20% of the paid-in capital: None.

7) Total purchases from or sales to related parties amounting to at least NT$100 million or 20% of the paid-in capital: Table 2.

8) Receivables from related parties amounting to at least NT$100 million or 20% of the paid-in capital: None.

9) Trading in derivative instruments: None.

10) Intercompany relationships and significant intercompany transactions: None.

11) Information on investees: Table 3.

c. Information on investments in mainland China: Table 4.

d. Information of major shareholders: Table 5.

29. SEGMENT INFORMATION

According to information reported periodically to the chief operating decision maker for the purpose of resource allocation and performance assessment, the Group has only one operating segment. The basis of measurement of income from operations is the same as that for the preparation of financial statements under IFRS 8 "Operating Segments" for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

a. See Note 18 for detailed information on the Group's major products and services.

b. Geographical information

The Group's revenue from continuing operations from external customers by location of operations and information on its non-current assets by location of assets are detailed below.

	Revenue from External Customers		Non-current Assets	
	For the Year Ended December 31		December 31	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Domestic	$ 2,141,393	$ 2,108,711	$ 4,584,310	$ 2,833,309
International	1,101,305	971,595	6,812	10,216
	$ 3,242,698	$ 3,080,306	$ 4,591,122	$ 2,843,525

Non-current assets exclude financial instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income and deferred tax assets.

c. Information on major customers

No single customer contributed 10% or more to the Group's revenue for both 2023 and 2022.

CHIEF TELECOM INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

MARKETABLE SECURITIES HELD (EXCLUDING INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES)
DECEMBER 31, 2023
(Amounts in Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars, Unless Stated Otherwise)

Company Name	Type and Name of Marketable Securities	Relationship with the Company	Financial Statement Account	December 31, 2023				Note
				Shares (In Thousands/ Thousand Units)	Carrying Amount	Percentage of Ownership (%)	Fair Value	
Chief Telecom Inc.	Stocks							
	WPG Holdings Limited	-	Financial assets at FVTOCI	2,102	$ 98,793	-	$ 98,793	Note
	WT Microelectronics Co., Ltd.	-	Financial assets at FVTOCI	361	16,480	-	16,480	Note
	3 Link Information Service Co., Ltd.	-	Financial assets at FVTOCI	374	1,147	10	1,147	-
	WPG Holding Limited	-	Financial assets at FVTPL	9	421	-	421	Note

Note: Preferred shares.

TABLE 2

CHIEF TELECOM INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

TOTAL PURCHASES FROM OR SALES TO RELATED PARTIES AMOUNTING TO AT LEAST NT$100 MILLION OR 20% OF THE PAID-IN CAPITAL
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
(Amounts in Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars, Unless Stated Otherwise)

Company Name	Related Party	Relationship	Transaction Details				Abnormal Transaction		Notes/Trade Receivables (Payables)	
			Purchase/Sale	Amount	% of Total	Payment Terms	Unit Price	Payment Terms	Ending Balance (Note 1)	% of Total
Chief Telecom Inc.	Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd.	Parent company	Sales	$ 202,790	6	30 days	$ -	-	$ 8,356	4
	Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd.	Parent company	Purchases	483,757	30	30 days	-	-	(60,653)	(48)
	So-net Entertainment Taiwan Limited	Associate	Sales	143,085	5	30 days	-	-	24,361	11

Note 1: Notes and trade receivables (payables) did not include the amounts collected for others and other receivables (payables).

Note 2: Transaction terms with related parties were determined in accordance with mutual agreements when there were no similar transactions with third parties. Other transactions with related parties were not significantly different from those with third parties.

CHIEF TELECOM INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

NAMES, LOCATIONS, AND OTHER INFORMATION OF INVESTEES IN WHICH THE COMPANY EXERCISES SIGNIFICANT INFLUENCE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
(In Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars, Unless Stated Otherwise)

Investor Company	Investee Company	Location	Main Businesses and Products	Original Investment Amount		Balance as of December 31, 2023			Net Income (Loss) of the Investee	Recognized Gain (Loss) (Notes 1 and 2)	Note
				December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	Shares (In Thousands)	Percentage of Ownership (%)	Carrying Value			
Chief Telecom Inc.	Unigate Telecom Inc.	Taiwan	Telecommunications and internet service	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	200	100	$ 1,333	$ 120	$ 120	Subsidiary
	Chief International Corp.	Samoa Islands	Telecommunications and internet service	6,068	6,068	200	100	111,583	10,085	10,085	Subsidiary

Note 1: The amount was recognized based on audited financial statements.

Note 2: The amount was eliminated upon consolidation.

CHIEF TELECOM INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

INFORMATION ON INVESTMENTS IN MAINLAND CHINA
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
(Amounts in Thousands of New Taiwan Dollars, Unless Stated Otherwise)

Investee	Main Businesses and Products	Total Amount of Paid-in Capital	Investment Type (Note 1)	Investment from Taiwan as of January 1, 2023	Investment Flows		Accumulated Outflow of Investment from Taiwan as of December 31, 2023	Net Income (Loss) of the Investee	% Ownership of Direct or Indirect Investment	Investment Gain (Loss) (Note 2)	Carrying Value as of December 31, 2023	Accumulated Inward Remittance of Earnings as of December 31, 2023	Note
					Outflow	Inflow							
Shanghai Chief Telecom Co., Ltd.	Telecommunications and internet service	$ 10,150	1	$ 4,973	$ -	$ -	$ 4,973	$ 946	49	$ 464	$ 9,349	$ 5,418	Note 4

Investee	Accumulated Investment in Mainland China as of December 31, 2023	Investment Amounts Authorized by Investment Commission, MOEA	Upper Limit on Investment Stipulated by Investment Commission, MOEA (Note 3)
Shanghai Chief Telecom Co., Ltd.	$ 4,973	$ 4,973	$ 2,169,180

Note 1: Investments are divided into three categories as follows:

a. Direct investment.
b. Investments through a holding company registered in a third region.
c. Others.

Note 2: The amount was recognized based on audited financial statements and the Group’s share of profits.

Note 3: The amount was calculated based on 60% of the Group’s consolidated net asset value.

Note 4: The amount was eliminated upon consolidation.

TABLE 5

CHIEF TELECOM INC.

INFORMATION OF MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Name of Major Shareholder	Shares	
	Number of Shares	Percentage of Ownership (%)
Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd.	43,368,383	55.70

Note: The information of major shareholders presented in this table is provided by the Taiwan Depository & Clearing Corporation based on the number of ordinary shares held by shareholders with ownership of 5% or greater, that have been issued without physical registration by the Company as of the last business day for the current quarter. The share capital in the consolidated financial statements may differ from the actual number of shares that have been issued without physical registration because of different preparation basis.