

**AUCTION OF RADIO SPECTRUM
IN THE 850/900 MHz AND 2.3 GHz BANDS
FOR THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC MOBILE SERVICES**

QUALIFIED BIDDER NOTICE

This is a notice referred to in paragraph 3.3.1 of the notice of the terms and conditions of the Auction (the “Notice”) dated 19 July 2024 for the auction in relation to the use of the frequency blocks in the 850/900 MHz Bands and 2.3 GHz Band issued by the Communications Authority (the “Authority”) in exercise of the powers conferred by section 32I of the Telecommunications Ordinance, the Telecommunications (Method for Determining Spectrum Utilization Fee) (Spectrum for Auction) Regulation and all other powers enabling it to specify the terms and conditions of the Auction and the payment of Spectrum Utilization Fees. Unless otherwise stated or the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used in this notice have the same meaning as that given to them in the Notice.

2. The Authority hereby announces that the following Bidders are Qualified Bidders (in alphabetical order):

- (a) China Mobile Hong Kong Company Limited;
- (b) Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited;
- (c) Hutchison Telephone Company Limited; and
- (d) SmarTone Mobile Communications Limited.

3. The Qualified Bidders are eligible for participating in the Bidding Stage. Each Qualified Bidder will be informed of the details of the Bidding Stage separately by a Bidding Stage Notice referred to in paragraph 4.3.1 of the Notice.

4. For the avoidance of doubt, the objective of the qualification is only to finalise the Bidders qualified to take part in the Auction. Nothing in the Auction (including the qualification) shall be construed as an approval of proposals made by the Qualified Bidders in their

Applications. Any Qualified Bidder which becomes a Successful Bidder in the Auction shall therefore remain subject to the licensing or approval requirements set by the relevant authorities whether under the Telecommunications Ordinance, any other ordinance or otherwise.

Communications Authority
18 October 2024