The Tai Ping Master Provident Fund

("Scheme")

NOTICE TO PARTICIPATING EMPLOYERS AND MEMBERS

This notice is important. If you are in doubt about the contents of this notice, you should seek independent professional financial advice.

Dear Employers and Members,

The Scheme was established under the Occupational Retirement Schemes Ordinance and authorized as a pooled retirement fund by the Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC") pursuant to the Code on Pooled Retirement Funds ("Code"). SFC has recently revised the Code by introducing a number of amendments to the regulatory requirements which are applicable to pooled retirement funds, including the Scheme. These include (but are not limited to) disclosure requirements in the constitutive documents and the principal brochure of the Scheme.

In light of this, we write to inform you that changes have been made to the constitutive documents and the principal brochure of the Scheme to reflect the amendments required by the Code. Other enhancement of disclosures and miscellaneous amendments have been also made in the constitutive documents and the principal brochure of the Scheme. The above mentioned amendments to the Scheme will take effect from **30 November 2022**.

A. Key Amendments to the Constitutive Documents and Principal Brochure of the Scheme

I. <u>Updates to reflect the revised SFC's Code</u>

The following is a summary of the key amendments made to the constitutive documents and the principal brochure of the Scheme to reflect the regulatory requirements under the revised Code.

- 1. A section of "Risks associated with the investment in the Guaranteed Fund" has been added in the principal brochure. The Scheme solely invests in the Guaranteed Fund issued by China Life Insurance (Overseas) Company Limited. The related major risks such as guarantor's risk, counter party risk, liquidity risk etc. have been stated in the principal brochure for scheme participants' information.
- 2. The arrangement to pay the termination value (if any) for the portions that exceed a certain amount by instalments upon Employer's cessation of participation in the Scheme has been removed. Also, the arrangement that if withdrawal requests on any one business day exceed 10% of the total guaranteed amount of the Scheme, withdrawal requests in excess of 10% may

be deferred to the next business day, has been included. A relevant section of "Withdrawal Arrangement" has been added in the principal brochure.

3. Unclaimed benefits arrangement has also been disclosed in order to comply with the revised Code. Any unclaimed benefits arising from the termination of the Scheme will be held by the Trustee for (i) 3 months or (ii) such other period of time as may be determined by the Trustee, whichever is the later. Upon expiry of the foregoing period, the Trustee shall pay all unclaimed benefits into the court of Hong Kong. The Trustee shall have the right to deduct any expenses (including legal expenses) from the unclaimed benefits incurred in making such payment.

II. Other Changes

- 1. Automatic exchange of financial account information ("AEOI") of financial institutions introduced in 2020 under the Inland Revenue Ordinance stipulating the duty of a trustee of a pooled retirement fund to conduct due diligence as to the tax residency of new Scheme's applicants and obtain self-certification for pre-existing Scheme participants and to provide information to the Inland Revenue Department if the foregoing participants are tax residents of AEOI jurisdictions and latest anti-money laundering ("AML") responsibility of verification of the Scheme's applicant identity and source of contribution payment have been incorporated into the constitutive documents and principal brochure of the Scheme as well.
- 2. There are also some other miscellaneous amendments such as the update of information of parties to the Scheme and enhancement of the disclosure on fees and charges summary.

B. Impact on Employers and Members

The changes made to the constitutive documents and the principal brochure of the Scheme do not have any adverse impact on the interests of Employers and Members of the Scheme. The costs and expenses incurred in relation to the above will be solely borne by the Trustee of the Scheme.

The trust deed of the Scheme has been amended by way of the Seventh Deed of Variation and latest principal brochure has been amended by way of the Sixth Addendum reflecting the above amendments and some general updates will be available from the date of this notice for inspection at our office at 17/F, CLI Building, 313 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong. The principal brochure and the Sixth Addendum can also be downloaded from our website <u>www.chinalife.com.hk</u>. Should there be any questions, please contact our hotline on (852) 3999 5555 for enquiry.

China Life Trustees Limited 31 October 2022

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