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FORM 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008

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Commission file number: 000-12536						
China Recycling Energy Corporation						
(Name of Registrant in its Charter)						
Nevada						
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization						
90-0093373						
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)						
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Issuer's telephone number: (011) 86-29-8769-1097						
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:						
NONE						
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:						

NONE

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes "No x

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes "No x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "small reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):

Large accelerated filer "Accelerated filer "

Non-accelerated filer "Smaller reporting company x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No x

The aggregate market value of 8,986,405 shares of voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was approximately \$11,143,142 based on the last reported sale price of the registrant's Common Stock as reported on the NASD's Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board on June 30, 2008.

As of March 1, 2009, the registrant had outstanding 36,425,094 shares of Common Stock outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the China Recycling Energy Corporation Information Statement regarding the 2009 annual shareholder
consent action (the "Information Statement") are incorporated into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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PART I

When we use the terms "we," "us," "our" and "the Company," we mean China Recycling Energy Corporation., a Nevada corporation, and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Sifang Holdings Co., Ltd., and Sifang Holdings Co., Ltd.'s wholly-owned subsidiary, Shanghai TCH Energy Technology Co., Ltd. and Shanghai TCH Energy Technology Co., Ltd's wholly-owned subsidiary, Xi'an TCH Energy Technology Co., Ltd. Prior to March 8, 2007, China Recycling Energy Corporation's name was China Digital Wireless, Inc.

ITEM 1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

General

We currently engage in the recycling energy business, providing energy savings and recycling products and services.

Overview

Business History.

We originally began operations as a Colorado corporation known as Boulder Brewing Company, or Boulder Brewing. We were incorporated in Colorado on May 8, 1980 and operated as a microbrewery of various beers. Boulder Brewing was unable to become profitable within any segment of its core business, became illiquid, and was forced to divest itself of all of its assets. Boulder Brewing became dormant without any operations or assets in the second quarter of 1990.

In September 2001, Boulder Brewing changed its state of incorporation from Colorado to Nevada and changed its name to Boulder Acquisitions, Inc., or Boulder Acquisitions. From the date of reincorporation until June 23, 2004, Boulder Acquisitions had no material operations or assets.

On June 23, 2004, we completed a stock exchange transaction with the shareholders of Sifang Holdings Co., Ltd. ("Sifang Holdings"). The exchange was consummated under Nevada and Cayman Islands law pursuant to the terms of a Securities Exchange Agreement dated as of June 23, 2004 by and among Boulder Acquisitions, Sifang Holdings and the shareholders of Sifang Holdings. Pursuant to the Securities Exchange Agreement, we issued 13,782,636 shares of our common stock to the shareholders of Sifang Holdings, representing approximately 89.7% of our post-exchange issued and outstanding common stock, in exchange for 100% of the outstanding capital stock of Sifang Holdings. We presently carry on the business of Sifang Holdings' wholly-owned subsidiary, Shanghai TCH Energy Technology Co., Ltd. or Shanghai TCH, a corporation organized under the laws of the People's Republic of China ("PRC" or "China").

Effective August 6, 2004, we changed our name from Boulder Acquisitions, Inc. to China Digital Wireless, Inc.

From August 2004 to December 2006, we primarily engaged in the business of pager and mobile phone distribution and provided value added information services to the customers in the PRC. We gradually phased out and substantially scaled down most of the business of mobile phone distribution and provision of pager and mobile phone value-added information services, and on May 10, 2007, the Company approved and announced that it completely ceased and discontinued these businesses.

In December 2006, we began to engage in business activities in the energy saving and recycling industry, including purchasing certain equipment, devices, hardware and software for the construction and installation of top gas recovery turbine systems ("TRT") and other renewable energy products. TRT is an electricity generating system that utilizes the exhaust pressure and heat produced in the blast furnace of steel mills to generate electricity. It has commercial value

for the steel mills by using waste heat and steam to produce electricity for the operation of the mills.

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On March 8, 2007, we changed our name from China Digital Wireless, Inc. to China Recycling Energy Corporation.

On April 8, 2007, our Board of Directors approved and made effective a TRT Project Joint-Operation Agreement ("Joint-Operation Agreement") which was conditionally entered on February 1, 2007 between Shanghai TCH and Xi'an Yingfeng Science and Technology Co., Ltd.("Yingfeng"). Yingfeng is a Chinese company that is located in Xi'an, Shaanxi Province, China, which is engaged in the business of designing, selling, installing, and operating TRT systems and other renewable energy products.

Under the Joint-Operation Agreement, Shanghai TCH and Yingfeng jointly pursued a top gas recovery turbine project ("Project") to design, construct, install and operate a TRT system in Xingtai Iron and Steel Company, Ltd. ("Xingtai"). This project was originally initiated by a Contract to Design and Construct TRT System ("Project Contract") entered by Yingfeng and Xingtai on September 26, 2006. Due to Yingfeng's lack of capital in pursuing this Project alone, Yingfeng sought Shanghai TCH's cooperation. After intensive and substantial inquiry and assessment, Shanghai TCH agreed to pursue this project with Yingfeng as a joint venture. Under the terms of the Joint-Operation Agreement, Shanghai TCH provided various forms of investments and properties into the Project including cash, hardware, software, equipments, major components and devices. In return, Shanghai TCH obtained all the rights, titles, benefits and interests that Yingfeng originally had under the Project Contract, including but not limited to the cash payment made by Xingtai on regular basis and other property rights and interests.

On October 31, 2007, Shanghai TCH entered an asset-transfer agreement with Yingfeng on to transfer from Yingfeng to Shanghai TCH all electricity-generating related assets owned by Yingfeng. As the result, the contractual relationships between Shanghai TCH and Yingfeng under the TRT Project Joint-Operation Agreement entered on April 8, 2007 were terminated.

Our current business is primarily conducted through our wholly-owned subsidiary, Sifang Holdings and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Shanghai TCH and Shanghai TCH's wholly-subsidiaries, Xi'an TCH Energy Technology Company, Ltd ("Xi'an TCH") and Xingtai Huaxin Energy Tech Co., Ltd. ("Huaxin"). Shanghai TCH was established as a foreign investment enterprise in Shanghai under the laws of the PRC on May 25, 2004, with registered capital of \$7.2 million. Xi'an TCH was established as a foreign investment enterprise in Xi'an, Shannxi Province under the laws of the PRC on December 14, 2007. Huaxin was incorporated in Xingtai, PRC in November, 2007.

Market

A. Description of the TRT (Blast Furnace Top-Gas Recovery Turbine Unit) Market

Energy is a major strategic issue affecting the development of the Chinese economy. The Chinese government has committed to adjusting the economic structure and changing the mode of economic growth in order to encourage the use of more advanced and more environment-friendly technologies. Also, the Chinese government has been promoting the development of a recycling economy and the circulated use of resources by encouraging enterprises to engage in the energy-recycling industry. Various government issued documents indicate the government's plan to promote the use of energy saving and recycling equipment and systems.

The 2007 Report of China's Iron & Steel Association predicted that 200 TRT systems or plants will be installed in China from 2008 to 2010. The total amount of investment is expected to reach RMB 5 billion (averaging RMB 2.5 million each year), with an electricity-generation up to 11.2 billion KWH per year.

TRT projects are one of our core businesses and we have an excellent team specialized in development, installation, production and operation of TRT systems and equipment. Also, we have rich marketing experience in this field and have become a leader in TRT market.

We invested and built 3 TRT projects in 2007 (one for Shanxi Changzhi Steel Group, and two for Hebei Xingtai Steel Group). In addition, we have one project scheduled to be built in 2009 for Zhonggang Binhai.

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B. Description of CHPG (Cement Low Temperature Heat Power Generation) Market

Cement waste heat power generation, or CHPG, is power generation by recovering cement residual heat without additional fuel, to be built on NSP (New Suspension Pre-heater Dry Process) cement clinker production lines.

1. State of the market:

The cement industry experienced substantial growth in China in 2008 according to a February 2009 of China's Securities News. China's total investment in the cement industry reached RMB 105 billion (\$15 billion), a 60% increase from 2007. Of the RMB 105 billion (\$15 billion) investment, 65 percent was spent on building up NSP cement clinker production lines, a 10% increase from 2007. It is estimated that the percentage of NSP production lines of the total will rise to 70% by the end of 2009. There are three main reasons for such strong demand of CHPG systems.

First, during the period of the Chinese government's 10th Five-Year Plan, the output of NSP production lines reached 40% of the total cement output. The 11th Five-Year plan has continued to promote the NSP production line as a primary goal for the cement industry. This government promotion provides a good foundation for CHPG.

Second, with the development of China's national economy, demand on electricity and coal has been increasing, and the price for such materials has been rising. This exerts a negative effect on cement enterprises. As the price of power and coal reached the majority of the production cost and substantially exceeded the cost of raw materials, companies are motivated to utilize CHPG in order to reduce production cost.

Third, at the end of the 10th Five-Year Plan and the start of the 11th Five-Year Plan, the Chinese government called for an energy saving campaign and issued a Medium and Long-Term Plan on Special Energy-Saving which indicated that CHPG should be widely used, and specified that 30 CHPG systems be established annually on cement producing lines with an output of 2000 tons daily. The 11th Five-Year Plan provides policy support for development of CHPG.

2. Market prospects

The rapid development of CHPG creates a good opportunity for the development, marketing and sales of cement residual heat boilers. In 2006, eight Chinese state ministries jointly issued Views on Adjustment of Structure of Cement Industry that pointed out that by the year 2010, the percentage of the NSP production lines equipped with CHPG should reach 40% and the total output of cement will reach between 1.4 billion-1.5 billion tons up from 1.24 billion tons in 2006. According to regulations on Chinese saving-energy industry, in the future, the NSP production will gradually replace shaft kiln cement. The 2007 Report of China's Cement Association estimated that there will be a demand for 400 CHPG systems by 2010.

We started to invest and build two CHPG systems (Shengwei) during 2008, one was completed at the end of the year and the other is under construction to be in place in 2009. In addition, we have contracted to build an additional CHPG project (Shengwei) in 2009.

C. Suppliers

1. Shanghai TCH believes it maintains good relationships with TRT and CHPG equipment suppliers, and these relationships help provide cost-effective equipment purchasing for its intended projects and ensure the timely completion of these projects.

2. The Company has established business relationships with its suppliers, including Hangzhou Boiler Plant, Beijing Zhongdian Electric Machinery, Chengdu Engine Group and Shanghai Electric Group. Therefore, we believe that we now have strong support in equipment supply and installation, and in research and development of technologies.

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D. Main Customers

Our customers are mainly large-size domestic enterprises involving high energy-consuming businesses producing iron, steel or cement. As stated below, due to the continued expansion of the Chinese markets and administrative support for energy-recycling by the Chinese government, our market to provide TRT projects and CHPG continues to expand.

E. Demand for Recycled Energy

The following table is the funds invested, or expected to be invested, in environmental protection industry by the Chinese government (in billion RMB).

	Eighth Five-	Ninth Five-	Tenth Five-	Eleventh Five-
	Year Plan	Year Plan	Year Plan	Year Plan
	(1991-1995)	(1996-2000)	(2001-2005)	(2006-2010)
Total Investment Amount (in				
billion RMB)	131	450	750	1,350 (proj.)
Percentage of PRC's GDP	0.73%	1.3%	1.5%	1.5%

Currently, recycled energy accounts for less than 1% of China's total energy consumption. As a result, due to environmental protection pressure and improvement of infrastructure in western China, recycled energy, as a special and stable energy resource, can be expected to grow in China.

F. Intellectual Property Rights

The company has applied for a service mark "TCH" in China, which will be used in all of our business operations.

G. Research and Development

In 2008 and 2007, we invested about \$120,000 and \$100,000, respectively, in research and development.

H. Government and Environmental Management System

We own all licenses that the Chinese governments require for all aspect of our operations.

I. Competition

The Company faces limited domestic competition. Currently, most TRT and CHPG systems are purchased, constructed and operated by the steel and cement companies, themselves, rather than outsourced to a third-party. Our main competitors as third-party providers are state owned research institutes or their wholly owned construction companies. The reasons for low competition are high entry barriers in technology, experience, investment capital, and credibility, as well customer relationships. We believe that we offer advantages over our competitors in several ways:

- 1. Our management team has over 20 years of industry experience and expertise;
- 2. We have the capabilities to provide TRT and CHPG systems, while our competitors usually concentrate on one type or another;

- 3. We have the capabilities and experience in undertaking large scale projects; and
- 4. We provide BOT or capital lease services to the customers, while our competitors usually use an EPC (engineering, procurement and construction) or turnkey contract model.

J. Employees

As of March 1, 2009, we have 182 employees:

Management: 10 Employees
Administration: 9 Employees
Marketing: 25 Employees
Research & Development: 28 Employees
Accounting & Finance: 10 Employees

Project Officer: 100 Employees, including 64 operators

All of our personnel are employed full-time and none of them are represented under collective bargaining agreements. We consider our relations with our employees to be good.

K. Costs and effects of compliance with environmental laws

There were many new laws, regulations, rules and notices regarding the environment and energy production adopted, promulgated and put into force during 2008. The Chinese government is putting more stringent requirements and urgency on reducing pollution and emissions and improving energy efficiency nationwide. Our products are designed and constructed to comply with the environmental laws and regulations of China. As our systems allow our customers to use waste heat and gases to create energy, we help reduce the overall environmental impact of our customers. Since our business focuses on recycling energy, the effect of the strengthening of environmental laws in China may be to increase demand for the products and services we offer and others like them.