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# C&D Newin Paper & Pulp Corporation Limited 建發新勝漿紙有限公司\*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 731)

# INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

The board of directors (the "Board") of C&D Newin Paper & Pulp Corporation Limited (the "Company") hereby announces the unaudited condensed consolidated interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2024 as follows.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

For the six months ended 30 June 2024

	Note	Unaudited Six months ended 30 June 2024 HK\$'000	Unaudited Six months ended 30 June 2023 HK\$'000
Revenue	3	664,584	593,547
Cost of sales		(651,420)	(626,953)
Gross profit/(loss)		13,164	(33,406)
Other gains and income/(loss), net		21,207	2,845
Selling expenses		(5,794)	(2,740)
Administrative expenses		(50,639)	(58,512)
Impairment losses of financial assets, net		(414)	(1,145)
Loss from operations		(22,476)	(92,958)
Finance costs		(11,518)	(10,677)
Loss before tax		(33,994)	(103,635)
Income tax credit	5	182	
Loss for the period	4	(33,812)	(103,635)

### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2024

	Note	Unaudited Six months ended 30 June 2024 HK\$'000	Unaudited Six months ended 30 June 2023 HK\$'000
Loss for the period		(33,812)	(103,635)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:  Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss:  Exchange differences on translating foreign operations		(3,913)	(8,795)
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to owners of the Company		(37,725)	(112,430)
Loss per share Basic	6	HK(2.4) cents	HK(7.3) cents
Diluted		<b>HK(2.4) cents</b>	HK(7.3) cents

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2024

	Note	Unaudited 30 June 2024 <i>HK</i> \$'000	Audited 31 December 2023 HK\$'000
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Right-of-use assets Other intangible assets		688,509 177,006 113	731,335 185,003 132
		865,628	916,470
Current assets Inventories Accounts and other receivables and prepayments Amounts due from an intermediate holding company Bank and cash balances	8	177,302 39,881 11 28,089 245,283	192,109 36,949 — 27,412 256,470
Total assets		1,110,911	1,172,940
Current liabilities Accounts and other payables Contract liabilities Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries Amounts due to immediate holding company Amount due to an intermediate holding company Borrowings Tax payables	9	279,613 2,490 47,688 179 299 171,192 205	296,913 2,129 13,542 179 96 55,117 22
Net current liabilities		(256,383)	(111,528)
Total assets less current liabilities		609,245	804,942

	Note	Unaudited 30 June 2024 HK\$'000	Audited 31 December 2023 HK\$'000
Non-current liabilities Accounts and other payables Amounts due to a fellow subsidiary Borrowings	9	55,659 2,780 391,602	57,025 39,360 510,829
Deferred tax liabilities		17,486	18,285 625,499
NET ASSETS Equity		141,718	179,443
Share capital Reserves		70,730 70,988	70,730 108,713
TOTAL EQUITY		141,718	179,443

Notes:

#### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") and the applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023. The accounting policies (including the significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty) and methods of computation used in the preparation of these condensed financial statements are consistent with those used in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 except for the adoption of new and revised standards as set out in note 2.

#### **Going Concern**

As at 30 June 2024, the Group's current liabilities exceeded its current assets by approximately HK\$256,383,000. The Group's cash and cash equivalents amounted to approximately HK\$28,089,000, while the current portion of the account payables and bank and other borrowings amounted to approximately HK\$71,729,000 and HK\$171,192,000 respectively, and the amounts due to fellow subsidiaries, an intermediate holding company and immediate holding company in aggregate amounted to approximately HK\$48,166,000. These events and conditions indicate the existence of material uncertainties which may cast significant doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business.

Nevertheless, the Directors had adopted the going concern basis in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements on the grounds that the Group will have sufficient working capital to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due in the next twelve months from 1 July 2024, based on the measures including but not limited to the following:

- the Group will continue to pay close attention to its operations and make good use of its resources with an aim to attain positive and sustainable cash flow from operations;
- an undertaking has been provided by NCD Investment Holding Limited ("NCD"), being the controlling shareholder (as defined in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules")) of the Company, that NCD will first procure Shandong Bairun Paper Co. Ltd.\* (山東佰潤紙業有限公司) ("Shandong Bairun"), which is under the control of the shareholders of NCD, to further extend the term of the loan of approximately HK\$267,487,500 (equivalent to RMB250,000,000). If considered insufficient, NCD will provide further loans required for the operation of Universal Pulp & Paper (Shandong) Co. Ltd.\* (遠通紙業 (山東) 有限公司) ("UPPSD"), being an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, until other bank financing becomes available; and
- on 19 July 2024, UPPSD (as borrower) entered into a supplementary loan agreement with 廈門建 發漿紙集團有限公司 (Xiamen C&D Paper & Pulp Group Co., Ltd.\*) ("Xiamen C&D Paper") (as lender), which is the intermediate holding company of NCD, for increasing the total amount of the existing loan facility of approximately HK\$106,995,000 (equivalent to RMB100,000,000) to approximately HK\$588,472,500 (equivalent to RMB550,000,000) for a period up to 31 July 2026. Each drawdown shall be repaid anytime within 18 months from the drawdown date thereof. The Directors are of the opinion that the Group will be able to utilise the additional loan facilities and repay the due borrowings in 2024 with the new borrowings drawn down if needed.

In view of the above, the Directors are confident that there will be sufficient financial resources available to the Group to enable it to continue as a going concern and hence have prepared these condensed consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis. Should the Group be unable to continue as going concern, adjustments would have to be made to write down the carrying value of the assets to their recoverable amounts, to provide for any further liabilities which might arise and to classify non-current assets and liabilities as current assets and liabilities respectively. The effects of these potential adjustments have not been reflected in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### Basis of consolidation

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2024. A subsidiary is an entity (including a structured entity), directly or indirectly, controlled by the Company. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee (i.e. existing rights that give the Group the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee).

When the Company has, directly or indirectly, less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- (a) the contractual arrangement with the other vote holders of the investee;
- (b) rights arising from other contractual arrangements; and
- (c) the Group's voting rights and potential voting rights.

The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as the Company, using consistent accounting policies. The results of subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the parent of the Group and to the non-controlling interests, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance. All intra-group assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation. The Group reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control described above. A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises (i) the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary; (ii) the carrying amount of any non-controlling interest; and (iii) the cumulative translation differences recorded in equity; and recognises (i) the fair value of the consideration received; (ii) the fair value of any investment retained; and (iii) any resulting surplus or deficit in profit or loss. The Group's share of components previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to profit or loss or retained profits, as appropriate, on the same basis as would be required if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

In the period, the Group has adopted all the new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the HKICPA that are relevant to its operations and effective for its accounting year beginning on 1 January 2024. HKFRSs comprise Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS"); Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKAS"); and Interpretations. The Group has not early adopted any other standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

The accounting policies applied in these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements are the same as those applied in the Group's consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2023. A number of new or amended standards are effective from 1 January 2024 and earlier application is permitted. The Group has not early adopted any of the forthcoming new or amended standards in preparing the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements.

The adoption of the new and revised standards are not expected to have any significant impact on this condensed consolidated financial information.

#### 3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The chief operating decision-makers have been identified as the executive directors of the Company. The executive directors review the Group's financial information mainly from business nature and geographical perspectives. From a perspective on business nature, the Group has a single reportable segment, namely paper manufacturing and selling segment, for the six months ended 30 June 2024. From a geographical perspective, management mainly assesses the performance of operations in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC").

For the six months ended 30 June 2024, the Group has carried on a single business which is manufacturing and selling of paper products. Accordingly, there is only one single reportable segment of the Group which is regularly reviewed by the executive directors.

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers by major products or service line for the period is as follows:

Six months	Six months
ended	ended
30 June	30 June
2024	2023
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue from contracts with customers within the scope of HKFRS 15	
Sale of goods <u>664,584</u>	593,547
Timing of revenue recognition	
Products transferred at a point of time 664,584	593,547

#### 4. LOSS FOR THE PERIOD

The Group's loss for the period is stated at after charging the following:

<b>ended</b> en	ded
<b>30 June</b> 30 J	une
<b>2024</b> 20	023
<b>HK\$'000</b> HK\$'6	000
( <b>Unaudited</b> ) (Unaudit	ted)
Impairment losses of financial assets, net 414 1,	145

#### 5. INCOME TAX CREDIT

Income tax relating to continuing operations has been recognised in profit or loss as following:

	Six months ended 30 June 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Six months ended 30 June 2023 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
Current tax Hong Kong profits tax Over-provision in prior years	(188)	
	(183)	_
Deferred tax	365	
	182	

For the six months ended 30 June 2024, under the two-tiered Profits Tax rate regime, the first HK\$2 million of profits of the qualifying group entity established in Hong Kong will be taxed at 8.25%, and profits above that amount will be subject to the tax rate of 16.5%. The profits of the group entities not qualifying for the two-tiered Profit Tax rate regime will continue to be taxed at a rate of 16.5%. No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax is required since the Group has no assessable profit for the six months ended 30 June 2023.

The Company's PRC subsidiaries are subject to the PRC Enterprise Income Tax at rate of 25% except as follows. UPPSD was entitled to the preferential tax rate of 15% with an effective period of three years starting from 2023 to 2026, being accredited as a High and New Technology Enterprise ("HNTE") according to the PRC Corporate Income Tax Law and its relevant regulations on 29 November 2023. The Directors are in opinion that UPPSD continuously fulfilled the requirements of HNTE according to relevant rules and regulations, and therefore the tax rate used to recognise deferred tax assets and liabilities as at 30 June 2024 was 15% (2023: 15%).

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of Bermuda, the Group is not subject to any income tax in Bermuda.

Tax charge on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates, based on existing legislation, interpretation and practices in respect thereof.

#### 6. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted loss per share is based on the following:

	Six months ended 30 June 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Six months ended 30 June 2023 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
Loss for the purpose of calculating basic and diluted loss per share	(33,812)	(103,635)
	Six months ended 30 June 2024 '000	Six months ended 30 June 2023 '000
Number of shares Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating basic and diluted loss per share	1,414,601	1,414,601

Basic and diluted loss per share is calculated by dividing the loss attributable to the owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the six months ended 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

#### 7. DIVIDENDS

The Board did not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

#### 8. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS

	30 June	31 December
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
A consider and bell and a black of any little	15.012	12.252
Accounts and bills receivable, net of provision	15,912	13,353
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	23,969	23,596
	39,881	36,949

The ageing analysis of accounts and bills receivable, based on the invoice date, and net of allowance, is as follows:

	30 June 2024 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2023 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Audited)
Current to 90 days 91–180 days 181–365 days	15,181 603 128	13,353
	15,912	13,353
9. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES		
	30 June 2024 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	31 December 2023 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
Accounts payable Accruals and other payables Debt restructuring (note)	71,729 152,225 111,318 335,272	83,980 155,908 114,050 353,938
Analysed as: Current liabilities Non-current liabilities	279,613 55,659 335,272	296,913 57,025 353,938

Note: According to the UPPSD's bankruptcy reorganisation plan approved by the People's Court of Xuecheng District, Zaozhuang City, Shandong Province, the People's Republic of China ("UPPSD Bankruptcy Reorganisation Plan"), for each creditor's unsecured claims with principal amount exceeding RMB200,000, settlement will be completed within four (4) years in five (5) instalments of 20% every year. The first instalment payment shall be made to repay creditor's unsecured claim of principal amount below RMB200,000 (inclusive) and 20% of the principal amount in excess of RMB200,000. The four subsequent instalments of 20% of the principal amount in excess of RMB200,000 shall be paid on or before the first, second, third and fourth anniversary date of the first instalment payment. Remaining debts shall not bear any interest for the period of settlement in instalments. Details of the UPPSD Bankruptcy Reorganisation Plan have been set out in the circular of the Company dated 31 December 2021.

The ageing analysis of accounts payable, based on invoice date, is as follows:

	30 June 2024 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2023 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Audited)
0 to 90 days Over 90 days	70,698 1,031	83,153 827
	71,729	83,980

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

#### **Business Review**

In the first half of 2024, with the implementation of national policies to stabilize growth, expand domestic demand, and promote consumption, the downstream industries' demand gradually picked up in the domestic market. However, while the overall market demand has been relatively weak, the packaging paper market experienced a temporary bottoming out during the mid-year. The business operation faced many challenges from both cost control and market demand perspectives. From the cost control perspective, although prices of major raw materials such as domestic waste paper, chemicals, and starch have shown a decline, the overall price decline of the raw material was not large which limited the space for production costs control. From the market demand perspective, regional supply and demand imbalances have led to slower market demand recovery. It is of the view that opportunities and risks coexist in the recent development of the paper industry.

With the gradual release of national policy benefits in the PRC, there are clear signs of recovery in the paper industry. In response to this, the Company seized every opportunity to vigorously implement technological transformation, energy conservation, efficiency improvement and productivity enhancement. Through continuous optimization of cost structure, reduction of energy costs, increased production and efficiency, the Company aims to enhance its competitiveness and profitability. In the first half of 2024, the Company recorded a loss of approximately HK\$33.8 million, representing a reduction in loss of approximately HK\$69.8 million in comparison to that of the previous period in 2023. The business performance improved significantly.

#### **Prospects**

Looking forward, the PRC is accelerating the improvement of domestic economic policies to boost domestic demand, while actively adjusting industrial development strategies and fostering new quality productive forces to provide a positive impetus for business development. In light of this, the Company will continue to implement a development strategy that involves upgrading production capacity, promoting energy conservation and consumption reduction. This will be achieved through methods such as increasing production speed, upgrading equipment, optimizing processes, and reducing raw material costs to enhance production capacity. This will increase economies of scale, aiming to build a production base for packaging paper.

#### FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

#### Revenue

The revenue of the Group increased from approximately HK\$593.5 million for the six months ended 30 June 2023 to approximately HK\$664.6 million for the six months ended 30 June 2024. The increase in the revenue of the Group was mainly due to the increase in the production and sales volume of paper products.

#### **Gross profit**

Gross profit of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2024 was approximately HK\$13.2 million (30 June 2023: gross loss of approximately HK\$33.4 million). The turnaround from gross loss to gross profit during the six months ended 30 June 2024 was mainly attributable to (i) the increase in revenue during the six months ended 30 June 2024 as a result of the increase in the production and sales volume of paper products; and (ii) decrease in overall costs of production of the Group during the six months ended 30 June 2024 resulting in the decrease in unit production cost.

#### Loss for the period

For the six months ended 30 June 2024, the Company recorded a loss of approximately HK\$33.8 million, representing a reduction in loss of approximately HK\$69.8 million in comparison to that of the previous period in 2023. This was mainly attributable to (i) the increase in revenue during the six months ended 30 June 2024 with an increase in the production and sales volume of paper products; (ii) decrease in overall costs of production of the Group during the six months ended 30 June 2024 resulting in the decrease in unit production cost and the Group recorded a turnaround from gross loss during the six months ended 30 June 2023 to gross profit during the six months ended 30 June 2024; and (iii) the increase of other income of approximately HK\$20.3 million during the six months ended 30 June 2024, primarily due to the receipt of tax subsidies provided by the Government to the Group as the High and New Technology Enterprise and the qualified enterprise of comprehensive utilization of resources. Nevertheless, the loss during the six months ended 30 June 2024 was primarily due to unfavorable paper products unit price under overall weak market demand, partly offset by the Group's marketing efforts and cost control efforts.

#### Liquidity and financial resources

As at 30 June 2024, the Group had bank and cash balances of approximately HK\$28.1 million with a net gearing ratio of approximately 79.0%. Net gearing ratio is calculated as net debt divided by total capital. Net debt is calculated as total borrowings (including current and non-current borrowings) less bank and cash balances. Total capital refers to total equity plus net debt.

As at 30 June 2024, the current ratio (current assets divided by current liabilities) was approximately 0.49 times (31 December 2023: approximately 0.70 times).

#### Pledge of assets

Certain land and buildings of the Company's subsidiaries, with a total carrying value of approximately HK\$70.0 million as at 30 June 2024 (31 December 2023: approximately HK\$80.4 million) were pledged to banks as securities for bank loans of approximately HK\$107.0 million (equivalent to RMB100.0 million) (31 December 2023: approximately HK\$55.1 million (equivalent to RMB50.0 million)).

#### **Contingent liabilities**

As at 30 June 2024, the Group did not have any material contingent liabilities (31 December 2023: nil).

# Material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures and future plans for material investments or capital assets

The Group had no material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures during the six months ended 30 June 2024 and there is no plan for material investments or capital assets as at the date of this announcement.

#### Foreign exchange risk

The Group's transaction currencies are principally denominated in Renminbi and Hong Kong dollars. The Group currently does not have a foreign currency hedging policy. However, the management is closely monitoring foreign exchange exposure and the Group will hedge foreign currency exposure when considered necessary.

#### Employees, staff costs and training

As at 30 June 2024, the Group had a total of 765 employees excluding Directors (30 June 2023: 775 employees). For the six months ended 30 June 2024, the Group incurred staff costs (excluding Directors' remuneration) of approximately HK\$39.9 million, representing a decrease of approximately 6.2% as compared with approximately HK\$42.5 million for the six months ended 30 June 2023. The decrease was mainly attributable to the decrease in the one-off termination benefits of approximately HK\$1.0 million during the period.

The remuneration payable to our employees may include salaries and bonuses. Their salaries are determined with reference to, among other things, their respective position, qualification and experience. Their bonuses are generally determined with reference to, among other things, their respective position, term of service and performance. The remuneration package provided to our employees are reviewed on a regular basis from time to time. Training for various levels of staff is also undertaken depending on the needs and actual circumstances of the Group.

#### INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board has resolved not to recommend an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2024.

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

During the six months ended 30 June 2024, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

#### REVIEW OF THIS INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT

The Group's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2024 as set out in this announcement, including the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group, have been reviewed by the audit committee of the Company, together with the Board.

#### MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") set out in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules as its own code of conduct regarding the Directors' dealings in the Company's securities. Specific enquiries have been made to all Directors and all Directors have confirmed that they have complied with the Model Code throughout the six months ended 30 June 2024.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Company has adopted the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") as set out in Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules as its own code of corporate governance. The Company has complied with all applicable code provisions of the CG Code during the six months ended 30 June 2024.

#### EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

On 19 July 2024, UPPSD entered into a supplemental loan agreement with Xiamen C&D Paper, which is the intermediate holding company of NCD, to increase the total amount of the existing loan facility from RMB100,000,000 to RMB550,000,000 for the period up to 31 July 2026. Each drawdown shall be repaid anytime within 18 months from the drawdown date thereof.

Save as disclosed above, the Group has no significant events occurred from 1 July 2024 to the date of this announcement which require additional disclosures.

# PUBLICATION OF INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT AND INTERIM REPORT

This unaudited interim results announcement is published on the websites of the Stock Exchange (www.hkexnews.hk) and the Company (www.cndnewin.com). The 2024 interim report will be despatched to the shareholders of the Company and will be published on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in due course.

Shareholders and potential investors of the Company are reminded to exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company.

By order of the Board

C&D Newin Paper & Pulp Corporation Limited

Mr. HUANG Tiansheng

Executive Director

Hong Kong, 23 August 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises two executive Directors, namely Mr. HUANG Tiansheng and Mr. LIN Ruqing; two non-executive Directors, namely Mr. ZHANG Xiaohui and Mr. CHOI Wai Hong, Clifford; and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. ZHAO Lin, Mr. WONG Yiu Kit, Ernest and Mr. LAM John Cheungwah.

\* for identification purpose only