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JTF International Holdings Limited

金泰豐國際控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(the “Company”)

(Stock Code: 8479)

THIRD QUARTERLY RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

The board of directors of the Company is pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidated financial results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “Group” or “our Group”) for the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2022 together with comparative figures for the corresponding periods in 2021 as follows:

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Note	For the three months ended 30 September		For the nine months ended 30 September	
		2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Revenue	3	535,851	394,028	935,977	1,476,326
Cost of sales		(504,968)	(381,954)	(887,364)	(1,404,775)
Gross profit		30,883	12,074	48,613	71,551
Other (losses)/gains — net		—	—	(220)	1
Distribution expenses		(4,149)	(5,482)	(11,580)	(16,311)
Administrative and other expenses		(3,898)	(1,874)	(9,850)	(8,122)
Operating profit		22,836	4,718	26,963	47,119
Finance income/(costs) — net		333	(16)	861	122
Profit before income tax		23,169	4,702	27,824	47,241
Income tax expense	4	(8,128)	(1,916)	(10,294)	(16,456)
Profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company		15,041	2,786	17,530	30,785
Other comprehensive income		—	—	—	—
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to owners of the Company		15,041	2,786	17,530	30,785
Earnings per share — Basic and diluted (RMB)	5	1.6 cents	0.3 cents	1.9 cents	3.3 cents

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the nine months ended 30 September 2022

	Share capital RMB'000	Recapitalisation reserves RMB'000	Other reserves				Retained earnings RMB'000	Total RMB'000
			Share premium RMB'000	Capital reserves RMB'000	Statutory reserves RMB'000 (Note a)	Safety reserves RMB'000 (Note b)		
Balance at 1 January 2022 (Audited)	7,980	56,125	169,321	300	21,738	34,978	96,197	386,639
Profit and total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,530	17,530
Appropriation to safety reserves	-	-	-	-	-	4,962	(4,962)	-
Balance at 30 September 2022 (Unaudited)	<u>7,980</u>	<u>56,125</u>	<u>169,321</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>21,738</u>	<u>39,940</u>	<u>108,765</u>	<u>404,169</u>
Balances at 1 January 2021 (Audited)	7,980	56,125	169,321	300	17,500	30,135	68,192	349,553
Profit and total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	30,785	30,785
Appropriation to safety reserves	-	-	-	-	-	3,414	(3,414)	-
Balance at 30 September 2021 (Unaudited)	<u>7,980</u>	<u>56,125</u>	<u>169,321</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>17,500</u>	<u>33,549</u>	<u>95,563</u>	<u>380,338</u>

Notes:

(a) Statutory reserves

In accordance with the Company Law of the People's Republic of China ("PRC") and its articles of association, the Group's PRC subsidiary is required to appropriate 10% of its profits after tax, as determined in accordance with relevant accounting principles generally accepted in the PRC and other applicable regulations, to the statutory reserve until such reserve reaches 50% of its registered capital. The appropriation to the reserve must be made before any distribution of dividends to equity holders of the PRC subsidiary. The statutory reserve can be used to offset previous years' losses, if any, and part of the statutory reserve can be capitalised as the PRC subsidiary's capital provided that the amount of such reserve remaining after the capitalisation shall not be less than 25% of its capital.

(b) Safety reserves

Pursuant to certain regulations issued by the Ministry of Finance and the State Administration of Work Safety of the PRC, the Group's PRC subsidiary is required to set aside an amount to safety reserve at progressive rates from 0.2% to 4% of the total revenue from the sales of hazardous chemical from 14 February 2012. The reserve can be utilised for spending on improvements and maintenances of work safety in respect of the Group's daily operations, which are considered expenses in nature and charged to the profit and loss as incurred.

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 23 October 2014 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law Cap. 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands. The address of the Company's registered office is Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman KY1-1111, Cayman Islands.

The Company is an investment holding company. The Company and its subsidiaries (together, the "**Group**") are principally engaged in the blending and sale of fuel oil, sale of refined oil and other petrochemicals in the PRC.

The Company's shares were listed on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**") on 17 January 2018.

The ultimate holding company of the Company is Thrive Shine Limited ("**Thrive Shine**"), a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, which is owned as to 80% and 20% by Mr. Xu Ziming ("**Mr. Xu**") and Ms. Huang Sizhen ("**Ms. Huang**"), respectively. The ultimate controlling party of the Group is Mr. Xu and Ms. Huang (collectively, the "**Controlling Shareholders**").

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 are presented in Renminbi ("**RMB**"), unless otherwise stated, and have been approved for issue by the Company's board of directors on 8 November 2022.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 have been prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of the Stock Exchange. The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounting policies adopted in preparing the unaudited consolidated results for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 are consistent with those adopted in the financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022, except that the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants has issued a number of new standards and amendments to Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards which are effective for the current accounting period of the Group. None of those developments have had a material effect on how the Group's results and financial position for the current or prior periods have been prepared or presented. The Group has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for the current accounting period.

3. REVENUE

The Group principally engages in the blending and sale of fuel oil, sale of refined oil and other petrochemicals in the PRC.

The major operating entity of the Group is domiciled in Mainland China, and the Group's revenue for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 and 2021 respectively was derived in Mainland China.

Analysis of revenue is as follows:

	For the three months ended 30 September		For the nine months ended 30 September	
	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Sales of goods:				
— Refined oil	109,413	246,032	475,408	869,089
— Fuel oil	—	—	—	91,401
— Other petrochemical products	418,195	147,996	451,278	511,470
	<u>527,608</u>	<u>394,028</u>	<u>926,686</u>	<u>1,471,960</u>
Service income	<u>8,243</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>9,291</u>	<u>4,366</u>
	<u>535,851</u>	<u>394,028</u>	<u>935,977</u>	<u>1,476,326</u>

4. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability and accordingly, is exempted from the Cayman Islands income tax.

No provision for Hong Kong profits tax was provided as the Group did not have assessable profit in Hong Kong for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 (nine months ended 30 September 2021: same). The profit of the group company in Hong Kong is mainly derived from dividend income from its subsidiary, which is not subject to Hong Kong profits tax.

The income tax provision of the Group in respect of its operations in Mainland China has been calculated at the applicable tax rate on the estimated assessable profit for the period.

Pursuant to the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the PRC (the “EIT Law”) and the Implementation Rules of the EIT Law, the EIT is unified at 25% for all types of entities, effective from 1 January 2008. The standard tax rate of the Group’s PRC entity was 25% for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 (nine months ended 30 September 2021: 25%).

According to the EIT Law and the Implementation Rules, starting from 1 January 2008, a withholding income tax of 10% is levied on the immediate holding company outside the PRC when its PRC subsidiary declares dividends out of profits earned after 1 January 2008. A lower 5% withholding income tax rate may be applied when the immediate holding company of the PRC subsidiary is established in Hong Kong and fulfils requirements under the tax treaty arrangements between the relevant authorities of Mainland China and Hong Kong. The applicable withholding income tax rates of the group company in Hong Kong was 10% for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 (nine months ended 30 September 2021: 10%).

5. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit for the period by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the periods ended 30 September 2022 and 2021.

	For the three months ended 30 September		For the nine months ended 30 September	
	2022 (Unaudited)	2021 (Unaudited)	2022 (Unaudited)	2021 (Unaudited)
Profit for the period (RMB'000)	15,041	2,786	17,530	30,785
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	930,000,000	930,000,000	930,000,000	930,000,000
Basic earnings per share (RMB)	<u>1.6 cents</u>	<u>0.3 cents</u>	<u>1.9 cents</u>	<u>3.3 cents</u>

Diluted earnings per share is equal to basic earnings per share as there was no potential diluted shares outstanding for the reporting periods.

6. DIVIDENDS

The board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the nine months ended 30 September 2022.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Business Review

The Group is a wholesaler of oil and other petrochemical products based in Guangdong Province, the PRC. The oil products of the Group can be broadly categorised into (i) refined oil; (ii) fuel oil; and (iii) other petrochemical products. Oil and petrochemical products of the Group are primarily used as fuel in marine vessels, transportation vehicles, and machinery equipment, for retail sale at gas stations and as raw materials in refining process for oil refineries. The Group also sells blended fuel oil according to customers' specifications in order to meet their different needs and application requirements.

Since late 2021, the outbreak of the COVID-19 Omicron variant in China has caused disruption to traffic and economic activities, in particular, during late March to May 2022, a number of major cities were under strict and widespread COVID-19 lockdown measures imposed by the PRC government. Together with the drastic price surge in international oil price due to the political crisis between Russia and Ukraine since late 2021, market participants in general became more conservative and prudent in the trading of oils.

However, since June 2022, despite that a number of Chinese cities continued to be subject to partial or full lockdown measures, the PRC government has been gradually easing the city-wide strict lockdown measures in major Chinese cities, such that businesses and transportation could gradually resume operations. As a result of the gradually easing lockdown measures as compared to the first half of 2022, the Group could resume negotiations of more sales contracts and deliver our oil products and services to our customers in the third quarter of 2022. As a result, despite the decrease in turnover by RMB540,349,000 or 36.6% during the nine months ended 30 September 2022 comparing with the corresponding period in 2021, during the third quarter of 2022 the Group recorded turnover of RMB535,851,000, which is an increase by RMB141,823,000 or 36.0% comparing with the third quarter of 2021. Gross profit ratio for through port trade (i.e. excluding service income) for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 was 4.2%, slightly decreased as compared with 4.6% for the same period in 2021. Based on the results in the third quarter of 2022, the Directors believe that the impact of the Ukraine crisis and the lockdown measures in China is only temporary and would not have a material adverse impact on the business sustainability of the Group.

Results of Operations

Revenue

The Group's revenue was derived from sales of (i) refined oil and (ii) other petrochemical products for the nine months ended 30 September 2022. Revenue principally represents the net value of goods sold after deduction of value-added tax of the PRC.

For the nine months ended 30 September 2022, the Group's total revenue amounted to approximately RMB935,977,000, representing a decrease of approximately 36.6% over the corresponding period in 2021. The decrease was mainly attributable to the reasons stated in the subsection headed "Business Review" above.

Income tax expense

Income tax expense decreased by approximately RMB6,162,000 to approximately RMB10,294,000 for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 from approximately RMB16,456,000 for the nine months ended 30 September 2021, mainly due to the decrease in taxable profit from the Group's operation in the PRC.

Profit for the period

The Group's profit for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 decreased by approximately RMB13,255,000 to approximately RMB17,530,000 from approximately RMB30,785,000 for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 primarily due to the reasons stated in the subsection headed "Business Review" above.

Borrowings

Our Group did not have any borrowings during the nine months ended 30 September 2022 (31 December 2021: Nil).

Pledged assets

Our Group did not have any assets pledged for security during the nine months ended 30 September 2022 (31 December 2021: Nil).

Contingent liabilities

Reference is made to the dispute as disclosed in Note 25 of the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 contained in the Group's Annual Report 2021 dated 2 March 2022. In the opinion of the directors of the Company, there were no material developments in relation to the dispute since the date of the Annual Report 2021. The directors of the Company have made a further assessment and are of the view that the disputes relating to the settlement of the Loan will not have a material adverse impact on the Group's business operation and financial performance.

Save as the above, the Group did not have any other material contingent liabilities as at 30 September 2022 (31 December 2021: Same).

FUTURE PLANS AND PROSPECT

The Energy Bureau of Guangdong Province (廣東省能源局) has issued the “Working Plan of Gasoline Retail Market in Guangdong Province for the 14th Five-Year Plan” (廣東省成品油分銷體系「十四五」發展規劃編制工作方案) in April 2021, which emphasized both the optimization of the retail networks and adequate coverage to remote areas. In January 2022, the issuance of the “Comprehensive Three-dimensional Transportation Network Planning Outline for Guangdong Province” (廣東省綜合立體交通網規劃綱要), the Traffic and Transportation Department of Guangdong Province (廣東省交通運輸廳) detailed the overall strategy to enhance the transportation capacity in the province including the strengthening of highways and logistic networks. It is expected that, with our Group’s experience in the refined oil market and network of established customers including the three largest state-owned oil companies in the PRC, the Group is expected to play a bigger role in the local supply chain and be able to capture a bigger market share in the future.

USE OF NET PROCEEDS FROM THE COMPANY’S INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING

The Company’s shares were listed on GEM on 17 January 2018 (the “**Listing Date**”). The Company intends that the net proceeds of the Company’s placing and public offering of a total of 105,000,000 shares (the “**Share Offer**”) (after deducting related underwriting fees and listing expenses) of approximately RMB20,803,000 be applied according to the percentage allocation described under the section headed “Future Plans and Use of Proceeds” of the prospectus of the Company dated 29 December 2017 (the “**Prospectus**”). An analysis of the progress of the implementation plans up to 30 September 2022 is set out below:

Business strategies as stated in the Prospectus	Implementation plan	Implementation progress as at 30 September 2022
(1) Upgrading of the wharf berth capability at Zengcheng Oil Depot	Conducting project planning and filing registration documents with relevant government authorities, including construction approval, environmental impact assessment, safety pre-evaluation and construction planning permit.	The Group is negotiating with relevant government authorities in relation to the specific requirements in relation to the upgrading of wharf berth capability.

Business strategies as stated in the Prospectus

Implementation plan

Implementation progress as at 30 September 2022

Conducting project design including construction survey and construction drawing design.

In 2018, the Group engaged a contractor to perform works on refurbishment of certain wharf infrastructures. However, the Group incurred additional time to identify a suitable contractor for the works relating to upgrading of berth capacity. Currently, a lead contractor has been engaged. Survey and design works are in progress, and were mostly completed in December 2019. Due to the outbreak COVID-19 Pandemic in 2020, the schedule of works and government approval processes were delayed. Tentatively the Group expects all construction works will be completed in the first half of 2022.

(2) Refurbishment of oil tanks, pipelines and other oil depot facilities at Zengcheng Oil Depot

Conducting project planning and filing registration documents with relevant government authorities, including construction approval, environmental impact assessment, safety pre-evaluation and construction planning permit.

Refurbishment works for storage tanks, pipelines, oil depot facilities and equipment have been completed.

Modification/installation works for tanks storage and other oil depot facilities.

The remaining unutilised net proceeds of the Share Offer as at 30 September 2022 were placed in bank accounts with licensed banks maintained by the Group in Hong Kong and in the PRC as working capital.

The directors will regularly evaluate the Group's business objectives and may change or modify our plans in view of the changing market condition to attain sustainable business growth of the Group.

APPLICATION FOR THE TRANSFER OF LISTING

On 10 July 2020, the Company submitted a formal application for the proposed transfer of listing of the shares of the Company from GEM to the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (“**Transfer of Listing**”). The application, its first re-submission on 9 March 2021 and second re-submission on 28 October 2021 were lapsed and the Company has re-submitted a formal renewal of application to the Stock Exchange on 12 May 2022.

The definitive timetable for the Transfer of Listing has not yet been finalized, and it is subject to, among others, the conditions of the Transfer of Listing to be fulfilled as set out in the Company’s announcement dated 10 July 2020. There is no assurance that the approval will be obtained from the Stock Exchange for the Transfer of Listing. Accordingly, the Transfer of Listing may or may not proceed. Further announcement(s) will be made by the Company to keep the shareholders and potential investors of the Company informed of the progress of the Transfer of Listing as and when appropriate.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The directors do not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the nine months ended 30 September 2022.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company’s listed securities during the nine months ended 30 September 2022.

COMPETING INTERESTS

None of the controlling shareholders, namely Thrive Shine Limited, Mr. Xu Ziming and Ms. Huang Sizhen, the directors and their respective close associates (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) is interested in any business apart from the business operated by the Group which competes or is likely to compete, directly or indirectly, with the Group’s business.

CHANGES IN THE DIRECTORS’ INFORMATION

Change in directors’ information since the date of the Group’s annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 and up to the date of this announcement, which are required to be disclosed under Rule 17.50A(1) of the GEM Listing Rules are set out below:

With effect from 10 June 2022, Mr. Chan William has been appointed as an independent non-executive director of Janco Holdings Limited, a company listed on GEM of Stock Exchange (stock code: 8035).

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee of the Company has reviewed with the management of the Group the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group, its internal controls and financial reporting matters including the review of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the nine months ended 30 September 2022 and this results announcement.

On behalf of the Board
JTF International Holdings Limited
Xu Ziming
Chairman and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 8 November 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Xu Ziming, Ms. Huang Sizhen and Mr. Choi Sio Peng; and the independent non-executive directors are Mr. Chan William, Mr. Tsui Hing Shan and Mr. Kan Siu Chung.

This announcement, for which the directors of the Company collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this announcement misleading.

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