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鞍 鋼 股 份 有 限 公 司

ANGANG STEEL COMPANY LIMITED*

(a joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 0347)

POSITIVE PROFIT ALERT

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Shareholders and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

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Details of and the reasons for such estimated increase are set out below.

1. ESTIMATED INCREASE

	For the three months ended 31 March	
	2018	2017
	(RMB)	(RMB)
	(Unaudited)	
Net profit/(loss) attributable to shareholders of the Company	approximately 1,590 million	1,069 million
Basic earnings/(loss) per share	approximately 0.220	0.148

2. REASON FOR THE ESTIMATED INCREASE

Firstly, output saw another breakthrough as the Company embraced operation target and sought progress in stability; secondly, product portfolios were improving due to higher product quality and brand building; thirdly, production cost was made lower through differentiated procurement, restructured usage of fuels and systems cost-reduction efforts; lastly, profitability and efficiency were pushed up thanks to the internal contractual operation for stimulating operation. Therefore, the first quarter is expected to record profit of RMB2,105 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 91.36%, income tax withdrawn of RMB517 million and net profit attributable to shareholders of the Company of RMB1,590 million, up by 48.74% from the same period last year.

The financial information for the three months ended 31 March 2018 set out above is solely based on preliminary assessment by the Company in accordance with the unaudited management accounts (prepared in accordance with the PRC Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises) and is not based on the financial information audited or reviewed by the Company's auditors. Shareholders of the Company and potential investors should note that detailed information on the Group's performance for the three months ended 31 March 2018 will be disclosed in its results announcement for the same period to be published in due course. There may be differences between such information and the estimated financial information set out above.

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By Order of the Board
ANGANG STEEL COMPANY LIMITED*
Wang Yidong
Executive Director and Chairman of the Board

Anshan City, Liaoning Province, the PRC
12 April 2018

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises the following Directors:

Executive Directors

Wang Yidong
Li Zhen
Ma Lianyong
Xie Junyong

Independent Non-executive Directors

Wu Dajun
Ma Weiguo
Luo Yucheng

* *For identification purposes only*