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西部水泥

WEST CHINA CEMENT LIMITED

中國西部水泥有限公司

(Incorporated in Jersey with limited liability, with registered number 94796)

(Stock Code: 2233)

PROFIT WARNING

This announcement is made by West China Cement Limited (the “**Company**” and, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) pursuant to the Inside Information Provisions under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and Rule 13.09 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The board of directors of the Company (the “**Board**”) wishes to inform the shareholders of the Company and potential investors that, based on the preliminary review of the unaudited management accounts of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2022 and assessment of the latest information currently available to the Board, it is expected that the Group’s net profit attributable to the Shareholders will decrease by approximately 40% to 45% for the six months ended 30 June 2022 as compared to the six months ended 30 June 2021 due to the following reasons:

1. The Group recorded a foreign exchange gain of RMB27.5 million during the six months ended 30 June 2022, which mainly related to the translation of other long-term payable from United States Dollar (“**US\$**”) to Meticalis (“**MZN**”) as well as the exchange difference incurred on intercompany balances between various subsidiaries within the Group with different functional currencies. This is compared with a foreign exchange gain of the Group of RMB347.3 million for the six months ended 30 June 2021;
2. The Group recorded a significant gain on disposal of an associate for the six months ended 30 June 2021 in the amount of RMB79.3 million. The Group currently does not expect to record similar significant gain on disposal of an associate for the six months ended 30 June 2022; and

3. There was an increase of finance costs of RMB73.3 million during the six months ended 30 June 2022 mainly arising from the five-year senior notes with an aggregated principal amount of US\$600,000,000 due in 2026 (the “**Senior Notes**”) issued by the Company in July 2021.

As at the date of this announcement, the Company is in the process of finalising the unaudited consolidated interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2022. The information contained in this announcement is only based on a preliminary review by the management of the Company with reference to the information currently available to the Board, and is not based on any figure or information which has been audited or reviewed by the independent auditors of the Company. Shareholders and potential investors are advised to read carefully the interim results announcement of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2022, which is expected to be released by the end of August 2022.

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

The directors of the Company jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of information contained in this announcement and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading.

By Order of the Board
West China Cement Limited
Zhang Jimin
Chairman

Hong Kong, 15 August 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Zhang Jimin and Dr. Ma Weiping, the non-executive Directors are Mr. Ma Zhaoyang, Mr. Fan Changhong and Mr. Wang Jingqian, and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Lee Kong Wai, Conway, Mr. Tam King Ching, Kenny and Mr. Zhu Dong.