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INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

The board of directors (the "**Board**") of Wai Chun Group Holdings Limited (the "**Company**") hereby announces the unaudited condensed consolidated interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "**Group**") for the six months ended 30 September 2023 together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2022.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

For the six months ended 30 September 2023

	Notes	2023 Unaudited <i>HK\$'000</i>	2022 Unaudited <i>HK\$'000</i>
Revenue	4	152,384	105,468
Cost of sales	-	(151,326)	(105,221)
Gross profit		1,058	247
Other income	5	1	131
Impairment losses on other receivables		_	(4,663)
Administrative expenses		(7,068)	(9,690)
Finance costs	6	(12,677)	(12,513)
Loss before tax		(18,686)	(26,488)
Income tax expenses	7		
Loss for the period	8	(18,686)	(26,488)
Loss for the period attributable to:			
- Owners of the Company		(18,969)	(25,856)
- Non-controlling interests	-	283	(632)
	-	(18,686)	(26,488)
		HK cents	HK cents
Loss per share – Basic and diluted	10	(0.89)	(1.21)

* for identification purpose only

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 September 2023

	2023	2022
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Loss for the period	(18,686)	(26,488)
Other comprehensive expense:		
Item that may be reclassified to profit or loss:		
Exchange differences arising on translating foreign		
operations	(8,352)	(1,138)
operations	(0,352) _	(1,150)
Other comprehensive expense, net of tax	(8,352)	(1,138)
Total comprehensive expense for the period	(27,038)	(27,626)
Total comprehensive expense for the period attributable to:		
- Owners of the Company	(27,471)	(27,210)
- Non-controlling interests	433	(416)
		(110)
	(27,038)	(27,626)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 September 2023

	Notes	30 September 2023 Unaudited <i>HK\$'000</i>	31 March 2023 Audited <i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		34	141
Right-of-use assets		2,628	3,380
		2,662	3,521
Current assets			
Trade receivables	11	54,896	35,331
Other receivables, prepayments and deposits		30,788	33,034
Fixed deposits		-	300
Bank balances and cash		32,504	9,156
		118,188	77,821
Current liabilities			
Trade payables	12	65,532	48,378
Other payables and accruals		29,670	25,944
Contract liabilities		3,484	3,699
Borrowings	13	32,291	_
Lease liabilities		1,772	1,695
Convertible bonds		174,186	166,558
		306,935	246,274
Net current liabilities		(188,747)	(168,453)
Total assets less current liabilities		(186,085)	(164,932)

	Note	30 September 2023 Unaudited <i>HK\$'000</i>	31 March 2023 Audited <i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current liabilities			
Other payables		5,145	4,989
Loans from ultimate holding company		13,434	12,900
Amount due to a previous director		14,676	10,735
Lease liabilities		916	1,668
Convertible bonds		37,578	35,572
		71,749	65,864
NET LIABILITIES		(257,834)	(230,796)
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	14	213,912	213,912
Reserves		(488,110)	(460,639)
Capital deficiency attributable to owners of the			
Company		(274,198)	(246,727)
Non-controlling interests		16,364	15,931
CAPITAL DEFICIENCY		(257,834)	(230,796)

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 September 2023

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Wai Chun Group Holdings Limited (the "**Company**") was incorporated in Bermuda as an exempted company with limited liability and its shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**"). In the opinion of the directors of the Company, the immediate holding company and ultimate holding company of the Company is Ka Chun Holdings Limited ("**Ka Chun**") and Wai Chun Investment Fund ("**Wai Chun IF**"), which are private limited companies incorporated in the British Virgin Islands and Cayman Islands respectively. Its ultimate controlling party is Mr. Lam Ching Kui ("**Mr. Lam**"), who was the chairman of the board of directors (the "**Board**") and an executive director of the Company and resigned on 27 October 2023. The address of registered office of the Company is Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda and its principal place of business is Rooms 4001-02, 40/F., China Resources Building, 26 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

The Company is an investment holding company.

The condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("**HK**\$"), which is also the functional currency of the Company. In addition, the functional currencies of certain group entities that operate outside Hong Kong are determined based on the currency of the primary economic environment in which the group entities operate.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

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

The condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those used in the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The Group incurred a loss attributable to owners of the Company of approximately HK\$18,969,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2023, and as at 30 September 2023, the Group had net current liabilities of approximately HK\$188,747,000 and net liabilities of approximately HK\$257,834,000. These conditions indicate the existence of a material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. Therefore, the Group may be unable to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. The directors of the Company have prepared the condensed consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis based on the assumptions and measures that:

(a) As at 30 September 2023, the Company has drawn down loan of approximately HK\$13,434,000 and undrawn loan facilities of approximately HK\$186,566,000 granted by Wai Chun IF, its ultimate holding company. Wai Chun IF will not demand the Company for repayment of such loans nor cancel the undrawn loan facilities until all other liabilities of the Group have been satisfied, and will not demand the repayment earlier than twelve months from the date of approving the condensed consolidated financial statements;

- (b) In addition to the loan facilities granted by Wai Chun IF as stated above, Mr. Lam has also undertaken to provide adequate funds to enable the Group to meet its liabilities and to settle financial obligations to third parties as and when they fall due so that the Group can continue as a going concern and carry on its business without a significant curtailment of operations for the twelve months from the date of approving the condensed consolidated financial statements. Also, Mr. Lam agreed not to request the Group, whenever necessary, to settle the balance due to him recorded in amount due to a previous director amounting to approximately HK\$14,676,000 until all other third parties liabilities of the Group had been satisfied, and will not demand the repayment earlier than twelve months from the date of approving the consolidated financial statements;
- (c) Wai Chun Holdings Group Limited, a related company controlled by Mr. Lam and his spouse, has also agreed not to request the Group, whenever necessary, to settle the balance due recorded in other payables amounting to approximately HK\$7,329,000 until all other third parties liabilities of the Group had been satisfied, and will not demand the repayment earlier than twelve months from the date of approving the condensed consolidated financial statements;
- (d) The Company has planned and is in negotiation with potential investors to raise sufficient funds through fund-raising arrangement; and
- (e) The directors of the Company will continue to implement measures aiming at improving the working capital and cash flows of the Group including closely monitoring general administrative expenses and operating costs.

The directors of the Company have carried out a detailed review of the cash flow forecast of the Group for the twelve- month period from the date of this announcement after taking into account the impact of above measures, the directors of the Company believe that the Group will have sufficient cash resources to satisfy its future working capital and other financing requirements as and when they fall due in the next twelve months from the date of this announcement, and accordingly, are satisfied that it is appropriate to prepare the condensed consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis.

Should the Group be unable to continue in business as a going concern, adjustments would have to be made to write down the value of assets to their recoverable amount, to provide for future liabilities which might arise and to reclassify non-current assets and liabilities to current assets and liabilities respectively. The effects of these potential adjustments have not been reflected in the condensed consolidated financial statements.

As set out in the paragraphs above, the Group intends to pursue strategic acquisitions that can enable the Company to capture new business opportunities in the People's Republic of China (the "**PRC**") market and to strengthen the revenue and profit fundamentals. The Company has been actively identifying projects with growth potential for acquisitions or investments and has engaged in discussions with various parties for such acquisitions or investments.

3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In the current 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 April 2023. HKFRSs comprise HKFRSs, Hong Kong Accounting Standards, and Interpretations. The adoption of these new and revised HKFRSs did not result in significant changes to the Group's accounting policies, presentation of the Group's financial statements and amounts reported for the current period and prior year.

The Group has not applied the new and revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective. The Group has already commenced an assessment of the impact of these new and revised HKFRSs but is not yet in a position to state whether these new and revised HKFRSs would have a material impact on its results of operations and condensed consolidated financial position.

4. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

The reportable segments have been identified on the basis of internal management reports prepared in accordance with accounting policies in conformity with HKFRSs, that are regularly reviewed by the executive director of the Company, being the Chief Operating Decision Maker (the "**CODM**") of the Group. No operating segments identified by the CODM have been aggregated in arriving at the reportable segments of the Group.

Business segments

The CODM regularly reviews revenue and operating results derived from two operating divisions – sales and integration services, and general trading. These divisions are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segment information. Principal activities are as follows:

Sales and integration services:	Income from sales and services provision of integration services of computer and communication systems, and design, consultation and production of information system software and management training services
General trading:	Revenue from trading of chemicals and agricultural products

Segment revenues and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable segments.

Six months ended 30 September 2023 (unaudited)

	Sales and integration services <i>HK\$'000</i>	General trading HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Recognised at a point in time	32,136	120,248	152,384
Reportable segment revenue from external customers	32,136	120,248	152,384
Reportable segment results	577	(287)	290
Unallocated corporate income Unallocated corporate expenses Finance costs			1 (6,300) (12,677)
Loss before tax Income tax expense			(18,686)
Consolidated loss for the period			(18,686)

Six months ended 30 September 2022 (unaudited)

	Sales and integration services <i>HK\$'000</i>	General trading HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Recognised at a point in time		105,468	105,468
Reportable segment revenue from external customers		105,468	105,468
Reportable segment results	(1,292)	(4,062)	(5,354)
Unallocated corporate income Unallocated corporate expenses Finance costs			131 (8,752) (12,513)
Loss before tax Income tax expense			(26,488)
Consolidated loss for the period			(26,488)

There was no inter-segment sales for both periods.

Segment assets and liabilities

The following is an analysis of the Group's total assets and total liabilities by reportable segments.

At 30 September 2023 (unaudited)

	Sales and integration services HK\$'000	General trading HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment assets Unallocated assets	41,650	69,514	111,164 9,686
Consolidated total assets		=	120,850
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities	42,024	78,686	120,710 257,974
Consolidated total liabilities		_	378,684
At 31 March 2023 (audited)			
	Sales and integration services <i>HK\$'000</i>	General trading HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment assets Unallocated assets	28,508	39,909	68,417 12,925
Consolidated total assets		_	81,342
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities	20,555	38,863	59,418 252,720
Consolidated total liabilities		=	312,138

Other information

Six months ended 30 September 2023 (unaudited)

	Sales and integration services HK\$'000	General trading HK\$'000	Unallocated <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	_	_	105	105
Depreciation on right-of-use assets		77	576	653

Six months ended 30 September 2022 (unaudited)

	Sales and integration services <i>HK\$'000</i>	General trading HK\$'000	Unallocated HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$`000</i>
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	_	_	430	430
Depreciation on right-of-use assets		128	3,321	3,449

Geographical segments

The Group's operations are located in Hong Kong and the PRC. Information about the Group's revenue from external customers is presented based on the location of the operations. Information about the Group's non-current assets is presented based on the geographical location of the assets.

	Revenue from customers for th ended 30 Sej	e six months	Non-current	t assets
			30 September	31 March
	2023	2022	2023	2023
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Hong Kong	_	-	2,541	3,299
PRC	152,384	105,468	121	222
	152,384	105,468	2,662	3,521

5. OTHER INCOME

	Six months ended 30 September		
	2023 2		
	Unaudited	Unaudited	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Bank interest income	1	1	
Government subsidy (note)	-	108	
Other interest income	-	20	
Sundry income		2	
	1	131	

Note: For the six months ended 30 September 2022, the Group successfully applied for funding support from the Employment Support Scheme under the Anti-epidemic Fund, which was set up by the Hong Kong Government. The purpose of the funding is to provide financial support to enterprises to retain their employees who would otherwise be made redundant. Under the terms of the grant, the Group is required not to make redundancies during the subsidy period and to spend all the funding on paying wages to the employees.

6. FINANCE COSTS

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2023	2022
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest on lease liabilities	96	112
Interest on convertible bonds	11,572	12,026
Interests expenses on:		
- amount due to ultimate holding company	399	67
- other payables to related parties	161	260
- amount due to a previous director	119	39
- other payables	330	9
	12,677	12,513

7. INCOME TAX EXPENSES

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2023	2022
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Current tax – Hong Kong Profits Tax	-	-
Current tax - PRC Enterprise Income Tax	<u> </u>	

Hong Kong profits tax is calculated at the rate of 16.5% on the estimated assessable profit for both periods.

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax had been made as the Group had no assessable profits in Hong Kong for the six months ended 30 September 2023 and 2022.

PRC subsidiaries are subject to PRC Enterprise Income Tax at 25% for both periods. No provision for PRC Enterprise Income Tax had been made as the Group had no assessable profit in the PRC for the six months ended 30 September 2023 and 2022.

8. LOSS FOR THE PERIOD

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2023	2022
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Loss for the period has been arrived at after charging:		
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	105	430
Depreciation on right-of-use assets	653	3,449
Staff costs (including directors' emoluments)		
Salaries, bonus and allowances	1,982	2,031
Retirement benefits scheme contributions (Note)	570	472
	2,552	2,503
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Note: There are no forfeited contributions that may be used by the Group as the employer to reduce the existing level of contributions.

9. INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board has resolved not to declare any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2023 (six months ended 30 September 2022: Nil).

10. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted loss per share attributable to the owners of the Company is based on the following:

	For the six months ended 30 September	
	2023 Unaudited <i>HK\$'000</i>	2022 Unaudited <i>HK\$`000</i>
Loss		
Loss for the period attributable to the owners of the Company for the purpose of calculating basic and diluted loss per share	18,969	25,856
	'000	'000
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating basic and diluted loss per share	2,139,116	2,139,116

Basic and diluted loss per share for the six month ended 30 September 2023 and 2022 were the same because all potential dilutive ordinary shares would decrease the loss per share, and therefore, would not have dilutive effect.

11. TRADE RECEIVABLES

According to the contracts entered into with trade customers of sales and integration services, on average the contracts revenue is normally collected within 90 days from the date of receipt of customers' acceptance/ date of rendering services, except for certain contracts with longer implementation schedules where the credit period may extend beyond 90 days, or may be extended for major or specific customers. The credit terms granted to trade customers in respect of sales of chemicals and agricultural products are within 0–90 days from the date of billing.

	30 September	31 March
	2023	2023
	Unaudited	Audited
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade receivables	93,037	73,472
Less: Impairment allowance	(38,141)	(38,141)
	54,896	35,331

The following is an aging analysis of trade receivables net of impairment allowance presented based on the date of receipt of customers' acceptance/date of rendering services/date of invoices:

	30 September	31 March
	2023	2023
	Unaudited	Audited
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
0-30 days	37,473	35,331
31-90 days	17,423	
	54,896	35,331

12. TRADE PAYABLES

The following is an aging analysis of trade payables, presented based on the date of goods delivered/the period of service rendered/date of invoices:

	30 September	31 March
	2023	2023
	Unaudited	Audited
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
0-30 days	37,182	35,228
31-90 days	28,350	13,150
	65,532	48,378

13. BORROWINGS

As at 30 September 2023, the amount is unsecured, repayable within one year and non-interest bearing.

14. SHARE CAPITAL - ORDINARY SHARES

	Number of shares '000	Amount equivalent to HK\$'000
Authorised:		
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 (2022: HK\$0.01) each		
At 1 April 2022, 30 September 2022, 31 March 2023 and 30		
September 2023	8,900,000	890,000
Convertible preference shares of HK\$0.1 (2022: HK\$0.01) each At 1 April 2022, 30 September 2022, 31 March 2023 and 30		
September 2023	1,100,000	110,000
Issued and fully paid:		
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 (2022: HK\$0.01) each		
At 1 April 2022, 30 September 2022, 31 March 2023 and 30		
September 2023	2,139,116	213,912

15. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

- (a) References are made to the announcement of the Company dated 29 August 2023 and the circular of the Company dated 20 October 2023 in relation to, among other things, the propose alteration to the terms of the Existing First Convertible Bonds and the Existing Second Convertible Bonds (the "Alteration of Terms"). The Company has obtained the listing approval regarding the Alteration of Terms and relevant ordinary resolutions were passed at the special general meeting of the Company held on 13 November 2023, the Alteration of Terms, the maturity dates of the Existing First Convertible Bonds and the Existing First Convertible Bonds and the Existing First Convertible Bonds and the Existing First Convertible Bonds shall be extended to 31 August 2025 which will improve the net current liabilities position of the Group as the Convertible Bonds approximately of HK\$174,186,000 will be classified to non-current liabilities.
- (b) On 10 October 2023, the Company proposed share consolidation on the basis that (i) every eight (8) issued and unissued Existing Ordinary Shares of HK\$0.1 each in the share capital of the Company into one (1) Consolidated Ordinary Share of HK\$0.8; and (ii) every eight (8) unissued Existing Preference Shares of HK\$0.1 each in the share capital of the Company into one (1) Consolidated Preference Share of HK\$0.8 (the "Share Consolidation"). The Company also proposes to change the board lot size for trading from 20,000 Existing Ordinary Shares to 10,000 Consolidated Ordinary Shares upon the Share Consolidation becoming effective. The above proposed share consolidation was approved at the special general meeting on 13 November 2023, and will be effective in two business days after the special general meeting.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Financial Performance

For the six months ended 30 September 2023, the Group recorded total revenue of approximately HK\$152,384,000 (for six months ended 30 September 2022: approximately HK\$105,468,000), representing an increase of approximately 44% as compared with the corresponding period in last year. The Group recorded an increase of revenue in general trading business from approximately HK\$105,468,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to approximately HK\$120,248,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2023 mainly contributed by the increase in sales quantity of chemical products during the period. The Group recorded revenue from sales and integration services business of approximately HK\$32,136,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2023 (for the six months ended 30 September 2022: Nil). After the relaxation of the anti-pandemic measures of COVID-19 in the mainland China since the fourth quarter of 2022, the Group's operating team has resumed its normal operation and reconnected with their existing customers and potential customers. The sales and integration service business has been recovering from the worst situation and the Group has been building up its project pipelines. The Group recorded gross profit and gross profit margin of approximately HK\$1,058,000 (six months ended 30 September 2022: approximately HK\$247,000) and approximately 0.7% (six months ended 30 September 2022: approximately 0.2%) respectively for the six months ended 30 September 2023. The Group had been negotiating with current customers for higher gross profit margin for the segment of general trading during the period under review.

The segment loss of the general trading has been reduced to approximately HK\$287,000 during the six months ended 30 September 2023 (segment loss of approximately HK\$4,062,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2022). The sales and integration service business recorded segment profit of approximately HK\$577,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2023 as compared to the segment loss of HK\$1,292,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2022. The Group recorded net segment profit of approximately HK\$290,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2022. The Group recorded net segment profit of approximately HK\$290,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2022.

Administrative expenses decreased by approximately 27.1% to approximately HK\$7,068,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2023 from approximately HK\$9,690,000 for the corresponding period in last year, which mainly resulted from the success of a tighter cost control. Finance costs increased by approximately 1.3% to approximately HK\$12,677,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2022 from approximately HK\$12,513,000 for the corresponding period in last year. The increase in finance costs was mainly due to the increase in interest expenses on amount due to ultimate holding company.

The Group recorded a loss attributable to owners of the Company of approximately HK\$18,969,000 for the six months ended 30 September 2023 (for the six months ended 30 September 2022: approximately HK\$25,856,000).

Financial Resources and Liquidity

Total debts of the Group amounted to approximately HK\$274,853,000 (31 March 2023: approximately HK\$229,128,000), mainly comprising convertible notes of approximately HK\$211,764,000 (31 March 2023: HK\$202,130,000), loans from ultimate holding company of approximately HK\$13,434,000 (31 March 2023: approximately HK\$12,900,000), amount due to a previous director of approximately HK\$14,676,000 (31 March 2023: HK\$10,735,000), lease liabilities of approximately HK\$2,688,000 (31 March 2023: approximately HK\$3,363,000) and borrowings of approximately HK\$32,291,000 (31 March 2023: nil). All the above-mentioned borrowings are denominated in Hong Kong Dollars or Renminbi. Except for borrowings, all of these debt are interest bearing or carried in an interest rate implicit in the lease liabilities. The Group had no assets pledged as at 30 September 2023 (31 March 2023: nil). The net debts (net of cash and cash equivalents) to total assets ratio of the Group is approximately 200.7% (31 March 2023: approximately 270.1%), representing an decrease of approximately 69.4% as compared to last financial year end date. The current ratio of the Group was approximately 0.39 times (31 March 2023: approximately 0.32 times) as at 30 September 2023. Cash and cash equivalents were approximately HK\$32,204,000 (31 March 2023: approximately HK\$9,156,000) as at 30 September 2023, which are mostly denominated in Hong Kong Dollars or Renminbi. As the Group's businesses are conducted in the PRC, the Group does not expect to be exposed to any material foreign exchange risks.

In view of the liquidity issues of the Group, the directors of the Company will consider to improve the financial position of the Group and to enlarge the capital base of the Company by conducting fund raising exercises such as share placement or loan capitalisation when necessary.

Business Review and Future Prospects

The Group is principally engaged in (i) general trading of chemicals and agricultural products; (ii) sales and services provision of integration services of computer and communication systems, and design, consultation and production of information system software and management training services; and (iii) investment holdings.

During the period under review, the management continued to devote its effort to enhance the operational efficiency of the sale and integration services segment through stringent project selection and tighter cost control measures, and negotiate new contract(s) for such business segment. On the other hand, the Group continued to enhance customer base and supply chain for its general trading business in respect of trading of chemical and agricultural products.

Looking forward, to turn the Group back to a profitable position, the Company (i) will enhance operational efficiency by removing duplication and bottlenecks through standardisation of work procedures and simplification of operation process; and (ii) will further tighten its budgetary control by vigorously implementing measures for cost and expense control, optimising cost analysis and appraisal mechanism, and constantly strengthening cost management. In addition, the Group is monitoring closely the latest trends and the development of the global economy and to take advantage of all business opportunities.

The Company has been actively identifying projects with growth potential for acquisition or investment and has been in discussions with various independent third parties for such acquisition or investment. Meanwhile, the Company intends to enrich and improve its financial resources by conducting fund raising exercises such as share placement or loan capitalisation, when necessary.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The board resolved not to declare an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2023 (30 September 2022: Nil).

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S SECURITIES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 September 2023.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers ("**Model Code**") set out in Appendix 10 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "**Listing Rules**") as the code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors. Following specific enquiries by the Company, all Directors have confirmed that they have complied with the required standards set out in the Model Code throughout the six months ended 30 September 2023.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

During the six months ended 30 September 2023, the Company complied with all the relevant code provisions as set out in the Corporate Governance Code ("**CG Code**") as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules except for the deviation from code provision C.2.1.

Code provision C.2.1 provides that the roles of the chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. The Company did not at present separate the roles of the chairman and chief executive officer during the period under review. Mr. Lam Ching Kui was the chairman and chief executive officer of the Company and resigned on 27 October 2023. He has extensive experience in projects management and securities investments and was responsible for the overall corporate strategies, planning and business development of the Group. The balance of power and authorities are ensured by the operation of the Board which comprises experienced and high caliber individuals with sufficient number thereof being independent non-executive Directors.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee") has reviewed the unaudited condensed consolidated interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2023.

As at the date of this announcement, the Board has only two independent non-executive Directors, Mr. Wan Bo and Dr. Wang Wei. Pursuant to Rule 3.21 of the Listing Rules, every listed issuer must establish an audit committee comprising non-executive directors only and the audit committee must comprise a minimum of three members and at least one of whom must be an independent non-executive director with appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise as required under Rules 3.10(1) and 3.21 of the Listing Rules.

To comply with Rules 3.10(1) and 3.21 of the Listing Rules, the Company should appoint an additional independent non-executive director and the chairman of the Audit Committee within three months after failing to meet the requirements under Rules 3.10(1) and 3.21 of the Listing Rules (i.e. on or before 21 November 2023).

The Company has taken practicable steps to identify suitable candidates to act as independent non-executive director for the purpose of complying with the abovementioned Listing Rules requirements including but not limited to identifying candidates in accordance with the Company's director nomination policy; however, as additional time was required for the Company to identify suitable candidate and complete the selection, recruitment and nomination procedures, the Company will apply to The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited for a waiver from strict compliance with Rules 3.10(1) and 3.21 of the Listing Rules for filling the vacancies.

The Company will use its best endeavour to appoint a suitable candidate to fill the vacancy of independent non-executive director and the above-mentioned board committees of the Company.

PUBLICATION OF INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT AND INTERIM REPORT

The interim results announcement of the Company for the six months ended 30 September 2023 is published on both the website of the Stock Exchange (www.hkexnews.hk) and the website of the Company (www.1013.hk). The interim report of the Company for the six months ended 30 September 2023 containing all the information as required in Appendix 16 to the Listing Rules will be dispatched to shareholders and published on the above websites in due course.

APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Board, I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all the staff and management team for their contribution during the period. I would also like to express my appreciation to the continuous support of our shareholders and investors.

By Order of the Board Wai Chun Group Holdings Limited Lam Ka Chun Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 30 November 2023

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

Executive Director: Mr. LAM Ka Chun (Chairman and Chief Executive Officer)

Independent Non-executive Directors: Dr. WANG Wei Mr. WAN Bo