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# **HYGIEIA GROUP LIMITED**

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1650)

# ANNUAL RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of Hygieia Group Limited (the "Company"), together with its subsidiaries (the "Group"), is pleased to announce the annual results and the audited annual consolidated financial information of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023, together with the comparative figures for the year ended 31 December 2022. The results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee (the "Audit Committee") and were approved by the Board on 28 March 2024.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The audited revenue of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023 amounted to approximately \$\$66.5 million, representing an increase of approximately of \$\$3.1 million or 4.9% as compared with the revenue of approximately \$\$63.4 million for the year ended 31 December 2022.
- The audited profit after tax of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023 was approximately \$\$0.5 million, which represented an increase of approximately \$\$2.1 million or 129.7% as compared to the audited loss after tax of approximately \$\$1.6 million for the year ended 31 December 2022.
- Basic and diluted earnings per share was \$\$0.0002 for the year ended 31 December 2023 as compared to basic and diluted loss per share of \$\$0.0008 for the year ended 31 December 2022.
- The Board has resolved to recommend a final dividend of \$\$0.0015 per share for the year ended 31 December 2023.

# AUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Revenue	3	66,538	63,425
Cost of sales	9	(57,546)	(54,829)
Gross profit		8,992	8,596
Other income	4	406	121
Other gains, net	5	1	192
Administrative expenses	9	(8,644)	(10,005)
Operating profit/(loss)		755	(1,096)
Finance costs	7	(203)	(275)
Profit/(loss) before income tax		552	(1,371)
Income tax expense	8	(77)	(228)
Profit/(loss) for the year		475	(1,599)
Other comprehensive (loss)/income:  Item that may be subsequently reclassified to profit			
<ul><li>or loss:</li><li>Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations</li></ul>		(1)	4
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the year, net of income tax		(1)	4
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		474	(1,595)

# AUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (CONTINUED)

Year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Profit/(loss) for the year attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		454	(1,604)
Non-controlling interests	_	21	5
	=	475	(1,599)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		453	(1,601)
Non-controlling interests	_	21	6
	=	474	(1,595)
Earnings/(loss) per share			
Basic and diluted (Singapore cents)	10	0.02	(0.08)

# AUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2023

Note	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
	2,539	2,633
	2,064	1,739
	4,603	4,372
12	17,288	14,984
	10,367	10,000
	12,217	17,515
	39,872	42,499
	44,475	46,871
	3,592	3,592
	26,457	28,004
	30.049	31,596
	45	1
	30.094	31,597
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# AUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONTINUED)

As at 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities			• • •
Borrowings		2,063	3,878
Lease liabilities	-	642	592
	-	2,705	4,470
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	13	8,218	7,577
Borrowings		1,893	1,884
Lease liabilities		1,444	1,168
Income tax payable	_	121	175
	-	11,676	10,804
Total liabilities	=	14,381	15,274
Total equity and liabilities	=	44,475	46,871
Net current assets	=	28,196	31,695
Total assets less current liabilities	=	32,799	36,067

#### NOTES TO THE AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1 GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### 1.1 General information

Hygieia Group Limited (the "Company") was incorporated on 28 February 2019 in the Cayman Islands as an exempted Company with limited liability under the Companies Law (as revised) of the Cayman Islands. The address of the Company's registered office is at Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman KY1-1111, Cayman Islands. Its parent is TEK Assets Management Limited which was incorporated in the British Virgin Islands. Its ultimate controlling party is Mr. Toh Eng Kui, who is also the chairman and executive director of the Company.

The Company is an investment holding company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "**Group**") are principally engaged in the provision of cleaning services. The principal place of business in Singapore of the Group is at 6 Tagore Drive, #B1–02, Singapore 787623.

The Company's shares were listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 3 July 2020.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Singapore dollars ("S\$"), which is also the functional currency of the Company and all values are rounded to the nearest thousands (S\$'000), except when otherwise stated.

#### 1.2 Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (the "IASB"). In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and by the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

#### 2 APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO IFRSs

#### New and amendments to IFRSs that are mandatorily effective for the current year

In the current year, the Group has applied the following amendments to IFRSs issued by the IASB for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the annual period beginning on or after 1 January 2023 for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements:

IFRS 17 (including the June 2020 and Insurance Contracts

December 2021 Amendments to

IFRS 17)

Amendments to IAS 8 Definition of Accounting Estimates

Amendments to IAS 12 Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a

Single Transaction

Amendments to IAS 12 International Tax Reform-Pillar Two model Rules

Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Disclosure of Accounting Policies

Practice Statement 2

Except as described below, the application of the new and amendments to IFRSs in the current year has had no material impact on the Group's financial positions and performance for the current and prior years and/ or on the disclosures set out in these consolidated financial statements.

# Impacts on application of Amendments to IAS 12 Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction

The Group has applied the amendments for the first time in the current year. The amendments narrow the scope of the recognition exemption of deferred tax liabilities and deferred tax assets in paragraphs 15 and 24 of IAS 12 *Income Taxes* so that it no longer applies to transactions that, on initial recognition, give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences.

In accordance with the transition provision:

- (i) the Group has applied the new accounting policy retrospectively to leasing transactions that occurred on or after 1 January 2022;
- (ii) the Group also, as at 1 January 2022, recognised a deferred tax asset (to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary difference can be utilised) and a deferred tax liability for all deductible and taxable temporary difference associated with rightof-use-assets and lease liabilities.

The application of the amendments has had no material impact on the Group's financial position and performance, except that the Group disclosed the related deferred tax assets of S\$324,000 and deferred tax liabilities of S\$324,000 as at 1 January 2022 on a gross basis but it has no material impact on the retained profits at the earliest period presented.

#### New and amendments to IFRSs in issued but not yet effective

The Group has not applied the following new and amendments to IFRSs, that have been issued but are not yet effective:

Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its

Associate or Joint Venture<sup>1</sup>

Amendment to IFRS 16 Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback<sup>2</sup>

Amendments to IAS 1 Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current<sup>2</sup>

Amendments to IAS 1 Non-current Liabilities with Covenants<sup>2</sup>

Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7 Supplier Finance Arrangements<sup>2</sup>

Amendments to IAS 21 Lack of Exchangeability<sup>3</sup>

- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after a date to be determined.
- <sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024.
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2025.

The directors anticipate that the application of all new and amendments to IFRSs will have no material impact on the consolidated financial statements in the foreseeable future.

#### 3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company's executive directors monitor the operating results of its operating segment for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment.

The chief operating decision-maker has been identified as the executive directors of the Group. The executive directors consider the segment from a business perspective. The executive directors regard the Group's business as one single operating segment that qualifies as reportable segment under IFRS 8 Operating Segments and review the financial information accordingly for the purposes of allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segment.

#### (a) Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers

	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Provision of cleaning services	66,454	63,182
Sales of goods	84	243
	66,538	63,425
Timing of revenue recognition:		
Over time	66,454	63,182
Point in time	84	243
	66,538	63,425

The Group's revenue by geographical location is as follows:

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	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Singapore Thailand	58,860 7,678	60,292
	66,538	63,425
Revenue from customers of the years ended 31 December 2023 and 10% of the Group's revenue is as follows:	31 December 2022	contributing over
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Customer A	N/A <sup>1</sup>	6,762
The corresponding revenue did not contribute over 10% of the	total revenue of the	e Group.
(b) Non-current assets by geographical location		
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Singapore Thailand	4,468	4,317 55
	4,603	4,372
OTHER INCOME		
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Interest income	366	37
Rental income Others	10 30	60 24
	406	121

# 5 OTHER GAINS, NET

Salaries and other allowances

Other employee benefits

Employer's contribution to defined contribution plan

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	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Net exchange (loss)/gain	(44)	63
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Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	40	127
Gain on lease termination	5	2
	1	192
		172
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSES (INCLUDING DIRECTORS	' EMOLUMENTS)	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000

Included in employee benefit expenses are government grants on employment credit and the Jobs Growth Incentive provided by the Singapore government which has been netted off against the wages and salaries

40,567

2,902

689

34,746

2,846

688

All of the government grants have been credited against employee benefit expenses included in "cost of sales".

amounting to \$\$637,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: \$\$2,949,000).

Employee benefits expenses have been included in consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as follows:

	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Cost of sales Administrative expenses	38,617 5,541	33,483 4,797
	44,158	38,280

# 7 FINANCE COSTS

	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Interest on term loan	104	161
Interest on lease liabilities	68	68
Interest on hire purchase arrangement	31	46
	203	275
8 INCOME TAX EXPENSE		
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Current tax:		
<ul><li>Singapore corporate income tax ("CIT")</li></ul>	122	175
(Over)/under provision in prior years	(45)	53
	77	228

Singapore CIT is calculated at 17% of the estimated assessable profit for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: 17%).

Thailand income tax is calculated at the 20% of the estimated assessable profit for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: 20%).

No provision for Thailand income tax has been made as no assessable profit arises in, nor is derived from Thailand for both years.

# 9 EXPENSES BY NATURE

		2023	2022
		S\$'000	S\$'000
	Auditor's remuneration	121	243
	Employee benefit expenses (including directors' emoluments)		
	(Note 6)	44,158	38,280
	Purchase of supplies	2,715	2,382
	Subcontractor charges	10,199	12,964
	Foreign worker levies and fees	2,839	2,848
	Allowance for expected credit loss ("ECL") on trade receivables		
	(reversed)/recognised	(331)	161
	Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	947	941
	Depreciation of right-of-use assets	1,536	1,635
	Legal and professional fees	580	2,312
	Repair and maintenance	414	396
	Rental of low-value equipment	163	57
	Rental of workers' accommodation under short-term leases	247	233
	Others	2,602	2,382
	Total cost of sales and administrative expenses	66,190	64,834
10	EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE		
		2023	2022
	Earnings/(loss) for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share:		
	Profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the Company (\$\s^2\$000)  Number of shares for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings/ (loss) per share:	454	(1,604)
	Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	2,000,000	2,000,000
	Basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share (Singapore cents)	0.02	(0.08)
	=	V.V.2	(0.00)

Diluted earnings/(loss) per share for both years were the same as the basic earnings/(loss) per share as there were no potential ordinary shares in issue for both 2023 and 2022.

# 11 DIVIDENDS

	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Dividends for ordinary shareholders of the Company recognised as		
distribution during the year:		
2020 Final – S\$0.0015 per ordinary share	_	3,000
2021 Final – S\$0.00075 per ordinary share	_	1,500
2022 Final - S\$0.001 per ordinary share	2,000	
	2,000	4,500

Subsequent to the end of the reporting period, a final dividend of S\$0.0015 per ordinary share for the year ended 31 December 2023 has been proposed by the Board and is subject to shareholders' approval at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company.

# 12 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Trade receivables	14,066	10,656
Unbilled revenue	1,642	3,017
	15,708	13,673
Allowance for ECL		(331)
	15,708	13,342
Deposits	701	579
Prepayments	285	335
Other receivables	594	728
	1,580	1,642
Total	17,288	14,984

The Group generally grants credit terms to its customers ranging from 0–90 days. The ageing analysis of the Group's trade receivables based on invoice date (net of allowance for ECL) is as follows:

		2023	2022		
		S\$'000	S\$'000		
	0 to 30 days	7,072	5,493		
	31 to 60 days	4,535	3,378		
	61 to 90 days	1,126	643		
	91 to 120 days	502	235		
	Over 120 days	831	576		
		14,066	10,325		
13	TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES				
		2023	2022		
		S\$'000	S\$'000		
	Trade payables	1,782	2,337		
	Other payables	1,351	1,290		
	Accrued expenses	691	320		
	Accrued employee benefit expenses	4,394	3,630		
		8,218	7,577		
	The ageing analysis of the Group's trade payables based on invoice dates at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022 were as follows:				
		2023	2022		
		S\$'000	S\$'000		

1,610

449

152

126

2,337

810

542

275

155

1,782

_	14	_

0 to 30 days

31 to 60 days

61 to 90 days

Over 90 days

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The Group is an established general cleaning service provider in the environmental services industry headquartered in Singapore with operations in both Singapore and Thailand. The Group primarily provides general cleaning works for a variety of public and private venues including shopping malls, commercial and industrial buildings, schools, hotels, private condominiums as well as public access areas in town councils in Singapore. In Thailand, the Group provides general cleaning works for private customers at private residences, offices, retail outlets and industrial buildings.

The Group has more than 25 years of experience in the environmental services industry, and with their L6-graded FM02 workhead for "Housekeeping, Cleansing, Desilting and Conservancy" services currently held by Eng Leng, the Group is able to tender for public sector service contracts of an unlimited contract value. As at 27 March 2024, Eng Leng was one of 40 registered contractors holding an L6-graded FM02 workhead among 491 contractors registered with the FM02 workhead. The Group has a quality management system accredited by their ISO 9001:2015 certification for the provision of cleaning and housekeeping services, and the Group has been recognised by the NEA through a Clean Mark Gold award for delivering high cleaning standards.

As at 28 March 2024, the Group had 293 ongoing service contracts, excluding one-off contracts, with outstanding contract sums of approximately S\$78.0 million.

#### **FUTURE PROSPECTS**

In 2024, the Group will continue its vision to become an integrated service provider in the environmental services industry, and to provide consistent and quality cleaning services to customers. While we expect the Singapore environmental services industry to become increasingly challenging and competitive, we remain committed in enhancing our productivity through investments in technology and training. The management and staff will remain vigilant and nimble, look ahead and make necessary adjustments to remain a market leader in the environmental services industry in Singapore. The Group will strive to further entrench and increase its market presence in the industry. At the same time, the Group may also assess additional investment prospects that could generate favorable returns for the Shareholders.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### Revenue

For the year ended 31 December 2023, the Group's total revenue was approximately \$\$66.5 million, representing an increase of approximately 4.9% from approximately \$\$63.4 million as compared with the year ended 2022. This increase was primarily driven by the Group's operations growth in the Thailand market.

#### **Cost of Sales**

For the year ended 31 December 2023, the cost of sales was approximately \$\$57.5 million, representing an increase of approximately 5.0% from approximately \$\$54.8 million as compared with the year ended 31 December 2022. Please refer to the section "Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin" for the explanation of the increase.

#### **Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin**

Gross profit increased from approximately S\$8.6 million for the year ended 31 December 2022 to approximately S\$9.0 million for the year ended 31 December 2023. The gross profit margin decreased marginally from 13.6% for the year ended 31 December 2022 to 13.5% for the year ended 31 December 2023, which was primarily due to the decrease in receipts of government grants on employment credit and being partially offset by the improved operational efficiency of the Group. For the year ended 31 December 2023, the Group has recognised approximately S\$0.6 million of government grants in total (31 December 2022: S\$2.9 million).

#### Other Expenses

### Administrative Expenses

Administrative expenses decreased from approximately S\$10.0 million for the year ended 31 December 2022 to approximately S\$8.6 million for the year ended 31 December 2023, primarily due to the lower professional fees incurred and being partially offset by the increase in employee benefit expenses.

#### **Finance Costs**

Finance costs decreased from approximately \$\$275,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022 to \$\$203,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023, primarily due to the Group's decreased interest expense incurred on its borrowings.

#### Other income

Other income increased from approximately S\$121,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022 to approximately S\$406,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023, primarily due to the higher interest income generated from fixed bank deposits placed for a longer duration in 2023.

# Other gains, net

Other gains decreased from S\$192,000 for the year ended 31 December 2022 to approximately S\$1,000 for the year ended 31 December 2023, primarily due to the net exchange loss incurred on transactions denominated in foreign currencies and a lower gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment for the year.

#### **Income Tax Expense**

The income tax expense for the year ended 31 December 2023 was approximately S\$77,000 as compared with S\$228,000 during the year ended 31 December 2022. Such decrease was mainly attributable to the lower chargeable income that were subject to corporate income tax during the Reporting Period.

# Profit after tax for the year ended 31 December 2023

As a result of the above factors, the net profit of the Group was approximately S\$0.5 million for the year ended 31 December 2023, an increase of approximately 129.7% as compared with the net loss of S\$1.6 million for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **Final Dividend**

The Board recommends the payment of a final dividend of \$0.0015 per Share for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: \$0.001 per Share).

# **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

As at 31 December 2023, the current assets of the Group amounted to approximately S\$39.9 million, including cash and cash equivalents of approximately S\$12.2 million, fixed bank deposits of S\$10.4 million and trade and other receivables, deposits and prepayments of approximately S\$17.3 million. Current liabilities of the Group amounted to approximately S\$11.7 million, including trade and other payables of approximately S\$8.2 million, borrowings of approximately S\$1.9 million, lease liabilities of approximately S\$1.4 million and income tax payable of approximately S\$0.1 million. As at 31 December 2023, the current ratio (the current assets to current liabilities ratio) of the Group was 3.4, as compared with 3.9 as at 31 December 2022.

Net debt to equity ratio is calculated by dividing net debt by total equity. Since the amount of cash and cash equivalents exceeded that of bank borrowings, the Group was at a net cash position as at 31 December 2023. Thus, the net debt to equity ratio was not applicable (31 December 2022: N/A).

# **Capital Expenditures**

Save as disclosed in this announcement, there were no other significant capital expenditure incurred during the year ended 31 December 2023.

### **Contingent Liabilities**

The Group had no material contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2023.

### **Pledge of Assets**

The banking facilities of the Group are secured by the following:

- (i) Assignment over debtors allowed under trade receivables financing;
- (ii) Debenture incorporating a fixed and floating charge over all assets; and
- (iii) Corporate guarantee provided by the Company.

#### **Future Plan for Material Investments and Capital Assets**

Save as disclosed in this announcement, the Group did not have plans for material investments and capital assets as at 31 December 2023.

# Significant Investments, Acquisitions and Disposals

Save as disclosed in this announcement, there were no other significant investments held, no material acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures during the year ended 31 December 2023.

# Foreign Exchange Risk Management

The functional currency of the Group is SGD. The majority of the Group's revenue and expenditures are denominated in SGD. The Group currently does not have any foreign currency hedging policies. The management will continue to monitor the Group's foreign exchange risk exposure and consider adopting prudent measures as appropriate.

# **Events after the Reporting Period**

Up to the date of this announcement, there was no significant event relevant to the business or financial performance of the Group that has come to the attention of the Directors after the Reporting Period.

# USE OF PROCEEDS FROM THE LISTING

The net proceeds raised by the Company from the Listing are approximately S\$11.8 million (after deduction of the underwriting commissions in respect of the Share Offer and other estimated expenses).

Set out below are the details of the allocation of the Net Proceeds (as revised in the announcement of the Company dated 21 December 2023), the utilised and unutilised amounts of the Net Proceeds as at 31 December 2023:

	Revised				
	allocation of				
	the				
	net proceeds				
	as disclosed				
	in the				
	announcement				
	of the	Approximate	Utilised	Unutilised	
	Company	percentage	amounts	amounts	
	dated	of the	as at	as at	<b>Estimated</b>
	21 December	total net	31 December	31 December	completion of
	2023	proceeds	2023	2023	utilisation
	S\$'000		S\$'000	S\$'000	
Acquisition of landscaping company	1,774	15.0%	-	1,774	31 Dec 2025
Purchase of waste disposal equipment	605	5.1%	404	201	31 Dec 2025
Hiring of waste disposal staff	627	5.3%	461	166	31 Dec 2025
Cash flow mismatch	6,170	52.2%	4,982	1,188	31 Dec 2024
Hiring of sales and marketing staff	166	1.4%	166	_	N/A
Hiring of safety officers	296	2.5%	21	275	31 Dec 2025
Purchase of software and systems	284	2.4%	114	170	31 Dec 2025
Leasing of automated machinery and					
equipment	721	6.1%	425	296	31 Dec 2025
General working capital	1,182	10%	1,182		N/A
Total	11,825	100%	7,755	4,070	

#### EMPLOYEE REMUNERATION AND RELATIONS

As at 31 December 2023, the Group had 2,609 employees (1,904 as at 31 December 2022). The Company's employees (including foreign workers) are remunerated according to their work skills, job scope, responsibilities and performance. Employees are also entitled to a discretionary bonus depending on their respective performances. The duration for which foreign workers are typically employed depends on the period specified in their work permits, and their employment with the Company is subject to renewal based on their performance. The Company also provides housing and medical insurance coverage for their foreign workers as required by the Singapore Ministry of Manpower.

Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Group's cleaning business license, the Group has in place a progressive wage plan for employees who are Singapore citizens and permanent residents of Singapore that specifies the basic wage payable to each class of cleaners that conforms to the wage levels specified by the Commissioner for Labour. The Group also participates in the mandatory provident fund for local and permanent resident employees in accordance with the Central Provident Fund Act (Chapter 36) of Singapore as amended, supplemented and/or otherwise modified from time to time, and has paid the relevant contributions accordingly.

The Group believes that they maintain a good working relationship with their employees, and the Group has not experienced any material labour disputes during the Reporting Period.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Company is committed to the establishment of good corporate governance practices and procedures with a view to being a transparent and responsible organisation which is open and accountable to the Shareholders.

In the opinion of the Directors, the Company has complied with the relevant code provisions contained in the CG Code during the Reporting Period. The Board will continue to review and monitor the practices of the Company with an aim of maintaining a high standard of corporate governance.

# MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS OF LISTED ISSUERS

Having made specific enquiry with all Directors of the Company, all Directors confirmed that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code regarding directors' securities transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Company established the Audit Committee with written terms of reference in compliance with the Listing Rules. The Audit Committee comprises three members, namely, Mr. Wong Yuk, Mr. Koh How Thim and Mr. Lew Chern Yong, all of whom are independent non-executive Directors. Mr. Wong Yuk is the chairman of the Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee, has reviewed the Company's audited consolidated annual results for the year ended 31 December 2023 and confirms that the applicable accounting principles, standards and requirements have been complied with, and that adequate disclosures have been made. The Audit Committee has also discussed the auditing, internal control and financial reporting matters.

The annual results for the year ended 31 December 2023 have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs.

#### SCOPE OF WORK OF THE COMPANY'S AUDITOR

The figures in respect of the Group's consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2023 and the related notes thereto as set out in this announcement have been agreed by the Company's auditor to the amounts set out in the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year. The work performed by the Company's auditor, HLB Hodgson Impey Cheng Limited in this respect did not constitute an assurance engagement in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing, Hong Kong Standards on Review Engagements or Hong Kong Standards on Assurance Engagements issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and consequently no assurance has been expressed by HLB Hodgson Impey Cheng Limited on this announcement.

# PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the year ended 31 December 2023.

### **PUBLIC FLOAT**

As at the date of this announcement, based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors, the Company has maintained the prescribed public float under the Listing Rules.

#### COMPLIANCE ADVISER'S INTERESTS

As informed by the Company's compliance adviser, Fortune Financial Capital Limited (the "Compliance Adviser"), as at 31 December 2023, except for the compliance adviser agreement entered into between the Company and the Compliance Adviser dated 14 May 2019, the Compliance Adviser nor its directors, employees or close associates had any interests in relation to the Group, which is required to be notified to the Group pursuant to the Listing Rules.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2024 AGM of the Company will be held on Thursday, 30 May 2024, and the notice of the 2024 AGM will be published and despatched in the manner as required by the Listing Rules in due course.

#### **CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

For determining the entitlement to attend and vote at the 2024 AGM, the register of members will be closed from Monday, 27 May 2024 to Thursday, 30 May 2024, both dates inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. To be eligible to attend and vote at the 2024 AGM, all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong for registration by no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 24 May 2024.

#### PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT AND ANNUAL REPORT

This annual results announcement is published on the websites of the Stock Exchange (www.hkexnews.hk) and the Company (http://www.hygieiagroup.com/). The annual report for the year ended 31 December 2023 containing all the information required by Appendix D2 to the Listing Rules will be dispatched to the Shareholders and available on the same websites in due course.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

"2024 AGM" the annual general meeting of the Company to be held in

Singapore on Thursday, 30 May 2024

"Audit Committee" the audit committee of the Board

"Board" the board of directors of the Company from time to time

"CG Code" the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix C1

to the Listing Rules

"Clean Mark" the Clean Mark Accreditation Scheme, a scheme developed by,

amongst others, NEA that recognises businesses that deliver high cleaning standards through the training of workers, use of equipment to improve work processes and fair employment

practices

"Company" Hygieia Group Limited, a company incorporated in the

Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability

on 28 February 2019

"Director" the director(s) of the Company

"Eng Leng" Eng Leng Contractors Pte Ltd, a private company limited by

shares that was incorporated in Singapore on 27 June 1991

and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company

"FM02" one of the maintenance workheads classified under the

CRS (as defined in the Prospectus), where the title of the FM02 workhead is "Housekeeping, Cleansing, Desilting & Conservancy Services" and it refers to the provision of cleaning and housekeeping services for offices, buildings, compounds, industrial and commercial complexes, desilting

and cleansing of drains and grass cutting

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries

"HK\$" or "Hong Kong Dollars" Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong

"Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC

"IFRSs" International Financial Reporting Standards "ISO 9001:2015" a quality management system standard that is based on a number of quality management principles including a strong customer focus, the motivation and implication of top management, the process approach and continual improvement "L6" the highest financial grade for the FM02 workhead under the CRS (as defined in the Prospectus) in Singapore "Listing" the listing of the Shares on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange on 3 July 2020 "Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange, as amended or supplemented from time to time "Model Code" the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers contained in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules "NEA" the National Environment Agency, a statutory body under the Singapore Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources which is responsible for improving and sustaining a clean and green environment in Singapore "Prospectus" the prospectus of the Company dated 12 June 2020 "Reporting Period" the year ended 31 December 2023 "Share Offer" the Public Offer (as defined in the Prospectus) and the Placing (as defined in the Prospectus) "Shareholders" holder(s) of Shares "Shares" ordinary shares(s) with a nominal value HK\$0.01 each in the issued share capital of the Company "Singapore" the Republic of Singapore "Singapore Government" the government of Singapore "Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

"subsidiary(ies)" has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules

"S\$" or "SGD" Singapore dollars, the lawful currency of Singapore

"Thailand" the Kingdom of Thailand

"%" per cent

By Order of the Board **Hygieia Group Limited Toh Eng Kui** *Chairman* 

Singapore, 28 March 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Toh Eng Kui, Mr. Peh Poon Chew and Ms. Toh Lek Siew, the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Koh How Thim, Mr. Lew Chern Yong and Mr. Wong Yuk.