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# City e-Solutions Limited

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 557)

# UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2013

#### **SUMMARY**

To provide the market with updated information, the Board of City e-Solutions Limited announces the unaudited consolidated financial results of the Company and its subsidiaries, jointly controlled entity and associates (the "Group") for the nine months ended 30 September 2013.

The unaudited consolidated profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company for the nine months ended 30 September 2013 was approximately HK\$3.5 million.

Shareholders of the Company and potential investors should note that all figures contained herein are unaudited and are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

To provide the market with updated information, the board ("Board") of directors ("Directors") of City e-Solutions Limited (the "Company") announces the unaudited consolidated financial results of the Company and its subsidiaries, jointly controlled entity and associates (the "Group") for the nine months ended 30 September 2013 (the "Period").

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS (unaudited)

Nine months ended

		Time mone	ns chaca
		30 September	
		2013	2012
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
			(restated)
Turnover	2	77,437	74,543
Cost of sales		(14,307)	(13,935)
Gross profit		63,130	60,608
Other net gains	3	9,360	12,929
Administrative expenses	4	(69,767)	(72,866)
Profit from operating activities		2,723	671
Finance costs	5	(659)	
Share of profit/(losses) of a joint venture		2,078	(395)
Share of losses of associates		(101)	
Profit before taxation		4,041	276
Income tax (expense)/credit		(1,394)	1,304
Profit for the period	6	2,647	1,580
Attributable to:			
Equity shareholders of the Company		3,511	4,717
Non-controlling interests		(864)	(3,137)
Profit for the period		2,647	1,580
Earnings per share		HK cents	HK cents
Basic earnings per share		0.92	1.23

# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (unaudited)**

		As at	As at	
		30	31	As at
		September	December	1 January
		2013	2012	2012
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
			(restated)	(restated)
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment		42,162	43,602	43,282
Intangible assets		14,263	16,289	361
Available-for-sale financial assets		32,999		
Goodwill		8,938	8,938	1,694
Interest in a joint venture		10,046	10,404	12,492
Interest in associates		8,333	1,550	
Deferred tax assets		22,001	23,270	21,927
Total non-current assets		138,742	104,053	79,756
Current assets				
Trading securities		101,997	93,150	79,900
Trade and other receivables		30,715	58,452	53,153
Current tax recoverable		1,501	1,452	357
Cash and cash equivalents		393,773	376,452	397,702
		527,986	529,506	531,112
Current liabilities				
Trade and other payables		(33,535)	(34,731)	(31,673)
Interest-bearing borrowings	7	(884)	(34,731) $(39)$	(31,073)
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NT.		(34,419)	(34,770)	(31,673)
Net current assets		493,567	494,736	499,439
Total assets less current liabilities		632,309	598,789	579,195
Non-current liabilities				
Interest-bearing borrowings	7	(31,432)	(88)	
NET ASSETS		600,877	598,701	579,195
CAPITAL AND RESERVES				
Share capital		382,450	382,450	382,450
Reserves		173,183	170,138	162,064
Total equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company		555,633	552,588	544,514
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Non-controlling interests		45,244	46,113	34,681
TOTAL EQUITY		600,877	598,701	579,195

Notes:-

## 1. Accounting policies

The Group's unaudited consolidated financial results for the nine months ended 30 September 2013 have not been reviewed by the Company's auditors.

The Group's unaudited consolidated financial results for the nine months ended 30 September 2013 have been prepared in accordance with the same accounting policies adopted by the Group as disclosed in the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2012, except for the accounting policy changes that are expected to be reflected in the 2013 annual financial statements.

The adoption of the new Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS") and amendments to HKFRS did not have any significant effect on the financial statements, except for the adoption of HKFRS 11 *Joint arrangements*.

HKFRS 11, which replaces HKAS 31 *Interests in joint ventures*, divides joint arrangements into joint operations and joint ventures. Entities are required to determine the type of an arrangement by considering the structure, legal form, contractual terms and other facts and circumstances relevant to their rights and obligations under the arrangement. Joint arrangements which are classified as joint operations under HKFRS 11 are recognised on a line-by-line basis to the extent of the joint operator's interest in the joint operation. All other joint arrangements are classified as joint ventures under HKFRS 11 and are required to be accounted for using the equity method in the Group's consolidated financial statements. Proportionate consolidation is no longer allowed as an accounting policy choice.

The adoption of HKFRS 11 has changed the Group's accounting policy for its joint venture which was previously accounted for using proportionate consolidation. The financial effects on the Group's consolidated statement of financial position as at 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2012 and its consolidated statement of profit or loss for the nine months ended 30 September 2012 as restated comparatives in the Group's unaudited consolidated financial results for the nine months ended 30 September 2013, is as follows:

	Impact on financi	Impact on financial position as at 1 January 2012			
		Retrospective			
		effect of change			
	As previously	As previously in accounting			
	reported	policy	As restated		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Non-current assets	117,499	(37,743)	79,756		
Current assets	533,485	(2,373)	531,112		
Current liabilities	(34,350)	2,677	(31,673)		
Non-current liabilities	(37,439)	37,439	_		
Net assets	<u>579,195</u>		579,195		

Impact on financial position as at 31 December 2012

	Retrospective effect of change		
	As previously	in accounting	
	reported	policy	As restated
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets	139,984	(35,931)	104,053
Current assets	533,313	(3,807)	529,506
Current liabilities	(37,565)	2,795	(34,770)
Non-current liabilities	(37,031)	36,943	(88)
Net assets	<u>598,701</u>		<u>598,701</u>

Impact on results for the nine months ended 30 September 2012

-	So September 2012			
	As previously	in accounting		
	reported	policy	As restated	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Turnover	101,503	(26,960)	74,543	
Gross profit	76,963	(16,355)	60,608	
Share of losses of a joint venture	_	(395)	(395)	
Profit before taxation	276	_	276	
Profit for the period	1,580		1,580	

The Group has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for the current accounting period.

# 2. Turnover

	Nine months ended 30 September	
	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(restated)
Revenue from external customers		
- Investment holding	1,513	3,085
- Hospitality	73,607	68,471
Interest income	2,317	2,987
	<u>77,437</u>	74,543

# 3. Other net gains

	Nine months ended 30 September	
	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net realised and unrealised valuation gains on trading		
securities	7,566	10,076
Net realised and unrealised foreign exchange gains	1,251	2,853
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	518	_
Others	25	
	9,360	12,929

# 4. Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses comprise mainly expenses incurred by the Group's Hospitality segment, which include expenses incurred by Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel, North Carolina, U.S., a hotel jointly operated by the Group's subsidiary.

## 5. Finance costs

	Nine months ended 30 September	
	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(restated)
Amortisation of capitalised transaction costs	54	_
Interest expenses on borrowings	605	
	659	

# 6. Profit for the period is arrived after charging/(crediting)

	Nine months ended 30 September	
	2013	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(restated)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	1,925	1,945
Amortisation of intangible assets	2,024	1,578
Operating lease charges — rental of properties	1,295	1,374
Dividend and interest income	(3,830)	(6,072)

## 7. Interest-bearing borrowings

	As at	As at	As at
	30 September	31 December	1 January
	2013	2012	2012
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(restated)	(restated)
Term loan (secured)	31,913	_	_
Finance lease liabilities	403	127	
	32,316	<u>127</u>	
Repayable:			
- Within 1 year	884	39	_
- Between 1 and 5 years	4,619	88	_
- After 5 years	26,813	<u> </u>	
	32,316	127	

On 26 April 2013, the Group, through its indirect subsidiary, SWAN Carolina Investor, LLC, and SFI Carolina TIC SPE, LLC entered into a ten-year term loan of US\$8.6 million (approximately HK\$66.7 million) to primarily re-finance its joint operation, Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel.

The term loan is secured by:

- a first priority mortgage of Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel, its improvements, equipment and fixtures with a carrying amount of HK\$39.5 million as at 30 September 2013;
- assignments of all rights and benefits to sale, lease, agreements, trademarks and insurance proceeds in respect of Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel;
- pledge of monies held in specific bank accounts of HK\$2.0 million as at 30 September 2013; and
- guarantee by Richfield Hospitality, Inc, an indirect subsidiary of the Group.

#### 8. Capital commitments contracted but not provided for

As at 30 September 31 December 2013 2012 HK\$'000 HK\$'000

Commitment to make an investment in BEA Blue Sky Real Estate Fund L.P.

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On 3 June 2013, the Group's direct wholly-owned subsidiary, CES Capital Limited has committed to make an investment of US\$25.0 million (approximately HK\$193.8 million) in BEA Blue Sky Real Estate Fund L.P. (the "Fund"), by way of a subscription for a limited partnership interest in the Fund. As at 30 September 2013, CES Capital Limited has contributed US\$4.3 million (approximately HK\$33.0 million) to the Fund.

The Fund is a closed-ended private equity fund structured as a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership, organised for the sole purpose of subscribing for a limited partnership interest in the China Fund. The China Fund is a real estate private equity fund established for the purpose of making investments in real estate assets and real estate-related assets in Greater China.

#### 9. Establishment of SWAN Carolina Investor, LLC as joint operator of Sheraton Chapel Hill

On 1 January 2013, the Group, through its newly incorporated indirect subsidiary, SWAN Carolina Investor, LLC ("SCI"), entered into a tenant-in-common agreement with SFI Carolina TIC SPE, LLC to own an equal 50% tenant-in-common interest in Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel (the "Property") for the purpose of owning and operating the Property as a hotel and as an investment. Following the tenant-in-common agreement, SCI became a joint operator of the Property and is entitled to 50% of all income, expenses and increases or decreases in value of the Property with effect from 1 January 2013.

# 10. Acquisition of interest in Doubletree Burlington Hotel through investment in a new associate, S-R Burlington Partners, LLC

On 30 January 2013, the Group, through its indirect subsidiary, SWAN USA, Inc ("SWAN USA"), invested in a new associate, S-R Burlington Partners, LLC ("SRBP"). SWAN USA contributed US\$0.9 million (approximately HK\$7.0 million) to obtain an equity interest of 31.83% in SRBP. On the same day, SRBP entered into an agreement to acquire 59.83% equity interest in RBH Venture, LLC, a company incorporated in USA, which indirectly owns 100% interest in Doubletree Burlington Hotel, USA. Following the investment, the Group holds an effective interest of approximately 16% in the hotel property.

The share of results of SRBP from 30 January 2013 to 30 September 2013, including share of acquisition-related costs of HK\$0.6 million, was included in the "Share of losses of associates" in the consolidated income statement for the nine months ended 30 September 2013.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW AND PROSPECTS**

During the period under review, the Group reported an improvement in revenue to HK\$77.4 million, an increase of HK\$2.9 million or 3.9% from HK\$74.5 million in the previous corresponding period due to higher revenues from the Group's Hospitality segment. Consequently, the Group's Hospitality segment reported pre-tax profit of HK\$1.2 million for the period under review as compared with a pre-tax loss of HK\$6.4 million in the previous corresponding period.

The Group's U.S. hotel management arm, Richfield Hospitality, recorded higher management fee income of HK\$25.2 million, up by HK\$1.7 million or 7.2% from HK\$23.5 million in the previous corresponding period due mainly from a new contract secured with a full service property. Overall, with good cost controls and measures, Richfield reported lower loss before tax of about HK\$0.9 million as compared with a loss of HK\$8.0 million in the previous corresponding period.

The Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel, North Carolina, U.S. continued to enjoy good room occupancy and contributed a total revenue of HK\$19.0 million, up by HK\$1.5 million or an increase by 8.6% from HK\$17.5 million in the previous corresponding period. Accordingly, the profit contribution improved to HK\$2.8 million up from HK\$2.4 million in the previous corresponding period.

The Group's 51% equity interest in Sceptre Hospitality Resources ("SHR"), the hospitality industry's leading expert for reservations connectivity, online channel marketing and revenue/ channel-management services, recorded a full 9 months of revenue amounting to HK\$27.0 million, up from HK\$21.9 million being revenue recorded for approximately seven months of operation as SHR commenced operation around end February 2012. However, the increase of HK\$5.1 million in revenue from SHR was offset by a decrease of HK\$3.0 million from the in-house reservations management and distribution arm which had since ceased operation as a result of the merger with SHR at end February 2012. For the period under review, SHR incurred a lower loss at HK\$2.7 million as compared with HK\$6.6 million in the previous corresponding period.

The Group's jointly-controlled entity, Richfield Syracuse Hotel Partners, LLC, which owns the Crowne Plaza Syracuse Hotel reported improved trading result and contributed a share of profit of HK\$2.1 million for the period under review as compared with a share of loss of HK\$0.4 million in the previous corresponding period. On the other hand, the Group recognised share of losses from its associates of HK\$0.1 million, which included the Group's share of acquisition-related costs of HK\$0.6 million arising from the Group's investment in S-R Burlington Partners, LLC ("SRBP") on 30 January 2013.

On the Group's Investment Holding segment, the net realised and unrealised valuation gains of HK\$7.6 million was recognised from the Group's securities holding as at 30 September 2013. Net realised and unrealised foreign exchange gain of HK\$1.3 million, which mainly arose from the Renminbi and Sterling Pound denominated cash deposits, was reported. Overall, the total net realised and unrealised gains of HK\$8.9 million was recorded for the period under review as compared with total net realised and unrealised gains of HK\$12.3 million in the previous corresponding period.

Overall, the Group recorded a net profit attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company of HK\$3.5 million as compared with a net profit attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company of HK\$4.7 million in the previous corresponding period due mainly to lower profit contribution from Investment Holding segment.

The Group remains cautious in the midst of the global uncertainty, though there are signs of improvement in the U.S. real estate and hospitality market.

The Group continues to hold some trading securities while its cash reserves are in a basket of currencies. From time to time, there could be continued adjustments attributable to unrealised gains or losses arising from the fair value readjustments of the Group's trading securities and unrealised gains or losses on the revaluation of foreign currency cash deposits.

Shareholders of the Company and potential investors should note that all figures contained herein are unaudited and are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

By order of the Board

Kwek Leng Beng

Chairman

Hong Kong, 31 October 2013

As at the date of this announcement, the Board is comprised of 9 directors, of which 4 are executive directors, namely Mr. Kwek Leng Beng, Mr. Kwek Leng Joo, Mr. Gan Khai Choon and Mr. Lawrence Yip Wai Lam, 2 are non-executive directors, namely Mr. Chan Bernard Charnwut and Mr. Ronald Nathaniel Issen, and 3 are independent non-executive directors, namely Dr. Lo Ka Shui, Mr. Lee Jackson a.k.a. Li Chik Sin and Mr. Teoh Teik Kee.