

## SOMERLEY CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

新百利融資控股有限公司

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### CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

The profit and loss for the three months ended 30th June, 2019 and the six months ended 30th September, 2019 are set out on pages 14 and 15 of this Report. The two results present somewhat different pictures, with the most recent quarter showing a profit of approximately HK\$1 million which however was insufficient to offset the loss for the first quarter. This resulted in a loss for the half year of approximately HK\$1.6 million.

The main reason for the six months loss is the decline in revenue from HK\$45.4 million to HK\$34.7 million (about 24%). As noted in our October profit warning, most of this decline (about HK\$9 million) was mainly due to the absence of any 'marquee' transaction being completed in the period, with the remainder due to a general slowdown in deal flow and delays in project completion in response to difficult market conditions. In the circumstances, expenses for salaries and related expenses were controlled and decreased slightly from HK\$26.2 million to HK\$24.7 million. However, demands on staff are arguably greater in challenging conditions than they are when everything is proceeding smoothly. As regards depreciation and operating expenses, the adoption of HKFRS 16, as regards leases, has resulted in a re-categorisation of certain items but no material change in the total.

Employee benefits costs and other operating expenses have also been affected by the increase in employee benefits costs associated with our Beijing subsidiary since its establishment in September 2018 and the consolidation of EISAL (now 75% owned) in the Group's accounts since December 2018. The Beijing subsidiary has made an encouraging start and demonstrated a healthy integration with our Hong Kong business. EISAL is taking active steps to launch its 'deep green' Climate Impact Asia Fund, a very timely concept which has had a good initial reception from potential investors.

Our balance sheet is set out on pages 16 and 17 of this Report. Our financial position continues to be strong with net assets of over HK\$100 million and a high degree of liquidity. Cash and cash equivalents at 30th September, 2019 were approximately HK\$83 million. The adoption of HKFRS 16 has also affected amounts for property and lease liability (see note 12 to the statement of financial position) without a material net impact and with no change to the way we hold our office premises.

Prospects for the full year ending 31st March, 2020 are particularly hard to judge in the present circumstances. The second quarter of the financial year showed an improvement over the first quarter. As has happened in the past, the Hong Kong financial markets are proving resilient to setbacks and challenges and adaptable to changing conditions. The level of activity we experienced in September and October showed evidence of some recovery in confidence. The increased activity may have owed something to catch up of previously delayed deals but the fact that those deals proceeded even with a delay, is encouraging. The extra time taken has however served as a drag on profitability as in not all cases can fees be adjusted if delays occur. All in all, I am cautiously optimistic that conditions exist for progress to continue for the second half of 2019/20.

Yours sincerely, **Martin Sabine**Chairman

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW AND PROSPECT**

The Group is principally engaged in providing (i) corporate finance advisory services in Hong Kong and through its subsidiaries in Hong Kong and Beijing; and (ii) asset management services in Hong Kong.

The corporate finance advisory services of the Group mainly include (i) acting as financial adviser to Hong Kong public listed companies, major shareholders and investors of these companies and parties seeking to control or invest in listed companies in Hong Kong, mostly in transactions which involve the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange, the GEM Listing Rules and/or the Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buy-backs; (ii) acting as independent financial adviser to independent board committees and/or independent shareholders of listed companies in Hong Kong; (iii) acting as sponsor to initial public offerings and listings of shares of companies on the Stock Exchange in Hong Kong and advising on secondary equity issues in Hong Kong.

Environmental Investment Services Asia Limited ("EISAL") has become a subsidiary of the Group since December 2018. EISAL is a corporation licensed under the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the "SFO") to carry on Type 4 (advising on securities) and Type 9 (asset management) regulated activities. EISAL is a founding member of the Hong Kong Green Finance Association, an initiative to position Hong Kong as a leading international green finance hub. EISAL, in collaboration with WWF Hong Kong, is presently working towards the launch of an innovative climate impact fund focused on low carbon listed equity investments in the Asian region. Detailed preparations are in hand for the marketing of this fund before the end of this financial year. The acquisition of EISAL has extended the Group's activities and should complement its efforts in participating in initial public offerings and developing an equity capital markets capability.

During the six months ended 30 September 2019 (the "Period"), the Group recorded a loss after tax of approximately HK\$1.6 million (2018: profit after tax of approximately HK\$7.6 million). Total revenue was approximately HK\$34.7 million for the Period, representing a decrease of approximately 23.6% as compared with the corresponding period of last year. As noted in the Company's profit warning announcement dated 21 October 2019, this was primarily due to absence of a marquee financial advisory transaction with revenue of approximately HK\$9.2 million which was completed for the six months ended 30 September 2018 and a slow down in deal flow and delays in project completion during the Period. In addition, there was an increase in operating expenses (excluding the fair value change on a financial asset through profit or loss) for the Period to approximately HK\$37.3 million, representing an increase of approximately 3.0% as compared with the corresponding period of last year. This was due mainly to the inclusion of EISAL in the consolidated accounts of the Group, the establishment of the Group's Beijing subsidiary in September 2018 and upward pressure on salaries and other operating expenses. Please note that the significant increase in "depreciation of right-of-use asset" and the significant decrease in "rental expenses and other premise expenses" noted on pages 7-8 below, which are largely off-setting, are due to the adoption of Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards 16 Leases ("HKFRS 16") as explained on pages 23-26 below and not to any changes in the Group's lease agreements or method of operating.

The second quarter of the financial year showed an improvement over the first quarter. Our Beijing subsidiary has made some encouraging progress and EISAL is actively preparing for the launch of its innovative climate impact fund. Although the present circumstances in Hong Kong make it hard to judge the prospects for the full year ending 31 March 2020, the Directors consider the Hong Kong financial markets are proving resilient to setbacks and challenges and adaptable to changing conditions. The Group has experienced some recovery in deal flow during September and October and the Directors are cautiously optimistic for progress in the second half of the financial year.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### Revenue

The Group's total revenue decreased by approximately 23.6% to approximately HK\$34.7 million for the Period from approximately HK\$45.4 million for the six months ended 30 September 2018.

Revenue generated from acting as financial adviser ("FA") and as independent financial adviser ("IFA") for the Period amounted to approximately HK\$20.7 million (2018: approximately HK\$35.4 million), accounting for approximately 59.7% of the Group's total revenue (2018: approximately 78.0%). The decrease is mainly attributable to (i) absence of a marquee financial advisory transaction with revenue of approximately HK\$9.2 million which was completed in the six months ended 30 September 2018 and (ii) a decrease in revenue owing to a slow down in deal flow and delays in project completion. FA and IFA activities are expected to remain the major source of the Group's revenue in the immediate future.

There was a relatively significant increase in revenue generated from acting as compliance adviser for the Period to approximately HK\$8.4 million (2018: approximately HK\$4.4 million), accounting for approximately 24.2% of the Group's total revenue (2018: approximately 9.7%). The Group has been successful in securing additional compliance advisory mandates which led to the increase in this source of revenue for the Period.

Revenue generated from acting as sponsor and underwriter for the Period amounted to approximately HK\$4.3 million (2018: approximately HK\$4.2 million), accounting for approximately 12.4% of the Group's total revenue (2018: approximately 9.3%).

Other revenue, mainly arising from the provision of asset management services, litigation support services, pitch support services and merger & acquisition advisory services during the Period, amounted to approximately HK\$1.3 million (2018: approximately HK\$1.4 million).

#### Other Income

Other income mainly represented bank interest income, management service fee income from Somerley Group Limited ("SGL"), rental income and reimbursement of other premise expenses from SGL. Other income increased to approximately HK\$1.0 million for the Period from approximately HK\$0.7 million for the six months ended 30 September 2018, primarily due to (i) increase in interest income from bank deposits; and (ii) office sharing income and reimbursement of other premises expenses from SGL starting from 1 July 2018.

#### **Employee Benefits Costs**

The Group's employee benefits costs primarily consist of fees, salaries, bonuses, share-based payments and allowances as well as contributions to retirement benefits scheme for the Directors and employees of the Group.

|   | For the six months ended 30 September |                  |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|------------------|--|
|   | 2019<br>HK\$'000                      | 2018<br>HK\$'000 |  |
|   |                                       |                  |  |
| Fees, salaries, allowances and other benefits   | 23,942                                | 21,864           |  |
| Discretionary bonus   | _                                     | 3,600            |  |
| Share-based payments  | 254                                   | 375              |  |
| Contributions to retirement benefits scheme   | 527                                   | 382              |  |
|   |                                       |                  |  |
|   | 24,723                                | 26,221           |  |
|   |                                       |                  |  |
| Analysed as:  | C1.4                                  | 705              |  |
| - corporate holding   | 614                                   | 735              |  |
| <ul><li>corporate finance advisory (Hong Kong)</li><li>corporate finance advisory (Beijing)</li></ul> | 22,080<br>1,097                       | 25,333<br>153    |  |
| - asset management  | 932                                   | 155              |  |
| - asset management  | 932                                   |                  |  |
|   | 24,723                                | 26,221           |  |

Employee benefits costs decreased by approximately 5.7% to approximately HK\$24.7 million for the Period from approximately HK\$26.2 million for the six months ended 30 September 2018, primarily due to the combined effects of (i) the increments in basic salaries during the Period; (ii) increase in headcount as a result of the establishment of the Beijing subsidiary and inclusion of EISAL in the Group in September and December 2018 respectively; and (iii) absence of accrued bonus as a result of the loss incurred for the Period.

#### **Depreciation and Other Operating Expenses**

During the Period, the Group has adopted HKFRS 16 and all non-cancellable operating leases, except for short-term leases and leases for low-value assets, entered by the Group are recorded as right-of-use assets whose costs will be depreciated over the lease terms. Therefore, the rental expenses are included as depreciation of right-of-use assets under HKFRS 16 for the Period.

Other operating expenses were mainly rental expenses, recurring GEM listing expenses, travelling expenses, professional fees and other expenses, including utility expenses, building management fees, telecommunication expenses, information technology related expenses, data intelligence service subscription fees and insurance expenses.

|  | For the six months ended 30 September |          |  |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------|--|
|  | 2019                                  | 2018     |  |
|  | HK\$'000                              | HK\$'000 |  |
|  |                                       |          |  |
| Depreciation of property and equipment   | 527                                   | 647      |  |
| Depreciation of right-of-use asset   | 4,486                                 |          |  |
|  | 5,013                                 | 647      |  |
| Rental expenses and other premises expenses  | 1,564                                 | 4,894    |  |
| Travelling expenses  | 286                                   | 325      |  |
| Impairment loss recognised in respect of trade   |                                       |          |  |
| receivables  | 341                                   | 106      |  |
| Recurring GEM listing expenses (excluding remuneration of independent non-executive directors) | 1,463                                 | 1,571    |  |
| Others   | 3,214                                 | 2,142    |  |
|  | ,                                     | ,        |  |
|  | 11,881                                | 9,685    |  |
|  |                                       |          |  |
| Analysed as:   |                                       |          |  |
| - corporate holding  | 1,926                                 | 1,886    |  |
| - corporate finance advisory (Hong Kong)   | 8,342                                 | 7,668    |  |
| <ul><li>corporate finance advisory (Beijing)</li><li>asset management</li></ul>                | 1,146<br>467                          | 131      |  |
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|  | 11,881                                | 9,685    |  |

The Group's depreciation and other operating expenses increased by approximately 22.7% to approximately HK\$11.9 million for the Period from approximately HK\$9.7 million for the six months ended 30 September 2018. The increase was mainly due to an increase in rental under the Group's new office lease and the general increase in other operating expenses as a result of the Group's expansion.

#### (Loss) Profit for the Period

For the Period, the Group recorded a loss before tax of approximately HK\$1.6 million (2018: profit before tax of approximately HK\$9.1 million), and after-tax loss was approximately HK\$1.6 million (2018: profit after tax of approximately HK\$7.6 million). The loss was primarily due to (i) a decrease in revenue due to the absence of any marquee financial advisory transaction and a slow down in deal flow and delays in project completion during the Period; and (ii) an increase in operating expenses as a result of the Group's expansion.

#### Liquidity, Financial Resources and Capital Structure

The Group's working capital and other capital requirements were principally satisfied by cash generated from the Group's operations.

As at 30 September 2019, the Group's net current assets amounted to approximately HK\$85.4 million (31 March 2019: approximately HK\$101.4 million), and its liquidity as represented by current ratio was approximately 8.3 times (31 March 2019: approximately 13.4 times). The cash and cash equivalents amounted to approximately HK\$82.8 million as at 30 September 2019 (31 March 2019: approximately HK\$102.0 million). The functional currency of the Group is Hong Kong dollars. As at 30 September 2019, approximately HK\$5.0 million of the Group's cash and cash equivalents were denominated in the other currencies (31 March 2019: approximately HK\$1.0 million), including Renminbi, United States Dollars, Euro, Great Britain Pounds, Thai Baht and Malaysia Ringgit.

The Group's equity consists of ordinary shares of the Company (the "Shares"). The Group had neither banking facilities nor borrowings as at 31 March 2019 and 30 September 2019.

The Directors are of the view that the Group's financial resources are fully sufficient to support its business and operations at the date hereof.

#### Foreign Exchange Exposure

The majority of the Group's revenue is denominated in Hong Kong dollars and the Group's accounts are prepared in Hong Kong dollars. Consequently, exposure to the risk of foreign exchange rate fluctuations for the Group is not material.

#### **Future Plans for Material Investments or Capital Assets**

The Group had no capital commitments as at 30 September 2019 (31 March 2019: approximately HK\$0.2 million). Save for the business plan disclosed in the prospectus of the Company dated 15 March 2017 (the "Prospectus"), announcement of, among others, change in use of proceeds published on 22 June 2018 or as otherwise disclosed in this report, the Group did not have plans for making material investments or acquiring capital assets as at 30 September 2019.

#### Material Acquisition and Disposal of Subsidiaries, Associates and Joint Ventures

Save as disclosed in this report, there were no material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures by the Group during the Period.

#### Significant Investments

Except for investments in subsidiaries and EISAL, the Group did not hold any significant investments during the Period (2018: nil).

#### Charge on Assets & Contingent Liabilities

As at 31 March 2019 and 30 September 2019, the Group did not have any charges on its assets or material contingent liabilities.

#### **Gearing Ratio**

As at 31 March 2019 and 30 September 2019, the Group did not have any borrowings and hence gearing ratio was not applicable.

#### Dividend

The board of Directors (the "Board") does not recommend the payment of any dividend for the Period (2018: nil).

#### **Treasury Policies**

The credit risk facing the Group is primarily attributable to bank balances and trade receivables. Bank balances are held with leading licensed banks in Hong Kong. The management of the Group regularly reviews the recoverable amount of each individual trade receivable to monitor prompt recovery and if necessary to make adequate impairment losses for irrecoverable amounts.

#### **Employees and Remuneration Policies**

The Group employed 48 and 50 employees as at 31 March 2019 and 30 September 2019 respectively.

For the Period, employee benefits costs of the Group (including the Directors' emoluments) were approximately HK\$24.7 million (2018: approximately HK\$26.2 million). Remuneration is determined with reference to market terms, the financial results of the Group and the performance, qualifications and experience of employees. Apart from basic remuneration, share options may be granted under the share option scheme of the Company to eligible employees by reference to the Group's performance as well as the individual's contribution. The Directors believe that the compensation packages offered by the Group to its staff are competitive in comparison with market standards and practices.

#### **Update of Business Progress and Use of Proceeds**

Majority of the business objectives as stated in the Prospectus and the announcement of, among others, change in use of proceeds published on 22 June 2018 were accomplished as at 31 March 2019 except for the enhancement of the Group's information technology systems. As at 30 September 2019, the enhancement of the Group's information technology ("IT") infrastructure and the implementation of the business continuity plan are almost completed, but further upgrading and updating of IT is a continuing requirement.

The net proceeds from the Group's listing on GEM of the Stock Exchange on 28 March 2017 (the "Listing") were approximately HK\$55.9 million. The Group adjusted the use of net proceeds in the same manner as stated in the Prospectus and approximately HK\$27.7 million were utilised for the year ended 31 March 2018. On 22 June 2018, the Group announced the change in use of net proceeds of approximately HK\$28.2 million and approximately HK\$25.9 million were utilised for the year ended 31 March 2019.

As at 30 September 2019, the remaining proceeds of approximately HK\$2.3 million were unutilised and will be used for further upgrading and updating IT for the year ending 31 March 2020.

As disclosed in the Prospectus, to the extent that the net proceeds from the Listing were not immediately required for the above purposes, they have been placed on short-term interest bearing deposits with authorised financial institutions in Hong Kong. In the event that any part of the business plans of the Group does not materialise or proceed as planned, the Directors will carefully evaluate the situation and may reallocate the intended funding to other business plans and/or to new projects of the Group and/or hold the funds as short-term interest bearing deposits so long as the Directors consider it to be in the best interests of the Company and the shareholders.

# REPORT ON REVIEW OF CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SOMERLEY CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

#### INTRODUCTION

We have reviewed the condensed consolidated financial statements of Somerley Capital Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") set out on pages 14 to 47, which comprise the condensed consolidated statement of financial position as of 30 September 2019 and the related condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity and condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the six months period then ended, and other explanatory notes. The GEM Listing Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited require the preparation of a report on interim financial information to be in compliance with the relevant provisions thereof and Hong Kong Accounting Standards 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" ("HKAS 34") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"). The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of these condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with HKAS 34. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these condensed consolidated financial statements based on our review, and to report our conclusion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

#### **SCOPE OF REVIEW**

We conducted our review in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Review Engagements 2410 "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the HKICPA. A review of these condensed consolidated financial statements consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

# REPORT ON REVIEW OF CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### CONCLUSION

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the condensed consolidated financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with HKAS 34.

Without qualifying our review conclusion, we draw attention to the fact that the condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for each of the three-month periods ended 30 September 2019 and 30 September 2018 and the relevant explanatory notes included in these condensed consolidated financial statements have not been reviewed in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Review Engagements 2410 "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity".

#### SHINEWING (HK) CPA Limited

Certified Public Accountants

#### **Pang Wai Hang**

Practising Certificate Number: P05044

Hong Kong 8 November 2019

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

For the six months ended 30 September 2019

The Board is pleased to present the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Group for the Period, together with the comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding period in 2018, as follows:

|  |       | Three months ended 30 September |             |             | hs ended<br>tember |
|--|-------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|
|  |       | 2019                            | 2018        | 2019        | 2018               |
|  | Notes | HK\$'000                        | HK\$'000    | HK\$'000    | HK\$'000           |
|  |       | (Unaudited)                     | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited)        |
|  |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| Revenue                                    | 6     | 19,222                          | 28,663      | 34,668      | 45,393             |
| Other income                               | 7     | 491                             | 570         | 962         | 706                |
|  |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
|  |       | 19,713                          | 29,233      | 35,630      | 46,099             |
|  |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| Employee benefits costs                    |       | (12,459)                        | (14,950)    | (24,723)    | (26,221)           |
| Fair value loss on financial asset at fair |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| value through profit or loss               |       | _                               | (28)        | _           | (790)              |
| Depreciation                               | 12    | (2,495)                         | (432)       | (5,013)     | (647)              |
| Introduction expenses                      |       | (134)                           | (115)       | (454)       | (305)              |
| Finance cost                               |       | (103)                           | _           | (214)       | _                  |
| Other operating expenses                   |       | (3,522)                         | (5,130)     | (6,868)     | (9,038)            |
|  |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| Profit (loss) before tax                   | 8     | 1,000                           | 8,578       | (1,642)     | 9,098              |
| Income tax credit (expense)                | 9     | 39                              | (1,231)     | 50          | (1,463)            |
|  |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| Profit (loss) for the period               |       | 1,039                           | 7,347       | (1,592)     | 7,635              |
|  |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| Other comprehensive expense                |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| Item that may be reclassified              |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| subsequently to profit or loss:            |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| Exchange difference arising on             |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| translation of foreign operations          |       | (4)                             | (6)         | (9)         | (6)                |
|  |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| Total comprehensive income (expense)       |       |                                 |             |             |                    |
| for the period                             |       | 1,035                           | 7,341       | (1,601)     | 7,629              |

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

For the six months ended 30 September 2019

|  |       |                  | nths ended<br>tember |                  | hs ended<br>tember |
|--|-------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|
|  | Notes | 2019<br>HK\$'000 | 2018<br>HK\$'000     | 2019<br>HK\$'000 | 2018<br>HK\$'000   |
|  |       | (Unaudited)      | (Unaudited)          | (Unaudited)      | (Unaudited)        |
| Profit (loss) for the period attributable to:                        |       |                  |                      |                  |                    |
| Owners of the Company Non-controlling interest                       |       | 1,212<br>(173)   | 7,347<br>—           | (1,267)<br>(325) | 7,635<br>—         |
|  |       | 1,039            | 7,347                | (1,592)          | 7,635              |
| Total comprehensive income (expense) for the period attributable to: |       |                  |                      |                  |                    |
| Owners of the Company Non-controlling interest                       |       | 1,208<br>(173)   | 7,341<br>—           | (1,276)<br>(325) | 7,629<br>—         |
|  |       | 1,035            | 7,341                | (1,601)          | 7,629              |
| Earnings (loss) per share  |       |                  |                      |                  |                    |
| — basic (HK cents)   | 10    | 0.86             | 5.27                 | (0.90)           | 5.48               |
| — diluted (HK cents)   | 10    | 0.86             | 5.25                 | (0.90)           | 5.46               |

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 September 2019

|  | Notes | As at<br>30 September<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Unaudited) | As at<br>31 March<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Audited) |
|--|-------|--|--|
| Non-current assets   |       |  |  |
| Property and equipment   | 12    | 18,417   | 4,659  |
| Goodwill   |       | 1,123  | 1,123  |
| Intangible asset   |       | 9,000  | 9,000  |
| Rental deposits  | 13    | 2,565  | 2,577  |
| Deferred tax asset   |       | 32   | 17   |
|  |       | 31,137   | 17,376   |
|  |       |  |  |
| Current assets   |       |  |  |
| Trade receivables  | 13    | 11,727   | 5,810  |
| Prepayments, deposits and other receivables                                    | 13    | 2,075  | 1,796  |
| Amount due from ultimate holding company Financial asset at fair value through |       | 396  | 10   |
| profit or loss   | 14    | _  | _  |
| Cash and cash equivalents  |       | 82,777   | 101,961  |
|  |       | 96,975   | 109,577  |
|  |       |  | ,  |
| Current liabilities  |       |  |  |
| Contract liability   |       | 67   | 210  |
| Other payables and accruals  | 15    | 1,693  | 6,438  |
| Lease liability  | 12    | 8,271  | _  |
| Tax payable  |       | 1,584  | 1,543  |
|  |       | 11,615   | 8,191  |
| Net current assets   |       | 85,360   | 101,386  |
|  |       |  |  |
| Total assets less current liabilities  |       | 116,497  | 118,762  |

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 September 2019

|  | Notes | As at<br>30 September<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Unaudited) | As at<br>31 March<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Audited) |
|--|-------|--|--|
| Non-current liabilities Provision for long service payment Provision for reinstatement cost Deferred tax liabilities Lease liability | 12    | 238<br>2,300<br>1,612<br>6,337                           | 267<br>2,300<br>1,688<br>—                         |
| Net assets   |       | 10,487   | 4,255<br>114,507                                   |
| Capital and reserves Share capital Reserves  | 16    | 1,413<br>101,902   | 1,410<br>110,077                                   |
| Equity attributable to owners of the Company Non-controlling interest  |       | 103,315<br>2,695   | 111,487<br>3,020                                   |
| Total equity   |       | 106,010  | 114,507  |

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 September 2019

#### Attributable to the owners of the Company

| Share  |   | Attributable to trie owners of trie company |         |          |                      |         |         |                   |         |                         |         |
|--|---|---|---------|----------|----------------------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------|
| Impact of adopting HKFRS 16 (role 3)   |   | capital                                     | premium | earnings | contribution reserve | reserve | reserve | reserve<br>(note) |         | controlling<br>interest |         |
| At 1 April 2019 (Unaudited)  | At 31 March 2019 (Audited)  | 1,410                                       | 64,847  | 29,118   | 4,179                | 2,029   | 4       | 9,900             | 111,487 | 3,020                   | 114,507 |
| Loss for the period   -   -   (1,267)   -   -   -   -   (1,267)   (325)   (1,592)  |   | _   | -       | (170)    | _                    | _       | _       | _                 | (170)   | _                       | (170)   |
| Other comprehensive expense: Exchange differences arising from translation of foreign operation — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —  | At 1 April 2019 (Unaudited)   | 1,410                                       | 64,847  | 28,948   | 4,179                | 2,029   | 4       | 9,900             | 111,317 | 3,020                   | 114,337 |
| Total comprehensive expense for the period   | Other comprehensive expense:<br>Exchange differences arising          | -   | -       | (1,267)  | -                    | -       | -       | -                 | (1,267) | (325)                   | (1,592) |
| the period   |   | _   | -       | -        | _                    | _       | (9)     | _                 | (9)     |                         | (9)     |
| (note 11)  | the period  | -   | -       | (1,267)  | -                    | -       | (9)     | -                 | (1,276) | (325)                   | (1,601) |
| share options (note 16)  3 173 — — (92) — — 84 — 84  Recognition of equity-settled share-based payments (note 19)  — — — — — — 254 — — 254 — 254  At 30 September 2019 (Unaudited)  1,413 57,956 27,681 4,179 2,191 (5) 9,900 103,315 2,695 106,010  At 31 March 2018 (Audited)  1,386 67,270 19,506 4,179 1,837 — 9,900 104,078 — 104,078  Impact of adopting HKFRS 9 — — (41) — — — — — (41) — (41)  At 1 April 2018 (Audited)  1,386 67,270 19,465 4,179 1,837 — 9,900 104,037 — 104,037  Profit for the period — — 7,635 — — — 7,635 — — 7,635 — 7,635  Other comprehensive expense: Exchange differences arising from translation of foreign operation — — 7,635 — — — (6) — 7,629 — 7,629  Dividends recognised as distribution (note 11) — (4,882) — — — — — (4,882) — 7,629  Dividends recognised as distribution (note 16) — (4,882) — — — — — (257) — — 235 — 235  Becognition of equity-settled share-based payments (note 19) — — — — — — — — 375 — 375  | (note 11)   | -   | (7,064) | -        | -                    | -       | -       | -                 | (7,064) | -                       | (7,064) |
| based payments (note 19)         —         —         —         —         254         —         269         104,078           Impact of adopting HKFRS 9         —         —         —         1,465         4,179         1,837         —         9,900         104,037         —         104,037  | share options (note 16)   | 3   | 173     | -        | -                    | (92)    | -       | -                 | 84      | -                       | 84      |
| At 31 March 2018 (Audited)  1,386 67,270 19,506 4,179 1,837 — 9,900 104,078 — 104,078 Impact of adopting HKFRS 9 — — (41) — — — — — (41) — (41) — (41)  At 1 April 2018 (Audited)  1,386 67,270 19,465 4,179 1,837 — 9,900 104,037 — 104,037 Profit for the period — — 7,635 — — — — 7,635 — 7,635 Other comprehensive expense: Exchange differences arising from translation of foreign operation — — — — — — — (6) — (6) — (6) — (6) — (6) — (7,629 — 7,629 Dividends recognised as distribution (note 11) — (4,882) — — — — — — (4,882) — — — — (4,882) — (4,882) — — — — (4,882) — — — — 235 — 235 Recognition of equity-settled share-based payments (note 19) — — — — — — 375 — 375 — 375  |   | _   | -       | -        | _                    | 254     | _       | -                 | 254     | _                       | 254     |
| Impact of adopting HKFRS 9   | At 30 September 2019 (Unaudited)                                      | 1,413                                       | 57,956  | 27,681   | 4,179                | 2,191   | (5)     | 9,900             | 103,315 | 2,695                   | 106,010 |
| At 1 April 2018 (Audited) 1,386 67,270 19,465 4,179 1,837 — 9,900 104,037 — 104,037  Profit for the period — — 7,635 — — — — 7,635 — 7,635  Other comprehensive expense: Exchange differences arising from translation of foreign operation — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —  | At 31 March 2018 (Audited)  | 1,386                                       | 67,270  | 19,506   | 4,179                | 1,837   | _       | 9,900             | 104,078 | _                       | 104,078 |
| Profit for the period  | Impact of adopting HKFRS 9  |   | _       | (41)     | _                    | _       | _       | _                 | (41)    |                         | (41)    |
| Other comprehensive expense:         Exchange differences arising from translation of foreign operation         —         —         —         —         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (7,629)         —         7,629           Dividends recognised as distribution (note 11)         —         —         —         —         —         —         —         7,629 | At 1 April 2018 (Audited)   | 1,386                                       | 67,270  | 19,465   | 4,179                | 1,837   | _       | 9,900             | 104,037 | _                       | 104,037 |
| Total comprehensive income (expenses) for the period         —         —         —         —         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (6)         —         (7,629)         —         7,629           Dividends recognised as distribution (note 11)         —         —         —         —         —         —         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         —         —         —         —         (4,882)         —<   | Other comprehensive expense:  | -   | -       | 7,635    | -                    | -       | -       | -                 | 7,635   | -                       | 7,635   |
| (expenses) for the period         —         7,635         —         —         (6)         —         7,629         —         7,629           Dividends recognised as distribution (note 11)         —         —         —         —         —         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (4,882)         —         —         (257)         —         —         235         —         235         —         —         375         —         375         —         375         —         375         —         375         —         375         —         375         —                                 | Exchange differences arising from<br>translation of foreign operation |   | -       | _        | _                    | _       | (6)     | _                 | (6)     | -                       | (6)     |
| (note 11)  |   | _   | _       | 7,635    | _                    | _       | (6)     | _                 | 7,629   | _                       | 7,629   |
| share options (note 16) 8 484 (257) 235 - 235  Recognition of equity-settled share- based payments (note 19) 375 - 375  - 375  | (note 11)   | -   | (4,882) | -        | -                    | -       | -       | _                 | (4,882) | _                       | (4,882) |
| based payments (note 19)   | share options (note 16)   | 8   | 484     | -        | _                    | (257)   | _       | -                 | 235     | -                       | 235     |
| At 30 September 2018 (Unaudited) 1,394 62,872 27,100 4,179 1,955 (6) 9,900 107,394 — 107,394   |   | _   | -       | _        | _                    | 375     | _       | _                 | 375     | -                       | 375     |
|  | At 30 September 2018 (Unaudited)                                      | 1,394                                       | 62,872  | 27,100   | 4,179                | 1,955   | (6)     | 9,900             | 107,394 | _                       | 107,394 |

Note: Other reserve represented the difference between the nominal amount of the share capital of Somerley Capital Limited ("Somerley Capital") and the nominal amount of the share capital issued by the Company pursuant to a group reorganisation.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 September 2019

|   | Six months ended |             |  |
|---|------------------|-------------|--|
|   | 30 Sep           | tember      |  |
|   | 2019             | 2018        |  |
|   | HK\$'000         | HK\$'000    |  |
|   | (Unaudited)      | (Unaudited) |  |
|   |                  |             |  |
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES                                  | (4.040)          | 0.000       |  |
| (Loss) profit before tax                              | (1,642)          | 9,098       |  |
| Adjustments for:                                      |                  |             |  |
| Depreciation  | 5,013            | 647         |  |
| Bank interest income                                  | (576)            | (280)       |  |
| Finance cost  | 214              | _           |  |
| (Reversal of) provision for long service payments     | (29)             | 10          |  |
| Impairment loss recognised in respect of trade        |                  |             |  |
| receivables   | 341              | 106         |  |
| Share-based payment expenses                          | 254              | 375         |  |
| Unrealised fair value loss on financial asset at fair |                  |             |  |
| value through profit or loss                          | _                | 881         |  |
| Realised gain on disposal of financial asset at fair  |                  |             |  |
| value through profit or loss                          | _                | (91)        |  |
|   |                  |             |  |
| Operating cash flow before movements in working       |                  |             |  |
| capital   | 3,575            | 10,746      |  |
| Increase in trade receivables                         | (6,258)          | (455)       |  |
| Decrease in contract liability                        | (143)            | _           |  |
| Increase in prepayments, deposits and other           |                  |             |  |
| receivables   | (209)            | (3,925)     |  |
| Decrease in other payables and accruals               | (4,745)          | (583)       |  |
| Increase in amount due from ultimate holding          |                  |             |  |
| company   | (386)            | (169)       |  |
|   |                  |             |  |
| NET CASH (USED IN) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES          | (8,166)          | 5,614       |  |

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 September 2019

|   | Six months ended<br>30 September |             |  |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------|--|
|   | 2019                             | 2018        |  |
|   | HK\$'000                         | HK\$'000    |  |
|   | (Unaudited)                      | (Unaudited) |  |
|   |                                  |             |  |
| INVESTING ACTIVITIES                                    |                                  |             |  |
| Bank interest received                                  | 518                              | 140         |  |
| Proceeds from disposal of financial asset at fair value |                                  |             |  |
| through profit or loss                                  | _                                | 164         |  |
| Purchase of financial asset at fair value through       |                                  |             |  |
| other comprehensive income                              | _                                | (1,133)     |  |
| Purchase of property and equipment                      | (279)                            | (377)       |  |
|   |                                  |             |  |
| NET CASH FROM (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES            | 239                              | (1,206)     |  |
|   |                                  |             |  |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES                                    |                                  |             |  |
| Dividends paid  | (7,064)                          | (4,882)     |  |
| Payment of lease liability                              | (4,268)                          | _           |  |
| Proceeds from issuance of shares                        | 84                               | 235         |  |
|   |                                  |             |  |
| NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES                   | (11,248)                         | (4,647)     |  |
|   |                                  |             |  |
| NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS               | (19,175)                         | (239)       |  |
| CACLLAND CACLLECTIVALENT AT THE DECIMINAL               |                                  |             |  |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PERIOD | 101.061                          | 95,472      |  |
| Effect of foreign exchange rate changes                 | 101,961<br>(9)                   | •           |  |
| Elieut of foreign exchange rate changes                 | (9)                              | (6)         |  |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT AT THE END OF                  |                                  |             |  |
| THE PERIOD  |                                  |             |  |
| represented by bank balances and cash                   | 82,777                           | 95,227      |  |
|   |                                  |             |  |

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#### 1. GENERAL

The Company was incorporated on 21 April 2016 in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law, Chapter 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands and the shares of the Company are listed on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). Its parent is Somerley Group Limited ("SGL"), a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liabilities. The addresses of the registered office and the principal place of business of the Company are Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman, KY1–1111, Cayman Islands and 20th Floor, China Building, 29 Queen's Road Central, Central, Hong Kong, respectively.

The Company is principally engaged in investment holding. The Group's operating subsidiaries are mainly engaged in the provision of corporate finance advisory services and asset management services.

These condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$") which is the same as the functional currency of the Company and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand except when otherwise indicated.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements of Somerley Capital Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries (collectively, the Group) for the period have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure provisions of Chapter 18 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "GEM Listing Rules") and with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA").

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#### 3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019, except as described below:

In the current interim period, the Group has applied, for the first time, the following new and amendments to HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA that are relevant to the preparation of the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements:

HKFRS 16 Leases

HK(IFRIC)-Int 23 Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments

Amendments to HKFRS 9 Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation

Amendments to HKAS 19 Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement

Amendments to HKAS 28 Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures

Amendments to HKFRSs Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2015–2017 Cycle

The adoption of HKFRS 16 resulted in changes in the Group's accounting policies and adjustments to the amounts recognised in the condensed consolidated financial statements. The new accounting policies are set out below. Except as described below, the application of the new and revised HKFRSs do not have a material impact on the condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group.

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#### 3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impacts on adoption of HKFRS 16 Lease

HKFRS 16 introduces new or amended requirements with respect to lease accounting. It introduces significant changes to the lessee accounting by removing the distinction between operating lease and finance lease and requiring the recognition of right-of-use asset and a lease liability for all leases, except for short-term leases and leases of low value assets. In contrast to lessee accounting, the requirements for lessor accounting have remained largely unchanged. Details of these new accounting policies are described below. The Group has applied HKFRS 16 Leases retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initial application as an adjustment to the opening balance of equity, where appropriate, at 1 April 2019, and has not restated comparatives for the 2018 reporting period as permitted under the specific transitional provisions in the standard. Accordingly, certain comparative information may not be comparable as comparative information was prepared under HKAS 17 Leases.

On transition to HKFRS 16, the Group elected to apply the practical expedient to grandfather the assessment of which arrangements are, or contain, leases. The Group applied HKFRS 16 only to contracts that were previously identified as leases. Contracts that were not identified as leases under HKAS 17 and HK(IFRIC)-4 were not reassessed. Therefore, the definition of a lease under HKFRS 16 has been applied only to contracts entered into or changed on or after 1 April 2019.

The major impacts of the adoption of HKFRS 16 on the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements are described below

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#### 3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impacts of adopting HKFRS 16 Lease (Continued)

#### The Group as lessee

On adoption of HKFRS 16, the Group recognised lease liabilities in relation to leases which had previously been classified as 'operating leases' under the principles of HKAS 17 Leases (except for lease of low value assets and lease with a remaining lease term of twelve months or less). These liabilities were measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the lessee's incremental borrowing rate as of 1 April 2019. The lessee's incremental borrowing rate applied to the lease liabilities on 1 April 2019 was 2.44%.

The Group recognises right-of-use assets and measures them at their carrying amount as if HKFRS 16 had been applied since the commencement date, discounted using the lessee's incremental borrowing rate at the date of initial application.

The following table summarises the impact of transition to HKFRS 16 as at 1 April 2019. Line items that were not affected by the adjustments have not been included.

|                        | Carrying amount previously reported as at 31 March 2019 HK\$'000 | Impact of<br>adopting<br>HKFRS 16<br>HK\$'000 | Carrying<br>amount<br>as restated at<br>1 April 2019<br>HK\$'000 |
|------------------------|--|---|--|
| Property and equipment | 4,659  | 18,492  | 23,151   |
| Lease liability        | —  | 18,662  | 18,662   |
| Retained earnings      | 29,118   | (170)   | 28,948   |

#### Note:

As at 1 April 2019, right-of-use assets were measured at the carrying amount of approximately HK\$18,492,000 as if HKFRS 16 had been applied since the commencement date. The amount of approximately HK\$170,000 represents the difference between the right-of-use assets and the lease liability was recognised as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings. Leasehold improvement (included in property and equipment) which represents the reinstatement cost of approximately HK\$1,724,000 as at 31 March 2019 was reclassified to right-of-use assets. Accordingly, the carrying amount of right-of-use assets was approximately HK\$20,216,000 as at 1 April 2019.

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#### 3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impacts of adopting HKFRS 16 Lease (Continued)

The following table summarises the impact on transition to HKFRS 16 on retained earnings as at 1 April 2019:

|  | HK\$'000        |
|--|-----------------|
| Balance as at 31 March 2019, as originally stated Difference between the right-of-use assets and the lease liability | 29,118<br>(170) |
| Balance as at 1 April 2019   | 28,948          |

#### Impacts on transition

Differences between operating lease commitment as at 31 March 2019, the date immediately preceding the date of initial application, discounted using the incremental borrowing rate, and the lease liability recognised as at 1 April 2019 are as follow:

|   | HK\$'000 |
|---|----------|
| Operating lease commitments as at 31 March 2019   | 19,849   |
| Discounted using the applicable incremental borrowing rate at the date of initial application | 19,306   |
| Less: Short-term leases accounted for as expenses using the straight-line basis               | (644)    |
| Lease liability recognised as at 1 April 2019   | 18,662   |

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#### 3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impacts of adopting HKFRS 16 Lease (Continued)

#### Practical expedients applied

On the date of initial application of HKFRS 16, the Group has used the following practical expedients permitted by the standard:

- not to reassess whether a contract is, or contains a lease at the date of initial application. Instead, for contracts entered into before the transition date the Group relied on its assessment made applying HKAS 17 and HK(IFRIC)-4 Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease;
- reliance on previous assessments on whether leases are onerous by applying HKAS 37 as an alternative to performing an impairment review;
- the accounting for operating leases with a remaining lease term of less than 12 months as at 1 January 2019 as short-term leases;
- the exclusion of initial direct costs for the measurement of the right-of-use asset at the date of initial application, and the use of hindsight in determining the lease term where the contract contains options to extend or terminate the lease.

**HKFRS 16 Lease** 

#### Leases

Definition of a lease

Under HKFRS 16, a contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys a right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

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#### 3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

**HKFRS 16 Lease (Continued)** 

#### Leases (Continued)

The Group as lessee

The Group assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease, at inception of the contract. The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability with respect to all lease arrangements in which it is the lessee, except for short-term leases (defined as leases with a lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets. For these leases, the Group recognises the lease payments as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease unless another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased assets are consumed.

#### Lease liabilities

At the commencement date, the Group measures lease liability at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at that date. The lease payments are discounted by using the interest rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise:

- fixed lease payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivable:
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate, initially measured using the index or rate at the commencement date;
- the amount expected to be payable by the lessee under residual value quarantees;
- the exercise price of purchase options if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise the options; and
- payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising an option to terminate the lease.

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#### 3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

**HKFRS 16 Lease (Continued)** 

#### Leases (Continued)

The Group as lessee (Continued)

Lease liabilities (Continued)

The lease liability is presented as a separate line in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position.

The lease liability is subsequently measured by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability (using the effective interest method) and by reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made.

Right-of-use assets

The right-of-use assets comprise the initial measurement of the corresponding lease liability, lease payments made at or before the commencement date and any initial direct costs, less lease incentives received.

Whenever the Group incurs an obligation for costs to dismantle and remove a leased asset, restore the site on which it is located or restore the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease, provision is recognised and measured under HKAS 37 "Provision, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets". The costs are included in the related property and equipment, unless those costs are incurred to produce inventories.

Right-of-use assets are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. They are depreciated over the shorter period of lease term and useful life of the underlying asset. The depreciation starts at the commencement date of the lease.

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#### 3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

**HKFRS 16 Lease (Continued)** 

#### Leases (Continued)

The Group as lessee (Continued)

Right-of-use assets (Continued)

The Group presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property in "Property and equipment", the same line item as that within which the corresponding underlying assets would be presented if they were owned.

The Group applies HKAS 36 to determine whether a right-of-use asset is impaired and accounts for any identified impairment loss as described in the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019.

# 4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The preparation of unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

In preparing this unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information, the significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019.

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#### 5. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Information reported to the management of the Group, being the chief operating decision maker, for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance focuses on types of services provided. The directors of the Company have chosen to organise the Group around differences in services.

During the six months ended 30 September 2018, the Group focused on advisory business and all the assets and major revenue were located and derived in Hong Kong. Accordingly, no segment analysis was prepared. During the Period, the directors of the Company have organised the Group into different segments by types of services provided, of which the "Asset management services" was a new segment identified after Environmental Investment Services Asia Limited ("EISAL") was acquired as a subsidiary on 14 December 2018.

Specifically, the Group's reportable segments are as follows:

- 1. Corporate finance advisory service
- 2. Asset management service

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

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### 5. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

#### For the six months ended 30 September 2019

|   | Corporate<br>finance<br>advisory<br>service<br>HK\$'000 | Asset<br>management<br>service<br>HK\$'000 | <b>Total</b><br>HK\$'000 |
|---|---|--|--------------------------|
| Segment revenue                               | 34,562  | 106  | 34,668                   |
| Segment profit (loss)                         | 1,283   | (1,290)                                    | (7)                      |
| Corporate and other unallocated expenses, net |   |  | (1,635)                  |
| Loss before tax                               |   |  | (1,642)                  |

Segment profit (loss) represents the profit earned (loss resulted) from each segment without allocation of interest income and central administration costs. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision makers for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment.

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#### 5. **SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)**

Segment assets and liabilities

### As at 30 September 2019

|  | Corporate<br>finance<br>advisory<br>service<br>HK\$'000 | Asset<br>management<br>service<br>HK\$'000 | <b>Total</b><br>HK\$'000   |
|--|---|--|----------------------------|
| Segment assets Elimination of intersegment receivables Corporate and other unallocated assets Total assets | 64,939  | 13,421                                     | 78,360<br>(44)<br>49,796   |
| Segment liabilities Elimination of intersegment liabilities Corporate and other unallocated liabilities    | 20,036  | 1,605                                      | 21,641<br>(3,331)<br>3,792 |
| Total liabilities  |   |  | 22,102                     |

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#### 5. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Segment assets and liabilities (Continued)

#### As at 31 March 2019

|  | Corporate<br>finance<br>advisory<br>service<br>HK\$'000 | Asset<br>management<br>service<br>HK\$'000 | <b>Total</b><br>HK\$'000            |
|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| Segment assets Elimination of intersegment receivables Corporate and other unallocated assets Total assets | 67,708  | 14,668                                     | 82,376<br>(45)<br>44,622<br>126,953 |
| Segment liabilities Elimination of intersegment liabilities Corporate and other unallocated liabilities    | 9,089   | 1,562                                      | 10,651<br>(1,015)<br>2,810          |
| Total liabilities  |   | i  | 12,446                              |

For the purposes of monitoring segment performance and allocating resources between segments:

- all assets are allocated to operating segments other than certain of property and equipment, cash and cash equivalents, prepayments, deposits and other receivables; and
- all liabilities are allocated to operating segments other than provision for reinstatement cost, certain of lease liability, other payables and accruals and tax payable.

Upon application of HKFRS 16, the Group's property and equipment and lease liability are now included in the measure of segment assets and segment liabilities respectively as at 30 September 2019. Comparative information is not restated.

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#### 5. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

#### Other segment information

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|  | Corporate<br>finance<br>advisory<br>service<br>HK\$'000 | Asset<br>management<br>service<br>HK\$'000 | Corporate<br>HK\$'000 | <b>Total</b><br>HK\$'000 |
|--|---|--|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Amounts included in the measure of segment profit or loss or segment assets: |   |  |                       |                          |
| Additions to property and equipment  Depreciation of property and equipment  | 279   | _  | _                     | 279                      |
| (including right-of-use assets) Impairment loss recognised in respect of     | 4,608   | _  | 405                   | 5,013                    |
| trade receivables  | 341   |  |                       | 341                      |

#### Geographical information

No geographical segment analysis on revenue and assets is provided as substantially all of the Group's revenue are derived from Hong Kong and non-current assets are located in Hong Kong.

#### Information about major customers

Revenue from customers of the corresponding period contributing over 10% of the total revenue of the Group are as follows:

|                         | Six months ended 30 September |             |  |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|--|
|                         | 2019                          | 2018        |  |
|                         | HK\$'000                      | HK\$'000    |  |
|                         | (Unaudited)                   | (Unaudited) |  |
|                         |                               |             |  |
| Customer A <sup>1</sup> | 3,900                         | _           |  |
| Customer B <sup>1</sup> | _                             | 10,200      |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revenue from corporate finance advisory service segment.

#### 6. REVENUE

An analysis of the Group's revenue for the periods is as follows:

|   | Six months ended 30 September |             |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------|
|   | 2019                          | 2018        |
|   | HK\$'000                      | HK\$'000    |
|   | (Unaudited)                   | (Unaudited) |
|   |                               |             |
| Revenue from contract with customers:             |                               |             |
| Fee income from acting as financial adviser       | 5,481                         | 18,722      |
| Fee income from acting as independent financial   |                               |             |
| adviser   | 15,265                        | 16,713      |
| Fee income from acting as compliance adviser      | 8,352                         | 4,406       |
| Fee income from acting as sponsor and underwriter | 4,314                         | 4,200       |
| Asset management fee income                       | 106                           | _           |
| Others  | 1,150                         | 1,352       |
|   |                               |             |
|   | 34,668                        | 45,393      |

#### OTHER INCOME 7.

|  | Six months ended<br>30 September |             |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------|
|  | 2019                             | 2018        |
|  | HK\$'000                         | HK\$'000    |
|  | (Unaudited)                      | (Unaudited) |
|  |                                  |             |
| Bank interest income                                 | 576                              | 280         |
| Management fee income from ultimate holding          |                                  |             |
| company  | 39                               | 45          |
| Office sharing income and recharge of other premises |                                  |             |
| expenses from ultimate holding company               | 347                              | 173         |
| Other  | _                                | 208         |
|  |                                  |             |
|  | 962                              | 706         |

# 8. (LOSS) PROFIT BEFORE TAX

|  | Six months ended |             |
|--|------------------|-------------|
|  | 30 September     |             |
|  | 2019             | 2018        |
|  | HK\$'000         | HK\$'000    |
|  | (Unaudited)      | (Unaudited) |
|  |                  |             |
| (Loss) profit for the period has been arrived at after |                  |             |
| charging (crediting):                                  |                  |             |
| Directors' emoluments:                                 |                  |             |
| Fees   | 360              | 360         |
| Other emoluments                                       | 5,148            | 4,968       |
| Share-based payments                                   | 107              | 139         |
| Contributions to retirement benefits scheme            | 18               | 18          |
|  |                  |             |
|  | 5,633            | 5,485       |
|  |                  |             |
| Other staff costs                                      | 18,463           | 20,126      |
| (Reversal of) provision for long service payment       | (29)             | 10          |
| Share-based payments                                   | 147              | 236         |
| Contributions to retirement benefits schemes           | 509              | 364         |
|  |                  |             |
| Total employee benefits costs                          | 24,723           | 26,221      |
| Total ompleyee sometice code                           | , •              | 20,22.      |
| Auditor's remuneration                                 | 260              | 210         |
| Exchange loss, net                                     | 34               | 21          |
| Impairment loss recognised in respect of trade         |                  |             |
| receivables  | 341              | 106         |
| Finance cost on lease liability                        | 214              | _           |
| Operating lease rental payments for rented premises    |                  |             |
| (note)   | 591              | 4,021       |
|  |                  |             |

Note: Operating lease rental payment for rented premises for the six months ended 30 September 2018 represented payments made and amounted for under HKAS 17. The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 as at 1 April 2019 using the modified retrospective approach. Details of the lease payments made for the Period are set out in note 12.

# 9. INCOME TAX (CREDIT) EXPENSE

|  | Six months ended 30 September |                     |
|--|-------------------------------|---------------------|
|  | <b>2019</b> 2018              |                     |
|  | HK\$'000                      | HK\$'000            |
|  | (Unaudited)                   | (Unaudited)         |
| Current tax: Hong Kong Deferred taxation | 41<br>(91)<br>(50)            | 1,456<br>7<br>1,463 |

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the Period. (2018: 16.5%).

Under the Law of the People's Republic of China ("PRC") on Enterprise Income Tax (the "EIT Law") and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, the tax rate of the PRC subsidiary is 25%.

# 10. (LOSS) EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted (loss) earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Company are based on the following data:

|   | Six months ended |             |
|---|------------------|-------------|
|   | 30 September     |             |
|   | 2019             | 2018        |
|   | HK\$'000         | HK\$'000    |
|   | (Unaudited)      | (Unaudited) |
| (Loss) earnings (Loss) profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company, used in the basic (loss) earnings per |                  |             |
| share calculation   | (1,267)          | 7,635       |

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# 10. (LOSS) EARNINGS PER SHARE (CONTINUED)

|   | Number of shares Six months ended 30 September 2019 2018 |             |
|---|--|-------------|
|   | (Unaudited)  | (Unaudited) |
| Shares Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period used in the basic (loss) earnings per share calculation ('000) | 141,048  | 139,205     |
| Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares — share options ('000)   |  | 708         |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period, used in the diluted (loss) earnings                                  |  |             |
| per share calculation ('000) (note)   | 141,048  | 139,913     |

#### Note:

Diluted loss per share is the same as basic loss per share for the Period. The computation of diluted loss per share does not assume the exercise of the Company's outstanding options to subscribe for additional share set out in note 19 since their exercise would result in an anti-dilutive effect on the basic loss per share for the Period.

#### 11. DIVIDENDS

In accordance with the laws of the Cayman Islands and the Company's articles of association, the Company's share premium account is distributable to the shareholders provided that immediately following the date on which the dividend is proposed to be distributed, the Company will be in a position to pay off its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

A final dividend of HK5 cents per share in respect of the year ended 31 March 2019, amounting to approximately \$7,064,000 (2018: HK\$4,882,000), was paid on 26 September 2019 to the shareholders of the Company whose names appear on the Company's register of members on 18 September 2019.

The Directors do not recommend the payment of interim dividend for the Period (2018: nil).

# 12. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, RIGHT OF USE ASSETS AND LEASE LIABILITY

# (i) Property and equipment (including right-of-use assets)

During the Period, the Group had addition of furniture and fixtures and leasehold improvements of approximately HK\$279,000 (2018: HK\$545,000) and nil (2018: HK\$2,939,000) respectively.

As at 1 April 2019, the carrying amount of right-of-use assets is approximately HK\$20,216,000 which comprises the recognition of right-of-use assets for rented premise of approximately HK\$18,492,000 and the estimated reinstatement cost of approximately HK\$1,724,000 recategorised from leasehold improvement. As at 30 September 2019, the carrying amounts of right-of-use assets was approximately HK\$15,730,000.

The Group's depreciation during the period amounted to approximately HK\$527,000 (2018: HK\$647,000) and HK\$4,486,000 (2018: nil) in respect of property and equipment and right-of-use assets respectively.

# (ii) Lease liability

Upon adoption of HKFRS 16, on 1 April 2019, the Group recognised lease liability of approximately \$18,662,000 (note 3). As at 30 September 2019, the carrying amount of lease liability was approximately \$14,608,000.

# (iii) Amounts recognised in profit or loss

|   | Six months ended<br>30 September 2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Unaudited) |
|---|--|
| Depreciation on right-of-use assets Finance cost on lease liability Expense relating to short-term leases | 4,486<br>214<br>591  |

#### (iv) Other

The total cash outflow for leases amounted to approximately HK\$4,859,000.

# 13. TRADE RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

|   | As at<br>30 September<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Unaudited) | As at<br>31 March<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Audited) |
|---|--|--|
| Trade receivables Less: allowance for impairment of trade receivables | 12,180<br>(453)  | 5,922<br>(112)                                     |
|   | 11,727   | 5,810  |
| Prepayments, deposits and other receivables Analysed as:              |  |  |
| <ul><li>non-current (rental deposits)</li><li>current</li></ul>       | 2,565<br>2,075   | 2,577<br>1,796                                     |
|   | 4,640  | 4,373  |

The trade receivables are, in general, due upon the issuance of the invoices. The Group does not hold any collateral over these balances. The following is an ageing analysis of trade receivables presented based on the invoice date.

# 13. TRADE RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

|   | As at<br>30 September<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Unaudited) | As at<br>31 March<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Audited) |
|---|--|--|
| Within 90 days<br>91–180 days<br>Over 180 days      | 10,910<br>870<br>400                                     | 5,322<br>400<br>200                                |
| Less: allowance for impairment of trade receivables | 12,180<br>(453)  | 5,922<br>(112)                                     |
|   | 11,727   | 5,810  |

The movements in impairment allowance of trade receivables are as follows:

|   | Six months<br>ended<br>30 September<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Unaudited) | For the<br>year ended<br>31 March<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Audited) |
|---|--|--|
| Beginning of the period/year  Amount restated through opening retained earnings | 112  | _  |
| on adoption of HKFRS 9 Impairment allowance charged during the period/year      | 341  | 49<br>63   |
|   | 453  | 112  |

The Group measures the loss allowance for trade receivables at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses. The expected credit losses on trade receivables are estimated using a provision matrix by reference to past default experience of the debtor and an analysis of the debtor's current financial position, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions of the industry in which the debtors operate and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date.

# 13. TRADE RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

As at 30 September 2019, a provision of approximately HK\$453,000 (31 March 2019: HK\$112,000) was made against the gross amounts of trade receivables.

There is no concentration of credit risk with respect to trade receivables as the Group has a diversified number of customers.

During the Period, no trade receivables had been written off directly to profit or loss (2018: nil).

#### 14. FINANCIAL ASSET AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

|   | As at        | As at     |
|---|--------------|-----------|
|   | 30 September | 31 March  |
|   | 2019         | 2019      |
|   | HK\$'000     | HK\$'000  |
|   | (Unaudited)  | (Audited) |
|   |              |           |
| Financial asset at fair value through profit or loss          |              |           |
| <ul> <li>Listed equity security, outside Hong Kong</li> </ul> | *            | *         |

<sup>\*</sup> The balance represents amount less than HK\$500.

# 15. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

|  | As at 30 September 2019 | As at<br>31 March<br>2019 |
|--|-------------------------|---------------------------|
|  | HK\$'000                | HK\$'000                  |
|  | (Unaudited)             | (Audited)                 |
| Bonus payables<br>Other payables<br>Accruals | —<br>1,303<br>390       | 5,109<br>854<br>475       |
|  | 1,693                   | 6,438                     |

# 16. SHARE CAPITAL

|  | No. of shares | Nominal value<br>HK\$'000 |
|--|---------------|---------------------------|
| Authorised share capital   |               |                           |
| Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each   | 200,000       | 2,000                     |
| Issued and fully paid Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each                     |               |                           |
| As at 1 April 2018 — Audited  Shares issued upon exercise of share options | 138,632       | 1,386                     |
| (note i) Issued in consideration for the acquisition a                     | 841           | 8                         |
| subsidiary   | 1,516         | 16                        |
| As at 31 March 2019 — Audited  | 140,989       | 1,410                     |
| As at 1 April 2019 — Audited   | 140,989       | 1,410                     |
| Shares issued upon exercise of share options (note ii)                     | 300           | 3                         |
| As at 30 September 2019 — Unaudited  | 141,289       | 1,413                     |

#### Notes:

- (i) During the year ended 31 March 2019, share options were exercised at subscription prices HK\$0.28 per ordinary share, resulting in the issue of 840,667 ordinary shares for proceeds of approximately HK\$235,000. An amount of approximately HK\$257,000 was transferred from share option reserve to the share premium account upon exercise of the share options.
- (ii) During the Period, share options were exercised at subscription prices HK\$0.28 per ordinary share, resulting in the issue of 300,500 ordinary shares for proceeds of approximately HK\$84,000. An amount of approximately HK\$92,000 was transferred from share option reserve to the share premium account upon exercise of the share options.

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# 17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### (a) Transactions

|   | Six months ended        |          |  |  |
|---|-------------------------|----------|--|--|
|   | 30 Sep                  | tember   |  |  |
|   | 2019                    | 2018     |  |  |
|   | HK\$'000                | HK\$'000 |  |  |
|   | (Unaudited) (Unaudited) |          |  |  |
|   |                         |          |  |  |
| Somerley Group Limited                                    |                         |          |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Rental and other premises expenses</li> </ul>    | _                       | 2,163    |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Office sharing income and recharge of</li> </ul> |                         |          |  |  |
| other premises expenses                                   | 347                     | 173      |  |  |
| — Management fee income                                   | 39                      | 45       |  |  |

# (b) Balances

The amount due from ultimate holding company is unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

# (c) Compensation of key management personnel

Other than the emoluments paid to the directors of the Company, who are also considered as the key management of the Company as set out in note 8, the Company did not have any other compensation to the key management personnel.

The emoluments of the directors of the Company and key executives are determined with regards to the performance of individuals.

# 18. COMMITMENTS

#### Capital commitments

|  | As at<br>30 September<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Unaudited) | As at<br>31 March<br>2019<br>HK\$'000<br>(Audited) |
|--|--|--|
| Capital expenditure in respect of acquisition of property and equipment contracted for but not provided in the condensed consolidated financial statements | _  | 180  |

#### 19. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS

# **Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme**

On 19 May 2016, the Company entered into the conditional granted options under Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme (the "Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme") to directors, employees and other staff of the Group as the grantees ("Grantees"), pursuant to a written resolution passed on 11 May 2016. Pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme, in consideration of HK\$1 paid by each Grantee, the Company granted share options to the Grantees. The exercise of these share options would entitle the Grantees to purchase the Company's share in aggregate of 13,061,735 Shares held by Company.

The share option is valid after the listing date of the Company to 10 May 2024. According to the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme, not more than 5,524,294 Shares comprised in the options under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme shall vest unto the Grantees and become exercisable with price of HK\$0.28 during the period commencing from the listing date of the Company and ending on expiry of the option period (the "First Vesting Period") and the remaining Shares comprised in the options under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme (being not more than 7,537,441 Shares) shall vest unto the Grantees and become exercisable during the period commencing on (i) the date on which the listing date of the Company of the Shares is transferred to the Main Board; or (ii) 1 January 2020, whichever is earlier, and ending on the expiry of the option period (the "Second Vesting Period").

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# 19. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

**Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme (Continued)** 

The estimated fair value of the options granted on the grant date is approximately HK\$4,485,000. During the Period, the Group recognised the total expense of approximately HK\$254,000 (2018: HK\$375,000) in relation to share options granted by the Company.

The following table discloses movements of the Company's share options held by the Grantees:

|   | Outstanding<br>as at 1 April<br>2019 | Exercised<br>during the<br>period | Outstanding<br>as at<br>30 September<br>2019 |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| First Vesting Period<br>Second Vesting Period | 451,266<br>6,096,073                 | (300,500)                         | 150,766<br>6,096,073                         |
|   | 6,547,339                            | (300,500)                         | 6,246,839                                    |
| Exercisable at the end of the period          |                                      |                                   | 150,766                                      |

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# 20. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair value of the Group's financial assets are measured at fair value on a recurring basis

As at 30 September 2019 and 31 March 2019, listed equity investment, amounted to less than HK\$500, classified as a financial asset at fair value through profit or loss was grouped into level 1 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable in accordance to the Group's accounting policy.

During the Period, there were no transfers of fair value measurements between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3 (2018: nil).

The valuation techniques and input used in the fair value measurement of financial instrument are as set out below:

| Financial Instrument                                  | Fair value of   | Fair value hierarchy | Valuation technique(s) and key input(s)  | Significant<br>unobservable<br>inputs |
|---|---|----------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| Financial asset at fair value through profit and loss | Listed equity investment — note (31 March 2019: note) | Level 1              | Quoted closing price in an active market | N/A                                   |

Note: The balance represents an amount less than HK\$500.

#### COMPLIANCE WITH THE CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Board is committed to achieving good corporate governance practices and procedures. The Directors believe that good corporate governance practices are essential to enhance stakeholders' confidence and support. During the Period, the Company has complied with the code provisions prescribed in the establishment and implementation of the corporate governance guidelines containing principles and code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report (the "CG Code") as set out in Appendix 15 to the GEM Listing Rules except as regards the following:

According to the code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code, the roles of the chairman and the chief executive of the Company should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. During the Period, the role of the chairman of the Company was performed by Mr. SABINE Martin Nevil ("Mr. Sabine"). The office of the chief executive of the Company (the "Chief Executive") was not filled; Mr. CHOW Wai Hung Kenneth ("Mr. Chow") performed the role of managing director of the Company's main operating subsidiary in Hong Kong, Somerley Capital Limited, and the chairman of the Company's operating subsidiary in China, Somerley Capital (Beijing) Limited. Within the Company, decisions are made collectively by the executive Directors and are discussed with senior management from time to time. The Board believes that this arrangement enables the Company to make decisions and implement follow up actions quickly and helps achieve the Company's objectives efficiently and effectively in response to the changing environment. The Board also believes that the Company has a strong corporate governance structure in place to ensure effective oversight of management. The Board will review the current structure of the Board from time to time.

# **DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS**

The Company has adopted rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules as the code of conduct for dealing in securities of the Company by the Directors (the "Required Standard of Dealings").

Following specific enquiries to all the Directors, each of them has confirmed that they have complied with the Required Standard of Dealings throughout the Period.

#### **COMPETING INTERESTS**

The Directors are not aware that any of the Directors, the controlling shareholders of the Company and their respective close associates (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) competes or may compete with the business of the Group and has or may have any other conflict of interest with the Group during the Period.

# 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 listed Shares during the Period.

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ANY ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 30 September 2019, the Directors and Chief Executive and/or any of their respective associates had the following interests and short positions in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and/or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Part XV of the SFO or the GEM Listing Rules were as follows:

# Long position in ordinary shares of the Company

| Name of Directors     | Capacity/<br>Nature of interests                      | Number of<br>ordinary<br>share(s) held | Number of<br>underlying<br>shares held<br>pursuant to<br>share options | Approximate percentage of the total number of issued shares of the Company |
|-----------------------|---|--|--|--|
| SABINE Martin Nevil   | Interest of a controlled                              | 93,891,350                             | _  | 66.45%   |
| OADINE MARIII NOM     | corporation   | (Note 1)                               |  | 00.4070  |
|                       | A concert party to an                                 | 2,233,440                              | _  | 1.58%  |
|                       | agreement to buy                                      | (Note 2)                               | 0.45 = 4=  | 0.400/   |
|                       | shares described in s317(1)(a)                        | _                                      | 645,717<br>(Notes 2 & 3)   | 0.46%  |
| CHEUNG Tei Sing Jamie | Beneficial owner                                      | 2,233,440                              | (110163 2 & 3)   | 1.58%  |
| ("Mr. Cheung")        |   | _,                                     | 645,717  | 0.46%  |
|                       |   |  | (Note 3)   |  |
|                       | A concert party to an                                 | 93,891,350                             | _  | 66.45%   |
|                       | agreement to buy<br>shares described in<br>s317(1)(a) | (Note 1)                               |  |  |
| CHOW Wai Hung Kenneth | Beneficial owner                                      | 3,754,170                              | _  | 2.66%  |
|                       |   | _                                      | 1,877,083<br>(Note 3)  | 1.33%  |

#### Notes:

- SGL is directly interested in 93,891,350 Shares. SGL is wholly-owned by Mr. Sabine, Mr. FLETCHER John Wilfred Sword ("Mr. Fletcher"), Mr. Cheung and Ms. FONG Sau Man Cecilia.
- Mr. Sabine, Mr. Fletcher and Mr. Cheung are acting in concert in respect of their interests in the Company and therefore each of Mr. Sabine, Mr. Fletcher and Mr. Cheung is deemed to be interested in all the Shares held by them in aggregate by virtue of the SFO.
- These share options were granted by the Company on 19 May 2016 under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme.

# Long position in the ordinary shares of the associated corporations

| Name of Directors            | Name of the associated corporations         | Capacity/<br>Nature of interests  | Number of<br>ordinary<br>share(s) held | Approximate<br>percentage of<br>the total issued<br>shares of the<br>associated<br>corporations |
|------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| SABINE Martin Nevil (Note)   | Somerley China Associates<br>Limited (Note) | Interest of a controlled corporation  | 2                                      | 100%  |
|                              | Somerley Group Limited<br>(Note)            | Beneficial owner;<br>A concert party to<br>an agreement to buy<br>shares described in<br>s317(1)(a) | 9,500,000                              | 90.48%  |
| CHEUNG Tei Sing Jamie (Note) | Somerley China Associates<br>Limited (Note) | Interest of a controlled corporation  | 2                                      | 100%  |
|                              | Somerley Group Limited<br>(Note)            | Beneficial owner;<br>A concert party to<br>an agreement to buy<br>shares described in<br>s317(1)(a) | 9,500,000                              | 90.48%  |

Note: SGL is the holding company of the Company and an associated corporation of the Company by virtue of the SFO. SGL wholly owns Somerley China Associates Limited so Somerley China Associates Limited is also an associated corporation by virtue of the SFO. Mr. Sabine, Mr. Fletcher and Mr. Cheung are acting in concert in respect of their interests in the Company and they hold approximately 90.48% of the shares of SGL. Therefore, Mr. Sabine and Mr. Cheung are interested in SGL and Somerley China Associates Limited by virtue of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2019, none of the Directors or Chief Executive and/or any of their respective associates had any interest or short position in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and/or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Part XV of the SFO or the GEM Listing Rules.

# **RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES**

Save as disclosed above, at no time during the Period was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in the Company or any other body corporate. Save as disclosed above, at no time during the Period had the Directors and the Chief Executive (including their spouses and children under 18 years of age) any interest in, or been granted or exercised, any rights to subscribe for the shares (or warrants or debentures, as applicable) of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of the SFO).

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

As at 30 September 2019, substantial shareholders (not being the Directors or Chief Executive) had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would be required to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 336 of the SFO, were as follows:

# Long position in ordinary shares of the Company

| Name of substantial shareholders       | Capacity/ Nature of interests          | Number of<br>ordinary<br>share(s) held | Number of<br>underlying<br>shares held<br>pursuant to<br>share options | Approximate percentage of the total number of issued shares of the Company |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Somerley Group Limited                 | Beneficial owner                       | 93,891,350<br>(Note 1)                 | _  | 66.45%   |
| SABINE Maureen Alice<br>("Dr. Sabine") | Interest of a spouse                   | 96,124,790<br>(Note 2)                 | _  | 68.03%   |
|  |  | _                                      | 645,717<br>(Note 2)  | 0.46%  |
| Mr. Fletcher                           | A concert party to an agreement to buy | 96,124,790<br>(Note 1)                 | _  | 68.03%   |
|  | shares described in s317(1)(a)         | _                                      | 645,717<br>(Note 1)  | 0.46%  |
| FLETCHER Jacqueline ("Mrs. Fletcher")  | Interest of a spouse                   | 96,124,790<br>(Note 3)                 | _  | 68.03%   |
| ,                                      |  | _                                      | 645,717<br>(Note 3)  | 0.46%  |
| CHOI Helen Oi Yan<br>("Mrs. Cheung")   | Interest of a spouse                   | 96,124,790<br>(Note 4)                 | _  | 68.03%   |
|  |  |  | 645,717<br>(Note 4)  | 0.46%  |

#### Notes:

- SGL is directly interested in 93,891,350 Shares and SGL is wholly-owned by Mr. Sabine, Mr. Fletcher, Mr.
  Cheung and Ms. FONG Sau Man Cecilia. Mr. Sabine, Mr. Fletcher and Mr. Cheung are acting in concert in
  respect of their interests in the Company and therefore each of Mr. Sabine, Mr. Fletcher and Mr. Cheung is
  deemed to be interested in all the Shares held by them in aggregate by virtue of the SFO.
- Dr. Sabine is the spouse of Mr. Sabine. By virtue of the SFO, Dr. Sabine is deemed to be interested in the Shares held by Mr. Sabine.
- Mrs. Fletcher is the spouse of Mr. Fletcher. By virtue of the SFO, Mrs. Fletcher is deemed to be interested in the Shares held by Mr. Fletcher.
- Mrs. Cheung is the spouse of Mr. Cheung. By virtue of the SFO, Mrs. Cheung is deemed to be interested in the Shares held by Mr. Cheung.

Save as disclosed above, the Directors and Chief Executive are not aware that there is any party who, as at 30 September 2019, had an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would be required to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 336 of the SFO.

# SHARE OPTION SCHEME

## **Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme**

The purpose of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme is to recognise the contribution of, and to provide an incentive to, certain key staff of the Group who have contributed or will contribute to the Group, in order to motivate and retain them for the operation and development of the Group.

The option period of each option granted to the grantees is a period commencing from 28 March 2017 to 10 May 2024 (i.e. 8 years from the adoption date of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme), with either (a) a part of the options shall become vested during the First Vesting Period and the remaining part of the options shall become vested during the Second Vesting Period; or (b) the whole options shall only become vested in the Second Vesting Period as mentioned below:—

- not more than 5,524,294 Shares comprised in the options under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme shall vest unto the grantees and become exercisable during the period commencing from 28 March 2017 and ending on expiry of the option period (the "First Vesting Period"); and
- (ii) the remaining Shares comprised in the options under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme (being not more than 7,537,441 Shares) shall vest unto the grantees and become exercisable during the period commencing on (i) the date on which the listing of the Shares is transferred to the Main Board; or (ii) 1 January 2020, whichever is earlier, and ending on the expiry of the option period (the "Second Vesting Period"). For the avoidance of doubt, any outstanding and unexercised option at the end of the First Vesting Period shall be carried over to the Second Vesting Period and shall be exercisable during the Second Vesting Period.

Details of the share options movements under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme during the Period are as follows:—

|                                    |                                |                             |                       | Number of share options        |                           |                                   |                          |                                   |                                |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Name or category of grantees       | Date of grant of share options | Exercise<br>Price<br>(HK\$) | Exercise Period       | Balance<br>as at<br>01.04.2019 | Granted during the Period | Exercised<br>during the<br>Period | Lapsed during the Period | Cancelled<br>during the<br>Period | Balance<br>as at<br>30.09.2019 |
| Directors<br>CHOW Wai Hung Kenneth | 19/5/2016                      | 0.28                        | Second Vesting Period | 1,877,083                      | _                         | _                                 | _                        | _                                 | 1,877,083                      |
| CHEUNG Tei Sing Jamie Subtotal     | 19/5/2016                      | 0.28                        | Second Vesting Period | 2,522,800                      |                           |                                   | _                        |                                   | 2,522,800                      |
| Other Employees<br>In aggregate    | 19/5/2016                      | 0.28                        | First Vesting Period  | 451,266                        | _                         | 300,500<br>(Note)                 | _                        | _                                 | 150,766                        |
|                                    | 19/5/2016                      | 0.28                        | Second Vesting Period | 3,573,273                      | _                         |                                   |                          | _                                 | 3,573,273                      |
| Total                              |                                |                             |                       | 6,547,339                      | _                         | 300,500                           | _                        | _                                 | 6,246,839                      |

# Note:

The weighted average closing price of the Shares immediately before the date(s) of exercise(s) of the share options during the Period was HK\$1.67 per Share.

# **Share Option Scheme**

The purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to provide incentive and/or reward to eligible persons for their contribution to, and continuing efforts to promote the interests of, the Group.

As at 30 September 2019, the total number of Shares available for issue under the Share Option Scheme is 13,500,000 Shares, representing approximately 9.55% of the total number of issued Shares. Since the adoption of the Share Option Scheme, no share option has been granted under the Share Option Scheme by the Company.

# **COMPLIANCE ADVISER'S INTERESTS**

Halcyon Capital Limited acted as the compliance adviser of the Company until 28 June 2019 for which service they received fees. Neither Halcyon Capital Limited nor any of its directors or employees or close associates had any interest in the shares of the Company or any member of the Group (including options or rights to subscribe for such securities) during the Period.

After the completion of the engagement of Halcyon Capital Limited as the compliance adviser of the Company in compliance with rule 6A.19 of the GEM Listing Rules, the Company no longer has an external compliance adviser.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Company has established an audit committee (the "Audit Committee") with specific written terms of reference formulated in accordance with the requirements of rules 5.28 to 5.29 of the GEM Listing Rules. The Audit Committee currently consists of all the three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. CHENG Yuk Wo, Mr. YUEN Kam Tim Francis and Mr. LAW Cheuk Kin Stephen. Mr. CHENG Yuk Wo is the chairman of the Audit Committee. The primary duties of the Audit Committee are reviewing the annual reports and accounts, half-year reports and quarterly reports of the Group, making recommendations to the Board on the appointment and dismissal of external auditors, providing advice in respect of financial reporting, supervising risk management and internal control systems of the Group, reviewing the effectiveness of the internal audit function and monitoring any continuing connected transactions.

The Company has engaged the external auditor of the Company, SHINEWING (HK) CPA Limited ("Shinewing"), to review the Group's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the Period. Based on Shinewing's review, nothing has come to Shinewing's attention that causes Shinewing to believe that the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with HKAS 34.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the unaudited consolidated results of the Group for the Period with the management and is of the view that such results comply with the applicable accounting standards, the requirements under the GEM Listing Rules and other applicable legal requirements, and that adequate disclosures have been made.

# **CHANGE OF DIRECTORS INFORMATION**

Mr. CHENG Yuk Wo resigned as an independent non-executive director of C.P. Lotus Corporation (stock code: 121), a company the shares of which were listed on the Stock Exchange, following its privatisation and delisting from the Stock Exchange on 28 October 2019.

# SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information that is publicly available and within the knowledge of the Directors, the Company has maintained sufficient public float in its shares as at the latest practicable date prior to the issue of this report.

By order of the Board

Somerley Capital Holdings Limited

SABINE Martin Nevil

Chairman

Hong Kong, 8 November 2019

As at the date of this report, the executive Directors are Mr. SABINE Martin Nevil, Mr. CHEUNG Tei Sing Jamie and Mr. CHOW Wai Hung Kenneth; the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. CHENG Yuk Wo, Mr. YUEN Kam Tim Francis and Mr. LAW Cheuk Kin Stephen.