

REGENT PACIFIC GROUP LIMITED



(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with Limited Liability)

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ANNOUNCEMENT

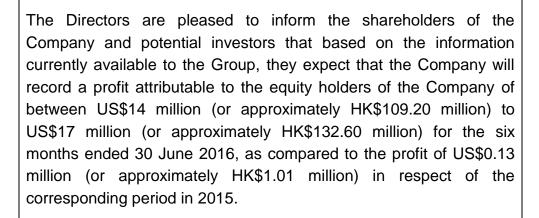
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SUMMARY

This announcement is made by the Company in compliance with the disclosure requirements under Rule 13.09 of the HK Listing Rules and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the HK Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).





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This announcement is made by Regent Pacific Group Limited (the "Company" and collectively with its subsidiaries, the "Group") in compliance with the disclosure requirements under Rule 13.09 of The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "HK Listing Rules") and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the HK Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

The directors (the "**Directors**" or the "**Board**") of the Company are pleased to inform the shareholders of the Company and potential investors that based on the information currently available to the Group, they expect that the Company will record a profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company of between US\$14 million (or approximately HK\$109.20 million) to US\$17 million (or approximately HK\$132.60 million) for the six months ended 30 June 2016, as compared to the profit of US\$0.13 million (or approximately HK\$1.01 million) in respect of the corresponding period in 2015.

The improved results are mainly attributable to the unaudited bargain purchase gain arisen from the re-valuation, consistent with applicable accounting standards, of the Company's holding and newly acquired interest in Plethora Solutions Holdings plc ("Plethora") due to Plethora having become a wholly owned subsidiary of the Group from 9 March 2016, together with more favourable market conditions in respect of the Group's portfolio of listed and unlisted investments.

The Company continues to be debt free with approximately US\$10.35 million (or approximately HK\$80.73 million) in cash and listed securities as at 30 June 2016.

Notwithstanding the forgoing, the Directors consider it appropriate at this time to remind shareholders of the previously disclosed dispute between the Company and the Australian tax authorities in connection with a disposal by the Group of an investment in BC Iron Limited, pursuant to which the Australian tax authorities considered that capital gains tax was payable in the amount of approximately A\$16.31 million (or approximately US\$12.21 million), which includes interest that has accrued on this amount since 2 December 2013, the date when payment was purportedly due, up to 1 July 2016. The dispute remains the subject of ongoing discussions between both parties, and their respective advisers, with a view to resolving the matter in due course. While there is no provision in the Company's financial statements relating



to this dispute, an approach supported by the independent expert advice received to date, the Company will continue to monitor its accounting treatment in light of the discussions currently being undertaken with the Australian tax authorities.

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Note: Unless otherwise specified herein, (i) amounts denominated in A\$ have been translated, for the purpose of illustration only, into US\$ using the exchange rate of A\$1.00 = US\$0.7484; and (ii) amounts denominated in US\$ have been translated, for the purpose of illustration only, into HK\$ using the exchange rate of US\$1.00 = HK\$7.80.

On Behalf of the Board of Regent Pacific Group Limited

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