



M&L HOLDINGS GROUP LIMITED

明樑控股集團有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 8152)

THIRD QUARTERLY RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2018

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THIRD QUARTERLY RESULTS

The board of Directors (the “Board”) of M&L Holdings Group Limited (the “Company”) is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Group”) for the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2018, together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2017.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2018

	Notes	Unaudited Three months ended 30 September		Unaudited Nine months ended 30 September	
		2018 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000
Revenue	3	26,642	29,660	89,052	127,478
Cost of sales		(18,889)	(19,872)	(63,127)	(92,381)
Gross profit		7,753	9,788	25,925	35,097
Other income		2	6	65	512
Other losses, net		–	–	–	(233)
Selling expenses		(556)	(1,494)	(2,796)	(3,530)
Administrative expenses					
– Legal and professional fee for listing preparation		–	(5,197)	–	(11,498)
– Others		(9,736)	(9,626)	(26,836)	(21,941)
Operating loss		(2,537)	(6,523)	(3,642)	(1,593)
Finance income		74	4	188	10
Finance costs		(319)	(171)	(787)	(566)
Loss before income tax		(2,782)	(6,690)	(4,241)	(2,149)
Income tax credit/(expense)	4	469	(236)	23	(2,340)
Loss for the period		(2,313)	(6,926)	(4,218)	(4,489)
Other comprehensive (loss)/income					
Item that may be reclassified to profit or loss:					
– Currency translation differences		(272)	245	(589)	943
Total comprehensive loss		(2,585)	(6,681)	(4,807)	(3,546)

**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(CONTINUED)**

For the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2018

	Unaudited Three months ended 30 September		Unaudited Nine months ended 30 September	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
<i>Notes</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
(Loss)/profit for the period attributable to:				
Equity holders of the Company	(2,242)	(6,932)	(4,201)	(4,845)
Non-controlling interests	(71)	6	(17)	356
	<u>(2,313)</u>	<u>(6,926)</u>	<u>(4,218)</u>	<u>(4,489)</u>
Total comprehensive (loss)/income attributable to:				
Equity holders of the Company	(2,507)	(6,689)	(4,778)	(3,904)
Non-controlling interests	(78)	8	(29)	358
	<u>(2,585)</u>	<u>(6,681)</u>	<u>(4,807)</u>	<u>(3,546)</u>
Loss per share				
– Basic and diluted (<i>expressed in HK cents per share</i>)	5	(0.37)	(1.20)	(0.70)
		<u>(0.37)</u>	<u>(1.20)</u>	<u>(0.70)</u>
			<u>(0.70)</u>	<u>(0.99)</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the nine months ended 30 September 2018

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company				Non-controlling interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
	Share capital HK\$'000	Reserves HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000		
At 1 January 2018 (audited)	6,000	53,706	63,332	123,038	1,540	124,578
Loss for the period	–	(4,201)	–	(4,201)	(17)	(4,218)
Other comprehensive loss:						
Currency translation differences	–	(577)	–	(577)	(12)	(589)
Total comprehensive loss for the period	–	(4,778)	–	(4,778)	(29)	(4,807)
Transactions with owners:						
Dividends declared to the equity holders of the Company	–	(4,800)	–	(4,800)	–	(4,800)
At 30 September 2018 (unaudited)	6,000	44,128	63,332	113,460	1,511	114,971
At 1 January 2017 (audited)	–	79,128	9,500	88,628	2,857	91,485
(Loss)/profit for the period	–	(4,845)	–	(4,845)	356	(4,489)
Other comprehensive income:						
Currency translation differences	–	941	–	941	2	943
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period	–	(3,904)	–	(3,904)	358	(3,546)
Transactions with owners:						
Proceeds from shares issued	6,000	–	64,500	70,500	–	70,500
Shares issuance cost	–	–	(10,668)	(10,668)	–	(10,668)
Dividends declared to the then equity holders of the Company	–	(18,000)	–	(18,000)	–	(18,000)
Dividends declared to non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	(1,470)	(1,470)
At 30 September 2017 (unaudited)	6,000	57,224	63,332	126,556	1,745	128,301

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

1 GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

M&L Holdings Group Limited (the “Company”) was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 24 September 2015 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law (as revised) of the Cayman Islands. The shares of the Company are listed on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The address of the Company’s registered office is PO Box 1350, Clifton House, 75 Fort Street, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands. Its principal place of business in Hong Kong is located at 10th Floor, Empress Plaza, 17-19 Chatham Road South, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong. The Company is an investment holding company and its subsidiaries are principally engaged in trading and lease of construction machinery and spare parts.

The ultimate holding company of the Group is JAT United Company Limited, which is a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands and wholly owned by Mr. Ng Lai Ming.

The condensed consolidated financial information is presented in Hong Kong dollars (“HK\$”) unless otherwise stated.

The condensed consolidated financial information of the Group for the nine months ended 30 September 2018 which has not been audited but has been reviewed by the audit committee of the Company. The unaudited condensed consolidated financial information was approved for issue by the board of directors on 8 November 2018.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

This condensed consolidated financial information for the nine months ended 30 September 2018 has been prepared in accordance with all applicable Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (“HKFRSs”) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“HKICPA”) and the applicable disclosure requirements of the GEM Listing Rules. The condensed consolidated financial information should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017.

The accounting policies used in the preparation of this condensed consolidated financial information are consistent with those described in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017, except for the adoption of new or revised HKFRSs which have become effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018.

Certain new or revised HKFRSs, potentially relevant to the Group’s accounting policies, have been issued, but not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Group.

3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

	Unaudited Three months ended 30 September 2018		Unaudited Nine months ended 30 September 2018	
	2017 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000
Sales of goods	28,629	26,483	124,926	87,197
Repair and maintenance services income	764	159	2,285	1,855
Machinery rental income	267	–	267	–
	<u>29,660</u>	<u>26,642</u>	<u>127,478</u>	<u>89,052</u>

The executive directors considered the nature of the Group's business and determined that the Group has two reportable operating segments as follows:

- (i) Tunnelling – Supply of specialised cutting tools and parts for construction equipment
- (ii) Foundation – Supply of fabricated construction steel works and equipment

The executive directors assess the performance of the operating segments based on revenue and gross profit margin of each segment. As the Group's resources are integrated and there are no discrete operating segment assets and liabilities for the tunnelling and foundation business segments reported to the chief operating decision maker, accordingly, no operating segment assets and liabilities are presented.

Segment revenue reported represents revenue generated from external customers. There were no inter-segment sales during the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2018 and 2017. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies.

- (a) The information of the reportable segments for the nine months ended 30 September 2018 (unaudited) is as follows:

	Tunnelling HK\$'000	Foundation HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Segment revenue (all from external customers)	70,986	18,066	89,052
Cost of sales	<u>(48,705)</u>	<u>(14,422)</u>	<u>(63,127)</u>
Segment results	22,281	3,644	25,925
Gross profit %	<u>31.39%</u>	<u>20.17%</u>	<u>29.11%</u>
Other income			65
Other losses			–
Selling expenses			(2,796)
Administrative expenses			<u>(26,836)</u>
Operating loss			(3,642)
Finance income			188
Finance costs			<u>(787)</u>
Loss before income tax			(4,241)
Income tax credit			<u>23</u>
Loss for the period			<u>(4,218)</u>

- (b) The information of the reportable segments for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 (unaudited) is as follows:

	Tunnelling <i>HK\$'000</i>	Foundation <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment revenue (all from external customers)	113,961	13,517	127,478
Cost of sales	<u>(81,330)</u>	<u>(11,051)</u>	<u>(92,381)</u>
Segment results	32,631	2,466	35,097
Gross profit %	<u>28.63%</u>	<u>18.24%</u>	<u>27.53%</u>
Other income			512
Other losses			(233)
Selling expenses			(3,530)
Administrative expenses			<u>(33,439)</u>
Operating loss			(1,593)
Finance income			10
Finance costs			<u>(566)</u>
Loss before income tax			(2,149)
Income tax expense			<u>(2,340)</u>
Loss for the period			<u><u>(4,489)</u></u>

- (c) Revenue from external customers by customer location are as follows:

	Unaudited	
	Nine months ended	
	30 September	
	2018	2017
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Hong Kong	29,503	33,302
The PRC	52,206	72,146
Singapore	5,169	18,206
Other countries	<u>2,174</u>	<u>3,824</u>
	<u>89,052</u>	<u>127,478</u>

4 INCOME TAX (CREDIT)/EXPENSE

The Group is not subject to taxation in the Cayman Islands and British Virgin Islands. Hong Kong profits tax has been provided for at the rate of 16.5% on the estimated assessable profit for the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2018 and 2017. Mainland China corporate income tax has been provided for at the rate of 25% on the estimated assessable profits for the Group's operations in Mainland China for the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2018 and 2017. Singapore corporate income tax has been provided for at the rate of 17% on the estimated assessable profit for the Group's operations in Singapore for the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2018 and 2017.

	Unaudited Three months ended 30 September		Unaudited Nine months ended 30 September	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Current taxation				
– Hong Kong profits tax	(77)	(352)	–	1,042
– Mainland China corporate income tax	(132)	299	117	833
– Singapore corporate income tax	–	44	–	94
Deferred income tax	(260)	245	(140)	371
Income tax (credit)/expense	<u>(469)</u>	<u>236</u>	<u>(23)</u>	<u>2,340</u>

5 LOSS PER SHARE

(a) Basic

The basic loss per share is calculated on the loss attributable to equity holders of the Company divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the respective period. The weighted average number of ordinary shares used for such purpose has been retrospectively adjusted for the effects of the issue of shares in connection with the capitalisation issue of ordinary shares which took place on 21 July 2017.

	Unaudited Three months ended 30 September		Unaudited Nine months ended 30 September	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Loss attributable to equity holders of the Company (HK\$'000)	(2,242)	(6,932)	(4,201)	(4,845)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (thousands)	<u>600,000</u>	<u>575,410</u>	<u>600,000</u>	<u>489,560</u>
Basic loss per share (HK cents)	<u>(0.37)</u>	<u>(1.20)</u>	<u>(0.70)</u>	<u>(0.99)</u>

(b) Diluted

Diluted loss per share presented is the same as the basic loss per share as there were no potentially dilutive ordinary shares outstanding as at period end.

6 DIVIDENDS

The Company declared interim dividends of HK\$10,000,000 and HK\$1,120,000 to the then equity holders of the Company and non-controlling interests, respectively, on 9 March 2017, and interim dividends of HK\$8,000,000 and HK\$350,000 to the then equity holders of the Company and non-controlling interests, respectively, on 20 April 2017. The portion attributable to the then equity holders of the Company was fully settled before 30 June 2017.

Other than the above, the Board does not declare an interim dividend for the nine months ended 30 September 2018 and 2017.

The final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2017 of HK0.8 cents per share, amounting to total dividend of HK\$4,800,000, has been approved by shareholders at the Company's annual general meeting and the payment for which has been despatched on 11 June 2018 (2017: nil).

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

BUSINESS REVIEW

Background, recent development and outlook

The Group is an integrated engineering solutions provider in connection with specialised cutting tools and parts for construction equipment with particular focus on disc cutters. Disc cutters are widely used in conjunction with tunnel boring machines ("TBM") and microtunnelling equipment and typically applied towards the excavation of tunnels with circular cross section through a variety of soil and rock strata. In addition to our focus in tunnelling sector, we also provide integrated engineering solutions to our customers in the foundation sector.

In general, our integrated engineering solutions involve (i) the supply of specialised cutting tools and parts for construction equipment; (ii) the supply of fabricated construction steel works and equipment; (iii) the supply of specialised construction equipment, and repair and maintenance services. Our business can broadly be categorized into two segments, namely tunnelling and foundation.

To heighten the Group's recognition and enhance its capital base, the Company listed its shares on GEM of the Stock Exchange on 21 July 2017 by ways of placing and public offer.

Hong Kong market

For tunnelling sector, several TBM tunnelling projects in Hong Kong were finished in 2015, thus the industry has been witnessing a moderate drop in the contract value of TBM tunnelling works. Furthermore, up to 30 September 2018, no new TBM tunnelling projects was staged recently in Hong Kong which had in turn adversely affected our revenue from Hong Kong.

For foundation sector, we have seen some new projects were staged in 2018, and we had received purchase orders from new customers for our branded foundation products for these projects. As such, the performance of the foundation segment for the nine months ended 30 September 2018 was better than that of the same period of 2017.

On the whole, the management is confident that Hong Kong market will be recovered gradually in mid to long term, as more tunnelling and foundation projects will be staged as detailed in the "Railway Development Strategy" published by the Transport and Housing Bureau of Hong Kong in 2014, which proposed seven railway schemes up to 2026.

PRC market

The Group's business in the PRC market was related to the supply of specialised cutting tools and parts mainly for tunnelling equipment manufacturers. We observed competition building up in the cutting tools market in the PRC and a trend for tunnelling equipment manufacturers diversifying supplier base for cutting tools. As such, we have recorded a drop in the revenue from sales to PRC tunnelling equipment manufacturer for the nine months ended 30 September 2018, as compared to the same period of 2017. In response to the keen competition, we have expanded the headcounts in PRC sales team and successfully secured orders from new customers engaged in the tunnelling construction sector, which partly replenished the loss in revenue from tunnelling equipment manufacturers. The Group remains confident of the PRC market performance in 2018.

Singapore and Overseas market

The Group has utilised Singapore as a regional hub to seek opportunities for expansion into Malaysia. The Group is targeting certain new infrastructure projects pending to be launched in Singapore in 2019 and the management is prudently optimistic in the expansion of Malaysia market. Furthermore, in response to the slow performance of business in our current market, the management had liaised actively with overseas projects and customers for new business opportunity.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Revenue

Our revenue decreased by approximately HK\$38.4 million, or 30.1%, from approximately HK\$127.5 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 to approximately HK\$89.1 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2018. The decrease was primarily attributable to the decrease in revenue recognized for our tunnelling segment by approximately HK\$43.0 million, or 37.7%, from approximately HK\$114.0 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 to approximately HK\$71.0 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2018. From the perspective of geographic locations of our customers, revenue derived from customers based in Hong Kong, the PRC and Singapore decreased from approximately HK\$33.3 million, HK\$72.1 million and HK\$18.2 million to approximately HK\$29.5 million, HK\$52.2 million and HK\$5.2 million from the corresponding prior period, respectively. For Malaysia market, we have recorded a revenue of HK\$1.6 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2018, meanwhile it was approximately HK\$3.8 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales represents costs and expenses directly attributable to our revenue generating activities. Our cost of inventories sold accounted for the largest part of our cost of sales. Our cost of sales decreased by approximately HK\$29.3 million, or 31.7%, from approximately HK\$92.4 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 to approximately HK\$63.1 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2018. Such movement was primarily attributable to the decrease in cost of inventory sold associated with our decrease in revenue.

Gross profit

Our gross profit decreased by approximately HK\$9.2 million, or 26.2%, from approximately HK\$35.1 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 to approximately HK\$25.9 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2018. However, our gross profit margin increased from approximately 27.5% for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 to approximately 29.1% for the nine months ended 30 September 2018. The increase in gross profit margin was largely due to the difference in the mix of customers and products supplied by us during the respective period.

Other income and other losses

The other income and other losses, primarily consisted of (i) inspection charges and (ii) loss from disposal of property, plant and equipment. Our net other income were approximately HK\$0.1 million and HK\$0.3 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2018 and 2017 respectively.

Selling expenses

Selling expenses mainly include freight charges and sales commission for our staff accounted for under the employee benefit expenses. Selling expenses decreased from approximately HK\$3.5 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 to HK\$2.8 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2018.

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses mainly include staff costs, Directors' remuneration and benefits (both accounted for under the employee benefit expenses), legal and professional fee for listing preparation, operating lease charges on land and buildings, (reversal of provision for)/provision for impairment of trade receivables and other administrative expenses. Legal and professional fee for the listing preparation was approximately HK\$11.5 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017, while it was nil for the corresponding period in 2018. Meanwhile, administrative expenses for natures other than legal and professional fee for the listing preparation was increased by approximately HK\$4.9 million or 22.4% from approximately HK\$21.9 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 to approximately HK\$26.8 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2018. The increase was mainly due to the exchange loss arising from the continuing depreciation of the Renminbi and Australian dollar for the nine months ended 30 September 2018.

Finance income and finance costs

The net amount of finance costs remained stable at approximately HK\$0.6 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2018 and 2017. The finance costs are mainly related to the bank borrowings and the finance lease liabilities.

Income tax credit/(expense)

Our income tax represents Hong Kong profits tax, the PRC enterprise income tax and Singapore corporate income tax. Our Group was not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands. The provision for Hong Kong profits tax was calculated at 16.5% of the relevant estimated assessable profits. Our PRC subsidiary was subject to the statutory enterprise income tax rate of 25%. The corporate income tax rate in Singapore is 17% on chargeable income. The income tax expense for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 was approximately HK\$2.3 million, while we recorded an income tax credit of approximately HK\$23,000 for the corresponding period of 2018. The decrease was primarily due to a decrease in our Group's assessable profits for the nine months ended 30 September 2018.

Loss attributable to equity holders of our Company

We recorded a loss attributable to equity holders of our Company for the nine months ended 30 September 2018 of approximately HK\$4.2 million, while it was a loss of approximately HK\$4.8 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017. If we set aside the effect of non-recurring expenses incurred for the listing, the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company would be approximately HK\$6.7 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017.

CAPITAL COMMITMENT

As at 30 September 2018, the Group had no capital commitment.

CHARGES ON ASSETS

As at 30 September 2018, certain machinery and equipment and inventories with carrying value of approximately HK\$7,751,000 (31 December 2017: HK\$8,279,000) were pledged to secure for the Group's borrowings.

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 30 September 2018, the Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities.

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

As at 30 September 2018, the interests and short positions of the Directors in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong ("SFO")), which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions in which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which were required pursuant to section 352 of the SFO to be entered in the register referred to therein, or which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules, were as follows:

Long positions in shares of the Company

Director	Nature of interest	Number of shares	Percentage of the Company's issued shares capital
Mr. Ng Lai Ming (<i>note 2</i>)	Interest in a controlled corporation (<i>note 1</i>)	364,095,000	60.68%
Mr. Cheung King	Beneficial owner	31,005,000	5.17%
Mr. Ng Lai Tong	Beneficial owner	29,025,000	4.84%
Mr. Ng Lai Po	Beneficial owner	4,500,000	0.75%

Notes:

- (1) The 364,095,000 shares are owned by JAT United Company Limited ("JAT United"), which is wholly owned by Mr. Ng Lai Ming. Mr. Ng Lai Ming is deemed to be interested in all the shares held by JAT United under the SFO.
- (2) Mr. Ng Lai Ming is the brother of Mr. Ng Lai Tong and Mr. Ng Lai Po.

Directors' interests in an associated corporation of the Company

Director	Associated corporation	Nature of interest	Number of shares/Position	Percentage of the shareholding
Mr. Ng Lai Ming	JAT United	Beneficial owner	1/Long position	100%

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2018, none of the Directors or any chief executive of the Company had an interest or short position in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any associated corporation (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions in which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which were required pursuant to section 352 of the SFO to be entered in the register referred to therein, or which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND/OR SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

So far as the Directors are aware, as at 30 September 2018, the following person(s), not being a Director or chief executive of our Company, had an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or which were required pursuant to section 336 of the SFO to be entered in the register referred to therein or were, directly or indirectly, interested in 10% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of the Company or any other member of our Group:

Long position in the shares of the Company

Shareholder	Capacity/Nature of interest	Number of shares	Percentage of the Company's issued shares capital
JAT United (<i>note 1</i>)	Beneficial owner	364,095,000	60.68%
Ms. Law So Lin (<i>note 2</i>)	Interest of spouse	364,095,000	60.68%

Notes:

- (1) JAT United is wholly owned by Mr. Ng Lai Ming. Mr. Ng Lai Ming is deemed to be interested in all the shares held by JAT United under the SFO.
- (2) Ms. Law So Lin is the spouse of Mr. Ng Lai Ming, therefore she is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which Mr. Ng Lai Ming is interested in.

Saved as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2018, no other person had any interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which were required to be disclosed to the Company under Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or which were required pursuant to section 336 of the SFO to be entered in the register referred to therein.

SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company adopted a share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") on 19 June 2017 and no options have been granted, exercised or cancelled since then and up to the date of this announcement.

The Share Option Scheme shall be valid and effective for a period of 10 years from the adoption date, after which no further options may be issued.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Company is committed to achieving high standards of corporate governance with a view to safeguarding the interests of our shareholders as a whole.

The Company has adopted the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") as set out in Appendix 15 of the GEM Listing Rules and had complied with the CG Code during the nine months ended 30 September 2018 and up to the date of this announcement, except for the deviation stipulated below.

As required by code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code, the roles of chairman and the chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. We do not have a separate chairman and chief executive officer and Mr. Ng Lai Ming currently performs these two roles concurrently. Our Board believes that vesting the roles of both the chairman and chief executive officer in the same person has the benefit of ensuring consistent leadership within the Group for more effective and efficient overall strategic planning for the Group. Our Board considers that the balance of power and authority within the Group will not be impaired by the present arrangement and the current structure will enable the Company to make and implement decisions more promptly and effectively. Our Board will from time to time review and consider splitting the roles of chairman of our Board and the chief executive officer of our Company to ensure that appropriate and timely arrangements are in place to meet changing circumstances.

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

Neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries, had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the nine months ended 30 September 2018.

COMPETING INTERESTS

None of the Directors, substantial shareholders of the Company or their respective associates (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) had any interest in a business which competes or is likely to compete with the business of the Group during the nine months ended 30 September 2018 and up to and including the date of this announcement.

INTERESTS OF THE COMPLIANCE ADVISER

As notified by the Company's compliance adviser, VMS Securities Limited (the "Compliance Adviser"), except for the compliance adviser agreement entered into between the Company and the Compliance Adviser which commencing on 21 July 2017, neither the Compliance Adviser nor its directors, employees or associates had any interests in relation to the Company as at the date of this announcement which is required to be notified to the Company pursuant Rule 6A.32 of the GEM Listing Rules.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The members of the audit committee are Mr. Tai Wai Kwok, Ir Lo Kok Keung and Mr. Lau Chi Leung, all of whom are independent non-executive Directors. Mr. Tai Wai Kwok is the chairman of the audit committee. The audit committee has reviewed this announcement and has provided advice and comments thereon.

By order of the Board
M&L Holdings Group Limited
Ng Lai Ming

Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 8 November 2018

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Ng Lai Ming, Mr. Ng Lai Tong, Mr. Cheung King and Mr. Ng Lai Po and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Tai Wai Kwok, Ir Lo Kok Keung and Mr. Lau Chi Leung.

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