

ASIATIC GROUP (HOLDINGS) LIMITED
(Company Registration Number 200209290R)
(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

SETTLEMENT OFFER FOR AMOUNT DUE TO FINANCIER OF MAJU INTAN BIOMASS ENERGY SDN BHD

The board of directors ("**Board**" or "**Directors**") of Asiatic Group (Holdings) Limited ("**Company**", and together with its subsidiaries, "**Group**") refers to the announcements dated 10 May 2022, 13 July 2022 and 14 July 2022 in relation to Maybank Islamic Berhad ("**Maybank**") putting Maju Intan Biomass Energy Sdn. Bhd. ("**MJE**"), an associated company of the Group, under receivership.

The Board is pleased to inform Shareholders that the receivers of MJE ("**Receivers**") has on 29 March 2023 notified the Company that Maybank has on 27 March 2023 given their acceptance to the Receivers on the settlement proposal of RM 52.5 million (the "**Settlement Sum**") proposed by the Receivers subject to, *inter alia*, the following terms and conditions:

- (a) The bank deposit of RM 4 million MJE has with Maybank will be applied as repayment to Maybank;
- (b) Payment of RM500,000 by the individual guarantors to Maybank by 30 April 2023 ("**Individual Guarantors' Payment**");
- (c) RM 48 million be repaid in accordance with an agreed schedule ("**Balance**") and the final payment of the Balance by 30 June 2023;
- (d) settlement of all costs pertaining to the settlement arrangement including but not limited to the cost of the Receivers, the discharge of securities ("**Costs**"); and
- (e) Consent from Credit Guarantee Corporation ("**CGC**") on the settlement arrangement. CGC is a government organisation in Malaysia which provided a limited guarantee under the incentive programme offered in Malaysia for investment in green energy for the loan took up by MJE previously.

The Company understands that Mr Tan Boon Kheng, the Managing Director of the Group, and Mr Tan Boon Yew, Director of the Group subsidiary, ("**Tans**") will be paying the Individual Guarantors' Payment. The Individual Guarantors' Payment is required by Maybank as part of Maybank's consent to discharge these personal guarantee. Previously, these personal guarantee were furnished by Tans under the request of the Group and for the benefit of the Group and MJE.

With Maybank's acceptance of the proposal from the Receivers, the Company would need to raise funds on MJE's behalf to repay the Balance. As the Company has provided a corporate guarantee ("**Corporate Guarantee**") in favour of Maybank for the borrowings of MJE, the Company, it is expected that the Company would need to find a white knight to take over MJE and secure all financing that is required to discharge the Corporate Guarantee. Accordingly, the Company had started serious discussion with a white knight to fund the full repayment of the Balance so that the Company can make a clean exit from MJE. The Company will provide further updates on these discussions once there is an outcome.

Shareholders are advised to exercise caution in trading their Shares as there is no certainty or assurance as at the date of this announcement that the settlement will proceed to completion, as completion is subject to, *inter alia*, fulfilment of all the terms and conditions of the settlement including but not limited to MJE's ability to raise funds for the full payment of the Balance. Shareholders are advised to read this announcement and any further announcements by the Company carefully.

Shareholders should consult their stockbrokers, solicitors or other professional advisors if they have any doubts about the action they should take.

By Order of the Board

Tan Boon Kheng
Managing Director

30 March 2023

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