

Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited take no responsibility for the contents of this announcement, make no representation as to its accuracy or completeness and expressly disclaim any liability whatsoever for any loss howsoever arising from or in reliance upon the whole or any part of the contents of this announcement.

TPV

TPV TECHNOLOGY LIMITED

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 903)

UNAUDITED QUARTERLY RESULTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED 31ST MARCH 2017

QUARTERLY RESULTS

The board of directors (the “Board”) of TPV Technology Limited (the “Company”) are pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (“TPV” or the “Group”) for the three months ended 31st March 2017 together with the comparative figures for the previous period as follows:

	Unaudited Three months ended 31st March	
	2017	2016
<i>Note</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>
Revenue	2,123,189	2,258,060
Cost of sales	<u>(1,953,856)</u>	<u>(2,068,806)</u>
Gross profit	<u>169,333</u>	<u>189,254</u>
Other income	<u>18,180</u>	<u>19,762</u>
Other gains/(losses) — net	<u>4,492</u>	<u>(6,158)</u>
Selling and distribution expenses	(85,882)	(92,614)
Administrative expenses	(39,480)	(47,520)
Research and development expenses	<u>(41,221)</u>	<u>(60,434)</u>
Operating profit	<u>25,422</u>	<u>2,290</u>
Finance income	1,470	3,204
Finance costs	<u>(11,701)</u>	<u>(10,622)</u>
Finance costs — net	<u>(10,231)</u>	<u>(7,418)</u>

	Unaudited	
	Three months ended	
	31st March	
	2017	2016
<i>Note</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>
Share of profit of:		
Associates	<u>1,218</u>	<u>621</u>
Profit/(loss) before income tax	16,409	(4,507)
Income tax expense	<u>(5,703)</u>	<u>(4,819)</u>
Profit/(loss) for the period	<u>10,706</u>	<u>(9,326)</u>
Profit/(loss) attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	9,892	(10,308)
Non-controlling interests	<u>814</u>	<u>982</u>
	<u>10,706</u>	<u>(9,326)</u>
Earnings/(loss) per share attributable to the owners of the Company		
— Basic	<u>US0.42 cent</u>	<u>US(0.44) cent</u>
— Diluted	<u>US0.42 cent</u>	<u>US(0.44) cent</u>
Dividends	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	Unaudited As at 31st March 2017 US\$'000	Audited As at 31st December 2016 US\$'000
Assets		
Non-current assets		
Intangible assets	579,091	459,139
Property, plant and equipment	504,992	514,260
Land use rights	18,567	18,627
Investment properties	204,104	203,483
Investments in associates	49,164	52,774
Investments in a joint venture	—	1,347
Derivative financial instruments	15,227	67,227
Available-for-sale financial assets	5,365	4,746
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	20,298	20,144
Deferred income tax assets	59,717	61,081
Prepayments and other assets	14,283	23,503
Long-term bank deposits	28,050	27,914
	1,498,858	1,454,245
Current assets		
Inventories	1,534,036	1,384,470
Trade receivables	1,707,308	1,844,112
Deposits, prepayments and other receivables	296,216	249,802
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	9,538	10,557
Current income tax recoverable	10,979	9,982
Derivative financial instruments	140,120	204,641
Pledged bank deposits	3,480	3,435
Short-term bank deposits	10,990	25,295
Cash and cash balances	538,882	601,280
	4,251,549	4,333,574
Total assets	5,750,407	5,787,819
Equity and liabilities		
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		
Share capital	23,456	23,456
Other reserves	1,662,237	1,634,105
Proposed final dividend	—	11,494
	1,685,693	1,669,055
Non-controlling interests	12,610	11,792
Total equity	1,698,303	1,680,847

	Unaudited As at 31st March 2017 US\$'000	Audited As at 31st December 2016 US\$'000
Liabilities		
Non-current liabilities		
Borrowings and loans	259,550	371,543
Deferred income tax liabilities	34,982	39,508
Pension obligations	12,594	12,459
Other payables and accruals	137,506	41,228
Derivative financial instruments	12,257	55,565
Provisions	1,523	1,570
	<u>458,412</u>	<u>521,873</u>
Current liabilities		
Trade payables	1,910,481	2,164,232
Other payables and accruals	1,007,268	889,135
Current income tax liabilities	11,507	15,062
Provisions	186,533	188,795
Derivative financial instruments	100,578	164,180
Borrowings and loans	377,325	163,695
	<u>3,593,692</u>	<u>3,585,099</u>
Total liabilities	<u>4,052,104</u>	<u>4,106,972</u>
Total equity and liabilities	<u>5,750,407</u>	<u>5,787,819</u>
Net current assets	<u>657,857</u>	<u>748,475</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>2,156,715</u>	<u>2,202,720</u>

Notes:

1. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

No provision for Hong Kong profits tax has been made as the Group had no estimated assessable profit generated in Hong Kong for the period (three months ended 31st March 2016: Nil).

Taxation on profits has been calculated on the estimated assessable profit for the period at the rates of taxation prevailing in the countries/places in which the Group operates.

The amount of taxation charged/(credited) to the consolidated income statement represents:

	Three months ended 31st March	
	2017	2016
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Current income tax	8,131	19,590
Deferred income tax credit	(2,428)	(14,771)
Income tax expense	<u>5,703</u>	<u>4,819</u>

2. EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE

(a) Basic

Basic earnings/(loss) per share is calculated by dividing the profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

	Three months ended 31st March	
	2017	2016
Profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the Company (US\$'000)	9,892	(10,308)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (thousands)	2,345,636	2,345,636
Basic earnings/(loss) per share (US cents per share)	<u>0.42</u>	<u>(0.44)</u>

(b) Diluted

Diluted earnings/(loss) per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares.

	Three months ended 31st March	
	2017	2016
Profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the Company and used to determined diluted losses (US\$'000)	9,892	(10,308)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue for diluted losses per share (thousands)	2,345,636	2,345,636
Diluted earnings/(loss) per share (US cents per share)	<u>0.42</u>	<u>(0.44)</u>

3. DIVIDENDS

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the three months ended 31st March 2017 (three months ended 31st March 2016: Nil).

COMPANY RESULTS

The first quarter of 2017 was characterised by increased panel prices and supply shortages of popular large-screen sizes, such as 50 and 65-inch models. The climb in panel prices was a continuation of the price surge that emerged during the second half of last year. Although the rise was modest, it is contrary to normal industry seasonal patterns as the first quarter of a year is usually a quiet period, resulting in lower panel prices. Globally, TV shipments fell by 5 percent over the same period in 2016 to 46.3 million sets (1Q2016: 48.7 million sets), and monitor shipment figures were similar to a year ago, at 29.1 million units (1Q2016: 30.1 million units).

The global supply shortage of panels during the period under review, particularly of TVs, affected the Group's sales volume. In the first quarter, consolidated revenue was US\$2.12 billion, a decline of 5.9 percent compared with the same period in 2016 (1Q2016: US\$2.26 billion). The Group's gross profit ("GP") margin, impacted by the high panel prices, declined from last year's 8.4 percent to 8 percent. Despite these challenges, the Group recorded a profit attributable to shareholders of US\$9.9 million (1Q2016: loss of US\$10.3 million). This is the direct result of a US\$34 million reduction in operating expenses compared with the same period in 2016 when the Group spent US\$26.1 million on restructuring.

TVs

TV shipments for the quarter amounted to 3.6 million sets (1Q2016: 4.2 million sets), representing a year-on-year decline of 14 percent, attributed to the aforementioned panel supply shortages and a marked slowdown of demand in China. Consequently, segment revenue decreased by 12.6 percent year-on-year to US\$906 million (1Q2016: US\$1.04 billion). The segment GP margin experienced increased pressure from persistent high panel prices, reducing from 8.3 percent in the first quarter of last year to 7.1 percent this year. The average selling price ("ASP") increased slightly from US\$248.20 a year ago to US\$253.20 during the quarter under review, reflecting increased panel prices. Despite this, the business segment recorded an adjusted operating loss of US\$27.4 million, representing a 26.2 percent drop over last year's loss of US\$37.1 million.

Monitors

During the quarter, the Group shipped 10.3 million units of monitors, which is similar to the volume recorded for the same period last year (1Q2016: 10.4 million units). Segment revenue increased marginally compared with a year ago to US\$1.13 billion (1Q2016: US\$1.10 billion), the result of a higher ASP of US\$110.60 (1Q2016: US\$106.00), while the segment's GP margin stood at 8.4 percent (1Q2016: 8.7 percent). Furthermore, owing to stable currency markets and a more efficient operating structure, the segment's adjusted operating profit increased significantly by 66.8 percent to US\$48.6 million (1Q2016: US\$29.1 million).

The Group recorded a revenue increase in all markets except China. Nevertheless, China remained the Group's largest market, with revenue amounting to US\$709.3 million (1Q2016: US\$973.7 million), comprising 33.4 percent (1Q2016: 43.1 percent) of the total. The drop was attributable to the market downturn in both the TV and monitor segments. Revenue from Europe and North America increased slightly to US\$563.6 million (1Q2016: US\$535.5 million) and US\$448.5 million (1Q2016: US\$421.1 million) respectively, representing 26.5 percent (1Q2016: 23.7 percent) and 21.1 percent (1Q2016: 18.6 percent). Turnover from South America was US\$154.6 million (1Q2016: US\$123 million), accounting for 7.3 percent (1Q2016: 5.4 percent) of the total. Sales from the rest of the world also grew to 11.7 percent, or US\$247.3 million (1Q2016: US\$204.7 million), driven by increased sales of LCD modules.

OUTLOOK

It is expected that the suppliability of panel will become divided. Following the price surge at the end of 2016, prices for up to 43-inch panels stabilised. Prices for some sizes even started to fall in March 2017 as market demand rapidly shifted to 50-inch-and-above TVs. As the supply of large-screen panels continues to lag behind demand, the Group anticipates that prices for 50-inch-and-above units will be maintained. Furthermore, market competition is expected to stiffen as brand owners start sourcing products from panel manufacturers who have in-house panel capacities. The monitor sector is experiencing a similar situation, with some panel suppliers taking advantage of their in-house resources and expanding their finished-set assembling businesses, with the aim of gaining additional market share. The Group's priority is to maintain a reliable and sufficient panel supply for the remainder of the year. Meanwhile, we will monitor our inventory balance closely in response to the change in end-market preferences and the movement of panel prices. Notwithstanding, the Group will launch new products in the second quarter, including the OLED TV and more new 4K models, which will bolster overall performance in the remaining quarters of the year, leading to more positive results.

On behalf of the Board

Dr Hsuan, Jason

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 17th May 2017

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of the Company comprises one executive director, namely Dr Hsuan, Jason, and four non-executive directors, namely Mr Liu Liehong, Dr Li Jun, Ms Jia Haiying and Ms Bi Xianghui, and three independent non-executive directors, namely Mr Chan Boon Teong, Dr Ku Chia-Tai and Mr Wong Chi Keung.