## **EPICENTRE HOLDINGS LIMITED**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore) (Company Registration No. 200202930G)

# PROPOSED RENOUNCEABLE NON-UNDERWRITTEN RIGHTS ISSUE OF UP TO 797,373,000 NEW ORDINARY SHARES OF THE COMPANY WITH UNLISTED WARRANTS

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The board of Directors (the "Directors") of Epicentre Holdings Limited. (the "Company") wishes to announce that the Company is proposing to undertake a renounceable non-underwritten rights issue (the "Rights cum Warrants Issue") of up to 797,373,000 new ordinary shares of the Company (the "Shares") with up to 797,373,000 free detachable unlisted warrants (the "Warrants"), on the basis of five (5) Rights Shares (as defined below) for every one (1) existing Share held by the shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders") and one (1) Warrant for every one (1) Rights Share subscribed as at a books closure date to be determined by the Directors, at and on which the register of shareholders and the transfer books will be closed to determine the provisional allotment of the Rights Shares with Warrants of the Entitled Shareholders (as herein defined) under the Rights cum Warrants Issue (the "Books Closure Date"), fractional entitlements to be disregarded.

The Company will be seeking for approval from the Shareholders for, *inter* alia, the issue and allotment of the Rights Shares at an issue price of S\$0.02 per Rights Share (the "Issue Price") and exercise price of S\$0.10 per Warrant Share (the "Exercise Price") at an extraordinary general meeting to be convened (the "EGM") as the issue and allotment of the Rights Shares with Warrants exceeds the limits set under the current general share issue mandate of the Company approved by Shareholders in the EGM held earlier on 26 January 2017.

#### 2. DETAILS OF RIGHTS CUM WARRANTS ISSUE

## 2.1 Terms of Rights cum Warrants Issue

The Company is offering up to 797,373,000 new Shares (the "**Rights Shares**") at the Issue Price, and up to 797,373,000 Warrants, with each Warrant carrying the right to subscribe for one (1) new Share (the "**Warrant Share**") at the Exercise Price, on the basis of five (5) Rights Shares for every one (1) existing Share held by Shareholders as at the Books Closure Date and one (1) Warrant for every one (1) Rights Share subscribed.

Entitled Shareholders (as defined below) will be at liberty to accept (in full or in part), decline, or otherwise renounce or in the case of Entitled Depositors only, trade (during the provisional allotment trading period prescribed by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "SGX-ST") their provisional allotment of Rights Shares with Warrants and will be eligible to apply for additional Rights Shares with Warrants in excess of their provisional allotments under the Rights cum Warrants Issue. The Rights cum Warrants Issue cannot be withdrawn after the commencement of ex-rights trading.

Fractional entitlements to the Rights Shares with Warrants will be disregarded in arriving at the Entitled Shareholders' provisional allotments of Rights Shares and will, together with the provisional allotments of Rights Shares with Warrants which are not taken up or allotted for any reason, be aggregated and allotted to satisfy excess applications for Rights Shares with Warrants (if any), or disposed of or otherwise dealt with in such manner as the Directors may, in their absolute discretion, deem fit in the best interests of the Company.

It is hereby disclosed and confirmed that, in the allotment of excess Rights Shares with Warrants, preference will be given to the rounding of odd lots, and the Directors and substantial shareholders who have control or influence over the Company in connection with the day-to-day affairs of the Company or the terms of the Rights cum Warrants Issue, or have

representation (direct or through a nominee) on the board of the Company, will rank last in priority for rounding of odd lots and allotment of excess Rights Shares with Warrants.

The Company will not make any allotment and issue of any Rights Shares with Warrants (whether through provisional allotments and/or application for excess Rights Shares with Warrants) that will result in a transfer of controlling interest in the Company.

The Rights Shares with Warrants are payable in full upon acceptance and application by Entitled Shareholders. The Rights Shares will, upon allotment and issue, rank *pari passu* in all respects with the then existing Shares, save for any dividends, rights, allotments or other distributions, the record date for which falls before the date of issue of the Rights Shares. For this purpose, a "**record date**" means, in relation to any dividends, rights, allotments or other distributions, the date as at the close of business (or such other time as may have been notified by the Company) on which the Shareholders must be registered with the Company or The Central Depository (Pte) Limited ("**CDP**"), as the case may be, in order to participate in such dividends, rights, allotments or other distributions.

#### 2.2 Terms of Warrants

The Warrants are immediately detachable from the Rights Shares upon issue, and will be issued in registered form but shall not be listed on the Catalist board of the SGX-ST (the "Catalist") or any other stock exchange.

Subject to the terms and conditions governing the Warrants to be set out in an instrument by way of a deed poll (the "Deed Poll"), each Warrant will carry the right to subscribe for one (1) Warrant Share at the Exercise Price at any time during the period commencing on the date falling 18 months after the date of issue of the Warrants and expiring on the day immediately preceding the second anniversary of the date of issue of the Warrants (the "Exercise Period"). Hence, note that the Exercise Period is between the 18th and 24th month following the issue of the Warrants. The Warrants that remain unexercised at the expiry of the Exercise Period shall lapse and cease to be valid for any purpose. The Company will subsequently make an announcement regarding both the commencement and the expiry of the Exercise Period. The Company shall send a notice of commencement of the Exercise Period to holders of the Warrants one (1) month before the commencement of the Exercise Period. The Company shall also send a notice of expiry of the Exercise Period to holders of the Warrants one (1) month before the expiry of the Exercise Period. Both in such manner as shall be provided for in the Deed Poll.

The Exercise Price and the number of Warrants to be held by each holder of Warrants will be subject to adjustments under certain circumstances as provided for in the Deed Poll and appropriate announcements on the adjustments will be made by the Company.

The Warrant Shares arising from the exercise of the Warrants will, upon allotment and issue, rank *pari passu* in all respects with the then existing Shares, save for any dividends, rights, allotments or other distributions, the record date for which falls before the date of issue of the Warrant Shares.

## 2.3 Size of Rights cum Warrants Issue

As at the date of this announcement, the issued share capital of the Company comprises 159,474,600 Shares (the "Existing Share Capital"). As at date of the announcement, there are no outstanding convertible securities issued by the Company.

Based on the Existing Share Capital and assuming that (a) no new Shares are issued on or prior to the Books Closure Date; and (b) all the Entitled Shareholders subscribe in full and pay for their pro rata entitlements of Rights Shares with Warrants and subsequently exercise all their Warrants, the Company will issue 797,373,000 Rights Shares and 797,373,000 Warrant Shares under the Rights cum Warrants Issue.

# 2.4 Issue price and Exercise Price

The Issue Price of S\$0.02 per Rights Share and Exercise Price of S\$0.10 per Warrant Share represents (a) a discount of approximately 85% and 24.8% respectively to the last traded price of S\$0.133 per Share for Shares traded on the Catalist on 7 April 2017, being the last market day (as defined below) before this announcement on which Shares were traded on the Catalist; and (b) a discount of approximately 48.5% and a premium of 50.1% respectively to the theoretical ex-rights price of S\$0.04 and \$0.07 per share (being the theoretical market price of each Share assuming the completion of the Rights cum Warrants Issue, and which is calculated based on the closing price of S\$0.133 per Share on the SGX-ST on 7 April 2017, being the last Market Day being the date of this announcement, and the total number of Shares following the completion of the Rights cum Warrants Issue).

#### 2.5 Further Information

The Directors are of the opinion that there is no minimum amount which must be raised from the Rights cum Warrants Issue. Hence, in view of the above and the savings enjoyed for not having to bear underwriting fees, the Company has decided to proceed with the Rights cum Warrants Issue on a non-underwritten basis.

Depending on the level of subscription for the Rights Shares with Warrants, the Company will, if necessary, scale down the subscription for the Rights Shares with Warrants by any of the substantial shareholders (if such substantial shareholder chooses to subscribe for its pro-rata Rights with Warrants entitlement) to avoid placing the relevant substantial Shareholder in the position of incurring a mandatory general offer obligation under the Singapore Code on Takeovers and Mergers as a result of other Shareholders not taking up their Rights Shares with Warrants entitlement fully.

The terms and conditions of the Rights cum Warrants Issue are subject to such changes as the Directors may in their absolute discretion deem fit. The final terms and conditions of the Rights cum Warrants Issue will be contained in the offer information statement (the "**Offer Information Statement**") to be despatched by the Company to Entitled Shareholders in due course.

# 2.6 Offer Information Statement

The terms and conditions of the Rights cum Warrants Issue are subject to such changes as the Directors may in their absolute discretion deem fit. The final terms and conditions of the Rights cum Warrants Issue will be contained in the offer information statement (the "Offer Information Statement"), to be lodged with the SGX-ST, acting as an agent on behalf of the Monetary Authority of Singapore (the "Authority"), and to be despatched by the Company to Entitled Shareholders in due course, subjected to the necessary approvals obtained listed in section 5 of this announcement.

### 3. RATIONALE AND USE OF PROCEEDS

The Company is undertaking the Rights cum Warrants Issue to strengthen the financial positon and capital base of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "**Group**"). The Rights cum Warrants Issue will also provide the Shareholders with an opportunity to further participate in the equity of the Company. The net proceeds arising from the allotment and issuance of the Rights Shares (without taking into account the proceeds from the exercise of the Warrants) will be used towards expanding the business of the Group, financing business ventures through acquisitions and/or strategic investments and working capital. This may include potential expansion of the Group's current core business involving the retail of (a) Apple brand products and its complementary products; and (b) third-party and proprietary brand complementary products and other products, or its new businesses involving (i) lifestyle, health and wellness service providers; (ii) sourcing, formulating, branding, distribution and/or retail of a range of lifestyle, health and wellness products; and (iii) operating food and beverage outlets, approved by Shareholders at the extraordinary general meeting of the Company held on 26 January 2017.

There is no minimum amount to be raised from the Rights cum Warrants Issue. For the purposes of Rule 814(1)(e) of the SGX-ST Listing Manual Section B: Rules of Catalist ("Catalist Rules"), (i) the Directors are of the opinion that, after taking into consideration the present bank facilities, the working capital available to the Group is sufficient to meet its present requirements

and the Rights cum Warrants Issue is being undertaken for the reason stated in the previous paragraph, and (ii) consequently, they are of the opinion that, after taking into consideration the present bank facilities and the net proceeds of the Rights cum Warrants Issue, the working capital available to the Group is sufficient to meet its present requirements.

The net proceeds arising from the allotment and issuance of all the Rights Shares (without taking into account the proceeds from the exercise of the Warrants), after deducting estimated costs and expenses of S\$150,000.00 relating to the Rights cum Warrants Issue, is approximately S\$15,790,000.00 ("**Net Proceeds**"). The Company intends to use the net proceeds in the proportions as set out below:

	Use of Proceeds	Percentage of Net Proceeds (%)
1.	For business expansion (which includes but is not limited to the current and/or future businesses of the Group and towards securing any credit facilities for the Group) and financing business ventures through acquisitions, joint ventures, partnerships, cooperation and/or strategic investments	40-60
2.	Working capital purposes	40-60
Total		100

The additional proceeds arising for the exercise of all the Warrants is approximately \$\$79,737,300.00. As and when the Warrants are exercised, the proceeds arising therefrom may, at the discretion of the Directors, be applied towards expanding the business of the Group, financing business ventures through acquisitions and/or strategic investments and working capital.

Pending the deployment of the Net Proceeds raised from the Rights cum Warrants Issue, such proceeds may be deposited with banks and/or financial institutions, used for investment in short-term money markets instruments and/or marketable securities, or used for investment in short-term loan related instruments, as the Directors may deem appropriate in the best interests of the Company.

The Company will make periodic announcements on the use of the proceeds from the Rights cum Warrants Issue as and when such proceeds are materially disbursed and will provide a status report on the use of proceeds from the Rights cum Warrants Issue in the interim and full year financial statements issued pursuant to Rule 705 of the Catalist Rules and in the annual report(s) of the Company, until such time the proceeds have been fully utilised.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RIGHTS CUM WARRANTS ISSUE

# 4.1 Entitled Depositors

Shareholders whose securities accounts with CDP are credited with Shares as at 5.00 p.m. (Singapore time) on the Books Closure Date (the "**Depositors**") will be provisionally allotted Rights Shares with Warrants on the basis of the number of Shares standing to the credit of their securities accounts with CDP as at 5.00 p.m. (Singapore time) on the Books Closure Date.

To be "Entitled Depositors", Depositors must have registered addresses in Singapore with CDP as at the Books Closure Date or if they have registered addresses outside Singapore must provide CDP, at 9 North Buona Vista Drive, #01-19/20 The Metropolis, Singapore 138588, with addresses in Singapore not later than 5.00 p.m. (Singapore time) on the date being three (3) market days (a market day being a day on which the SGX-ST is open for trading in securities ("Market Day")) prior to the Books Closure Date, in order to receive their provisional allotments of Rights Shares with Warrants.

# 4.2 Entitled Scripholders

Shareholders whose share certificates are not deposited with CDP and whose Shares are not registered in the name of CDP (the "Scripholders") will have to submit duly completed and stamped transfers (in respect of Shares not registered in the name of CDP), together with all relevant documents of title, so as to be received up to 5.00 p.m. (Singapore time) on the Books Closure Date by the Company's share registrar, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services Pte. Ltd. (the "Share Registrar") in order to be registered to determine the transferee's provisional allotments of the Rights Shares with Warrants.

To be "Entitled Scripholders", Scripholders must have registered addresses in Singapore with the Company as at the Books Closure Date or if they have registered addresses outside Singapore, must provide the Share Registrar at 50 Raffles Place #32-01 Singapore Land Tower, Singapore 048623 with addresses in Singapore not later than 5.00 p.m. (Singapore time) on the date being three (3) markets days prior to the Books Closure Date, in order to receive their provisional allotments of Rights Shares with Warrants.

The Entitled Depositors and Entitled Scripholders shall be collectively referred to as "Entitled Shareholders" in this announcement.

The procedures for, and the terms and conditions applicable to, acceptances, renunciation and/or sales of the Rights Shares and application for excess Rights Shares, including each different mode of acceptance or application and payment, will be contained in the Offer Information Statement and the relevant application forms.

### 4.3 CPF Investment Scheme

Persons who bought their Shares previously using their Central Provident Fund account savings ("CPF Funds") may use the same for the payment of the Issue Price to accept their provisional allotments of Rights Shares with Warrants and (if applicable) apply for excess Rights Shares with Warrants, and may use the same for the payment of the Exercise Price for the exercise of the Warrants, subject to the applicable rules and regulations of the Central Provident Fund. Such persons who wish to accept their provisional allotments of Rights Shares with Warrants will need to instruct their respective approved banks where they hold their CPF Investment Accounts, to accept their provisional allotment of Rights Shares with Warrants and (if applicable) apply for the excess Rights Shares with Warrants on their behalf in accordance with the Offer Information Statement. CPF Funds may not, however, be used for the purchase of the provisional allotments of the Rights Shares with Warrants directly from the market. ANY APPLICATIONS MADE BY THE ABOVEMENTIONED ENTITLED SHAREHOLDERS DIRECTLY TO CDP OR THROUGH AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINES OF ANY PARTICIPATING BANK APPOINTED AND NAMED IN THE OFFER INFORMATION STATEMENT WILL BE REJECTED. Such Entitled Shareholders should refer to the Offer Information Statement to be lodged with the SGX-ST, acting as agent on behalf of the Authority for important details relating to the offer procedure in connection with the Rights cum Warrants Issue.

## 4.4 Foreign Shareholders

For practicable reasons and to avoid any violation of securities legislation applicable in countries other than Singapore, the Rights Shares with Warrants will not be offered to Shareholders with registered addresses outside Singapore as at the Books Closure Date and who have not, at least three (3) market days prior to the Books Closure Date, provided to CDP or the Share Registrar, as the case may be, addresses in Singapore for the service of notices and documents (the "Foreign Shareholders"). As such, no provisional allotments of the Rights Shares with Warrants will be made to, and no purported acceptance thereof and application therefor by, Foreign Shareholders will be valid.

If it is practicable to do so, arrangements may be made, at the discretion of the Company, for provisional allotments of Rights Shares with Warrants which would otherwise be provisionally allotted to Foreign Shareholders to be sold "nil-paid" on the SGX-ST as soon as practicable after dealings in the provisional allotments of the Rights Shares with Warrants commence.

Such sales may, however, only be effected if the Company, in its absolute discretion, determines that a premium can be obtained from such sales, after taking into account the relevant expenses to be incurred in relation thereto.

The net proceeds from all such sales, after deduction of all expenses therefrom, will be pooled and thereafter distributed among Foreign Shareholders in proportion to their respective shareholdings or, as the case may be, the number of Shares standing to the credit of their respective Securities Accounts as at the Books Closure Date and sent to them by means of a crossed cheque at their own risk by ordinary post, or in such other manner as they may have agreed with CDP for payment of any cash distributions. If the amount of net proceeds distributable to any single Foreign Shareholder is less than S\$10.00, such net proceeds will be retained or dealt with as the Directors may, in their absolute discretion, deem fit in the interests of the Company and no Foreign Shareholder shall have any claim whatsoever against the Company or CDP in connection therewith.

Where such provisional allotments of Rights Shares are sold "nil-paid" on Catalist, they will be sold at such price or prices as the Company may, in its absolute discretion, decide and no Foreign Shareholder shall have any claim whatsoever against the Company or CDP in respect of such sales or proceeds thereof, the provisional allotments of Rights Shares or the Rights Shares represented by such provisional allotments.

If such provisional allotments of Rights Shares cannot be sold or are not sold on Catalist as aforesaid for any reason by such time as the SGX-ST shall have declared to be the last day for trading in the provisional allotments of Rights Shares, the Rights Shares represented by such provisional allotments will be used to satisfy excess applications or disposed of or dealt with in such manner as the Directors may, in their absolute discretion, deem fit in the interests of the Company and no Foreign Shareholder shall have any claim whatsoever against the Company or CDP in connection therewith.

Shareholders should note that the special arrangement described above would apply only to Foreign Shareholders

## 5. APPROVALS

The Rights cum Warrants Issue is subject to, inter alia,

- the receipt of the listing and quotation notice from the SGX-ST for the listing and quotation of the Rights Shares and the Warrant Shares on the Catalist board of the SGX-ST;
- (ii) the issue and allotment of the Rights Shares at an issue price of S\$0.02 per Rights Share, the Warrants and the Warrant Shares at an exercise price of S\$0.10 per Warrant Share, having been approved by Shareholders at an extraordinary general meeting to be convened (the "**EGM**"); and
- (iii) the lodgement of the Offer Information Statement with the SGX-ST, acting as agent on behalf of the Authority.

An application will be made to the SGX-ST through the sponsor of the Company, for the listing and quotation of the Rights Shares, and the Warrant Shares on Catalist. The Company will make the relevant announcement upon receipt of the outcome of the application.

A circular to Shareholders containing, *inter alia*, the notice of the EGM in relation to the Rights cum Warrants Issue will be despatched to Shareholders in due course. The Offer Information Statement will be lodged with the SGX-ST, acting as agent on behalf of the Authority, and despatched to Entitled Shareholders in due course following the EGM if the Rights cum Warrants Issue is approved at the EGM.

# 6. INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS AND SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

None of the Directors and substantial shareholders has any interests, direct or indirect, in the Rights cum Warrants Issue, other than through each of their respective shareholding interests, direct and/or indirect, in the Company.

## 7. RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information given in this announcement and confirm after making all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge and belief, this announcement constitutes full and true disclosure of all material facts about the Rights cum Warrants Issue, the Company and its subsidiaries, and the Directors are not aware of any facts the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading. Where information in the announcement has been extracted from published or otherwise publicly available sources or obtained from a named source, the sole responsibility of the Directors has been to ensure that such information has been accurately and correctly extracted from those sources and/or reproduced in the circular in its proper form and context.

### 8. CAUTIONARY STATEMENT

The Directors would like to advise the Shareholders that the Rights cum Warrants Issue is subject to certain conditions being fulfilled and there is no assurance that the Rights cum Warrants Issue would be completed. Accordingly, Shareholders are advised to exercise caution before making any decision in respect of their dealings in the Shares. Shareholders who are in any doubt about this announcement should consult their stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor or other professional adviser.

### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Lim Tiong Hian
Executive Chairman and Acting Chief Executive Officer
7 April 2017

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