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AEM REPORTS STELLAR 3RD QUARTER FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AS THE ADOPTION OF NEW HIGH-DENSITY TEST HANDLERS TAKES OFF

Group expects profitability in FY2016 and further growth in FY2017

- **329% rise in year-on-year 3Q2016 net profit after tax**
- **70% rise in year-on-year 3Q2016 revenue**
- **Sales order book of S\$45.5 million as of 8 November 2016**
- **EPS rises to 5.15 cents and NAV per share rises to 59.8 cents**

SINGAPORE 8 November 2016 : Main board listed AEM Holdings Ltd ("AEM" or the "Group"), a global equipment systems solutions manufacturer in the semiconductor industry, today announced sterling financial results for the third quarter ended 30 September 2016.

At the close of the quarter ("3Q2016"), compared to the corresponding quarter in the previous financial year ("3Q2015"), revenue and net profit after tax were higher by 69.9% and 328.6% respectively.

Revenue rose from S\$12.5 million to S\$21.3 million and net profit after tax increased from S\$0.5 million to S\$2.2 million. The Group's strong performance is the result of growing demand for its flagship high-density semiconductor test handlers that are being adopted by one of the world's leading chips manufacturers. AEM's high-density test handlers represent the state-of-the-art in semiconductor back-end test capabilities, providing industry-leading capacity and efficiency which should bring about significant quality and cost savings for chip manufacturers.

Commenting on the Group's performance, Mr Loke Wai San, Chairman of AEM said : " We are proud to be generating solid returns on the significant R&D investments we have made over the past 5 years as we bring our high-density test handlers to market. Our engineering team has done a wonderful job in commercializing one of the most advanced test handlers on the market today. We expect the demand for our test-handlers to grow substantially next year, and our leading products and capabilities should hopefully position AEM well in the years to come."

At the close of 3Q2016, the Group's balance sheet showed total assets of S\$42.9 million. Cash and cash equivalents totalled S\$8.4 million. To date, AEM has funded its business primarily with internal resources, supplemented by modest borrowings from financial institutions (the Company's debt gearing

is less than 0.4%). AEM paid a final dividend of 1 cent and interim dividend of 0.5 cent per ordinary share to its shareholders for FY2015 and FY2016 respectively.

Sharing his thoughts, Mr Charles Cher, CEO of AEM said : "Despite headwinds from a slow global economy, AEM continues to achieve significant growth by delivering compelling capability and value to our customers. The considerable effort the team had expended over the last few years in realigning the business and investing in our future have begun to pay off and we look forward to sustaining growth momentum in the business next year."

About AEM Holdings Ltd

AEM Holdings is listed on the main board of the Singapore Exchange (Reuters: AEM SI; Bloomberg: AEM SP).

AEM Holdings aims to be a leading global provider of equipment systems solutions and manufacturing services.

AEM takes pride in providing innovative, engineering- focussed solutions and developing strong partnerships with customers and associates to cater to their manufacturing needs through our global engineering service support network and innovative people. Currently AEM has 3 manufacturing plants located in Singapore, Malaysia (Penang) and China (Suzhou). Through our network of sales offices, associates and distributors, we have a global market presence spanning Asia, Europe and the United States.

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