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Advanced announces interim dividend following a profitable 3Q2017

- *Interim dividend of 4.9 cents per share*
- *Improved gross profit margin of 33.8%*
- *Order book value remained consistent at S\$50.1 million*
- *Cash reserves remain strong at \$41.5m*

(in S\$'m)	3Q2017	3Q2016	Chg (%)	9M2017	9M2016	Chg (%) ¹
Revenue	12.6	22.9	(45.0)	30.3	66.9	(54.7)
Gross profit	4.9	3.7	31.5	10.2	13.4	(23.6)
Gross profit margin (%)¹	39.1	16.3	22.8 pts	33.8	20.0	13.8 pts
Profit/(Loss) for the period	0.4	(2.5)	NM	(4.1)	(4.6)	(11.8)
EPS (cents)²	0.56	(2.28)	NM	(3.65)	(4.05)	(9.9)

¹ Any discrepancies in the percentages are due to rounding

² EPS is based on the weighted average number of 101,268,367 ordinary shares (30 September 2016: 101,268,367)

SINGAPORE – 10 November 2017 – Advanced Holdings Ltd. (“Advanced” or “Group”), a global supplier of proprietary process equipment, clean energy solutions and related technologies, today announced a revenue of S\$30.3 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2017 (“**9M2017**”), compared to S\$66.9 million for the same period the previous year (“**9M2016**”), representing a decrease in revenue of 54.7%.

Despite this decrease in revenue a greater proportion of higher margin revenue boosted the gross margin profit for 9M2017 to 33.8%, an increase of 13.8 points from the 20% gross profit margin for 9M2016.

Consequently, loss for the period reduced to S\$4.1 million for 9M2017 from S\$4.6 million for 9M2016, representing an 11.8% deduction. The Group generated S\$0.4 million profit for the quarter ended 30 September 2017 (“**3Q2017**”).

Revenue from the Group's core industries, Oil & Gas and Petrochemicals & Chemicals, was lower compared to the same period last year due to a slowdown in sales as well as the completion of large scale projects in Vietnam and Kazakhstan.

As a direct result of these lower sales figures, the Group's biggest markets reported a decrease in their revenue contribution. Revenue from China came to S\$4.3 million for 9M2017 as compared to S\$22.7 million for 9M2016. While revenue from Singapore amounted to S\$4.5 million for 9M2017, down from S\$13.6 million on a year-to-date basis, as sales in Singapore was affected by the divestment of the Group's former subsidiary Applied Engineering Pte Ltd.

The aforementioned completion of large scale projects are responsible for the decrease in revenue from Vietnam and Kazakhstan, while revenue contribution from Indonesia increased significantly to S\$3.1 million from S\$0.2 million following the delivery of a project.

The Group reported a net loss of S\$3.7 million attributable to the owners of the company for 9M2017.

The Group's financial position, as at 30 September 2017, remained strong with cash reserves of S\$41.4 million compared to S\$38.7 million as at 30 September 2016. The Group's order book also remains healthy and stands at approximately S\$50.1 million.

Dividends

As a gesture of appreciation to the Group's loyal shareholders, the Board is pleased to propose an interim dividend of 4.9 cents per share. Details of the books closure and payment dates will be announced at a later date when available.

Outlook

The recent rebound in the Oil and Gas industry after the oil price crash seems likely to slow significantly over the next year as per rating agency Moody's September 2017 report. Consequently, Moody's has shifted its outlook for the industry from positive to stable.

The Group has been extremely vigilant in managing costs and expenditure and will continue with its efforts in this regard, while pursuing suitable opportunities for investment and long-term growth when and where appropriate.

The Group has on 15 August 2017 entered into a conditional share purchase agreement to acquire the entire equity interest in Agricore Global Pte Ltd together with its subsidiaries (the “Target Group”) (referred to as the “Proposed Acquisition”). Subject to completion of a group restructuring exercise, the Target Group will, prior to completion of the Proposed Acquisition, collectively own rights to develop approximately 196,121 hectares of plantation land in Sulawesi Island, Indonesia.

The Proposed Acquisition, if undertaken and completed, is expected to result in a reverse takeover of the Group, and will provide the Group with a suitable platform for its next phase of growth.

Please refer to SGXnet announcement dated 17 August 2017 for more details relating to the Proposed Acquisition.

Appendix A: Revenue breakdown by segment from continuing operations

Revenue by Industry (\$\$'m)	9M2017	9M2016	% Chg ¹
Petrochemicals & Chemicals	18.0	43.9	(59.0)
Oil & Gas	9.0	18.9	(52.6)
Iron & Steel	0.7	0.3	183.1
Others	2.6	3.8	(31.4)
Revenue by Geography (\$\$'m)	9M2017	9M2016	% Chg ¹
China	4.3	22.7	(81.1)
Singapore	4.5	13.6	(66.9)
Vietnam	2.1	4.0	(48.1)
Kazakhstan	4.1	10.4	(60.4)
Indonesia	3.1	0.2	1804.8
Other Asian Countries	2.0	2.0	(1.3)
Middle East	1.1	2.8	(62.5)
Europe	4.6	6.6	(30.1)
USA	3.9	4.4	(10.4)
Others	0.6	0.1	412.3

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About Advanced Holdings Ltd.

Founded in 1993, SGX Mainboard-listed Advanced is a specialist company primarily focused on the design and supply of **Process Equipment and Technologies** to the **Oil & Gas** and **Petrochemicals & Chemicals** industries; the design and supply of **Clean Energy** and the provision of **Environmental Technologies**. Advanced is an established global company with rapidly growing presence across countries spanning Asia, Europe, the Middle East and the USA.