



Company Registration No. 198300506G

Ascent Bridge Limited and its Subsidiaries
(formerly known as AEI Corporation Ltd.)

Unaudited Condensed Interim Financial Statements
For the six months ended 30 September 2023 (“1H FY2024”)

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General information

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**Condensed interim consolidated statement of comprehensive income
For the six months ended 30 September 2023**

	Note	Group 6 months ended 30 Sep 2023 \$'000	6 months ended 30 Sep 2022 \$'000	Increase / (Decrease) %
Revenue	4.1	2,221	515	331.3%
Cost of sales		(799)	(134)	496.3%
Gross profit		1,422	381	273.2%
Other operating income	6.1(a)	9	63	(85.7%)
Selling and distribution costs		(642)	(955)	(32.8%)
General and administrative expenses	6.1(b)	(3,708)	(4,090)	(9.3%)
Loss from operating activities		(2,919)	(4,601)	(36.6%)
Finance cost		(17)	(21)	(19.0%)
Finance income		37	6	516.7%
Loss before taxation	6	(2,899)	(4,616)	(37.2%)
Income tax expense	7	-	-	nm
Loss net of tax		(2,899)	(4,616)	(37.2%)
Loss attributable to:				
Owners of the Company		(2,899)	(4,166)	(37.2%)
Loss per share attributable to owners of the Company				
- Basic (in cents)		(3.33)	(5.30)	nm
- Diluted (in cents)		(3.33)	(5.30)	nm

"nm" - not meaningful

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	Group		Increase / (Decrease) %
	6 months ended 30 Sep 2023 \$'000	6 months ended 30 Sep 2022 \$'000	
Loss for the financial period, net of tax	(2,899)	(4,616)	(37.2%)
Other comprehensive loss:			
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</i>			
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign entities	7	(8)	nm
Other comprehensive loss for the period, net of tax	7	(8)	nm
Total comprehensive loss for the period	(2,892)	(4,624)	(37.2%)
Total comprehensive loss attributable to:			
Owners of the Company	(2,892)	(4,624)	(37.2%)

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Explanatory Notes to the Condensed Interim Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

a. Revenue

For the six-month financial period ended 30 September 2023 ("1H FY2024"), the Group generated total revenue amounting to \$2.22 million, a 331.3% increase from \$0.52 million recorded in the corresponding period of the preceding financial year ("1H FY2023").

This increase in revenue is mainly attributed to:

- 1> Revenue of \$0.57 million from successful listing of the product with major global travel retailers at Asian airports covering Mongolia, Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia and Vietnam etc.
- 2> Revenue of \$0.66 million from sales agreement signed with the distributor in Cambodia recognised during the financial period following the completion of shipment to Cambodia
- 3> Revenue of \$0.75 million from growth of sales from markets in Hong Kong & Maco

As a result of the higher revenue, the Group recorded a higher gross profit of \$1.42million, as compared to \$0.38 million in 1H FY2023. Gross profit margin dropped from 74% in 1H FY2023 to 64% in 1H FY2024 is mainly due to relatively lower profit margin in Hong Kong & Macau and Cambodia market

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Explanatory Notes to the Condensed Interim Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income (cont'd)

b. Other operating income

Lower other operating income in 1H FY2024 is mainly due to lower government grant for Covid-19 received during the financial period.

c. Selling and distribution expenses

In 1H FY2024, the Group reported a lower selling and distribution costs of \$0.64 million as compared to \$0.96 million in 1H FY2023. That is mainly due to less large-scale marketing events held in 1H FY2024. In 1H FY2023, the Group held a few product launch events in Singapore and Hong Kong.

d. General and administrative expenses

In 1H FY2024, the Group reported a lower administrative expenses from \$3.7 million as compared to \$4.1 million in 1H FY2023, which is mainly due to absence of professional fees relating to acquisitions and cost control measures undertaken by management. The decrease was partially offset by higher staff remuneration in 1H FY2024 as number of headcounts in 1H FY2024 is higher than 1H FY2023 due to subsequent business expansion.

As a result of the above, the Group's net loss narrowed by \$1.7 million (37.2%) to \$2.9 million as compared to \$4.6 million loss in 1H FY2023.

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**Condensed interim statements of financial position
As at 30 September 2023**

	Note	Group		Company	
		30 Sep 2023 \$'000	31 Mar 2023 \$'000	30 Sep 2023 \$'000	31 Mar 2023 \$'000
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment		1,419	1,732	6	4
Investment in subsidiaries		–	–	15,982	15,982
Intangible assets	9	5,101	5,344	–	–
Goodwill		6,831	6,831	–	–
Derivative instrument		651	651	651	651
Deposits		11	89	–	–
		14,013	14,647	16,639	16,637
Current assets					
Inventories		6,342	6,923	–	–
Trade receivables		2,963	1,691	–	–
Prepaid and deposit	10	8,227	7,270	5,027	5,027
Other receivables	11	4,266	4,294	1,217	1,206
Amounts due from subsidiaries		–	–	20,703	17,255
Cash and cash equivalents		3,763	8,078	3,357	7,547
		25,561	28,256	30,304	31,035
Total assets		39,574	42,903	46,943	47,672
Current liabilities					
Trade payables		–	124	–	–
Other payables		5,874	5,993	5,037	5,046
Loans and borrowings		360	432	–	–
Income tax payable		50	21	50	21
		6,284	6,570	5,087	5,067
Net current assets		19,277	21,686	25,217	25,968

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Condensed interim statements of financial position As at 30 September 2023

	Note	Group		Company	
		30 Sep 2023 \$'000	31 Mar 2023 \$'000	30 Sep 2023 \$'000	31 Mar 2023 \$'000
Non-current liabilities					
Loans and borrowings		556	707	–	–
Deferred tax liability		753	753	–	–
		1,309	1,460	–	–
Total liabilities		7,593	8,030	5,087	5,067
Net assets		31,981	34,873	41,856	42,605
Equity attributable to owners of the Company					
Share capital	12	68,600	68,600	68,600	68,600
Treasury shares		(3,315)	(3,315)	(3,315)	(3,315)
Foreign currency translation reserve		32	25	–	–
Accumulated losses		(33,336)	(30,437)	(23,429)	(22,680)
Total equity		31,981	34,873	41,856	42,605
Total equity and liabilities		39,574	42,903	46,943	47,672

Explanatory Notes to the Condensed Interim Statements of Financial Position

Non-current assets

- Plant and equipment mainly comprised right-of-use assets, vending machine, office equipment, furniture and fixtures and renovation. The decrease is mainly attributed to the depreciation charged during the financial period.
- Intangible assets represent exclusive distribution rights of Moutai Bulao liquor products and research and development cost (“R&D cost”) for vending machine and its software. The decrease is mainly due to the amortisation charged during the financial period.
- Goodwill was recognised from the acquisition of MTBL Group based on the Purchase Price Allocation exercise (“PPA”) conducted by an independent valuer. The Group will conduct impairment assessment at the end of the financial year.
- The derivative instrument represents the put option granted by Capital Impetus Group Limited, the previous owner of MTBL Global Pte. Ltd. and its subsidiaries (the “MTBL Group”). This option is granted with relation to the acquisition of MTBL Group, which entitles the Company to sell back the entire issued shares of MTBL when the triggering events of the option occur. This will be done on terms and subjected to the conditions of the sale and purchase agreement with MTBL Group. The Group will engage an independent valuer to estimate the fair value of the put option at the end of the financial year.

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Explanatory Notes to the Condensed Interim Statements of Financial Position (cont'd)

Current assets

- e. An increase of \$1.27 million to \$2.96 million in trade receivables was in line with increase in sales volume during the period.

Out of the \$2.96 million trade receivables as at 30 September 2023, \$1.57 million trade receivables are outstanding as at 31 March 2023.

- f. An increase of \$0.96 million to \$8.23 million in prepaid and deposit was mainly due to prepayment of \$0.9 million to a supplier pursuant to a Co-brand Digital Wallet agreement with Aleta Planet VBA Pte Ltd (“Aleta Planet VBA” or “Aleta Planet”), a leading payment service provider regulated by Monetary Authority of Singapore to develop and market a digital wallet, dubbed Chang Chang (尝尝) Cards.
- g. Cash and cash equivalents decreased by \$4.32 million from \$8.07 million as at 31 March 2023 to \$3.77 million as at 30 September 2023. The decrease was due to:
- (i) \$0.9 million prepayment made for Chang Chang Cards;
 - (ii) \$3.30 million for other operating activities

Current liabilities

- h. Other payables included \$4.6 million for contingent consideration granted by the Group to Capital Impetus Group Limited, the previous owner of MTBL Group. This contingent consideration is granted with relation to the acquisition of MTBL Group, which entitles the Company to pay balance consideration of MTBL when MTBL satisfy the profit target(s). The Group will assess the fair value of contingent consideration payable at the end of the financial year.
- i. Loans and borrowings consist of lease liabilities and hire purchase.

Non-Current liabilities

- j. Deferred tax liability represents \$753,000 movement in temporary differences for acquisition of MTBL Group.
- k. Loans and borrowings consist of lease liabilities and hire purchase.

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**Condensed interim statement of changes in equity
For the six months ended 30 September 2023**

	Attributable to owners of the Company				
	Share capital \$'000	Treasury shares \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Group					
Opening balance at 1 April 2023	68,600	(3,315)	25	(30,437)	34,873
Loss for the period	–	–	–	(2,899)	(2,899)
<i>Other comprehensive income:</i>					
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign entities	–	–	7	–	7
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax	–	–	7	–	7
Total comprehensive loss for the period	–	–	7	(2,899)	(2,892)
Closing balance at 30 September 2023	68,600	(3,315)	32	(33,336)	31,981

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**Condensed interim consolidated statement of changes in equity
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	Attributable to owners of the Company				
	Share capital \$'000	Treasury shares \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Group					
Opening balance at 1 April 2022	68,600	(3,315)	46	(23,350)	41,981
Loss for the financial period	–	–	–	(4,616)	(4,616)
<i>Other comprehensive income:</i>					
Foreign currency translation	–	–	(8)	–	(8)
Other comprehensive income for the financial period, net of tax	–	–	(8)	–	(8)
Total comprehensive income for the financial period	–	–	(8)	(4,616)	(4,624)
Closing balance at 30 September 2022	68,600	(3,315)	38	(27,966)	37,357

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

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For the six months ended 30 September 2023**

	Share capital \$'000	Treasury shares \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Company				
Opening balance at 1 April 2022	68,600	(3,315)	(20,425)	44,860
Profit net of tax for the financial year, representing total comprehensive income for the financial year	–	–	(1,590)	(1,590)
Closing balance at 30 September 2022	68,600	(3,315)	(22,015)	43,270
Opening balance at 1 April 2023	68,600	(3,315)	(22,680)	42,605
Loss for the financial year, representing total comprehensive income for the financial period	–	–	(749)	(749)
Closing balance at 30 September 2023	68,600	(3,315)	(23,429)	41,856

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**Condensed interim consolidated statement of cash flows
For the six months ended 30 September 2023**

	6 months ended 30 Sep 2023 \$'000	6 months ended 30 Sep 2022 \$'000
Operating activities:		
Loss before tax	(2,899)	(4,616)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	340	223
Amortisation on intangible assets	243	200
Interest expense	17	21
Interest income	(37)	(6)
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital	(2,336)	(4,178)
Increase in receivables	(2,123)	805
Decrease in inventories	581	(2,867)
Decrease in payables	(243)	330
Cash flows used in operations	(4,121)	(5,910)
Interest paid – term loan	(17)	(21)
Income tax paid	29	(28)
Interest received	37	6
Net cash flows used in operating activities	(4,072)	(5,953)
Investing activities:		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(27)	(401)
Purchase of intangible assets	–	(80)
Refundable deposit paid for a proposed acquisition	–	(5,000)
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(27)	(5,481)
Financing activity:		
Repayment of principal portion of lease liabilities	(223)	(276)
Net cash flows used in financing activity	(223)	(276)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(4,322)	(11,710)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	7	–
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April	8,078	22,547
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 September	3,763	10,837

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**Condensed interim consolidated statement of cash flows
For the six months ended 30 September 2023**

Explanatory Notes to the Condensed Interim Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

The Group's net cash used in operating activities narrowed from \$6.0 million for 1H FY2023 to \$4.1 million for 1H FY2024. The narrowed negative operating cashflow in 1H FY2024 was mainly attributed to lower operating loss and decreased in inventories due to sales offset by increase in receivables made during the financial period.

Net cash used in investing activities for 1H FY2024 was \$27,000 compared with net cash used of \$5.5 million for 1H FY2023. The significant decrease was mainly due to no cash used in new acquisitions by the Group during the financial period.

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Notes to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements For the six months ended 30 September 2023

1. Corporate information

Ascent Bridge Limited (the “Company”) is incorporated and domiciled in Singapore and whose shares are publicly traded on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange. These condensed interim consolidated financial statements as at and for the six months ended 30 September 2023 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the Group). The principal activities of the Company are investment holdings in wholesale of alcoholic beverage.

2. Basis of preparation

The condensed interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2023 have been prepared in accordance with SFRS(I) 1-34 *Interim Financial Reporting* issued by the Accounting Standards Council Singapore. The condensed interim financial statements do not include all the information required for a complete set of financial statements. However, selected explanatory notes are included to explain events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the Group’s financial position and performance of the Group since the last annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The condensed interim financial statements are presented in Singapore dollar which is the Company’s functional currency.

2.1 New and amended standards adopted by the Group

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year which were prepared in accordance with SFRS(I)s, except for the adoption of new or amended Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) (“SFRS(I)”) and Interpretations to FRS (“INT FRSs”) that are mandatory for application from that date.

The application of these new or amended SFRS(I) and INT FRSs did not result in change in the Group’s accounting policies and has no material effect on the amounts reported for the current period or prior years.

2.2 Use of judgements and estimates

In preparing the condensed interim financial statements, management has made judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The significant judgements made by management in applying the Group’s accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Management is of the opinion that there is no instance of application of judgment which is expected to have a significant impact on the amounts recognised in the Group’s condensed interim financial statements for the six months period ended 30 September 2023.

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3. Seasonal operations

The Group's businesses are not affected significantly by seasonal or cyclical factors during the financial period.

4. Segment and revenue information

In 1H FY2024, the Group has only two reportable operating segments which is distribution of alcoholic beverages and Changchang card sales.

4.1 Disaggregation of revenue

	Group	
	6 months ended 30 Sep 2023 \$'000	6 months ended 30 Sep 2022 \$'000
At a point in time:		
Sales of alcoholic beverage	2,158	515
Others	4	–
Over time:		
Chang Chang Cards	59	–
	<hr/> 2,221	<hr/> 515
Geographical information:		
Singapore	224	302
Hong Kong & Macau	745	140
Cambodia	656	73
Malaysia	218	–
Taiwan	123	–
Vietnam	80	–
Korea	64	–
Mongolia	46	–
Philippines	36	–
Others	29	–
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5. Financial assets and financial liabilities

	1 year or less \$'000	Over 1 year to 5 years \$'000	Over 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000
Group				
30 September 2023				
<i>Financial assets</i>				
Trade receivables	2,963	–	–	2,963
Deposits	5,000	11	–	5,011
Other receivables	4,266	–	–	4,266
Cash and cash equivalents	3,763	–	–	3,763
Total undiscounted financial assets	15,992	11	–	16,003
<i>Financial liabilities</i>				
Other payables	(5,874)	–	–	(5,874)
Loans and borrowings	(360)	(556)	–	(916)
Total undiscounted financial liabilities	(6,234)	(556)	–	(6,790)
Total net undiscounted financial assets/(liabilities)	9,758	(545)	–	9,213

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5. Financial assets and financial liabilities (cont'd)

	1 year or less \$'000	Over 1 year to 5 years \$'000	Over 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000
Group				
31 March 2023				
<i>Financial assets</i>				
Trade receivables	1,691	–	–	1,691
Deposits	5,000	89	–	5,089
Other receivables	4,191	–	–	4,191
Cash and cash equivalents	8,078	–	–	8,078
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Total undiscounted financial assets	18,960	89	–	19,049
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<i>Financial liabilities</i>				
Trade payables	(124)	–	–	(124)
Other payables	(5,993)	–	–	(5,993)
Loans and borrowings	(432)	(707)	–	(1,139)
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Total undiscounted financial liabilities	(6,549)	(707)	–	(7,256)
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Total net undiscounted financial assets/(liabilities)	12,411	(618)	–	11,793
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6. (Loss)/profit before taxation

6.1 Significant items

(a) Other operating income

	Group	
	6 months ended 30 Sep 2023 \$'000	6 months ended 30 Sep 2022 \$'000
Government grant income	6	63
Sundry income	3	-
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	9	63

(b) General and administrative expenses

	Group	
	6 months ended 30 Sep 2023 \$'000	6 months ended 30 Sep 2022 \$'000
Audit fees paid to auditors of the Company	106	86
Depreciation of plant and equipment	340	223
Amortisation of intangible assets	243	200
Directors' emoluments		
- fees	211	211
- remuneration	263	263
Other professional fees	297	1,263
Staff costs (excluding directors' remuneration)	1,554	1,089

7 Income tax expenses

The Group calculated the income tax expense for the reporting period using the tax rate that would be applicable to the expected total annual earning. The major components of income tax expenses in the condensed interim consolidated statement of comprehensive income are:

	Group	
	6 months ended 30 Sep 2023 \$'000	6 months ended 30 Sep 2022 \$'000
Current income tax expense	-	-
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Income tax expense recognised in profit or loss	-	-

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8. Net asset value

	Group		Company	
	30 Sep 2023	31 Mar 2023	30 Sep 2023	31 Mar 2023
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
Net asset value per ordinary share based on the existing issued share capital at the respective period	36.73	40.05	48.07	48.93
Number of shares used for the calculation of Net asset value	87,072,000	87,072,000	87,072,000	87,072,000

9. Intangible assets

	Group		
	Liquor distribution rights	Development cost	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cost:			
Acquired on acquisition of MTBL Global group	5,478	284	5,762
Additions	–	80	80
At 31 March 2023 and 30 September 2023	5,478	364	5,842
Accumulated amortisation:			
Amortisation	416	82	498
At 31 March 2023	416	82	498
Amortisation	202	41	243
At 30 September 2023	618	123	741
Net carrying amount:			
At 31 March 2023	5,062	282	5,344
At 30 September 2023	4,860	241	5,101

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10. Prepaid and deposit

	Group		Company	
	30 Sep 2023	31 Mar 2023	30 Sep 2023	31 Mar 2023
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Refundable deposit for acquisition	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Prepayment to supplier	1,952	486		
Deposit paid to supplier	1,066	1,666	–	–
Other deposit	209	118	27	27
	8,227	7,270	5,027	5,027
Rental deposit	11	89	–	–
	8,238	7,359	5,027	5,027

11. Other receivables

	Group		Company	
	30 Sep 2023	31 Mar 2023	30 Sep 2023	31 Mar 2023
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Receivable from disposal of the aluminium extrusion business	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Advances to related company	2,842	2,842	–	–
Others	224	252	17	6
	4,266	4,294	1,217	1,206

12. Share capital

	Group and Company			
	30 September 2023		31 March 2023	
	No. of shares '000	\$'000	No. of shares '000	\$'000
Beginning and end of interim period	87,072	68,600	87,072	68,600

(i) Treasury shares

Total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares as at 30 September 2023 was 87,072,231 (31 March 2023: 87,072,231). Total number of treasury shares as at 30 September 2023 was 3,009,200 (31 March 2023: 3,009,200). There is no sale, transfer, cancellation and/or use of treasury shares of Company for the period ended 30 September 2023.

1. Whether the figures have been audited or reviewed and in accordance with which auditing standard or practice.

The condensed interim statements of financial position of Ascent Bridge Limited and its subsidiaries as at 30 September 2023 and the related condensed interim consolidated statement of comprehensive income, condensed interim statements of changes in equity and condensed interim consolidated statement of cash flows for the six-month period then ended and certain explanatory notes have not been audited or reviewed.

2. A review of the performance of the group, to the extent necessary for a reasonable understanding of the group's business. It must include a discussion of the following:-

- (a) any significant factors that affected the turnover, costs, and earnings of the group for the current financial period reported on, including (where applicable) seasonal or cyclical factors; and**
- (b) any material factors that affected the cash flow, working capital, assets or liabilities of the group during the current financial period reported on.**

Please refer to explanatory notes to the condensed interim consolidated statement of comprehensive income, statement of financial position and statement of cashflows.

3. Status on the use of proceeds from IPO and any offerings pursuant to Chapter 8 of the SGX Listing Manual and whether the use of proceeds is in accordance with the stated use.

The Company had received an aggregate amount of \$50,985,022 from the following share issuance exercise:

- (a) \$23,000,000 from the Subscription Shares Issue;
- (b) \$15,180,000 from the exercise of Share Options; and
- (c) \$12,805,022 from the exercise of Bonus Warrants.

After reviewing the Group's acquisition plans and cash flow needs for working capital, the Company has made a re-allocation and change in use of the Subscription Gross Proceeds and Warrants Gross Proceeds to include the Capital Reduction Exercise ("Cash Distribution"), in the following manner:

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Other Information Required by Listing Rule Appendix 7.2

(i) With respect to the Gross Proceeds from Share Subscription and Options Exercise:

<u>Intended Use</u>	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Amount Allocated</u>	<u>Re-allocation Amount</u>	<u>Amount Allocated after the Re-allocation</u>	<u>Re-allocation</u>	<u>Amount Utilised as at 30 Sep 2023</u>	<u>Amount Unutilised as at 30 Sep 2023</u>
	<u>%</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>
Proposed acquisitions to be undertaken by the Company	80	30.54	(12.34)	18.20	48	18.20 ¹	-
Working capital and general corporate purposes	20	7.64	4.70	12.34	32	8.58 ²	3.76
Payment of the Cash Distribution	-	-	7.64	7.64	20	7.64 ³	-
	100	38.18	-	38.18	100	34.42	3.76

¹ Acquisition of MTBL Global Pte Ltd shareholding interest, refundable deposit paid for acquisition of Octopus Group and transaction costs related to the acquisitions

² Working capital for wholly-owned subsidiaries: 1> Ascent Bridge (Singapore) Pte Ltd , 2> MTBL Global Pte Ltd and its subsidiaries.

³ Cash payment for Capital Reduction on 9 July 2021

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Other Information Required by Listing Rule Appendix 7.2

(ii) With respect to the Gross Proceeds from Warrants Exercise:

<u>Intended Use</u>	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Amount Allocated</u>	<u>Re-allocation Amount</u>	<u>Amount Allocated after the Re-allocation</u>	<u>Re-allocation</u>	<u>Amount Utilised as at 30 Sep 2023</u>	<u>Amount Unutilised as at 30 Sep 2023</u>
	<u>%</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>	<u>(S\$ million)</u>
Proposed acquisitions to be undertaken by the Company	50	6.40	(6.40)	-	-	-	-
Repayment of loans or borrowings	30	3.84	(3.84)	-	-	-	-
Working capital and general corporate purposes	20	2.56	5.53	8.09	63	8.09 ²	-
Payment of the Cash Distribution	-	-	4.71	4.71	37	4.71 ³	-
Total	100	12.80	-	12.80	100	12.80	-

³ Cash payment for Capital Reduction on 9 July 2021

4. Where a forecast, or a prospect statement, has been previously disclosed to shareholders, any variance between it and the actual results.

The Group's results are in line with the profit guidance announced on 31 October 2023.

5. **A commentary at the date of the announcement of the significant trends and competitive conditions of the industry in which the group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months.**

The Group continues to expand its market presence and coverage globally. During the first half year of FY2024, the Group has successfully listed the product with major global travel retailers at Asian airports covering Mongolia, Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia and Vietnam. The Company has also listed the product at US airports such in New York, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Besides New York, California, New Jersey and Florida where the Group has completed brand and pricing registration during last financial year, the Group had obtained the permits to sell the product in the other 3 new states, i.e. Illinois, Georgia and Nevada in September 2023. In the meantime, US market situation is challenging due to the competitive pricing from other baijiu brands as a result of more baijiu products available in US market compared to FY 2023.

Due to local regulatory requirement for importing and distribution, it takes longer than expected time to materialise the signed sales agreements with distributors in countries such as Croatia (covering 26 Schengen countries). The Group is actively working with the distributor to clear local custom requirement and finalise marketing programme to ensure more effective product rollout in local market.

Currently, our products have been delivered to around 20 countries, the Group is working hard to push out the product in more countries with an aim to extend its global coverage.

The Company has on 10 November 2023, submitted a further application to the SGX-ST for a 12-month extension of time to the Cure Period.

The Group will make relevant announcements of any material development that may impact the Group's operations and performance as and when they arise.

6. **Dividend**

- (a) **Current Financial Period Reported On**

Any dividend declared for the current financial period on?

None

- (b) **Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year**

Any dividend declared for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year?

None

- (c) **Date payable**

Not applicable

- (d) **Book closure date**

Not applicable

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7. **If no dividend has been declared/recommended, a statement to that effect and the reason(s) for the decision.**

No dividend has been declared or recommend for the financial period ended 30 September 2023 as the company does not have retained earnings.

8. **If the Group has obtained general mandate from shareholders for IPTs, the aggregate value of such transactions as required under Rule 920 (1)(a)(ii). If no IPT mandate has been obtained, a statement to that effect.**

Name of interest person	Nature of Relationship	Aggregate value of all interested person transactions during the financial period under review (excluding transactions less than \$100,000 and transaction conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920)	Aggregate value of all interest person transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920 (excluding transactions less than \$100,000)
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

The Group does not obtain a shareholders' mandate for interested person transactions.

9. **Confirmation of procurement of Undertakings from all Directors and Executive Officers.**

The Company confirms that it has procured the Undertakings from all its Directors and Executive Officers in the format set out in Appendix 7.7 under Rule 720(1) of the Listing Manual.

10. **Disclosure of person occupying a managerial position in the issuer or any of its principal subsidiaries who is relative of a director or chief executive officer or substantial shareholder of the issuer pursuant to Rule 704(13) in the format below. If there are no such persons, the issuer must make an appropriate negative statement.**

Pursuant to Rule 704(13) of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited, we confirm that as at 30 September 2023, none of the persons occupying the managerial positions in the Company or any its principal subsidiaries is a relative of a Director or Chief Executive Officer or Substantial Shareholder of the Company.

11. **Additional information required pursuant to Rule 706A of the Listing Manual.**

Not applicable.

12. Confirmation by the Board pursuant to Rule 705 (5) of the Listing Manual

The Board has confirmed that to the best of its knowledge, nothing has come to its attention which may render the unaudited financial statements of the Company or the unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the first half ended 30 September 2023 to be false or misleading in any material respect.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

SUN QUAN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

10 November 2023