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BBR Holdings reports S\$0.9 million in profits for the six months ended 30 June 2015

Highlights

- Order book of approximately S\$500 million
- Net asset value per share at 42.92 cents

SINGAPORE, 4 August 2015 – MAINBOARD-LISTED BBR Holdings (S) Ltd (BBR 控股) (“BBR” or “the Group”) announced today that the Group has reported a 41% revenue decrease to S\$198.7 million for the first six months of FY2015 (6MFY15) from S\$334.4 million for the same period in FY2014 (6MFY14). Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company decreased to S\$0.9 million in the current period from S\$10.2 million in the previous corresponding period.

Revenue for 6MFY15 declined to S\$198.7 million due mainly to lower revenue recorded for the general construction segment. A few major general construction projects were completed at the end of 2014, and hence there was lower volume of construction activities for the remaining projects under construction for 6MFY15.

Gross profit for 6MFY15 decreased to S\$11.6 million from S\$21.9 million in 6MFY14, largely due to a decline in revenue and a lower gross margin of 5.8% in 6M15 compared with 6.6% in 6MFY14. The lower gross margin achieved was generally a reflection of the current competitive and challenging environment in the construction industry, such as, labour shortages which have led to higher construction costs.

BBR’s Chief Executive Officer, Mr Andrew Tan (陈庆辉) said: “With an order book of approximately S\$500 million, we are geared to pursue new business opportunities for both general construction and specialised engineering. Operational efficiency and cost management remain our top priority.

We are pleased to add that construction of executive condominiums at Lake Life in Jurong Lake district is progressing well and Temporary Occupation Permit is expected to be obtained by the end of 2016. BBR has a 35% interest in this development.”

Financial Position

The Group's financial position continues to be strong. Net assets stood at S\$ 132.2 million as at 30 June 2015, a 1.6% decrease from S\$134.3 million as at 31 December 2014. Net asset value per share was 42.92 cents as compared to 43.61 cents at 31 December 2014. Earnings per share decreased to 0.01 cents as compared to 1.67 cents in the previous year.

Cash and cash equivalents, and pledged deposits decreased to S\$22.4 million as at 30 June 2015 from S\$44.6 million as at 31 December 2014, mainly attributable to loans to a joint venture to partially finance the purchase of land for a mixed development, net cash outflows from operating activities, dividends paid to shareholders, and partially offset by working capital loans and dividends received from an associate.

Market capitalisation was approximately S\$ 64.7 million based on the closing share price of 21 Singapore cents as at 4 August 2015.

Business Outlook

On 14 July 2015, the Ministry of Trade and Industry announced that based on advance estimates, the Singapore economy grew by 1.7 per cent on a year-on-year basis in the second quarter of 2015, lower than the 2.8 per cent growth in the previous quarter. On a quarter-on-quarter seasonally-adjusted annualised basis, the economy contracted by 4.6 per cent, a reversal from the 4.2 per cent expansion in the preceding quarter. The construction sector expanded by 2.7 per cent on a year-on-year basis in the second quarter, an improvement from the 2.1 per cent growth recorded in the previous quarter. Growth was supported by a stronger expansion in public sector activities. On a quarter-on-quarter seasonally-adjusted basis, the sector contracted at an annualized rate of 0.2 per cent, in contrast to the 8.3 per cent expansion in the preceding quarter.

The industry outlook remains challenging in the next 12 months with increasing competition and manpower shortages. The Group will continue to focus on its core business by leveraging its strong track record in building construction and civil engineering to secure more projects as well as enhancing cost effectiveness and efficiency optimisation in the management of on-going projects. BBR will also continue to conduct feasibility studies to undertake new property development projects.

As at the date of this announcement, the Group has an order book of approximately S\$500 million in respect of construction projects, predominantly in Singapore and Malaysia.

Please refer to ANNEX 1 for projects update.

This press release should be read in conjunction with the full SGX announcement released by BBR on 4 August 2015. A copy of the announcement is available on www.sgx.com.

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About BBR Group (www.bbr.com.sg)

The BBR Group (BBR控股) is one of Singapore's leading construction groups with more than 20 years of industry experience and businesses spanning across General Construction, Specialised Engineering, Property Development and Green Technology.

Established in 1993, the Group today has a presence in Singapore, Malaysia and the Philippines. Its General Construction activities are mainly undertaken through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Singapore Piling & Civil Engineering Private Limited (Singapore Piling), a company it acquired in 2001. Singapore Piling has a 40-year history and has been registered with the Building and Construction Authority of Singapore under the "A1" classification since 1984. Its Specialised Engineering arm is part of the BBR Network that spans 50 countries.

BBR's Property Development projects are as follows: Lush on Holland Hill, a freehold development with 56 spacious units in two 12-storey blocks completed in 2012; Bliss @Kovan, another freehold site to be developed into a five-storey condominium with superior design elements consisting of 140 units; 8 Nassim Hill, an upmarket development comprising 16 super luxury triplex units with basement carparks completed in 2010; Lake Life, a proposed development for 546 units of executive condominium on a 99-year leasehold HDB land site at Yuan Ching Road/Tao Ching Road, Jurong; and a new 99-year leasehold land parcel at Yishun Ave 4 secured in January 2015 for a proposed mixed commercial and residential property development.

The Group was listed on the Singapore Exchange Sesdaq in 1997 and was subsequently upgraded to the Mainboard in September 2006.

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ANNEX 1: Projects Update

1) Specialised Engineering & General Construction Segments

Currently, BBR is working on a number of civil engineering and building projects from both the public and private sectors in Singapore as well as Malaysia. These include:

- a third Pre-fabricated Pre-finished Volumetric Construction (PPVC) contract for the erection of one block of 11-storey and three blocks of 13-storey student hostel development and one block of 4-storey multi-storey car park with ancillary facilities at Nanyang Crescent, Nanyang Technological University (Western Water Catchment). The project is scheduled to be completed in the second quarter of 2017;
- two contracts worth RM335 million for specialised engineering projects in Terengganu. The first is the design and construction of the Gawi Marine Base and the bridge connecting to Pulau Poh in Kenyir Lake in Terengganu. The second project comprises the design and construction of a 362 metre long girder bridge to connect the village of Dusun to the village of Dura in Terengganu;
- a S\$196 million contract to construct green Halls of Residence at Nanyang Technological University using PPVC, scheduled for completion in the second half of 2016;
- a S\$80.3 million Walk2Ride programme awarded to a joint venture, Singapore Piling – Shincon JV by the Land Transport Authority (LTA) to design and construct covered linkways within 400 m radius of MRT stations, expected to be completed in 2018. BBR's wholly-owned subsidiary, Singapore Piling & Civil Engineering Private Limited has a 51% share in the joint venture;
- two contracts totalling RM76.45 million to construct and complete the facilities works for the Kelana Jaya LRT Line Extension Project, Package A and B, in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, which are expected to be completed in the second half of 2015;
- a S\$79.8 million contract secured from the LTA to widen Keppel Viaduct targeted to be completed in the first half of 2016;
- a S\$108 million contract from the HDB to build 808 HDB flats at Kallang Whampoa C23B due to be completed by end 2015;
- a S\$102.8 million contract to build 755 HDB flats at Kallang Whampoa C28B due to be completed by the second quarter of 2016;
- a S\$74.9 million contract from the HDB to build 474 HDB flats at Sengkang Neighbourhood 2 due to be completed by the third quarter of 2015;
- two contracts worth RM286 million to build two bridges in Terengganu and Sarawak in Malaysia, which are due to be completed at the end of 2015 and second quarter of 2016 respectively; and

- a contract for the construction and maintenance of a mixed-use development at The Springside at Jalan Ulu Seletar/Sembawang Road, Singapore due to be completed by the second half of 2015.

2) **Property Development Segment**

For its property development business, BBR is currently involved in three projects:

- **Bliss@Kovan** is a freehold site on Simon Lane, Singapore that is under construction and is to be developed into a five-storey condominium with superior design elements consisting of 140 units;
- **Lake Life**, a 99-years leasehold executive condominium consisting of 546 units which will offer modern and lifestyle design features at Yuan Ching Road/Tao Ching Road, Jurong, Singapore. BBR has a 35% interest in this development; and
- **The Wisteria** and **Wisteria Mall**, a proposed mixed residential and commercial development, respectively on a 99-years leasehold site at Yishun Avenue 4. There will be 216 units of condominium and the mall will provide convenience and amenities such as shops, restaurants, a supermarket and food court to residents in the development. BBR has a 25% effective interest in this development.

3) **Green Technology Segment**

The Group is executing a 20-year solar leasing contract from HDB for the design, installation, operation and maintenance of a 5MWp grid-tied solar photovoltaic system to be installed in Ang Mo Kio Town. Construction is ongoing and final commissioning is expected in 1Q16.