

PARKSON RETAIL ASIA LIMITED
(Company registration number: 201107706H)
Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore

UPDATE ON LEGAL PROCEEDINGS INVOLVING PARKSON CORPORATION SDN BHD

The Board of Directors (“**Board**”) of Parkson Retail Asia Limited (“**Company**”) refers to the Company’s announcements made on 26 December 2019, 14 February 2020, 15 May 2020, 22 May 2020, 27 August 2020, 30 October 2020, 1 February 2021, 4 February 2021, 17 February 2021, 11 May 2021, 13 August 2021, 12 November 2021, 22 February 2022, 13 May 2022, 12 August 2022, 14 November 2022, 21 February 2023, 22 March 2023, 12 May 2023 and 14 August 2023 (“**Previous Announcements**”) relating to the ongoing legal proceedings involving Parkson Corporation Sdn Bhd (“**PCSB**”) and PKNS Andaman Development Sdn Bhd (“**PKNS**”) in respect of the premises leased by PKNS to PCSB within a mall known as “EVO Shopping Mall”. All capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meaning ascribed to them in the Previous Announcements.

The Board hereby update that PKNS had on 6 September 2023, served PCSB with an Amended Writ and Amended Statement of Claim, both dated 3 September 2023. The amended claims are, *inter alia*, as follows (“**Amended Claims**”):

1. payment by PCSB of RM10,965,712 (approximately S\$3,200,733) to PKNS, being the outstanding monthly rental from 2 April 2018 to June 2023, and thereafter at the rate of RM182,958.60 (approximately S\$53,403) per month until the settlement of the said outstanding rental;
2. as an alternative to (1) above, payment by PCSB of RM11,722,419 (approximately S\$3,421,605) to PKNS, being the outstanding monthly rental from 27 February 2018 to June 2023, and thereafter at the rate of RM182,958.60 (approximately S\$53,403) per month until the settlement of the said outstanding rental; and
3. PCSB is to settle the above outstanding monthly rental within 14 days from the date of judgement.

PCSB maintains its position that no rental is payable as PKNS has failed to satisfy the conditions precedent as set out in the Tenancy Agreement for rental commencement to be triggered and PKNS’s act of issuing commencement notice pursuant to the Tenancy Agreement backdating the commencement date of rental without satisfying the conditions precedent is unlawful.

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PCSB has been advised by its solicitors that it has a strong case for maintaining its position and accordingly, has instructed its solicitors to file its defence. The trial dates for the matter remain from 20 to 24 November 2023.

In view of the quantum of the Amended Claims, in the event the outcome of the legal proceedings is ultimately not determined in PCSB's favour and PCSB is required to settle the Amended Claims in full, this will likely result in an adverse impact on the financial position of the Group for the financial year ending 31 December 2023.

The Company will make further announcements as and when there are any material developments.

For and on behalf of the Board

PARKSON RETAIL ASIA LIMITED

Tan Sri William Cheng Heng Jem
Executive Chairman

8 September 2023