

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

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**APPROVAL FROM THE SINGAPORE EXCHANGE SECURITIES TRADING LIMITED (“SGX-ST”) ON THE APPLICATION FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 1314 OF THE LISTING MANUAL OF THE SGX-ST (“LISTING MANUAL”) TO EXIT FROM THE SGX-ST WATCH-LIST (“WATCH-LIST”)**

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**INTRODUCTION**

The Board of Directors (“**Board**”) of Parkson Retail Asia Limited (“**Company**”, and together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) refers to the Company’s announcement made on 27 October 2023 in relation to the Company’s application to the SGX-ST for a further extension of time to meet the requirements under Rule 1314 of the Listing Manual for its removal from the Watch-List (“**Announcement**”).

Unless otherwise defined, all capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meaning ascribed to them in the Announcement.

**EXTENSION OF TIME GRANTED BY THE SGX-ST**

The Board is pleased to announce that the SGX-ST had on 1 December 2023 advised that it has no objection to the Company’s application for an extension of the Cure Period for a period of 12 months to 2 December 2024 (“**Waiver**”) for the Company to meet the requirements under Rule 1314 of the Listing Manual for its removal from the Watch-List, subject to the following:

- (a) the Company announcing the Waiver granted, the reasons for seeking the Waiver, the conditions as required under Rule 107 of the Listing Manual and if the Waiver conditions have been satisfied. If the Waiver conditions have not been met on the date of the announcement, the Company must make an update announcement when the conditions have all been met; and
- (b) submission of a written confirmation (“**Written Confirmation**”) from the Company that it is not aware of any information that will have a material bearing on investors’ decision which has yet to be announced by the Company.

The Waiver will not be effective if any of the conditions have not been fulfilled.

The Company is also required to make an immediate disclosure via SGXNET if it is or will be in contravention of any laws and regulations governing the Company and the constitution of the Company, arising from the Waiver.

**REASONS FOR SEEKING EXTENSION OF TIME**

The Company had made the Application due to the following reasons:

- (A) the Company had achieved an average daily market capitalisation (“**ADMC**”) of S\$40 million or more over the last six months;

- (B) the Company has achieved healthy cash flow from its operating activities as the net cash generated from the Group's operating activities for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 ("**FY2022**") (excluding non-recurrent income and income generated by activities outside the ordinary course of business) was approximately S\$99,500,000. Based on the unaudited financial results of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2023 ("**1H2023**" and such financial results, the "**1H2023 Results**"), the net cash generated from the Group's operating activities (excluding non-recurrent income and income generated by activities outside the ordinary course of business) for 1H2023 was approximately S\$22,500,000; and
- (C) the Company has made considerable progress towards the satisfaction of the criterion under Rule 1314 of the Listing Manual of recording consolidated pre-tax profit for its most recently completed financial year (based on full year consolidated accounts):
- (i) based on the latest audited full year consolidated financial statements of the Company for FY2022 ("**FY2022 Results**"), the Company's consolidated profit before tax from continuing operations for FY2022 was approximately S\$41,900,000 (excluding non-recurrent income and income generated by activities outside the ordinary course of business); and
  - (ii) based on the 1H2023 Results, the Company's consolidated profit before tax from continuing operations for 1H2023 was approximately S\$24,600,000 (excluding non-recurrent income and income generated by activities outside the ordinary course of business).

However, in respect of the FY2022 Results, the Company's auditors, Foo Kon Tan LLP, have stated that notwithstanding that the Company reported a consolidated pre-tax profit for FY2022, a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern existed<sup>1</sup>. The Company noted paragraph 3.3 of Practice Note 13.2 of the Listing Manual which provides that the SGX-ST will reject an application to exit from the Watch-List if the issuer's auditors have stated that a material uncertainty related to going concern exists. As such, the Company has taken the view that it is presently not in a position to make an application to exit from the Watch-List, notwithstanding that a consolidated pre-tax profit was recorded for FY2022 and that it had achieved an ADMC of S\$40 million or more over the last six months.

## **SATISFACTION OF WAIVER CONDITIONS**

In respect of the Waiver condition in paragraph (b) above, the Company will be submitting the Written Confirmation to the SGX-ST and will release an update announcement after the submission.

For and on behalf of the Board  
**PARKSON RETAIL ASIA LIMITED**

Tan Sri William Cheng Heng Jem  
Executive Chairman  
4 December 2023

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<sup>1</sup> Please refer to page 43 of the Company's annual report for FY2022.