

## **AVARGA LIMITED**

(Formerly known as UPP Holdings Limited) (Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore) (Company Registration Number: 196700346M) (the "Company")

#### RESIGNATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

The Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") wishes to announce the following:

## **Resignation**

Garson David Lee has resigned as independent director of the Company with immediate effect and he shall ipso facto cease to be a member of the following committees of the Company (the "Resignation"):

- (i) Audit and Risk Management Committee ("ARMC"); and
- (ii) Remuneration Committee ("RC").

# Composition of Board, ARMC and RC

Following the Resignation, the Board, ARMC and RC shall be as follows:

## **Board**

Tong Kooi Ong - Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Tong lan - Executive Director

Gary Ho Kuat Foong - Lead Independent Director
Ng Shin Ein - Independent Director
Kalimullah Bin Masheerul Hassan - Independent Director

Chan Lay Hoon - Non-Independent Non-Executive Director

#### ARMC

Gary Ho Kuat Foong - Chairman
Ng Shin Ein - Member
Kalimullah Bin Masheerul Hassan - Member
Chan Lay Hoon - Member

## RC

Ng Shin Ein - Chairman Kalimullah Bin Masheerul Hassan - Member

With the Resignation, the Board is aware that the Company will not be able to comply with provision 2.2 of the Code of Corporate Governance 2018 ("**CG**") which provides that independent directors shall make up a majority of Board where the Chairman is not independent.

In this regard, the Company is in the process of looking for a suitable candidate to be appointed as independent director and will make further announcement once confirmed.

Once a suitable candidate has been appointed, the Board will review the composition of the RC and put through the necessary appointment(s) to ensure the composition is in accordance with the CG.

# BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Tong Ian
Executive Director

10 September 2019