

## NICO STEEL HOLDINGS LIMITED

尼尔金属控股有限公司

(Incorporated in Singapore with Unique Entity No. 200104166D)

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SGX Stock Code: 5GF



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### PROFIT GUIDANCE FOR FULL YEAR ENDING 29 FEBRUARY 2020

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The Board of Directors of Nico Steel Holdings Limited (the “**Company**” and together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) wishes to announce that following a preliminary review of the unaudited results for the full financial year ended 29 February 2020 (“**FY2020**”), the Group expects to report a net loss for FY2020.

The expected net loss for the reporting period is attributable to the following:

1. the protracted trade dispute between the United States and China that started in July 2018, which intensified with the publication of certain technology companies originating from the Peoples’ Republic of China in the Entity List by the US Commerce Department<sup>1</sup> in May 2019; and
2. the adverse impact from the outbreak of Novel Coronavirus (“**COVID-19**”) that disrupted the Group’s operations in Suzhou, China, and its overall business performance.

The Group is still in the process of finalising the financial results for FY2020. The Board expects the announcement of the unaudited consolidated full-year results of the Group for FY2020 to be released by 29 April 2020.

**The Board wishes to advise shareholders and potential investors to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company. Persons who are in doubt as to the action they should take, should consult their stockbrokers, bank managers, solicitors, accountants or other professional advisers before trading in or making any investment decision regarding the Company’s securities.**

Note:

- 1 The Entity List identifies foreign parties that are prohibited from receiving some or all items subject to the Export Administrative Regulations (of the United States of America) (“**EAR**”) unless the exporter secures a license. These parties present a greater risk of diversion to weapons of mass destruction (WMD) programs, terrorism, or other activities contrary to U.S. national security and/or foreign policy interests. By publicly listing such parties, the Entity List is an important tool to prevent unauthorized trade in items subject to the EAR.

#### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Tan Chee Khiong Danny

Executive Chairman & President

Date: 31 March 2020