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Sapphire's Ranken and Consortium Partners Secure Public-Private-Partnership ("PPP") Project in Chengdu; Marks the Group's Maiden Participation in a PPP Project as a 25% stakeholder

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- Well-known consortium partners that includes Beijing Enterprises Water (China) Investment Limited (北控水务(中国)投资有限公司) and Chongqing Derun Environment Co., Ltd. (重庆德润环境有限公司) and Nuclear Industry Southwest Survey and Design Research Institute Co., Ltd. (核工业西南勘察设计研究院有限公司)

Singapore, 19 November 2018 – SGX Mainboard-listed **Sapphire Corporation Limited ("Sapphire" or "盛世企业" and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group")**, an established infrastructure design and construction group in China, is pleased to announce that the Group's 97.6% owned subsidiary, Ranken Railway Construction Group Co., Ltd ("Ranken"), and its consortium partners have secured a PPP project to carry out investment and financing, design, build, operate and transfer works ("DBFOT Works") with the Urban and Rural Coordination Work Bureau of Chengdu Wuhou District（成都武侯区统筹城乡工作局）for the first phase of Wuhou District, "Liveable River Bank" project in Chengdu, Sichuan Province, China.

Focusing on a broader urban renewal effort to create a greener living environment in Wuhou District, this PPP project involves the design, build, finance and management of ecological restoration, flood control measures and building infrastructures along an 18.68 km embankment along Jiang An River (江安河), one of the key waterways in Chengdu.

The DBFOT Works period of the PPP project is expected to be 15 years, which comprises 2 years of construction as well as the operational/management rights of the building infrastructures along the river bank for a 13-year period.

Revenue from this PPP project will be derived from government subsidies and operational/ management rights of the building infrastructures along the river bank for a 13-year period, whereby the consortium partners are looking to develop new recreational amenities (such as bicycle and pedestrian pathways), F&B retail and lifestyle concepts to generate long-term recurring revenue for the consortium partners.

Potential Benefits for Sapphire/Ranken

Collaborating closely together, each consortium partner will provide their own industry expertise, technical knowledge and financial resources that aims for the timely completion and success of the PPP project.

The cost of this PPP project is estimated at RMB 1.4 billion, where 20% of the cost will be funded by consortium partners, whom will together form a Project Company, in proportion to their shareholding in the PPP project, and 80% will be funded by project financing from financial institutions.

The registered share capital of the Project Company is RMB 50 million and the initial equity investment is set at RMB 30 million with the balance of equity injection to be disbursed into Project Company in tranches progressively over the course of construction of the PPP project (which is envisioned to be approximately 2 years).

As part of the consortium, Ranken will invest 25% equity interest in the Project Company with an initial cash investment of RMB 7.5 million, which will be funded through Ranken's internal resources.

Commenting on the Group's first PPP project, Ms Wang Heng (王恒), Chief Executive Officer of Sapphire, said, *"This massive PPP project comes on the heel of our recent water treatment facility improvement project announced in September. While the Group's railway infrastructure construction business continues to grow steadily, our water and environment management business has gained significant momentum in recent years.*

Ms Wang added, *"This PPP project is different from the water treatment infrastructure projects previously undertaken by us as it provides the Group a learning ground to gain new insights and expertise in the integrated water improvement and environmental management component of this PPP project.*

Apart from the potential of revenue contribution from the PPP project, the Group is directly involved in the entire spectrum of the PPP project, thereby accumulating new valuable knowledge and operating experience in the PPP industry and it will be very useful in expanding our presence in the PPP industry."

Established and Well-Known Consortium Partners

A PPP project is generally defined as a long-term contract between a government agency and private organisation(s) for the construction and operation of economic and social infrastructure (such as water treatment facilities, utilities and public transport systems). The PPP model has been well-established for many public infrastructure projects and it has been used in more than half of the world's countries.

The consortium partners of this PPP project include Beijing Enterprises Water (China) Investment Limited, Chongqing Derun Environment Co., Ltd. and Nuclear Industry Southwest Survey and Design Research Institute Co., Ltd.

Beijing Enterprises Water (China) Investment Limited is part of Beijing Enterprises Water Group Limited ("BEWG"), a company listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (Stock Code: 0371), is a large-scale group which provides a broad range of water services and environmental protection services in China. Currently, BEWG owns and operates a few hundred water supply plants and sewage treatment plants in China, Malaysia, and Portugal, with a total water treatment capacity of over tens of million tons per day.

Throughout the years, BEWG was consistently awarded "China Water Service Outstanding New Enterprises", "Best Water Business Enterprises in China", and recently, BEWG has been ranked No.1 of the "Top Ten Water Enterprises with Influence in China" for the eighth consecutive years.

Chongqing Derun Environment Co., Ltd. ("Derun Environment") is jointly established in 2015 by SUEZ, NWS and Chongqing Water Assets Management Company and it is the biggest Sino-French investment platform in China's environment market, as well as the key investment project of SUEZ in China. Derun Environment aims to become a provider of systematic solutions for urban environmental problems domestically and globally. Derun Environment's total assets value has reached nearly RMB 30 billion.

Nuclear Industry Southwest Survey and Design Research Institute Co. LTD. ("NISSDRI") is established in 1955 with its origins as an engineering and construction unit of The Chinese People's Liberation Army. Headquartered in Chengdu, it has grown into a well-known integrated engineering and construction enterprise in China with strong capabilities in project management, design, consultancy, inspection and construction. With a reputation affirmed by the numerous government awards and accolades, NISSDRI's comprehensive track record in China includes roads construction, municipal infrastructure projects, construction works among others.

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About Sapphire Corporation Limited

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Listed on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange since 1999, Sapphire Corporation Limited ("Sapphire" or the "Group") owns a 100% stake in China-based Ranken Infrastructure Limited ("Ranken") and its subsidiaries, which was founded in 1998, which has grown into an established integrated infrastructure design and construction group.

Notably, Ranken is one of the few private operators in China that holds full Triple-A qualifications and licences for design, civil engineering, construction and project consultation in the rail sector.

With a track record in major infrastructure projects across China, Bangladesh, India and Saudi Arabia, the Group has built up integrated capabilities and specialised industry knowledge to undertake an extensive scope of work associated with vital urban infrastructure projects (that includes urban rail transport system, expressways, roads, bridges and among others).

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