
PROFIT GUIDANCE FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Board of Directors (the “**Board**”) of Aspen (Group) Holdings Limited (the “**Company**” and together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) wishes to inform shareholders and potential investors of the Company that, based on its preliminary review and assessment of the information currently available to the Board, including the unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 31 December 2021 (“**HY2022**”), the Group is expected to report a consolidated net loss for HY2022.

The expected loss for HY2022 is attributable mainly due to the unprecedented business disruptions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic to the operations of the Group. For the Property Development sector, the temporary halt of the construction works of the Group’s ongoing projects, namely Vivo Executive Apartment and Viluxe, to comply with the Full Movement Control Order imposed by the Government of Malaysia to curb the spread of the Covid-19 infection in the country, as well as the severe supply chain disruptions and unskilled foreign labour shortage due to the temporary entry ban to Malaysia, has severely impacted the construction progress. This was further compounded by the tight Covid-19 Standard Operating Procedure (“**SOP**”) set by the Government of Malaysia on the resumption of construction activities. Despite recording a significant increase in unbilled sales and bookings in Q4 2021, underpinned by the increase in demand for the Group’s overall development properties, especially in Aspen Vision City, the Group was unable to realise revenue from the new sales owing to the delay in the construction progress, longer legal documentation processes and slow turnaround by various government agencies caused by the Covid-19 SOPs. In addition, the Group’s Healthcare Sector was impacted by the ongoing global supply chain challenges, higher shipping and logistics costs, prolonged shipping delays, higher production and energy costs, lower capacity utilisation rate and continuous decline in the average selling prices (ASP) of gloves.

Pursuant to Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) (SFRS(I)) 1-40 Investment Property, the Group also recorded an impairment loss in an associate company of the Group, Bandar Cassia Properties (SC) Sdn. Bhd. (“**BCP**”), based on the latest valuation report in respect of the development land owned by BCP.

The Company is still in the midst of finalising its financial results for HY2022 (the “**Results**”). Further details on the Group’s financial performance will be made available in the Results, which will be announced on or before 14 February 2022.

Shareholders and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing or trading in the securities of the Company. Shareholders and potential investors are advised to read this announcement and any further announcements by the Company carefully. When in doubt as to the action they should take, shareholders and potential investors should consult their stockbrokers, bank managers, solicitors, accountants or other professional advisers.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Aspen (Group) Holdings Limited

Dato’ Murly Manokharan
President and Group Chief Executive Officer
28 January 2022