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## **OUR RETAIL BUSINESS**

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#### 1. Impact of Covid-19 pandemic

- Sales of goods and consignment income for 2020 were severely affected by the circuit breaker, safe distancing measures, and poorer consumer sentiments.
- Consumer habits have also changed, with more online shopping.
- Our Managing Director will elaborate further on these points, as well as the Company's responses and strategies moving forward.

#### 2. Completion of our renovation at Isetan Scotts

- We are happy to inform shareholders that the renovations were completed in November 2020, in time for the Christmas festive season last year.
- The store now houses new F&B tenants, and focuses on the core areas of Beauty, Fashion and Food.
- We are monitoring closely the performance of the store and will fine tune its offerings moving forward.

# OUR INVESTMENT PROPERTY BUSINESS

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#### 1. Impact of Covid-19

- Our tenants at Isetan Wisma Atria who are consumer-facing were similarly affected by the pandemic. As we co-exist in a symbiotic relationship with our tenants, rental rebates were given to them to tie over the difficult period. One of our main tenants also vacated the premises and the Covid-19 situation presents challenges in finding suitable replacement tenants. As a result, our 2020 rental revenue at the premises was affected.
- Rental rebates were similarly given to tenants at our warehouse, which affected the rental revenue in 2020.
- 2. As per the Company's announcement on 22 Jan 2021, it is currently exploring its options regarding Isetan Wisma Atria. Our Managing Director will elaborate further in his speech.

## **MOVING AHEAD**

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#### 1. 2021 FORECAST BY GOVERNMENT

- GDP growth at 4% to 6%
- retail trade is not likely to return to pre-Covid-19 levels by end 2021 due to slower recovery in visitor arrivals and capacity limitations posed by safe distancing measures
- however, there is a sense of growing confidence as Singapore's Covid-19 cases have been kept low and its vaccination programme is now underway.

#### 2. Strategies ahead

- Prioritize health and safety for our customers, staff and rest of Isetan community
- Enhance omnichannel experience
  - due to the changing shopping habits of consumers, we are putting in more resources on E-commerce to complement our brick-and-mortar stores, and to offer more touchpoints for our customers

### **MOVING AHEAD (continued)**

#### 2. Strategies ahead (continued)

- improve performance of the stores
- explore new avenues of growth besides our existing department store and investment property businesses.
- adopt prudent approach in terms of our financial investments due to the current pandemic situation.
- Exploration of options regarding Isetan Wisma Atria and key factors being considered.

We look forward to all stakeholders' support as we continue to steer through this pandemic.

## End

Thank you.