

ASPEN (GROUP) HOLDINGS LIMITED

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(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT OF RM617,000,000 TO KERJAYA PROSPEK IN RESPECT OF PILING WORKS AND MAIN BUILDING WORKS FOR PROJECTS KNOWN AS VIVO (PLOT 21) AND VIIO (PLOT 22 & PLOT 23) IN BANDAR CASSIA, BATU KAWAN, PENANG, MALAYSIA

1. INTRODUCTION

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Aspen (Group) Holdings Limited (the “**Company**” and together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) wishes to announce that, its indirect subsidiary, Aspen Vision City Sdn. Bhd. (“**AV City**”), has on 13 January 2020 awarded a lump sum contract with a total value of RM617,000,000 (the “**Letter of Award**”) to Kerjaya Prospek (M) Sdn. Bhd. (Company No. 352407-U) (“**KPSB**”), an independent third party, in respect of the piling works and main contract works for the following projects:

(i) Vivo (Plot 21); and

(ii) Viio (Plot 22 & Plot 23),

both located in Aspen Vision City, Bandar Cassia, Batu Kawan, Penang, Malaysia (collectively the “**Projects**”).

Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Letter of Award, KPSB will act as the main contractor for the Projects and the contract sum awarded for Vivo and Viio are RM365,000,000 and RM252,00,000 respectively. KPSB’s scope of work includes, *inter alia*, design and build for piling, main building works and mechanical and electrical works (collectively the “**Works**”).

The Works for Vivo (Plot 21) is expected to commence on 14 February 2020 and to be completed within 38 months from the said commencement date whereas the Works for Viio is to be completed within 36 months from a commencement date to be determined.

The signing of the Letter of Award between AV City and KPSB took place on 13 January 2020 via a signing ceremony to mark the strategic collaboration.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECTS

Vivo consists of 3 48-storey blocks, housing a total of 1,530 units of executive apartments and a nine storey podium consisting of car parks, community recreational facilities and shop lots. Vivo, which was previewed in early 2019, received tremendous response from the public, prompting the Group to plan for a second phase of the development known as Viio.

Viio, which is situated adjacent to Vivo, consists of 2 blocks, each 46 and 48 storeys, housing a total of 980 executive apartments and a nine storey podium consisting of car parks, community recreational facilities and shop lots. Viio is targeted to be launched in the second quarter of 2020.

3. INFORMATION ON KPSB

KPSB was incorporated in July 1995 and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Kerjaya Prospek Group Berhad (formerly known as Fututech Berhad). KPSB is a Grade 7 contractor registered with the Construction Industry Development Board in Malaysia.

Kerjaya Prospek Group Berhad is one of the five Malaysian companies under Forbes' "Best under a billion" list in 2017 (top 200 publicly-traded companies in the Asia Pacific region), a list that honours the top stock-traded companies with annual revenue between 5,000,000 USD and 1,000,000,000 USD.

4. RATIONALE

The rationale for selecting KPSB is as follows:-

- (i) KPSB is the main contractor for AV City's on-going residential project known as Vertu. The construction for Vertu is progressing smoothly and is set for timely completion;
- (ii) KPSB boasts a solid reputation and strong portfolio with outstanding performance and credentials;
- (iii) KPSB possesses competitive advantage in the field with success in both high-rise and landed projects;
- (iv) KPSB has good technical experts as a solution provider for both premium high-rise and landed developments;
- (v) KPSB is known for its commitment in delivering high quality projects within time and budget; and
- (vi) KPSB is an experienced high-end property builder that has worked with various leading players within the industry throughout Malaysia.

5. FINANCIAL EFFECTS

The Letter of Award is not expected to have a material impact on the consolidated earnings and net tangible assets per share of the Group for the financial year ending 31 December 2020.

6. INTEREST OF DIRECTORS AND CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDERS

None of the directors or the controlling shareholders of the Company has any interests, direct or indirect in the Letter of Award (other than through their respective effective shareholding interests in the Company).

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Aspen (Group) Holdings Limited

Dato' Murly Manokharan

President and Group Chief Executive Officer

13 January 2020

This announcement has been prepared by the Company and its contents have been reviewed by the Company's sponsor, PrimePartners Corporate Finance Pte. Ltd. (the "Sponsor") in accordance with Rules 226(2)(b) and 753(2) of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "SGX-ST") Listing Manual Section B: Rules of Catalist.

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