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## **GT STEEL CONSTRUCTION GROUP LIMITED**

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock code: 8402)**

### **THIRD QUARTERLY RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

#### **CHARACTERISTICS OF GEM OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE OF HONG KONG LIMITED (THE “STOCK EXCHANGE”)**

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## UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS

The board (the “Board”) of the Directors is pleased to present the unaudited consolidated financial results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “Group”) for the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2021, together with the unaudited comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2020, as follows:

### UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

*For the three months and nine months ended 30 September 2021*

		Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
		2021	2020	2021	2020
	Note	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue	3	950,387	2,830,759	14,903,404	6,127,778
Cost of services		<u>(2,432,334)</u>	<u>(2,433,156)</u>	<u>(16,419,415)</u>	<u>(5,363,078)</u>
<b>Gross (loss) profit</b>		<b>(1,481,947)</b>	397,603	<b>(1,516,011)</b>	764,700
Other income	4A	130,585	98,646	391,441	313,073
Other gains	4B	399	—	399	—
Selling expenses		(43,493)	(30,764)	(131,482)	(112,571)
Administrative expenses		(764,438)	(834,133)	(2,874,128)	(2,630,605)
Other expenses		—	(41,529)	—	(99,139)
Finance costs	5	<u>(60,674)</u>	<u>(43,676)</u>	<u>(189,322)</u>	<u>(129,591)</u>
<b>Loss before taxation</b>	6	<b>(2,219,568)</b>	(453,853)	<b>(4,319,103)</b>	(1,894,133)
Income tax expense	7	<u>(8,285)</u>	—	<u>(8,285)</u>	<u>(277,332)</u>
<b>Loss for the period</b>		<b>(2,227,853)</b>	(453,853)	<b>(4,327,388)</b>	(2,171,465)
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>					
<i>Item that was subsequently reclassified to profit or loss</i>		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(8,649)</u>	<u>7,465</u>
<b>Total comprehensive expense for the period</b>		<u><b>(2,227,853)</b></u>	<u>(453,853)</u>	<u><b>(4,336,037)</b></u>	<u>(2,164,000)</u>
<b>Basic loss per share (S\$ cents)</b>	9	<u><b>(0.46)</b></u>	<u>(0.09)</u>	<u><b>(0.90)</b></u>	<u>(0.45)</u>

# UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

*For the nine months ended 30 September 2021*

	Share Capital S\$	Share Premium S\$	Merger Reserves S\$	Accumulated Profits S\$	Translation Reserve S\$	Total S\$
At 1 January 2020 (audited)	827,586	8,613,061	2,999,983	18,386,434	(7,465)	30,819,599
Total comprehensive expense for the period	—	—	—	(2,171,465)	7,465	(2,164,000)
At 30 September 2020 (unaudited)	<u>827,586</u>	<u>8,613,061</u>	<u>2,999,983</u>	<u>16,214,969</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>28,655,599</u>
At 1 January 2021 (audited)	827,586	8,613,061	2,999,983	14,995,562	8,649	27,444,841
Total comprehensive expense for the period	—	—	—	(4,327,388)	(8,649)	(4,336,037)
At 30 September 2021 (unaudited)	<u>827,586</u>	<u>8,613,061</u>	<u>2,999,983</u>	<u>10,668,174</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>23,108,804</u>

## **NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS**

### **1. GENERAL**

The Company was incorporated and registered as an exempted company in the Cayman Islands with limited liability on 1 February 2017. The registered office of the Company is Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman, KY1-1111, Cayman Islands. The principal place of business is at 64 Woodlands Industrial Park E9, Singapore 757833. The shares of the Company are listed on GEM of the Stock Exchange with effect from 17 November 2017.

Broadbville Limited (“Broadbville”), a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands (“BVI”) with limited liability, is the Company’s ultimate holding company. Its ultimate controlling party is Mr. Ong Cheng Yew, who is the chairman and executive director of the Company.

The Company is an investment holding company and its operating subsidiaries, are engaged in the designing, supplying, fabricating and erecting structural steel-works for the construction of buildings including technological plants, industrial buildings, commercial buildings, government institutions and residential buildings and provision of pre-fabricated steel structures or on-site installation services.

The unaudited consolidated financial information is presented in Singapore Dollar (“S\$”), which is also the functional currency of the Company.

The unaudited consolidated financial information was approved by the Board on 12 November 2021.

### **2. BASIS OF PREPARATION**

These unaudited condensed consolidated financial results should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020, which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”). For these unaudited consolidated financial results, the Group has applied the new and amendments to IFRSs and interpretations. The adoption of new and revised standards did not have substantial effect on the financial performance and position of the Group.

### **3. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION**

Revenue represents the fair value of amounts received and receivable from the provision of construction services, installation and auxiliary services provided by the Group to external customers. The Group’s operations are mainly derived from Singapore during the financial period.

Information is reported to the executive Directors, being the chief operating decision maker (“CODM”) of the Group, for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment. The CODM reviews revenue by category, i.e. provision of services comprising design, supply, fabrication and erection of structural steel-works for the construction of buildings, including technological plants, industrial buildings, commercial buildings, government institutions and residential buildings in Singapore and Malaysia and other installation and auxiliary services by the Group to external customers for the respective reporting period. No analysis of the Group’s results, assets and liabilities is regularly provided to the CODM for review. Accordingly, only entity-wide disclosures on services, major customers and geographical information are presented in accordance with IFRS 8 Operating Segments.

An analysis of the Group's revenue for the period is as follows:

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue from:				
Provision of structural steel-works services	<u>950,387</u>	<u>2,830,759</u>	<u>14,903,404</u>	<u>6,127,778</u>

#### Timing of recognition

Revenue based by timing of recognition are as follows:

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Over time	<u>950,387</u>	<u>2,830,759</u>	<u>14,903,404</u>	<u>6,127,778</u>

#### Major customers

Revenue from customers individually contributing over 10% of the total revenue of the Group are as follows:

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Customer I	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	1,117,951
Customer II	N/A*	2,551,862	1,823,936	3,594,855
Customer III	N/A*	N/A*	3,009,380	N/A*
Customer IV	N/A*	N/A*	1,573,451	N/A*

\* The corresponding revenue did not contribute over 10% of the total revenue of the Group for the respective reporting period.

## Geographical information

Revenue based on geographical location of customers are as follows:

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Singapore	<u>950,387</u>	<u>2,830,759</u>	<u>14,903,404</u>	<u>6,127,778</u>

### 4. A. OTHER INCOME

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Insurance claim receipt	—	—	1,453	29,245
Government grants	74,775	78,164	268,963	193,457
Rental income	32,296	20,482	96,889	85,753
Sundry income	<u>23,514</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>24,136</u>	<u>4,618</u>
	<u>130,585</u>	<u>98,646</u>	<u>391,441</u>	<u>313,073</u>

### B. OTHER GAINS

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	<u>399</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>399</u>	<u>—</u>

## 5. FINANCE COSTS

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Interest on:				
Bank borrowings				
— wholly repayable				
within five years	36,293	11,341	105,547	40,507
— not wholly repayable				
within five years	3,857	8,708	24,324	29,156
Lease liabilities	20,524	23,627	59,451	59,928
	<u>60,674</u>	<u>43,676</u>	<u>189,322</u>	<u>129,591</u>

## 6. LOSS BEFORE TAXATION

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Loss for the period has been arrived at after charging:				
Expenses in relation to the Proposed Transfer	—	41,529	—	99,139
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment:				
— Recognised in cost of services	54,866	36,677	132,153	206,037
— Recognised in administrative expenses	209,363	194,425	546,250	565,412
Depreciation of right-of-use assets:				
— Recognised in cost of services	80,904	82,337	242,775	166,674
— Recognised in administrative expenses	74,608	67,559	223,823	314,660
Depreciation of investment properties	13,317	13,317	39,950	39,950
Directors' remuneration	172,676	135,642	424,916	393,820
Other staff costs				
— Salaries and wages	729,415	326,213	2,475,116	1,419,399
— Defined contribution plans	15,208	16,658	50,337	51,302
— Other staff benefits	30,184	13,749	100,633	40,845
Total staff costs	<u>947,483</u>	<u>492,262</u>	<u>3,051,002</u>	<u>1,905,366</u>
Cost of materials recognised as expenses	—	1,016,247	4,243,438	1,592,342
Subcontractor costs recognised as expenses	<u>1,426,796</u>	<u>997,370</u>	<u>8,694,268</u>	<u>2,125,799</u>

## 7. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Tax expense comprises:				
Current tax				
— Singapore corporate income tax (“CIT”)	—	—	—	—
— under provision in prior years	8,285	—	8,285	277,332
Deferred tax expense				
— under provision in prior years	—	—	—	—
	<u>8,285</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>8,285</u>	<u>277,332</u>

Singapore CIT is calculated at 17% (2020: 17%) of the estimated assessable profit for the period.

## 8. DIVIDEND

The Directors do not recommend the payment of dividend for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 (2020: Nil).

## 9. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic loss per share is based on the loss for the period attributable to owners of the Company and the weighted average number of shares in issue.

No diluted loss per share is presented for both periods as there was no potential ordinary share in issue for both periods.

	Three months ended 30 September		Nine months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Loss attributable to the owners of the Company (S\$)	(2,227,853)	(453,853)	(4,327,388)	(2,171,465)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	480,000,000	480,000,000	480,000,000	480,000,000
Basic loss per share (S\$ cents)	<u>(0.46)</u>	<u>(0.09)</u>	<u>(0.90)</u>	<u>(0.45)</u>

The listing of warrants on GEM by way of bonus issue was announced on 23 August 2021. There was no impact on the retained earning as no subscription rights attaching to the warrants was exercised as at 30 September 2021.



## 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Apart from disclosure elsewhere in the financial statements, the Group entered into the following transactions with related parties during the period:

The remuneration of directors and other members of key management during the period were as follows:

	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Nine months ended</b>	
	<b>30 September</b>		<b>30 September</b>	
	<b>2021</b>	2020	<b>2021</b>	2020
	<b>S\$</b>	<b>S\$</b>	<b>S\$</b>	<b>S\$</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	(Unaudited)	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	(Unaudited)
Short term benefits	<b>145,326</b>	171,880	<b>435,980</b>	466,652
Post-employment benefits	<b>7,799</b>	9,180	<b>23,397</b>	27,540
	<b><u>153,125</u></b>	<u>181,060</u>	<b><u>459,377</u></b>	<u>494,192</u>

## **MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

### **GENERAL**

For the financial period to date, the business of the Group is principally engaged in the design, supply, fabrication and erect structural steel-works for the construction of buildings, including technological plants, industrial buildings, commercial buildings, government institutions and residential buildings in Singapore.

### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

#### **Revenue and Results**

For the nine months ended 30 September 2021, the Group recorded an unaudited revenue of approximately S\$14,903,000 (2020: approximately S\$6,128,000) and loss of approximately S\$4,327,000 (2020: loss of approximately S\$2,171,000).

The gross loss for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 was approximately S\$1,516,000 (2020: profit of approximately S\$765,000).

The loss for the period is mainly contributed by (i) slower inflow of new projects due to the impact of novel coronavirus disease (“COVID-19”); (ii) the fluctuation in the price of steel due to changes in market supply and demand, which is affected by factors such as global economic conditions and the production capacities of steel mill; and (iii) higher subcontractor costs due to staggering start times and shifts implemented as social distancing measures to combat COVID-19.

Other income for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 was approximately S\$391,000 (2020: approximately S\$313,000).

Selling and administrative expenses for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 was approximately S\$3,006,000 (2020: approximately S\$2,743,000).

The Group recorded a loss before taxation for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 of approximately S\$4,319,000 (2020: loss of approximately S\$1,894,000).

#### **Foreign Exchange Exposure**

The Group transacts mainly in Singapore dollars, which is the functional currency of the Group. However, the Group retains the proceeds from the listing of the Company on GEM of the Stock Exchange on 17 November 2017 by way of share offer in Hong Kong dollar, which exposed the Group to foreign exchange risk arising from the fluctuations of exchange rate for Hong Kong dollar against Singapore dollars. The Group does not have a foreign currency hedging policy but it continuously monitors its foreign exchange exposure and will apply appropriate measures if necessary.

## **Reserves**

Movement in the reserves of the Group for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 are set out above in the unaudited consolidated statement of changes in equity.

## **Dividend**

No dividend was paid, proposed or declared for the ordinary shareholders of the Company for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 (2020: Nil).

## **BUSINESS REVIEW**

Revenue is comprised of revenue from the provision of construction services, installation and auxiliary services provided by the Group to external customers, which amounted to approximately S\$14,903,000 and S\$6,128,000 for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 and 2020, respectively.

The net loss for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 is approximately S\$4,327,000 (2020: loss of approximately S\$2,171,000).

The loss for the period is mainly contributed by (i) slower inflow of new projects due to the impact of COVID-19; (ii) the fluctuation in the price of steel due to changes in market supply and demand, which is affected by factors such as global economic conditions and the production capacities of steel mill; and (iii) higher subcontractor costs due to staggering start times and shifts implemented as the social distancing measures to combat COVID-19.

Due to the impact of COVID-19 pandemic, the Group experienced delays and disruption in its projects. The Group has been acting in a timely manner to identify, assess and mitigate completion risk especially for larger capital projects.

Management is actively seeking projects from other customers for diversification of customer concentration risks, and expanding existing capacity to cater to higher demands.

The Group's strategies are to expand and strengthen its market position in the structural steel work industry in Singapore through the expansion capacity to cater to higher demands.

Singapore's construction sector is being driven by a large number of infrastructure projects which will continue into the latter part of the next decade. These infrastructure projects feed into the government's overall strategy for growth which includes bringing in new companies, investing in new industry sectors and increasing the population. Structural steel is a critical component in many of these projects.

The large-scale projects will increase demand in design and consultancy skills from the steel fabricators, which will in turn enhance their skills and productivity making them more valuable for future projects.

The Board is ultimately responsible for ensuring that the risk management practices of the Group are sufficient to mitigate the risks present in our businesses and operations as efficiently and effectively as possible. The Board delegates some of these responsibilities to various operational departments. The Group's financial position, operation, business and prospects may be affected by various risks and uncertainties such as the non-recurring nature of the Group's contracts, potential delays in projects and risks involved in engaging subcontractors. The Group adopts risk management policies, measures and monitoring systems to pre-empt and contain exposures associated with the identified risks.

Going forward, the Group will continue to manage its expenditures, review the business strategy constantly and look for opportunities in a cautious and prudent manner.

## **Prospect**

### ***Economic outlook for 2021***

Singapore's government raised its official growth forecast for 2021 after the local economy held up better than expected in the first half of the year as the domestic COVID-19 situation stabilizes.

The Singapore economy is expected to continue to see a gradual recovery in the second half of the year and is expected to grow between 6% and 7% this year comparing with the previous official projection range of 4% to 6%. The drivers of growth are mainly led by the manufacturing, finance and insurance and wholesale sectors. Performance of the construction sector continues to be weighed down by declines in both public and private sector construction works. Attributable to the global pandemic, Singapore construction industry is still facing significant manpower shortages, supply chain constraints, and escalating construction costs.

Meanwhile, construction output in the third quarter remained weak on account of the slow resumption of construction activities due to the need for construction firms to implement COVID-19 safety measures.

The Group expects the macroeconomic environment to remain challenging amid the COVID-19 outbreak, which has shown signs of slowing down, with crash of the crude oil prices, as well as escalating trade tensions and geopolitical risks.

Going forward, the Group will continue to expand and strengthen its market position in the structural steelwork industry in Singapore through the expansion of its production capacity and workforce.

## **DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS**

As at 30 September 2021, the interests and short positions of each director and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO or which were required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein or which were required, pursuant to Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules relating to securities transactions by the Directors, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, were as follows:

### **Aggregate long positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company**

<b>Name of director</b>	<b>Nature of interest</b>	<b>Number of shares held</b>	<b>Approximate percentage of the issued share capital</b>
<i>Executive Directors:</i>			
Mr. Ong Cheng Yew	Interest of the controlled company <sup>(1)</sup>	331,790,000	69.12%
Ms. Koh Siew Khing	Interest of spouse <sup>(2)</sup>	331,790,000	69.12%

#### *Notes:*

- (1) Broadbville Limited is wholly-owned by Mr. Ong Cheng Yew. Under the SFO, Mr. Ong Cheng Yew is deemed to be interested in all the shares of the Company held by Broadbville Limited.
- (2) Ms. Koh Siew Khing is the spouse of Mr. Ong Cheng Yew and is deemed to be interested in all the shares of the Company in which Mr. Ong is interested in under the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2021, none of the Directors and chief executive of the Company had or was deemed to have any interests or short positions in any shares, debentures or underlying shares of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO), which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which were required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein or which were required, pursuant to Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules relating to securities transactions by the Directors, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

## **SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES, DEBENTURES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY**

As at 30 September 2021, the register of substantial shareholders required to be kept under section 336 of Part XV of the SFO shows that as at 30 September 2021, the Company had been notified of the following substantial shareholder's interest and short positions being 5% or more of the issued share capital of the Company.

### **Aggregate long positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company**

<b>Name of substantial shareholder</b>	<b>Nature of interest</b>	<b>Number of shares held</b>	<b>Approximate percentage of the issued share capital</b>
Broadbville Limited	Beneficial owner	331,790,000	69.12%

Save as disclosed above, the Directors and the chief executive of the Company were not aware of any person (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company the interests of which were disclosed above) who had an interest or short position in the securities of the Company that were required to be entered in the register of the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO as at 30 September 2021.

## **DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN COMPETING BUSINESS**

During the period under review, none of the Directors or the controlling shareholders or their respective associates (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) of the Group had any interests in any business which competed with or might compete with the business of the Group.

## **PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES**

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the nine months ended 30 September 2021.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT REGARDING SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY THE DIRECTORS**

During the nine months ended 30 September 2021, the Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by directors on terms no less than the required standard of dealings as set out in rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules. The Company has also made specific enquiry of all Directors, the Company was not aware of any non-compliance with the required standard of dealings and its code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES**

The Board considers good corporate governance a key element in managing the business and affairs of the Group. The management of the Group periodically reviews and proposes amendments to its corporate governance practices for compliance with the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") as set out in Appendix 15 to the GEM Listing Rules. In the opinion of the Board, the Company has complied with the CG Code during the nine months ended 30 September 2021.

Code Provision A.2.1 of the CG Code states that the roles of chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. Mr. Ong Cheng Yew is the chairman of the Board. The position of chief executive officer of the Company remains vacant. The responsibilities of the chief executive officer are taken up by the executive Directors. The Board believes that this arrangement enables the Company to make and implement decisions promptly, and thus achieve the Company's objectives efficiently and effectively. The Board also believes that the Company already has a strong corporate governance structure in place to ensure effective oversight of management.

## **INTEREST OF THE COMPLIANCE ADVISER**

As notified by the compliance adviser of the Company, Vinco Capital Limited, as at 30 September 2021, save for the compliance adviser agreement dated 26 June 2017 entered into between the Company and Vinco Capital Limited, neither Vinco Capital Limited, its directors, employees and associates had any interest in relation to the Group which is required to be notified to the Company pursuant to Rule 6A.32 of the GEM Listing Rules.

## **SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

The Company has adopted the share option scheme (the “Scheme”) on 2 November 2017. The purpose of the Scheme is to advance the interests of the Company and the shareholders by enabling the Company to grant options to attract, retain and reward the eligible persons and to provide the eligible persons an incentive or reward for their contribution to the Group and by enabling such persons’ contribution to further advance the interests of the Group. The principal terms of the Scheme are summarised in the section headed “Share Option Scheme” in Appendix V to the prospectus of the Company dated 7 November 2017.

As at 30 September 2021, no share option was outstanding under the Scheme. No share option has been granted, exercised, cancelled or lapsed under the Scheme since its adoption.

## **DIVIDEND**

The Board does not recommend the payment of dividend for the nine months ended 30 September 2021.

## **MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS OF SUBSIDIARIES, ASSOCIATES AND JOINT VENTURES**

The Group had no material acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries, associates, and joint ventures during the nine months ended 30 September 2021.

## **EVENTS AFTER THE FINANCIAL PERIOD**

No significant events have taken place after the nine months ended 30 September 2021 to the date of this announcement.



## AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company established an audit committee (the “Audit Committee”) on 21 June 2017 with written terms of reference in compliance with Rule 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules and paragraph C.3 of the CG Code and Corporate Governance Report as set out in Appendix 15 to the GEM Listing Rules. The Audit Committee consists of three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Tam Wai Tak Victor, Ms. Chooi Pey Nee and Mr. Tan Yeok Lim (Chen Yulin). Mr. Tam Wai Tak Victor, a Director with the appropriate professional qualifications, serves as the chairman of the Audit Committee. Among other things, the primary duties of the Audit Committee are to assist the Board in providing an independent view of the effectiveness of the Group’s financial reporting process, internal control and risk management system, to oversee the audit process and to perform other duties and responsibilities as assigned by the Board.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the unaudited results for the nine months ended 30 September 2021 and has provided advice and comments thereon.

By order of the Board  
**GT Steel Construction Group Limited**  
**Ong Cheng Yew**  
*Chairman and Executive Director*

Singapore, 12 November 2021

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises three executive Directors, namely, Mr. Ong Cheng Yew (Chairman), Ms. Koh Siew Khing and Ms. Chen Xiaoyu, a non-executive director, namely, Ms. Lin Xiaoqin and three independent non-executive Directors, namely, Mr. Tam Wai Tak Victor, Ms. Chooi Pey Nee and Mr. Tan Yeok Lim (Chen Yulin).*

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