



## Business Update

SINGAPORE, 24 November 2023:- The Board of Directors (the “Board” or “Directors”) of Straco Corporation Limited (“Straco” or the “Company”, and together with its subsidiaries, the “Group”) would like to provide a voluntary update on the Group’s business and unaudited financial performance for the third quarter ended 30 September 2023 (“3Q2023”) to its shareholders.

Financial summary:

S\$'000	3Q2023	3Q2022	% <i>change</i>	9 months YTD 2023	9 months YTD 2022	% <i>change</i>
Revenue	35,463	11,739	202.1	67,543	20,551	228.7
Operating profit	23,694	695	3,309.2	34,676	(8,016)	<i>n.m.</i>
Profit/ (Loss) after tax	17,224	202	8,426.7	23,977	(8,824)	<i>n.m.</i>
Profit/ (Loss) attributable to shareholders	16,342	175	9,238.3	22,719	(8,288)	<i>n.m.</i>

For the quarter under review, the Group’s businesses in China reported significant improvement in revenue and profitability, over that of corresponding period in 2022. The return of crowds during the summer holidays in China was one of the major contributing factors. There were no business disruptions during the quarter and the transition to the post Covid-19 phase since the last quarter of 2022 has been positive.

The Group’s Singapore Flyer reported significantly higher revenue in 3Q2023 as well, compared to the corresponding period last year, amidst the increase in international visitor arrival with the abatement of the Covid-19 pandemic and the lifting of all COVID-19 related border measures by the authorities in Singapore since 13 February this year.

The Group recorded revenue of \$35.46 million in 3Q2023, as compared to \$11.74 million achieved for 3Q2022. Consequently, a net profit of \$16.34 million was registered for 3Q2023 as compared to \$0.175 million in 3Q2022.

Cumulatively, the Group’s revenue for the first three quarters of 2023 increased by 228.7% to \$67.54 million and net profit was \$22.72 million. This was in contrast to a net loss of \$8.29 million for the first three quarters of 2022, which experienced a much tougher operating environment.

Net cash generated from operating activities amounted to \$25.29 million in 3Q2023, compared to \$4.3 million in 3Q2022

The Group’s financial position remains strong with net cash holdings of \$165.92 million as at 30 September 2023.

##

#### About Straco Corporation

Straco Corporation Limited (“Straco”), listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange in 2004, is a leading developer and operator of aquatic-related facilities and tourism-related assets. Straco’s main operating assets include Shanghai Ocean Aquarium, situated in the New Pudong Area, next to Shanghai’s landmark Oriental Pearl Tower; Lixing cable car service at Mount Lishan in Lishan in Lintong District, Shaanxi province; Underwater World Xiamen on the scenic Gulangyu Island, a key tourist attraction of Xiamen City, and the Singapore Flyer, an iconic landmark located in the Marina Bay skyline.

Straco constantly sources for tourism projects to tap into the expected tourism boom in Asia. The Group will leverage on its experience and track record in the China market to form strategic investment alliances to develop and operate tourism resources in China and the region.