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## THE WHARF (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)
Stock Code: 4

# PROPOSED ADOPTION OF OFFICIAL CHINESE NAME AND PROPOSED ADOPTION OF NEW ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

### **Proposed Adoption of Official Chinese Name**

The board of directors ("**Board**") of The Wharf (Holdings) Limited ("**Company**") announces that it is proposed to register the commonly used Chinese name of the Company, namely, "九龍倉集團有限公司", as the Company's official Chinese name with the Companies Registry of Hong Kong.

The relevant proposal will be submitted for consideration and approval by shareholders of the Company ("Shareholders") as a special resolution at the forthcoming annual general meeting to be held on 9 June 2014 ("AGM"). After the special resolution has been passed by Shareholders, the adoption of the official Chinese name will be subject to approval by the Registrar of Companies of Hong Kong, and will become effective from the date on which the relevant Certificate of Change of Name is issued by the Registrar of Companies of Hong Kong.

Regarding the proposed adoption of official Chinese name:-

- (1) all existing share certificates in issue bearing the current name of the Company will continue to be evidence of legal title to the relevant shares and valid for trading, settlement, registration and delivery purposes;
- (2) there will not be any free exchange of existing share certificates for new share certificates bearing, *inter alia*, the official Chinese name of the Company; and

(3) the Chinese stock short name of the Company, namely, "九龍倉集團", will remain unchanged.

A further announcement regarding the date on which the proposed adoption of official Chinese name becomes effective will be made by the Company as and when appropriate.

#### **Proposed Adoption of New Articles**

The Board also announces that a proposal to adopt a revised set of Articles of Association ("New Articles") to substitute the existing Articles of Association of the Company will be submitted for consideration and approval by Shareholders at the AGM. The purpose of this proposal is to bring the Articles of Association in line with the new Companies Ordinance, which came into force on 3 March 2014, and also to bring the Articles of Association more up-to-date and in line with the Listing Rules, current corporate practices and circumstances, etc.

#### General

A circular containing, amongst other things, details of the proposed adoption of official Chinese name and the proposed adoption of New Articles together with the notice of the AGM will be despatched to the Shareholders on or about 29 April 2014.

By Order of the Board **Kevin C. Y. Hui** Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 17 April, 2014

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Hon. Peter K. C. Woo, Mr. Stephen T. H. Ng, Mr. Andrew O. K. Chow, Ms. Doreen Y. F. Lee, Mr. T. Y. Ng, Mr. Paul Y. C. Tsui and Ms. Y. T. Leng, together with eight Independent Non-executive Directors, namely, Mr. Alexander S. K. Au, Professor Edward K. Y. Chen, Dr. Raymond K. F. Ch'ien, Hon. Vincent K. Fang, Mr. Hans Michael Jebsen, Mr. Wyman Li, Mr. James E. Thompson and Mr. David Muir Turnbull.