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**招商局港口控股有限公司**

CHINA MERCHANTS PORT HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

*(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability under the Companies Ordinance)*

**(Stock Code: 00144)**

## **PROPOSED CHANGE OF AUDITOR**

This announcement is made by China Merchants Port Holdings Company Limited (the “**Company**”) pursuant to Rule 13.51(4) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”).

The board of directors of the Company (the “**Board**”) announces that Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu (“**Deloitte**”) will retire as the auditor of the Company (the “**Auditor**”) at the conclusion of the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company to be held on 27 May 2024 (the “**AGM**”). Deloitte has served as the Auditor for 12 consecutive years since 2012. Having regard to the length of Deloitte’s tenure, the Board considers that the rotation of the Auditor after an appropriate period of time is a good corporate governance practice.

The Board has resolved, with the recommendation of the audit committee of the Company, to propose the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers as the new Auditor effective immediately following the retirement of Deloitte at the conclusion of the AGM, subject to the approval of shareholders of the Company (the “**Shareholders**”) at the AGM.

The Company has received a letter from Deloitte confirming that there are no circumstances connected with its retirement that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or the Company’s creditors. The Board has confirmed that there is no disagreement between Deloitte and the Company, and there are no matters in respect of the proposed change of Auditor that need to be brought to the attention of the holders of securities of the Company and the Stock Exchange. The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its sincere gratitude to Deloitte for its professional and quality services rendered to the Company over the past years.

A circular containing, among other things, details of the proposed change of Auditor, together with the notice convening the forthcoming AGM, will be despatched to the Shareholders in due course.

By Order of the Board  
**China Merchants Port Holdings Company Limited**  
**Feng Boming**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 12 April 2024

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Feng Boming (Chairman), Mr. Yim Kong and Mr. Yang Guolin as Non-Executive Directors; Mr. Xu Song, Mr. Lu Yongxin and Mr. Tu Xiaoping as Executive Directors; and Mr. Chan Hiu Fung Nicholas, Ms. Chan Yuen Sau Kelly, Mr. Li Ka Fai David, Mr. Wong Chi Wing and Ms. Wong Pui Wah as Independent Non-Executive Directors.*