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**ASIA CEMENT CORPORATION** 

(Incorporated in Taiwan



ASIA CEMENT (CHINA) HOLDINGS CORPORATION (Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 743)

with limited liability)

## JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT

PROPOSED PRIVATISATION OF ASIA CEMENT (CHINA) HOLDINGS CORPORATION BY ASIA CEMENT CORPORATION BY WAY OF A SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT UNDER SECTION 86 OF THE COMPANIES ACT

**UPDATE ANNOUNCEMENT** 

Financial Adviser to the Offeror



Independent Financial Adviser to the Independent Board Committee

**ALTUS CAPITAL LIMITED** 

Reference is made to the announcement jointly issued by Asia Cement Corporation (the "**Offeror**") and Asia Cement (China) Holdings Corporation (the "**Company**") on 5 June 2024 in relation to, among other things, the proposed privatisation of the Company by the Offeror by way of a scheme of arrangement under section 86 of the Companies Act (the "**Joint Announcement**").

Unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Joint Announcement.

As disclosed in the Joint Announcement, the Proposal and the Scheme will only become effective and binding on the Company and all of the Scheme Shareholders if the Conditions are fulfilled or waived (as applicable), which include, among others, the approval by the Department of Investment Review of the Ministry of Economic Affairs of Taiwan (the "**MOEA**") of the additional investment by the Offeror in the PRC.

The Offeror and the Company wish to update the Shareholders and potential investors that according to the press release by the MOEA published on 29 July 2024 (the "**Press Release**"), the MOEA has approved the additional investment by the Offeror in the Company in the PRC at the commission meeting held on 29 July 2024. The Press Release can be accessed at: https://dir.moea.gov.tw/news.view?do=data&id=1886&lang=ch&type=new\_ann. The Offeror has yet to receive the official approval letter from the MOEA and will update the Shareholders and potential investors as and when appropriate.

The Offeror and the Company are currently in the course of finalising the information to be included in the Scheme Document. Further announcement(s) in relation to the Proposal and the Scheme will be made as and when appropriate in accordance with the Listing Rules and the Takeovers Code.

WARNING: Shareholders and potential investors should be aware that the implementation of the Proposal and the Scheme is subject to the Conditions being fulfilled or (where applicable) waived. Accordingly, the Proposal may or may not be implemented and the Scheme may or may not become effective. Shareholders and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company. Persons who are in doubt as to the action they should take should consult their stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor or other professional advisers.

By Order of the Board ASIA CEMENT CORPORATION WU Ling-ling Director By Order of the Board ASIA CEMENT (CHINA) HOLDINGS CORPORATION TSIM Tak-lung Dominic Director

Hong Kong, 29 July 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Offeror comprises: Mr. HSU Shu-tong (Chairman), Mr. SHIH Johnny, Mr. CHEN Chang-wen, Mr. LEE Kun-yen, Mr. HSU Shu-ping, Mr. CHANG Chen-kuen, Mr. CHEN Ruey-long, Mr. LEE Champion, Mr. LI Kwan-Tao, Ms. WU Ling-ling, Mr. CHI Schive, Mr. CHEN S. Gordon, Mr. CHU Yun-Peng, Mr. CHANG Chang-Pang and Ms. CHANG Flora Chia-I.

The directors of the Offeror jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement (other than that relating to the Group) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement (other than opinions expressed by the Directors in their capacity as the Directors) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading.

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises: Mr. HSU Shu-ping, Mr. CHANG Chen-kuen and Mr. LIN Seng-chang as executive Directors; Mr. HSU Shu-tong (Chairman), Mr. LEE Kun-yen, Mr. CHEN Ruey-long and Ms. WU Ling-ling as non-executive Directors; and Mr. TSIM Tak-lung Dominic, Mr. WANG Wei, Mr. LEE Kaochao and Dr. WANG Kuo-ming as independent non-executive Directors.

The Directors jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement (other than that relating to the Offeror and the Offeror Concert Parties) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement (other than opinions expressed by the directors of the Offeror in their capacity as the directors of the Offeror) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading.

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