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LISI GROUP (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

利時集團 (控股) 有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 526)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of Lisi Group (Holdings) Limited (the "Company", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") announces the unaudited consolidated results of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2024 (the "Reporting Period") together with the comparative figures as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

For the six months ended 30 September 2024 – unaudited (Expressed in Renminbi ("RMB"))

		Six month	s enaea
	30 September		
		2024	2023
	Note	RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue	3	1,405,550	1,334,269
Cost of sales		(1,060,823)	(961,055)
Gross profit	3(b)	344,727	373,214
Other net income	4	9,217	142,918
Selling and distribution expenses		(53,867)	(49,066)
Administrative expenses		(58,910)	(59,264)

Six months and ad

Six months ended 30 September

	30 September		
	2024	2023	
Note	RMB'000	RMB'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	241,167	407,802	
5(a)	(14,599)	(19,364)	
	(203,831)	(19,559)	
5(c)	(10,990)	_	
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5(c)	(73,722)	(5,914)	
5	(61,975)	362,965	
6	35,741	(69,774)	
	(26,234)	293,191	
7	(0.3)	3.6	
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	(0.3)	3.6	
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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 September 2024 – unaudited (*Expressed in RMB*)

	Six months ended		
	30 September		
	2024	2023	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
(Loss)/profit for the period	(26,234)	293,191	
Other comprehensive income for the period (after tax and reclassification adjustments):			
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
 Exchange differences on translation into presentation 			
currency	(434)	(6,910)	
Other comprehensive income for the period	(434)	(6,910)	
Total comprehensive income for the period			
attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	(26,668)	286,281	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 September 2024 – unaudited (Expressed in RMB)

		30 September 2024	31 March 2024
	Note	RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		329,527	361,424
Investment properties		250,039	453,870
Deferred tax assets		46,889	24,021
		626,455	839,315
Current assets			
Inventories		302,422	291,203
Trade and other receivables, contract assets and	8	1,167,244	1,439,196
prepayment Financial assets at fair value through profit or	O	1,107,244	1,439,190
loss ("FVPL")		800,303	799,094
Restricted cash		191,654	149,244
Cash and cash equivalents		969,598	548,260
		3,431,221	3,226,997
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	9	787,803	780,885
Bank and other loans	10	626,121	575,033
Lease liabilities		8,841	11,698
Income tax payable		78,894	59,007
		1,501,659	1,426,623
Net current assets		1,929,562	1,800,374
Total assets less current liabilities		2,556,017	2,639,689

	Note	30 September 2024 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	31 March 2024 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Non-current liabilities			
Bank and other loans	10	89,970	89,980
Lease liabilities		8,200	14,266
Deferred tax liabilities		90,248	141,176
		188,418	245,422
NET ASSETS		2,367,599	2,394,267
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share capital	11(b)	69,888	69,888
Reserves		2,297,711	2,324,379
TOTAL EQUITY		2,367,599	2,394,267

NOTES

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

This interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange" and the "Listing Rules" respectively), including compliance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34, *Interim financial reporting*, issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA").

The interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the same accounting policies adopted in the 2024 annual financial statements, except for the accounting policy changes that are expected to be reflected in the 2025 annual financial statements. Details of any changes in accounting policies are set out in Note 2.

The preparation of an interim financial report in conformity with HKAS 34 requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses on a year to date basis. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

This interim financial information contains condensed consolidated financial statements and selected explanatory notes. The notes include an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in financial position and performance of the Group since the 2024 annual financial statements. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements and notes thereon do not include all of the information required for a full set of financial statements prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs").

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Changes in accounting policies

The Group has applied the following amendments to the HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA for the current accounting period:

- Amendments to HKAS 1, Presentation of financial statements: Classification of liabilities as current or non-current ("2020 amendments")
- Amendments to HKAS 1, Presentation of financial statements: Non-current liabilities with covenants ("2022 amendments")
- Amendments to HKFRS 16, Leases: Lease liability in a sale and leaseback
- Amendments to HKAS 7, Statement of cash flows and HKFRS 7, Financial instruments: Disclosures Supplier finance arrangements
- Amendments to HK Interpretation 5, Presentation of financial statements: Classification by the borrower of a term loan that contains a repayment on demand clause ("2020 amendments")

None of these developments had a material effect on how the Group's results and financial position for the current of prior periods have been prepared or presented in this interim financial report. The group has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for the current accounting period.

3. REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING

(a) Disaggregation of revenue

Disaggregation of revenue by major products of service lines is as follows:

	Six months ended	
	30 Sept	ember
	2024	2023
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue from contracts with customers within the scope of HKFRS 15		
Disaggregated by major products of service lines		
– sales of goods	1,256,062	1,192,126
- rendering of services	109,124	110,236
	1,365,186	1,302,362
Revenue from other sources		
- investment income	20,477	12,316
- rental income from operating leases	19,887	19,591
	40,364	31,907
	1,405,550	1,334,269
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Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers by timing of revenue recognition is disclosed as follows:

	Six montl	ns ended
	30 Sept	ember
	2024	2023
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue from contracts with customers within the scope of HKFRS 15		
Disaggregated by timing of revenue recognition		
- Point in time	1,261,679	1,197,697
– Over time	103,507	104,665
	1,365,186	1,302,362

(b) Segment reporting

The Group manages its business by lines of business. The Group's reportable segment for the Reporting Period are presented as follows:

- Manufacturing and trading: this segment manufactures and trades plastic and metallic household products.
- Retail: this segment manages the supermarket operations and property rental services.
- Wholesale: this segment carries out the wholesale of wine and electrical appliances business, and provides central air-conditioner installation services.
- Investments holding: this segment manages the investments in debt and equity securities.

No operating segments have been aggregated to form the above reportable segments.

(i) Segment results

For the purposes of assessing segment performance and allocating resources between segments, the Group's most senior executive management monitors the results attributable to each reportable segment on the following bases:

Revenue and net income are allocated to the reportable segments with reference to revenue and net income generated by those segments and the expenses incurred by those segments. Inter-segment sales are priced with reference to prices charged to external parties for similar products or services. Other than inter-segment sales, assistance provided by one segment to another is not measured.

The measure used for reporting segment result is gross profit. The Group's operating expenses such as selling and distribution expenses and administrative expenses, and assets and liabilities are not monitored by the Group's senior executive management based on segment. Accordingly, neither information on segment assets and liabilities nor information concerning capital expenditure, interest income not derived from investment in debt or equity securities, interest expenses and reconciliation of reportable segment profit to consolidated profit before tax is presented.

Information regarding the Group's reportable segments as provided to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance for the Reporting Period and the six months ended 30 September 2023 is set out below.

		Six months ended	30 September 202	4 (Unaudited)	
	Manufacturing and trading RMB'000	Retail <i>RMB'000</i>	Wholesale RMB'000	Investments holding RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Revenue from external customers Inter-segment revenue	768,671 -	116,166 584	500,236 16,144	20,477	1,405,550 16,728
Reportable segment revenue	768,671	116,750	516,380	20,477	1,422,278
Reportable segment gross profit	205,526	39,520	79,204	20,477	344,727
		Six months ended	30 September 2023	3 (Unaudited)	
	Manufacturing and trading <i>RMB</i> '000	Retail <i>RMB'000</i>	Wholesale RMB'000	Investments holding RMB'000	Total <i>RMB</i> '000
Revenue from external customers Inter-segment revenue	708,906	164,327	448,720 38,074	12,316	1,334,269 38,074
Reportable segment revenue	708,906	164,327	486,794	12,316	1,372,343
Reportable segment gross profit	228,082	46,030	86,786	12,316	373,214
Reconciliations of rep	oortable segme	nt revenue	S	Six months	
				30 Septer	
			RI	2024 4B'000	2023 RMB'000
				udited)	(Unaudited)
Reportable segment r	evenue		1,4	22,278	1,372,343

(16,728)

1,405,550

(38,074)

1,334,269

Elimination of inter-segment revenue

Consolidated revenue

(ii)

4. OTHER NET INCOME

	Six months ended	
	30 September	
	2024	2023
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Government grants	6,301	6,933
Interest income on cash at bank	6,020	5,096
(Loss)/gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(6,240)	131,573
Others	3,136	(684)
	9,217	142,918

5. (LOSS)/PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

(Loss)/profit before taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

Finance costs (a)

	Six months ended		
	30 September		
	2024	2023	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Interest on bank and other borrowings	14,149	18,385	
Interest on lease liabilities	450	949	
Net foreign exchange difference		30	
Total borrowing costs	14,599	19,364	

(b)

Staff costs		
	Six month	ns ended
	30 Sept	ember
	2024	2023
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Salaries, wages and other benefits	75,277	67,463
Contributions to defined contribution retirement plans	4,910	4,430
	80,187	71,893

(c) Other items

	Six months ended		
	30 September		
	2024	2023	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Cost of inventories	962,673	859,913	
Depreciation and amortisation			
- owned property, plant and equipment	45,775	37,415	
- right-of-use assets	4,212	7,873	
Impairment losses on property, plant and equipment	10,990	_	
Impairment losses on financial assets and contract assets	73,722	5,914	

6. INCOME TAX

Six months ended	
30 September	
2024 20	
RMB'000	RMB'000
(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
35,773	75,282
2,282	1,606
38,055	76,888
(73,796)	(7,114)
(35,741)	69,774
	30 Septe 2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited) 35,773 2,282 38,055 (73,796)

Notes:

- (i) Hong Kong Profits Tax rate for the Reporting Period is 16.5% (six months ended 30 September 2023: 16.5%). No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made as the Company and the subsidiaries of the Group incorporated in Hong Kong did not have assessable profits subject to Hong Kong Profits Tax for the Reporting Period (six months ended 30 September 2023: RMBNil).
- (ii) The Group established in the Mainland China are subject to the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") Corporate Income Tax rate of 25% for the Reporting Period (six months ended 30 September 2023: 25%). One of the Group's subsidiaries in the Mainland China enjoyed a preferential PRC Corporate Income Tax rate of 15% applicable for enterprise with advanced and new technologies.
- (iii) Subsidiaries incorporated in other jurisdictions are not subject to any income tax pursuant to the rules and regulations of their respective countries of incorporation.

7. (LOSS)/EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Basic (loss)/earnings per share

The calculation of basic (loss)/earnings per share for the Reporting Period is based on the (loss)/profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company and the weighted average of 8,044,020,000 ordinary shares (2023: 8,044,020,000 ordinary shares) in issue during the Reporting Period.

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2024 RMB'000	2023 RMB'000
(Loss)/profit for the period attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	(26,234)	293,191

(b) Diluted (loss)/earnings per share

There were no potential dilutive ordinary shares during the Reporting Period (six months ended 30 September 2023: Nil). Hence, diluted (loss)/earnings per share is the same as basic (loss)/earnings per share.

8. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES, CONTRACT ASSETS AND PREPAYMENTS

(a) Trade and other receivables and contract assets

	At 30 September 2024 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Trade receivables from: - Third parties	264,969	202,445
 Companies under the control of a shareholder of the Company (Note (i)) 	812,644	799,629
	1,077,613	1,002,074
Less: loss allowance	(105,025)	(83,336)
	972,588	918,738
Amounts due from companies under the control of a shareholder of the Company (Note (ii))	318	626
Advance to third parties (Note (iii))	_	244,176
Other receivables Less: loss allowance	26,208 (1,635)	13,760
Less. 1088 anowance		(2,941)
	24,573	254,995
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	997,479	1,174,359
Deposits: - Deposits for operating leases expenses paid to third parties - Others	8,122 3,016	8,718 2,548
	11,138	11,266
Trade and other receivables (Note (iv))	1,008,617	1,185,625
Contract assets (Note (v) and (vi)) Less: loss allowance	173,593 (66,172)	167,777 (12,834)
	107,421	154,943
	1,116,038	1,340,568
Prepayments:		
- Prepayments to suppliers	50,676	96,329
- Others	530	2,299
	51,206	98,628

(b)

Notes:

- (i) The balance mainly related to transactions under an export agency agreement entered into between the Group and a company under the control of a shareholder of the Company.
- (ii) The amounts are unsecured, non-interest bearing and have no fixed terms of repayment.
- (iii) As at 31 March 2024, total amounts of RMB244.2 million have been provided to three third parties and suppliers of the Group. The amounts were fully refunded before 30 June 2024.
- (iv) All of the trade and other receivables are expected to be recovered or recognised as expenses within one year.
- (v) Contract assets are mainly arising from performance under the sale and installation of heating, ventilation and air-conditioning ("HVAC"). The Group's HVAC business requires stage payments. A 20% to 30% of the consideration of goods will be payable after the completion of the installation inspection. This amount is included in contract assets until the completion of installation inspection as the Group's entitlement to this final payment is conditional upon the Group's work satisfactorily passing inspection. The contract assets are expected to by fully recovered in three years.
- (vi) All of the amounts are expected to be billed within one year from the end of the Reporting Period, except for the amounts of RMB3.3 million at 30 September 2024 (31 March 2024: RMB3.5 million) related to retentions receivable (net of loss allowance) which are expected to be recovered over one year.

Ageing analysis

Included in trade and other receivables are trade receivables (net of loss allowance) with the following ageing analysis (based on earlier of the invoice date and revenue recognition) as of the end of the Reporting Period:

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Within 1 month	53,684	183,127
More than 1 month but less than 3 months	307,549	228,971
Over 3 months	611,355	506,640
	972,588	918,738

9. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Trade payables to:		
– Third parties	259,538	293,795
- Companies under the control of shareholders of the Company	88,242	83,244
	347,780	377,039
Bills payable	261,146	218,983
	608,926	596,022
Accrued charges and other payables:		
- Accrued expenses	22,913	19,792
- Payables for staff related costs	72,780	69,902
– Deposits from customers and suppliers:		
- Third parties	8,904	8,854
 Payables for miscellaneous taxes 	4,977	8,995
– Others	4,707	5,488
	114,281	113,031
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	723,207	709,053
Contract liabilities	64,596	71,832
	787,803	780,885

All of the trade and other payables are expected to be settled or recognised as revenue within one year or are repayable on demand.

Ageing analysis

Included in trade and other payables are trade and bills payables with the following ageing analysis (based on the invoice date) as of the end of the Reporting Period:

		At	At
		30 September	31 March
		2024	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	Within 1 month	162,527	190,472
	Over 1 month but within 3 months	108,567	113,219
	Over 3 months but within 6 months	217,243	176,874
	Over 6 months	120,589	115,457
		608,926	596,022
40	DANK AND OTHER LOANS	<u> </u>	
10.	BANK AND OTHER LOANS		
		At	At
		30 September	31 March
		2024	2024
		RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	Bank loans:		
	- Unsecured and guaranteed (Note (i))	30,000	_
	- Secured and unguaranteed (Note (ii))	405,435	371,000
	- Secured and guaranteed (Notes (ii) and (iii))	243,970	257,980
		679,405	628,980
	Loans from shareholders and companies under the control of shareholders of the Company:		
	- Unsecured and unguaranteed (Note (iv))	36,686	36,033
		716,091	665,013

Notes:

- (i) At 30 September 2024, bank loan of RMB30 million was guaranteed by a director, and/or companies under the control of a director of the Company.
- (ii) Certain bank loans are secured by the leasehold land buildings and deposit of the Group.
- (iii) Bank and other loans of RMB90 million as at 30 September 2024 (31 March 2024: RMB90 million) were guaranteed by a director of the company and a company under the control of a director of the Company.
- (iv) At 30 September 2024, the loans from companies under the control of shareholders of the Company are bearing interest rates ranging from 2% to 8% (31 March 2024: 2% 8%) per annum and are repayable by July 2026 (31 March 2024: by March 2025).

(a) The Group's bank and other loans are repayable as follows:

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Within 1 year or on demand	626,121	575,033
After 1 year but within 2 years	89,970	_
After 2 years but within 5 years	<u>-</u>	89,980
	716,091	665,013

All of the bank and other loans are carried at amortised cost.

(b) Certain of the Group's loans are secured by the Group's leasehold land and buildings, investment properties and deposits of the Group. The aggregate carrying values of the pledged leasehold land and buildings and investment properties are analysed as follows:

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Leasehold land and buildings	97,432	99,176
Investment properties	171,239	325,370
	268,671	424,546

(c) At 30 September 2024, the Group's banking facilities amounting to RMB643,000,000 (31 March 2024: RMB644,490,000) were utilised to the extent of RMB582,694,000 (31 March 2024: RMB583,961,000).

11. CAPITAL, RESERVES AND DIVIDENDS

(a) Dividends

(i) Dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the interim period.

The directors of the Company did not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the Reporting Period (six months ended 30 September 2023: RMBNil).

(ii) Dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the previous financial year, approved during the interim period.

No dividend in respect of the previous financial period has been approved during the Reporting Period (six months ended 30 September 2023: RMBNil).

(b) Share capital

	At 30 September 2024		At 31 Marc	ch 2024
	No. of shares	HK\$'000	No. of shares	HK\$'000
Authorised:				
Ordinary shares				
at HK\$0.01 each	10,000,000	100,000	10,000,000	100,000
	At 30 Septen	nber 2024	At 31 Marc	eh 2024
	No. of shares	RMB'000	No. of shares	RMB'000
Ordinary shares, issued and fully paid:				
At 1 April and at				
30 September/31 March	8,044,020	69,888	8,044,020	69,888

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Company. All ordinary shares rank equally with regard to the Company's residual assets.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

General Information

The Group's operations consist of four segments: (i) manufacturing and trading business; (ii) retail business; (iii) wholesale business; and (iv) investments holding business. These segments collectively recorded revenue of approximately RMB1,405.6 million for the Reporting Period, representing an increase of 5.3% when compared to the revenue of approximately RMB1,334.3 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The net loss for the Reporting Period amounted to approximately RMB26.2 million when compared to the net profit of approximately RMB293.2 million recorded in the corresponding period last year.

The Group's basic and diluted loss per share for the Reporting Period were both RMB0.3 cents, while the Group's basic and diluted earnings per share for the corresponding period last year were both RMB3.6 cents.

Net Assets, Liquidity and Financial Resources

As at 30 September 2024, the Group's net assets decreased to approximately RMB2,367.6 million, resulting in a net asset value per share of RMB29.4 cents. The decrease in net assets were primarily attributed to the compensation to the Company from the resumption of land by the local government of Ningbo Municipality, the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") of approximately RMB131.2 million in the corresponding period last year, the net valuation loss on investment properties of approximately RMB203.8 million and the impairment losses on financial assets and contract assets of approximately RMB73.7 million for the Reporting Period.

As at 30 September 2024, the Group's total assets amounted to approximately RMB4,057.7 million, including cash and bank deposits of approximately RMB969.6 million. Bank and other loans amounted to approximately RMB716.1 million. The Group's debt-to-equity ratio (bank loans and other borrowings over total equity) increased from 27.8% as at 31 March 2024 to 30.2% as at 30 September 2024, such increase mainly due to the decrease in the equity during the Reporting Period.

Most of the Group's business transactions were conducted in RMB and US\$. As at 30 September 2024, the Group's major borrowings included bank loans, which had an outstanding balance of approximately RMB679.4 million. The loans from shareholders was approximately RMB36.7 million. All of the Group's borrowings are denominated in RMB, HK\$, and US\$.

Pledge of Assets

As at 30 September 2024, the Group's leasehold land and buildings and investment properties, with a carrying amount of approximately RMB268.7 million, were pledged as collateral to secure the Group's bank loans and facilities. Bank deposits amounting to approximately RMB191.7 million were pledged as collateral for the Group's bank loans and bills, letter of credit and security performance.

Capital Expenditure and Commitments

The Group will continue to allocate a reasonable amount of resources towards enhancing operational efficiency and meeting the needs of its customers and the demands of the market. To achieve these goals, the Group plans to optimise the utilisation of its assets and improve its capital assets. Funding for these initiatives primarily come from trading revenue generated from operations and bank borrowings. The Group will also explore alternative debt and equity financing options to support its growth and expansion plans.

As at 30 September 2024, the Group had total capital commitments in respect of acquisition of plant and machinery of approximately RMB0.3 million.

Significant Investments

As at 30 September 2024, the Group held investments primarily in (i) investment properties of approximately RMB250 million, which represented eight properties situated in Ningbo and rented out under operating leases. The investment properties in aggregate constituted approximately 6.2% of the Group's total assets as at 30 September 2024; and (ii) financial assets at fair value through profit or loss of approximately RMB800.3 million, which represented the financial products offered by the National Trust Company Limited ("National Trust"). As at 30 September 2024, the fair value of the financial products in aggregate constituted approximately 19.7% of the Group's total assets. The Group did not hold any other significant investment with a value of 5% or more of the Group's total assets.

Investment properties

The Group's investment properties in Ningbo, the PRC, comprising shopping arcade, retail shops, and warehouse, are rented out under operating leases to generate rental yields. These investment properties are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. During the Reporting Period, the Group recorded a valuation loss of approximately RMB203.8 million on its investment properties. As at 30 September 2024, the investment properties were valued at approximately RMB250 million, constituting 6.2% of the Group's total assets. As at the date of this announcement, the Group plans to continue holding these investment properties for rental yields.

Financial assets

The National Trust Company Limited is a licensed financial institution in the PRC and is principally engages in the asset management and provision of financial products in the PRC.

國民信托申鑫70號單一資金信托 (National Trust Shenxin No. 70 Single Fund Trust*) is a standalone trust (單一類信託) and as at 30 September 2024, its underlying assets include (i) Deposit at the amount of approximately RMB299.4 million; (ii) 寧銀理財寧 欣日日薪固定收益類日開理財3號產品 (Bank of Ningbo Ningxin Fixed Income Open-end Wealth Management Product No. 3*) at the amount of RMB50 million with an expected yield of 2.44%; (iii) 寧銀理財寧欣日日薪固定收益類日開理財7號產品 (Bank of Ningbo Ningxin Fixed Income Open-end Wealth Management Product No.7*) at the amount of RMB30 million with an expected yield of 2.37%; and (iv) 浦銀理財雙周鑫最短持有期18號理財產 (Puyin Wealth Management Bi-weekly Minimum Holding Period Wealth Management No.18*) at the amount of approximately RMB100 million with an expected yield of 2.88%.

國民信托申鑫80號單一資金信托 (National Trust Shenxin No. 80 Single Fund Trust*) is a standalone trust (單一類信託) and as at 30 September 2024, its underlying assets include (i) Deposit at the amount of approximately RMB119.5million; (ii) 寧銀理財寧 欣日日薪固定收益類日開理財7號產品 (Bank of Ningbo Ningxin Fixed Income Open-end Wealth Management Product No. 7*) at the amount of RMB50 million with an expected yield of 2.37%; (iii) 寧銀理財寧欣日日薪固定收益類日開理財3號產品 (Bank of Ningbo Ningxin Fixed Income Open-end Wealth Management Product No. 3*) at the amount of RMB50 million with an expected yield of 2.44%; and (iv) 浦銀理財雙周鑫最短持有期18號理財產 (Puyin Wealth Management Bi-weekly Minimum Holding Period Wealth Management No.18*) at the amount of approximately RMB100 million with an expected yield of 2.88%.

Purchase of the financial products has been one of the means by the Group's management to increase the Group's income. The Group utilised certain idle funds to subscribe for certain financial products from National Trust. The Group's investment policies for the investments in financial products are formulated with reference to rating of the financial products. Given (i) the underlying assets of the National Trust Financial Products are investment in state-owned enterprise with ultimate beneficial owners being governmental authorities of the PRC; (ii) the National Trust Financial Products are regular return products where at least 80% of its underlying assets and interests are deposits, bonds and other debt investments; and (iii) the historic income of the National Trust Financial Products having been stable, the Group considers the risk of the investment in the National Trust Financial Products are relatively low.

The trust investment products reach maturity consecutively between October 2024 and March 2025. On 30 September 2024, the Group entered into agreement to subscribe for the National Trust Financial Products for the maximum subscription amount of RMB800,000,000. For details of the subscription of the financial products, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 30 September 2024 and 23 October 2024 and the circular of the Company dated 24 October 2024.

Exposure to Foreign-Exchange Fluctuations

The Company utilises the RMB as its functional currency, and the Group's monetary assets and liabilities are primarily denominated in RMB, HK\$, and US\$. The Group acknowledges that its exposure to foreign currency fluctuations is closely linked to the performance of the RMB exchange rate. However, as the RMB has not yet achieved international hard currency status, there are currently no effective methods available to hedge this risk for the Group's size and cash flow pattern.

As the Government of the PRC is driving RMB to get more internationalised and towards free floating in the future, we expect more hedging tools will be available in the currency market. The Group will monitor closely the development of currency policy of the PRC Government and the availability of the hedging tools which are appropriate for the operations of manufacturing business in this respect.

Segment Information

The Group comprises of the manufacturing and trading business, retail business, wholesale business, and investment holding business.

In terms of geographical segmentation, the Group's main markets consist of the PRC, Europe, and the United States, which collectively accounted for 96.7% of the Group's total revenue during the Reporting Period. Among these markets, with the PRC contributed 46.6% of the Group's revenue while Europe and the United States contributed 50.1%. The remaining 3.3% was generated from other markets.

Contingent Liabilities

The Group had no significant contingent liabilities as at 30 September 2024.

Employee Information

As at 30 September 2024, the Group have a workforce of 1,154 employees who work at the chain stores, offices and factories situated in Hong Kong and the PRC. The Group provided its employees with competitive remuneration packages that were aligned with their responsibilities, qualifications, experience, and performance. In addition to offering competitive compensation, the Group provided its employees with opportunities for continuing professional development, including providing management skills workshops, practical seminars for knowledge updates, on-the-job training, and safety training programs.

Review of Operations

During the Reporting Period, the Group recorded a net loss of approximately RMB26.2 million, compared to a net profit of approximately RMB293.2 million in the corresponding period last year. The decrease were mainly attributed to the resumption of land by the local government of Ningbo Municipality, the PRC of approximately RMB131.2 million in the corresponding period last year, the net valuation loss on investment properties of approximately RMB203.8 million and the impairment losses on financial assets and contract assets of approximately RMB73.7 million for the Reporting Period.

Revenue

During the Reporting Period, the Group recorded revenue of approximately RMB1,405.6 million, representing an increase of 5.3% when compared with the revenue of approximately RMB1,334.3 million recorded for the corresponding period last year.

Manufacturing and Trading Business

During the Reporting Period, the manufacturing and trading business segment generated revenue of approximately RMB768.7 million, representing an increase of 8.4% compared to the corresponding period last year's revenue of approximately RMB708.9 million. The competition in the overseas markets has been intense, and our management team is diligently seeking new opportunities. The revenue growth in this segment demonstrates their successful contribution, helping to strengthen our established customer base and allowing us to better navigate short-term market fluctuations.

Retail Business

The revenue in the Group's retail business for the Reporting Period decreased by 29.3% to approximately RMB116.2 million, compared to approximately RMB164.3 million in the corresponding period last year. The decline in revenue was primarily due to increasing move to retail online shopping, e-commerce and large supermarket chains.

Wholesale Business

The revenue in the Group's wholesale business increased by 11.5% to approximately RMB500.2 million, compared to approximately RMB448.7 million in the corresponding period last year. The wholesale business in wines and beverages decrease slightly, while the electrical appliances segment, particularly heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC), recorded an increase in revenue. This achievement is due to the Group's collaboration with large property companies, which has spurred growth in this segment.

Investments Holding Business

The Group's investment income increased by 66.7% to approximately RMB20.5 million during the Reporting Period, compared to approximately RMB12.3 million in the corresponding period last year.

PROSPECTS

Strengthening our competence and competitiveness in the Manufacturing and Trading Business

While uncertainty persist regarding economic recovery, consumer sentiment and the US-China Trade War, the Group maintain tentative positivity in its manufacturing and trading business for profitability and growth. Existent market headwinds continue to be significant, including rising in geopolitical tensions, high interest rate environment and ongoing, inflationary pressures on raw materials, delivery costs and labor. The Group proactively explored the overseas markets, adjusted our domestic marketing strategy, and will continue to implement cost control measures, including integrating and realigning management and sales resources, as well as making structural changes in procurement and manufacturing planning.

Going forward, the Group will continue to focus on developing and introducing new products to address the changing needs of its diverse customer base. The Group will also expand its customer base in both existing and emerging markets, with the aim of achieving continuous growth and enhancing its overall performance. The Group will continue to focus on higher-margin products and customers to further enhance its business and financial performance.

Optimisation of retail business and maintaining steady growth of wholesale business

Alongside the overall weakness in consumer demand, consumption patterns are experiencing significant changes. Offline stores are struggling with declining foot traffic as consumers increasingly prefer online platforms, making it harder to attract in-store shoppers.

Through the optimisation of the product structure and enhancement of product display in supermarket, including dedicated sections for local characteristic products, new arrivals, and discounted items to fulfil the diverse shopping habits and preferences of our customers. Furthermore, the direct sourcing of fresh food from source suppliers allows us to lower the costs while delivering products with superior quality and value to consumers.

The national real estate market has still been sluggish, both residential and commercial sectors recorded declining in certain extent. The decline in second and third-tier cities has been more severe than in first-tier cities. In terms of commercial real estate, plenty of new supply would enter the market in the coming years, which would further push up the vacant rate and result in a continued downward trend in commercial real estate. Given the current property market is deeply intertwined with the overall economy, the recovery of the property market will be heavily dependent on the improvement of the macro economy and the stimulation of regulatory policies. The Group's wholesale business segment, specifically the heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning (HVAC) wholesale business which collaborate with large and well-established real estate developer, will inevitably be affected by the downturn of real estate market and increase the risk of debts collection. The Group will always adhere to the HVAC wholesale business strategy of steady development, keep a close eye on the orientation of macro policies, the default risk and business development.

The Group will closely monitor the volatility of global financial markets and industry risks, maintain effective communication with our clients, and make timely adjustments to its sales and purchase strategies as needed to achieve its goal of continuous business growth and performance improvement. The Group has still been seeking investment opportunities from time to time with a view to diversify and enhance their asset portfolio, broaden their sources of income and accelerate further growth of the Group as a whole.

DIRECTOR'S AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Name	Capacity	Number of shares/ underlying shares (Note 1)	Approximate percentage of the issued share capital of the Company
Mr. Li Lixin	Note 2	2,755,137,680 (L)	34.25%

Note 1: (L) denotes long positions

Note 2: Mr. Li Lixin's interest in 2,755,137,680 shares is held as to 17,822,000 shares personally, and 2,737,315,680 Shares through Lisi Manufacturing Co., Limited, the entire issued share capital of which is wholly owned by Mr. Li Lixin.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors and chief executive of the Company nor their associates had any interests and short positions in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which would have 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 each of them has taken or deemed to have taken under the SFO), or which would be required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register required to be kept therein, or which would be required, pursuant to the Model Code, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange as at 30 September 2024.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

		Number of shares/	Approximate percentage of the issued share capital of
Name	Capacity	underlying shares (Note)	the Company
Lisi Manufacturing Co., Limited	Beneficial owner	2,737,315,680 (L)	34.03%
Cheng Weihong	Interest in controlled corporation	1,849,407,702 (L) 398,000,000 (S)	22.99% 4.95%
Tong Shiping	Interest of spouse	1,849,407,702 (L) 398,000,000 (S)	22.99% 4.95%
Mighty Mark Investments Limited	Beneficial owner	956,407,702 (L)	11.89%
Poly Platinum Enterprises Limited	Beneficial owner/Person having a security interest in shares	927,790,000 (L)	11.53%
Greater Bay Area Homeland Development Fund (GP) Limited	Person having a security interest in shares/ interest in controlled corporation	927,790,000 (L)	11.53%
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Hopeful Glad Limited	Beneficial owner	893,000,000 (L) 398,000,000 (S)	11.10% 4.95%
David Alexia Eleni	Interest in controlled corporation	800,000,000 (L)	9.95%
Manukura (CMCI) Limited	Beneficial owner	800,000,000 (L)	9.95%
Note: (L) denotes long position	as (S) denotes short positions		

Save as disclosed herein, as at 30 September 2024, the Directors are not aware of any other persons (not being a Director or chief executive of the Company) who had or was deemed to have any interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares which was required to be notified to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

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

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the Reporting Period.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Company is committed to striving good corporate governance practices and emphasising on transparency and accountability to its shareholders and stakeholders for enhancing investor confidence. Throughout the Reporting Period, the Company has adopted and complied with all the code provisions as set out in the Corporate Governance Code as set forth in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules, save and except for the deviations from code provision C.2.1.

Code provision C.2.1

Code Provision C.2.1 provides that the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. During the Reporting Period, the Group has not had the position of chief executive. Although the Group has not designated any person as chief executive, the Board have met regularly to consider major matters regarding the operations of the Group. After evaluating the current board composition, the Board is of the opinion that the present composition and arrangement of the Board is appropriate and in the best interests of the Company in view of carrying out the policies and operation of the Company.

In order to protect and enhance the benefits of the Shareholders, the Board and the senior management will continue to monitor and review the governance policies so as to ensure that the Company will fully comply with the requirements as set out in the CG Codes.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company has an audit committee (the "Audit Committee") which was established in compliance with Rule 3.21 of the Listing Rules for the purpose of reviewing and providing supervision over the Group's financial reporting process and internal controls. The Audit Committee consists of three members, namely Mr. He Chengying, Mr. Shin Yick Fabian and Mr. Kwong Kwan Tong, all of them are independent non-executive Directors. The chairman of the Audit Committee is Mr. Shin Yick Fabian. The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2024 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee is of the view that such results are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, rules and regulations and appropriate disclosures have been duly made.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules as the code of conduct regarding Directors' securities transactions. Upon specific enquiries being made with all the Directors, each of them have confirmed that they have fully complied with the required standards set out in the Model Code throughout the Reporting Period in relation to their securities dealings.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board has resolved not to declare any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2024.

PUBLICATION OF INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT AND INTERIM REPORT

This interim results announcement is published on the websites of the Company (http://www.lisigroup.com.hk) and the Stock Exchange (www.hkexnews.hk). The interim report of the Company for the Reporting Period containing all the information required by the Listing Rules will be dispatched to shareholders of the Company and made available on the above websites in due course.

By Order of the Board
Li Lixin
Chairman and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 28 November 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Li Lixin, Mr. Cheng Jianhe and Ms. Jin Yaxue being executive Directors, Mr. He Chengying, Mr. Shin Yick Fabian and Mr. Kwong Kwan Tong being independent non-executive Directors.