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Marketingforce Management Ltd 邁富時管理有限公司 (Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock code: 2556)

COMPLETION OF PLACING OF NEW SHARES UNDER THE GENERAL MANDATE

Placing Agents



uSM/ART Securities 盈立證券

The Board is pleased to announce that all the conditions under the Placing Agreement have been satisfied and that the completion of the Placing took place on December 27, 2024. A total of 1,000,000 Placing Shares, representing approximately 0.42% of the issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the allotment and issuance of the Placing Shares immediately upon completion of the Placing, were successfully placed to not less than six Placees at the Placing Price of HK\$110.00 per Placing Share pursuant to the terms of the Placing Agreement.

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated December 18, 2024 (the "Announcement") in relation to, among other things, the Placing. Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

COMPLETION OF PLACING

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A total of 1,000,000 Placing Shares, representing approximately 0.42% of the issued share capital of the Company (excluding the Treasury Shares, if any) as enlarged by the allotment and issuance of the Placing Shares immediately upon completion of the Placing, have been successfully placed at the Placing Price of HK\$110.00 per Placing Share to not less than six professional investors who, to the best of the knowledge, information and belief of the Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, together with their respective ultimate beneficial owners, are Independent Third Parties. None of the Placees and their ultimate beneficial owners became a substantial shareholder (as defined under the Listing Rules) of the Company as a result of the Placing.

PROCEEDS FROM THE PLACING

The gross proceeds from the Placing are approximately HK\$110.0 million. The net proceeds from the Placing are approximately HK\$109.5 million. The net price per Share for the Placing after deducting related fees and expenses is approximately HK\$109.54 per Share.

The Company intends to apply the net proceeds from the Placing for the purposes and in the amounts set forth below: (i) approximately 70% of the net proceeds, or HK\$76.65 million, for research and development of AI large language models in marketing and sales, including improving our Tforce large language model in marketing, building our AI agent platform, and business application of AI agent platform in various scenarios; and (ii) approximately 30% of the net proceeds, or HK\$32.85 million, for replenishing working capital and general corporate purposes.

EFFECT OF THE PLACING ON THE SHAREHOLDING STRUCTURE OF THE COMPANY

The table below sets out the shareholding structure of the Company immediately before and after the completion of the Placing:

Shareholder	Immediately before the completion of the Placing		Immediately after the completion of the Placing	
	Number of		Number of	
	Shares	%	Shares	%
Controlling Shareholders ⁽¹⁾ DRIVING FORCE DEVELOPMENTS	116,925,000	49.72%	116,925,000	49.51%
LIMITED ⁽²⁾	19,251,800	8.19%	19,251,800	8.15%
Rosy Maple Limited ⁽³⁾	15,401,000	6.55%	15,401,000	6.52%
Jiaxing Hengjie Equity Investment				
Partnership (Limited Partnership) ⁽⁴⁾	3,632,400	1.54%	3,632,400	1.54%
NB DIGITAL Evergreen Investment Limited				
Partnership ⁽⁴⁾	21,161,600	9.00%	21,161,600	8.96%
Sub-total:	176,371,800	75.00%	176,371,800	74.68%
Shares held by Public Shareholders				
Placees	_	_	1,000,000	0.42%
Other Public Shareholders	58,792,300	25.00%	58,792,300	24.89%
Sub-total:	58,792,300	25.00%	59,792,300	25.32%
Total	235,164,100	100.0%	236,164,100	100.0%

Notes:

- 1. Mr. Zhao Xulong (趙緒龍) (also known by his alias name Zhao Xulong (趙旭隆)) ("**Mr. Zhao**"), our founder, chairman and chief executive officer, and Ms. ZHU Shuina ("**Ms. Zhu**"), being the spouse of Mr. Zhao, have been acting in concert on the decision-making process as shareholders of the Company. Mr. Zhao, together with Ms. Zhu, indirectly held the Company's shares (i) through Real Force Limited and Precious Sight Limited, which are holding vehicles for the benefit of founders' family trust with Willam Zhao Limited and Shuina Zhu Limited as beneficiaries, and (ii) through Willian Zhao I Limited, which is indirectly wholly owned by Mr. Zhao. Mr. Zhao and Ms. Zhu, together with Real Force Limited, Precious Sight Limited, Willam Zhao Limited and Willian Zhao I Limited, are the group of our Controlling Shareholders.
- 2. Mr. XU Jiankang, an executive Director, is deemed to be interested in the Shares held through the DRIVING FORCE DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED.
- 3. Ms. ZHAO Fangqi, a non-executive Director, is deemed to be interested in the Shares held through the Rosy Maple Limited.

4. Jiaxing Hengjie Equity Investment Partnership (Limited Partnership) and NB DIGITAL Evergreen Investment Limited Partnership are ultimately controlled by Mr. ZHU Zhengguo, who is a mature investor. Mr. ZHU Zhengguo is deemed to be interested in the Shares held by such entities.

By order of the Board Marketingforce Management Ltd ZHAO Xulong Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, December 27, 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the Directors of the Company are: Mr. ZHAO Xulong as chairman, executive Director and chief executive officer, Mr. XU Jiankang as executive Director, Ms. ZHAO Fangqi and Mr. HUANG Shaodong as non-executive Directors and Mr. YANG Tao, Mr. QIN Ci and Mr. CHEN Chen as independent non-executive Directors.