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SRE GROUP LIMITED

上置集團有限公司*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1207)

**UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULT
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2013**

GROUP FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

**For the six months ended
30 June 2013**

Revenue (HK\$'000)	1,347,646
Net Profit attributable to owners of the parent (HK\$'000)	25,894
Basic earnings per share (HK cents)	0.46
Dividend per share-Interim (HK cents)	–

INTERIM RESULTS

The Board of Directors (“the Board”) of SRE Group Limited is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (“the Group”) for the six months ended 30 June 2013 together with comparative figures for the previous corresponding period in 2012. The unaudited interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2013 have been reviewed by the Company’s Audit Committee.

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2013

(Amounts expressed in thousands of Hong Kong dollar unless otherwise stated)

		For the six months ended 30 June	
	Notes	2013 Unaudited	2012 Unaudited
CONTINUING OPERATIONS			
Revenue	3	1,347,646	1,839,171
Cost of sales		(989,483)	(1,234,598)
Gross profit		358,163	604,573
Other gains – net	4	4,816	229,693
Selling and marketing costs		(31,007)	(27,477)
Administrative expenses		(112,365)	(111,217)
Operating profit		219,607	695,572
Finance income		34,581	10,934
Finance costs		(154,276)	(191,838)
Finance costs – net		(119,695)	(180,904)
Share of profits of associates		895	2,811
Profit before tax from continuing operations		100,807	517,479
Income tax expense	5	(63,511)	(255,455)
Profit for the period from continuing operations		37,296	262,024
DISCONTINUED OPERATION			
Loss for the period from discontinued operation		–	(49,429)
Profit for the period		37,296	212,595
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Item not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:</i>			
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements into presentation currency		170,205	(73,486)
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax		170,205	(73,486)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD		207,501	139,109

		For the six months ended 30 June	
		2013	2012
	<i>Notes</i>	Unaudited	Unaudited
Profit attributable to:			
Owners of the parent		25,894	228,856
Non-controlling interests		11,402	(16,261)
		<u>37,296</u>	<u>212,595</u>
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Owners of the parent		185,764	169,053
Non-controlling interests		21,737	(29,944)
		<u>207,501</u>	<u>139,109</u>
Earnings per share attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent	6		
Basic			
– For profit for the period		<u>HK\$0.46 cents</u>	<u>HK\$4.52 cents</u>
– For profit from continuing operations		<u>HK\$0.46 cents</u>	<u>HK\$5.21 cents</u>
Diluted			
– For profit for the period		<u>HK\$0.46 cents</u>	<u>HK\$4.52 cents</u>
– For profit from continuing operations		<u>HK\$0.46 cents</u>	<u>HK\$5.21 cents</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these interim consolidated financial statements.

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2013

(Amounts expressed in thousands of Hong Kong dollar unless otherwise stated)

	<i>Notes</i>	30 June 2013 Unaudited	31 December 2012 Audited
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		1,161,738	814,927
Completed investment properties		4,878,692	4,792,658
Prepaid land lease payments		141,383	141,391
Goodwill		660,039	648,399
Investments in associates		78,811	76,533
Derivative financial asset		–	74,608
Deferred tax assets		538,026	533,616
Non-current prepayments		–	192,000
		<hr/> 7,458,689	<hr/> 7,274,132
Current assets			
Prepaid land lease payments		11,338,613	11,260,559
Properties held or under development for sale		7,743,001	6,932,167
Inventories		19,041	11,487
Prepayments and other current assets		231,327	175,462
Other receivables		613,200	1,409,084
Trade receivables	8	34,709	31,121
Prepaid income tax		272,518	229,074
Cash and cash balances		2,913,832	2,032,007
		<hr/> 23,166,241	<hr/> 22,080,961
Total assets		<hr/> 30,624,930	<hr/> 29,355,093

	<i>Notes</i>	30 June 2013 Unaudited	31 December 2012 Audited
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Issued capital and premium		6,000,738	6,000,738
Other reserves		1,508,183	1,695,316
Retained profits		1,387,834	1,361,940
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Equity attributable to owners of the parent		8,896,755	9,057,994
Non-controlling interests		308,473	704,340
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Total equity		9,205,228	9,762,334
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LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities			
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings		10,765,794	6,670,834
Convertible bonds – host debts		7,183	7,183
Deferred tax liabilities		1,980,303	1,900,302
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		12,753,280	8,578,319
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Current liabilities			
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings		3,154,704	4,403,928
Advances received from the pre-sale of properties under development		1,541,500	1,495,886
Trade payables	9	2,026,685	2,064,672
Other payables and accruals		457,842	871,367
Current income tax liabilities		1,485,691	1,617,048
Guaranteed senior notes		–	561,539
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		8,666,422	11,014,440
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Total liabilities		21,419,702	19,592,759
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Total equity and liabilities		30,624,930	29,355,093
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Net current assets		14,499,819	11,066,521
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Total assets less current liabilities		21,958,508	18,340,653
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these interim consolidated financial statements.

Note to the Financial Statements

(Amounts expressed in HK\$'000 unless otherwise stated)

1. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2013 have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 Interim Financial Reporting.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements as at 31 December 2012.

1.2 Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012, except for the adoption of new and revised standards and interpretations as of 1 January 2013, as described below:

HKAS 1 Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income – Amendments to HKAS 1

The amendments become effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2012. The amendments change the grouping of items presented in other comprehensive income. Items that could be reclassified (or recycled) to profit or loss at a future point in time (for example, net gain on hedge of a net investment, exchange differences on translation of foreign operations, net movement on cash flow hedges and net loss or gain on available-for-sale financial assets) would be presented separately from items which will never be reclassified (for example, actuarial gains and losses on defined benefit plans and revaluation of land and buildings). Currently, the amendment affected presentation only and had no impact on the Group's financial position or performance.

HKAS 19 Employee Benefits (Revised 2011)

The amended standard becomes effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013. The revised standard introduces significant changes in the accounting for defined benefit pension plans including removing the choice to defer the recognition of actuarial gains and losses. Other changes include modifications to the timing of recognition for termination benefits, the classification of short-term employee benefits and disclosures of defined benefit plans. Currently, the amendments did not have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

HKFRS 1 Government Loans – Amendments to HKFRS 1

The amendments are effective for annual periods on or after 1 January 2013. The amendments require first-time adopters to apply the requirements of HKAS 20 Accounting for Government Grants and Disclosure of Government Assistance, prospectively to government loans existing at the date of transition to HKFRS. Entities may choose to apply the requirements of HKFRS 9 (or HKAS 39, as applicable) and HKAS 20 to government loans retrospectively if the information needed to do so had been obtained at the time of initially accounting for that loan. Currently, the amendments did not have any impact on the Group's financial statements.

HKFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities – Amendments to HKFRS 7

The amendments become effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013. These amendments require an entity to disclose information about rights to set-off and related arrangements (e.g., collateral agreements). The disclosures would provide users with information that is useful in evaluating the effect of netting arrangements on an entity's financial position. The new disclosures are required for all recognised financial instruments that are set off in accordance with HKAS 32. The disclosures also apply to recognised financial instruments that are subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement, irrespective of whether they are set off in accordance with HKAS 32. Currently, these amendments did not have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

HKFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement

This standard becomes effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013. HKFRS 13 establishes a single source of guidance under HKFRS for all fair value measurements. HKFRS 13 does not change when an entity is required to use fair value, but rather provides guidance on how to measure fair value under HKFRS when fair value is required or permitted. Currently, the application of HKFRS 13 did not have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

HK(IFRIC)-Int 20 Stripping Costs in the Production Phase of a Surface Mine

HK(IFRIC)-Int 20 becomes effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013. This interpretation applies to waste removal (stripping) costs incurred in surface mining activity, during the production phase of a mine. The interpretation addresses the accounting for the benefit from the stripping activity. Currently, the new interpretation did not have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

Annual Improvements 2009-2011 Cycle (issued in June 2012)

The Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2009-2011 Cycle sets out amendments to a number of HKFRSs. The amendments become effective from 1 January 2013. There are separate transitional provisions for each amended standard. While the adoption of some of the amendments may result in changes in accounting policies, none of these amendments currently had any significant impact on the Group's financial position or performance.

The Group has early adopted HKFRS 10, HKFRS 11, HKFRS 12, HKAS 27 (2011), HKAS 28 (2011) and the consequential amendments to other standards for the year ended 31 December 2012. The Group has not early adopted any other standard, interpretation or amendment that was issued but is not yet effective.

2. Operating Segment Information

For management purposes, the Group is organised into business units based on their products and services and has four reportable operating segments as follows:

- The property development segment develops and sells residential and commercial properties;
- The property leasing segment leases offices and commercial properties owned by the Group which are classified as investment properties;
- The hotel operations segment provides hotel accommodation, hotel catering and conference hall services; and
- The corporate and other operations segment comprises, principally, the provision of property management services.

Management monitors the results of the Group's operating segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about resources allocation and performance assessment. The performance of each segment is evaluated based on its operating profit or loss before tax and the methodology used for its calculation is same as that for the consolidated financial statements. However, group financing (including finance costs and finance income) and income taxes are managed on a group basis and are not allocated to operating segments.

Intersegment sales and transfers are transacted with reference to the selling prices used for sales made to third parties.

An analysis by business segment is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June 2013 (unaudited)				
	Property development	Property leasing	Hotel operations	Corporate and other operations	Total
Segment revenue					
Sales to external customers	1,118,822	60,385	92,854	75,585	1,347,646
Intersegment sales	–	–	–	139,571	139,571
	<u>1,118,822</u>	<u>60,385</u>	<u>92,854</u>	<u>215,156</u>	<u>1,487,217</u>
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment sales					<u>(139,571)</u>
Revenue					<u>1,347,646</u>
Segment profit/(loss)	<u>194,830</u>	<u>37,984</u>	<u>7,322</u>	<u>(20,529)</u>	<u>219,607</u>
Finance income					34,581
Finance costs					<u>(154,276)</u>
Finance costs – net					<u>(119,695)</u>
Share of profits of associates					<u>895</u>
Profit before tax					<u>100,807</u>

Six months ended 30 June 2012 (unaudited)

	Property development	Property leasing	Hotel operations	Corporate and other operations	Total
Segment revenue					
Sales to external customers	1,610,185	76,446	81,695	70,845	1,839,171
Intersegment sales	–	–	–	50,362	50,362
	<u>1,610,185</u>	<u>76,446</u>	<u>81,695</u>	<u>121,207</u>	1,889,533
<i>Reconciliation:</i>					
Elimination of intersegment sales					(50,362)
Revenue					<u>1,839,171</u>
Segment profit/(loss)	<u>479,456</u>	<u>31,692</u>	<u>(34,538)</u>	<u>218,962</u>	695,572
Finance income					10,934
Finance costs					(191,838)
Finance costs – net					(180,904)
Share of profits of associates					2,811
Profit before tax from continuing operation					<u>517,479</u>

3. Revenue

Revenues recognised during the period are as follows:

	(unaudited)	
	For the six months	
	ended 30 June	
	2013	2012
Sale of development properties	1,182,053	1,704,601
Hotel operations	98,412	86,576
Revenue from property leasing	57,037	82,969
Property management income	78,676	74,339
Revenue from construction of infrastructure for an intelligent network	9,722	534
Other revenue	4,511	–
	<u>1,430,411</u>	1,949,019
Less: Business tax and surcharges (a)	(82,765)	(109,848)
Total revenue	<u>1,347,646</u>	<u>1,839,171</u>

(a) Business tax and surcharges

Business tax is calculated at 5% of the revenue from the sale of properties, hotel operations, the provision of property management services and property leasing and at 3% of the net income received from the construction of infrastructure for an intelligent network after deducting amounts payable to subcontractors.

Government surcharges, comprising City Maintenance and Construction Tax, Education Surtax and River Way Management Fee, are calculated at certain percentages of business tax.

4. Other Gains – net

	(unaudited)	
	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2013	2012
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary	–	226,121
Others	4,816	3,572
	<u>4,816</u>	<u>229,693</u>

5. Tax

	(unaudited)	
	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2013	2012
Current taxation		
– Mainland China income tax (a)	40,244	206,522
– Mainland China LAT (c)	12,872	49,027
	<u>53,116</u>	<u>255,549</u>
Deferred taxation		
– Mainland China income tax	(677)	(8,652)
– Mainland China LAT	(32)	(27,359)
– Mainland China withholding tax (d)	11,104	35,917
	<u>10,395</u>	<u>(94)</u>
Total tax charge for the period	<u>63,511</u>	<u>255,455</u>

(a) Mainland China income tax

The Group conducts nearly entirely all of its business in Mainland China and the applicable income tax rate of its subsidiaries operating in Mainland China is generally 25%, in accordance with the PRC Corporate Income Tax Law which was approved and became effective on 1 January 2008.

For the pre-sale of properties under development, the tax authorities may impose income tax ahead of the completion of sale transactions and revenue recognition, based on certain estimations.

(b) Other income tax

The Company is exempted from taxation in Bermuda until 2016. Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere are calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the jurisdiction in which the Group operates, based on existing legislation, interpretations and practices in respect thereof.

No provision for Hong Kong profits tax has been made as the Group had no assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the period.

(c) Mainland China land appreciation tax (“LAT”)

LAT is incurred upon transfer of property ownership and is levied at progressive rates ranging from 30% to 60% on the appreciation of land value, being the proceeds from the sale of properties less deductible expenditures including land costs, borrowing costs, business taxes and all property development expenditures.

For the pre-sale of properties under development, the tax authorities may impose LAT ahead of the completion of transactions and revenue recognition, generally based on 1.5% to 5% on proceeds of the sale and pre-sale of properties.

(d) Mainland China Withholding tax

Pursuant to the PRC Corporate Income Tax Law which became effective on 1 January 2008, a 10% withholding tax is levied on dividends declared to foreign investors from the foreign investment enterprises established in the PRC effective from 1 January 2008. A lower withholding tax rate may be applied if there is a tax arrangement between the PRC and the jurisdiction of the foreign investors. On 22 February 2008, Caishui (2008) No. 1 was promulgated by the tax authorities to specify that dividends declared and remitted out of the PRC from the retained profits as at 31 December 2007 are exempted from withholding tax.

6. Earnings per Share

The calculation of basic earnings per share amount is based on the profit for the period attributable to ordinary equity holder of the parent, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 5,664,714 thousand (2012: 5,060,855 thousand) in issue during the period.

For the period ended 30 June 2013 and 2012, the calculation of diluted earnings per share amount does not take into account the convertible bonds or the management stock option plan of a subsidiary, because they are anti-dilutive. Hence, the diluted earnings per share are the same as the basic earnings per share for the period ended 30 June 2013 and 2012.

The following reflects the income and share data used in the basic and diluted earnings per share computations:

	For the six months ended 30 June 2013	For the six months ended 30 June 2012
Earnings		
Profit/(loss) attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent used in the basic and diluted earnings per share calculations		
From continuing operations	25,894	263,706
From discontinued operation	—	(34,850)
	<u>25,894</u>	<u>228,856</u>
	5,664,714	5,060,855
Shares		
	For the six months ended 30 June 2013	For the six months ended 30 June 2012
	(Thousand shares)	(Thousand shares)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period used in the basic and diluted earnings per share calculations	<u>5,664,714</u>	<u>5,060,855</u>
	5,664,714	5,060,855

There have been no other transactions involving ordinary shares or potential ordinary shares between the reporting date and the date of completion of these financial statements.

7. Dividend

On 29 August 2013, the Board resolved not to declare an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2013 (2012: Nil).

8. Trade Receivables

	30 June 2013 Unaudited	31 December 2012 Audited
Trade receivables	45,517	41,738
Less: Provision for impairment	(10,808)	(10,617)
	<u>34,709</u>	<u>31,121</u>

An aging analysis of trade receivables is set out below:

	30 June 2013 Unaudited	31 December 2012 Audited
Within 6 months	22,588	23,061
6 months – 1 year	12,364	1,621
1 – 2 years	1,560	7,510
Over 2 years	9,005	9,546
	<u>45,517</u>	<u>41,738</u>

The Group's sale of development properties and hotel operations are generally on cash basis. While the Group's trading terms with its customers for other operations are mainly on credit, the credit terms of the Group are generally within 6 months.

The Group's trade receivables relate to a large number of diversified customer and there is no significant concentration of credit risk. Trade receivables are non-interest-bearing.

The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management.

9. Trade Payables

	30 June 2013 Unaudited	31 December 2012 Audited
Trade payables	<u>2,026,685</u>	<u>2,064,672</u>

An aging analysis of trade payables is as follows:

	30 June 2013 Unaudited	31 December 2012 Audited
Within 1 year	1,980,389	1,623,171
1 – 2 years	36,063	109,111
Over 2 years	10,233	332,390
	<u>2,026,685</u>	<u>2,064,672</u>

Trade payables represent payables arising from property construction. The trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled within one year.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the period under review, the Group recorded a net revenue of approximately HK\$1,348 million (2012: HK\$1,839 million), a decrease of approximately 26.7% compared with that of the corresponding period of last year. The decrease in net revenue was mainly due to the significant decrease in handover of completed properties to buyers in the first half of the year which is expected to increase for the second half of the year. Profit attributable to owners of the parent amounted to approximately HK\$26 million (2012: approximately HK\$229 million), a decrease of approximately 88.65% compared with that of the corresponding period of last year.

Liquidity and Financial Resources

As at 30 June 2013, cash and bank balances amounted to approximately HK\$2,914 million (31 December 2012: approximately HK\$2,032 million). Working capital (net current assets) of the Group as at 30 June 2013 amounted to approximately HK\$14,500 million (31 December 2012: approximately HK\$11,067 million), an increase by approximately 31% as compared with the previous year. Current ratio was at 2.67x (31 December 2012: 2.00x).

As at 30 June 2013, the gearing ratio, being the Group's net borrowings (total borrowings minus cash and bank balance) to total capital (equity plus net borrowings), was 54% (31 December 2012: 50%).

Charges on Assets and Contingent Liabilities

As at 30 June 2013, bank and other borrowings of approximately HK\$13,764 million (31 December 2012: approximately HK\$10,898 million) were secured by mortgage of the Group's leasehold land, investment properties, property, plant and equipment and properties held or under development for sale, or by pledge of equity interest in subsidiaries, bank deposits and future property pre-sale proceeds.

The Group provided guarantees in respect of the mortgage facilities granted by certain banks to certain purchasers of the Group's properties. Pursuant to the terms of the guarantee agreements, in case of default on mortgage payments by the purchasers, the Group is responsible for repaying the outstanding mortgage loans together with any accrued interest and penalty owed by the defaulted purchasers to the banks. The Group is then entitled to take over the legal titles of the related properties. The Group's guarantee periods commence from the dates of grant of the relevant mortgage loans and end when the purchasers pledge related property certificates as securities to the banks for the mortgage loans granted by the banks. The Group entered into guarantee contracts of principal amounts totalling RMB218 million (equivalent to HK\$274 million) and these contracts were still valid on 30 June 2013 (31 December 2012: RMB452 million, equivalent to HK\$557 million).

The Group did not incur any material losses during the period in question in respect of the guarantees provided for mortgage facilities granted to purchasers of the Group's properties. The Directors consider that the probability of default of purchasers is remote and even in case of default on payments, the net realisable value of the related properties is expected to be sufficient to cover the repayment of

the outstanding mortgage loans together with any accrued interest and penalty, because the mortgage principals were normally below 70% of sales price of the properties at date of sales agreement, and therefore no provision was made in connection with the guarantees under these financial statements.

BUSINESS REVIEW

In 2013, although the launch of “Five Regulations” has signified that the trend of tight control will not be reversed. In the light of the domestic economic downturn, it can be expected that policies towards the real estate industry would remain stable and no new harsh policies be launched during the year. In the first half of the year, capitalizing on the revival of interest in real estate investment, the Group was keen to reduce inventory by actively accelerating the process to clear the stock of the receding projects, adjust the mix of its assets by the conversion of 37,000 m² of Skyway Hotel into the SRE Financial Centre (上置金融大廈), speed up the development of the relocation project – Shuocheng Phase III with piling works for the 160,000 m² development formally commenced. With the strict enforcement of regulatory measures and the macro environment and market dynamics ever changing, the Group has been taking expedient and opportune measures aiming at a stable and sustainable growth of its business.

Real Estate Development

Sales Progress

In the first half of 2013, the Group’s major projects put up for sale included Cedar Villa Original, Central Ring Centre, SRE Financial Centre, Jiaxing Project, Haikou Bund Centre and Shenyang Yosemite Oasis Community. From January to June 2013, contract sales amounted to approximately RMB870.99 million, with a total floor area of 49,754 m², which, inter alia, include:

Cedar Villa Original

The Cedar Villa Original rests on Lake Malaren, Luodian Nordic New Town, Baoshan District, Shanghai. It boasts the benefits of its proximity to Lake Malaren and high-end facilities including a golf course, featuring a golden Tuscan style of authentic Italian origin. The Land for Cedar Villa Original was obtained in April 2009, and pre-sale commenced after only twelve months, i.e. in May of 2010, and enjoyed a favorable market response. A total of 88 units with a total area of 12,203 m² were sold in the first half of 2013, and the contract sums totaled RMB276.77 million (an average of RMB22,680 per m²).

Central Ring Centre

As a landmark of the Shanghai Central Ring business district, the Central Ring Centre, with all qualities of Grade 5A office buildings and well equipped with all sorts of facilities, has attracted an increasing number of companies. From January to June 2013, a total of 113 units measuring a total area of 8,930 m² were sold for RMB225.38 million (averaging RMB25,151 per m²).

SRE Financial Centre

SRE Financial Centre is a 37,000 m² government approved five-star hotel style (Shanghai Skyway Pullman Hotel Style) office centre composed of approximately 140 units with an area ranging from 210 m² to 288 m². Located in the center of Huangpu District, SRE Financial Centre is well integrated into the cluster of the financial services industry, and is enjoying geographical advantages of “commanding the riverside view of Huangpu district, the superb ancillary facilities of the district and its high accessibility”. Thus this building stands out amongst high-end office properties available for sale and arouses extensive interests. The pre-sale of SRE Financial Centre commenced in December 2012 with only a limited supply of 28 units put on sale. From January to June 2013, a total of 14 units measuring a total area of 3,045 m² were sold for RMB136.31 million (averaging RMB44,762 per m²).

Jiaxing Project

Residing in Nanhu District, Jiaxing City, Zhejiang Province, the Jiaxing Project is another high-end property development project of SRE Group, a residential estate with quality, exquisiteness and sumptuousness. Pre-sale commenced in November 2011 and a total of 26 villas were sold in the first half of 2013, with a total area of 6,284m², yielding revenue of RMB74.73 million (an average of RMB11,892 per m²).

Haikou Bund Centre

In 2010 and in the first half of 2011, Hainan’s real estate market experienced vigorous sales triggered by the central government’s policy of positioning the province as an “International Tourism Island” before the subsequent cooling off as a result of the strict macro-control measures implemented by both the central and local governments. The Haikou Bund Centre project managed to adjust its strategies proactively and achieved satisfactory results. A total of 15 units of the phase I of the project with a total area of 2,272 m² were sold from January to June 2013, yielding an aggregate of RMB38.05million (an average of RMB16,750 per m²).

Progress of Construction

Adhering to development plans and construction timelines delineated at the beginning of 2013, the Group and its subsidiary companies have been carrying out construction works in an orderly and standardized manner, while making every effort to uphold our principle of maintaining high quality. Major projects under construction:

Cedar Villa Original

Construction of Cedar Villa Original was divided into 2 tenders. Construction under Tender II had been completed and flats were handed over to the buyers accordingly in December 2011, while that of Tender I had also been entirely completed and proved satisfactory.

Wuxi Jiangnan Rich Gate

As at the end of June 2013, 68 villas with floor area of 20,261 m² were completed and handed over to buyers. Civil, ancillary and greening works of the project have all been completed. Decoration of the 95 villas sold have been fully completed while that for the unsold villas is about 70% completed.

Central Ring Centre

Construction work of Block 6 of The Central Ring Centre has been formally commenced on 4 March 2011. As of the end of June 2013, interior decoration and overall finishing work of the building have been completed. The construction of the project will be entirely completed and the building will be ready for occupation in July 2013.

Jiaxing Project

As at the end of June 2013, both interior and exterior parts of all villas under Parcel 5 were being touched up and tidied up to prepare for examination upon completion while documents required for completion examination had already been prepared. Air defense facilities had already passed the relevant examination. As for Parcel 1, the plastering of tiles over external walls, floor tiles and stone slabs were over 50% completed and concrete placing works of the main road running from the south to the north and the underground parking garage had been completed.

Shenyang Yosemite Oasis Community

As at the end of June 2013, the construction of the west parcel of Phase I of Shenyang Yosemite Oasis Community had been entirely completed and sold units had already been handed over to buyers. The east parcel of Phase I is divided into 2 tenders, namely Jinling and Shuangxing. As for Jinling, both interior and exterior decorations are still underway and construction work was about 97% completed as at the end of June. It is expected that the houses will be ready for use in September 2013. As for Shuangxing, construction of the main structures has largely been completed and the houses are expected to be handed over to buyers in September 2014.

Progress of Relocation

Albany Oasis Garden

As at the end of June 2013, with 6,214 households relocated, the households relocation of phase I to phase III of Albany Oasis Garden was about 98.1% completed. All economic enterprises had been relocated.

Huangpu Bairun

As of the end of June 2013, Shanghai Huangpu Bairun Project has signed 338 household relocation contracts, 12 sole proprietor relocation contracts and 9 enterprise relocation projects and as a whole, relocation was about 86% completed.

Shenyang Albany

As of the end of June 2013, Shenyang Albany has signed 1,361 household relocation contracts and 13 enterprise school relocation contracts, with 139 households and 12 enterprises schools remaining. The household and enterprise school relocation was about 91% and 52% completed respectively.

Commercial Properties

During the first half of 2013, to cope with changes in market conditions and opportunities arising, we continued to enhance management and operation of our commercial properties, adapt our business strategies for such changes, and leverage on our brand name advantages and management capabilities. As we continued to accumulate knowledge through experience, we were able to gradually improve our operating results. Details include the following:

Shanghai Skyway Pullman Hotel

For the first six months of 2013, the hotel recorded revenue of RMB79.10 million, comprising room revenue of RMB42.49 million and revenue from food and beverages of RMB34.49 million. Gross profit amounted to approximately RMB23.77 million and the occupancy rate was about 63%.

Shenyang Rich Gate Shopping Mall

Shenyang Rich Gate Shopping Mall combines a wide range of functions, such as shopping, fine food, leisure, entertainment, culture, sports & recreation and services. As of June 2013, a total area of 92,559 m² were leased, accounting for 82% of the total rentable area, and rental income totaled RMB28.56 million.

Central Ring Centre

During the first half of 2013, Central Ring Centre doubled its efforts in attracting tenants. Currently, commercial area of 30,000 m², an office building of 10,000 m² and an underground parking garage of 57,000 m² are for lease. For the six months ended June 2013, rental income totaled RMB13.86 million, RMB12.00 million of which were lease income while parking fee income totaled RMB1.86 million.

Major Acquisition

In February 2013, Sinopower Investment Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, acquired 100% of the equity interest in Gao Feng Limited, thereby indirectly acquired 40% interest in Shenyang Huarui Shiji Asset Management Co., Ltd.. Upon the completion of the acquisition in May 2013, the Company indirectly holds 100% interest in Shenyang Huarui Shiji Asset Management Co., Ltd..

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

In the first half of 2013, the implementation of “Five Regulations” implied that stricter regulatory measures were applied to rein in on the real estate market. Speculative demand in the domestic residential market was subdued and the upward trend particularly for prices of high-end residential units came to an end, with prices and sales volume in various cities stabilizing. The central government has made great efforts in enhancing the regulatory mechanism for the control of the real estate industry so as to make it more effective in the long-term. It has made clear its affordable housing policies and has expanded the geographical coverage of the pilot schemes of property taxes. All these measures help manage market expectation and considerably safeguard a steady and healthy development of the real estate market. It has come to light that the new thoughts of the government for controlling the real estate market are: policies will be stable, market forces will be respected and the right for affordable housing shall be further reinforced. Despite the fact that the market within a certain period will be contained by regulatory measures such as purchase restrictions, property developers are still optimistic about the long term prospect of the market.

As the financial aspect is concerned, under the theme of “healthiness and steadiness”, monetary policies further contributed to the targets of a “stable growth” and “restructural realignment”. This manifested the importance of macro policies and controlling measures toward maintaining a healthy growth of the economy. As for the real estate industry, relaxation on issuance of new shares by listed companies is considered to be a general trend. However, the tightening of control over shadow banks will result in the shrinking of the volume of trust business and, all in all, the volume of funding available for the industry will be contained.

On the sales front, the Group is well aware that given the current market dynamics, “low profit margins in return for high turnover” has become fundamental and the guiding principle. The era of high profit margins is over. The Group is going to realign its objectives and based on the principle of “low profit margins in return for high turnover” resets its targets, boosts its output, enlarges its market share and re-establishes its prestigious brand images.

According to the statistics published by the China National Statistics Bureau, total investments in real estate development in the first half of 2013 amounted to RMB3.6828 trillion, an increase of 20.3% over the same period of last year. Out of this total amount, investment in residential property development accounted for RMB2.5227 trillion, an increase of 20.8% over the same period of last year. The investment environment of the real estate market is getting better, transaction volume of residential properties in urban areas begins to grow again and property prices in key cities generally rise. The trend of the property market recovering extends from 2012 to 2013.

In 2013, the macro control policies mainly aim at preventing roller coaster rides of the economy and ensuring the growth be confined within a reasonable range. At its low end, its basic objective is to stabilize growth and preserve employment. At its high end, its basic objective is to contain inflation. As to the Group, shortening the production cycle and making profit from operation are the only means to overcome the difficulties resulted from the macro regulatory measures. In the second half of the year, given that the State Council is prepared to expedite the redevelopment of shanty towns, promote economic development and improve the living condition of the public, and riding on the support of its

six policy measures such as the rehabilitation of 10 million households at various shanty towns in the coming five years, the group will use its best endeavours to speed up the redevelopment of the old town projects including Qinhai and Shuocheng covering a total of 300,000 m² in a cautious manner. This will become a new area of growth for our project development and will help ensure that our short, medium and long term goals will be accomplished.

EMPLOYEES

As at 30 June 2013, the Group had retained 2,621 employees in Hong Kong and the PRC. Total staff costs of the Group excluding directors' remuneration, for the period under review amounted to approximately HK\$84 million. Staff remuneration packages were in line with the prevailing market practice and were determined on the basis of the performance and experience of individual employee.

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

Neither the Company nor its subsidiaries purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 June 2013.

DIRECTORS' COMPLIANCE WITH THE 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 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Listing Rules**"). Specific enquiry has been made of all Directors, who have confirmed that they complied with required standard set out in the Model Code.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee of the Company (the "**Audit Committee**") has reviewed the accounting principles and standards adopted by the Group, and has discussed and reviewed the internal control and reporting matters. The Group's unaudited consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2013 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Throughout the financial period, the Board has reviewed its corporate governance practices and confirmed that the Company has complied with all principles and code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report (the "**CG Code**") as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules except for E.1.2 which stipulates that the chairman of the board should attend the annual general meeting and he should also invite the chairmen of the audit, remuneration, nomination and any other committees (as appropriate) to attend. Mr. Shi Jian, the Chairman of the Board and the Chairman of the Nomination Committee, did not attend the annual general meeting for the year 2013 due to other business commitments.

In addition, due to Mr. Li Yao Min's appointment as an executive director on 29 August 2013, the number of independent non-executive directors of the Company fell short of the requirement under Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules that the independent non-executive directors of the Company shall represent at least one-third of the board. The Board will endeavour to appoint a suitable candidate to fill the vacancy as soon as possible and in any event within three months from 29 August 2013 for purpose of complying with Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules. Further announcement(s) regarding such appointment will be made by the Company when appropriate.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ON THE WEBSITE OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE

The interim report for 2013 containing all the information required by Appendix 16 to the Listing Rules will be dispatched to shareholders and published on the Stock Exchange website (<http://www.hkex.com.hk>) in due course.

On behalf of the Board
SRE Group Limited
Shi Jian
Chairman

Hong Kong, China, 29 August 2013

As at the date hereof, the Board comprises seven executive directors, namely Mr. Shi Jian, Mr. Li Yao Min, Mr. Yu Hai Sheng, Mr. Jiang Xu Dong, Mr. Wang Zi Xiong, Mr. Zhang Hongfei and Mr. Shi Lizhou; two non-executive directors, namely Mr. Cheung Wing Yui and Mr. Jin Bing Rong and four independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Jiang Xie Fu, Mr. Zhuo Fumin, Mr. Yuan Pu and Mr. Chan, Charles Sheung Wai.

* *For identification purpose only*