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**SPT Energy Group Inc.**

**華油能源集團有限公司\***

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 1251)**

**INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT  
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

**INTERIM RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's revenue was RMB843.1 million, representing an increase of RMB110.3 million, or 15.0%, from RMB732.8 million for the same period of the previous year.

The profit attributable to owners of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2023 was RMB9.3 million, representing a decrease of RMB0.5 million, or 5.1%, from RMB9.8 million for the same period of the previous year.

No interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2023 was proposed to be paid to the shareholders of the Company by the Board (for the six months ended 30 June 2022: nil).

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Directors**”) of SPT Energy Group Inc. (the “**Company**”) announces the unaudited interim condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “**Group**”) for the six months ended 30 June 2023 (the “**Period**”), together with the comparative figures for the same period of the previous year as follows:

## INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

		30 June 2023 <i>RMB'000</i> <b>Unaudited</b>	31 December 2022 <i>RMB'000</i> Audited
	<i>Notes</i>		
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment		424,659	430,071
Right-of-use assets		57,689	60,890
Intangible assets		15,217	15,875
Investments in associates		3,589	3,472
Deferred income tax assets		118,924	115,301
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		7,740	8,368
Other non-current assets		16,145	16,145
Prepayments and other receivables	7	13,627	324
		<b>657,590</b>	650,446
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories		599,448	556,669
Contract assets		43,905	32,731
Trade and note receivables	6	1,178,495	1,139,377
Prepayments and other receivables	7	227,709	208,610
Restricted bank deposits		21,401	17,189
Cash and cash equivalents		161,999	277,536
		<b>2,232,957</b>	2,232,112
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>2,890,547</b>	2,882,558
<b>EQUITY</b>			
<b>Equity attributable to the Company's equity holders</b>			
Share capital	8	1,247	1,178
Share premium		869,853	848,026
Other reserves		337,464	335,409
Currency translation differences		(485,620)	(525,073)
Retained earnings		584,582	575,241
		<b>1,307,526</b>	1,234,781
<b>Non-controlling interests</b>		<b>(13,388)</b>	(9,677)
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>1,294,138</b>	1,225,104

		<b>30 June 2023</b>	31 December 2022
		<b>RMB'000</b>	<b>RMB'000</b>
	<i>Notes</i>	<b>Unaudited</b>	Audited
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings		<b>67,302</b>	43,035
Non-current lease liabilities		<b>16,077</b>	16,618
Deferred income tax liabilities		<b>29,742</b>	25,792
		<u><b>113,121</b></u>	<u>85,445</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings		<b>283,688</b>	375,295
Current portion of long-term borrowings		<b>76,379</b>	124,253
Contract liabilities		<b>58,708</b>	53,460
Trade and note payables	<i>9</i>	<b>811,168</b>	733,759
Accruals and other payables	<i>10</i>	<b>191,093</b>	218,990
Current income tax liabilities		<b>55,816</b>	54,809
Current portion of lease liabilities		<b>6,436</b>	11,443
		<u><b>1,483,288</b></u>	<u>1,572,009</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<u><b>1,596,409</b></u>	<u>1,657,454</u>
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>		<u><b>2,890,547</b></u>	<u>2,882,558</u>

## INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
		<b>2023</b> <i>RMB'000</i> <b>Unaudited</b>	<b>2022</b> <i>RMB'000</i> <b>Unaudited</b>
<b>Revenue</b>	<i>5</i>	<u><b>843,059</b></u>	<u>732,777</u>
<b>Other gains/(losses), net</b>		<u><b>1,652</b></u>	<u>(1,584)</u>
<b>Operating costs</b>			
Material costs		<b>(234,879)</b>	(198,427)
Employee benefit expenses		<b>(280,605)</b>	(266,240)
Short-term and low-value lease expenses		<b>(46,236)</b>	(45,571)
Transportation costs		<b>(12,268)</b>	(11,506)
Depreciation and amortisation		<b>(31,481)</b>	(29,744)
Technical service expenses		<b>(123,957)</b>	(69,423)
Net impairment losses of financial and contract assets		<b>(14,987)</b>	(5,913)
Impairment losses of inventories		<b>(1,460)</b>	(1,532)
Others		<b>(70,772)</b>	(68,926)
		<u><b>(816,645)</b></u>	<u>(697,282)</u>
<b>Operating profit</b>		<u><b>28,066</b></u>	<u>33,911</u>
Finance income		<b>177</b>	329
Finance costs		<b>(15,854)</b>	(21,377)
<b>Finance costs, net</b>	<i>11</i>	<u><b>(15,677)</b></u>	<u>(21,048)</u>
Share of net profit/(loss) of an associate accounted for using the equity method		<u><b>117</b></u>	<u>(102)</u>
<b>Profit before income tax</b>		<b>12,506</b>	12,761
Income tax expense	<i>12</i>	<u><b>(5,694)</b></u>	<u>(4,734)</u>
<b>Profit for the period</b>		<u><b>6,812</b></u>	<u>8,027</u>
<b>Profit is attributable to:</b>			
Owners of the Company		<b>9,341</b>	9,808
Non-controlling interests		<b>(2,529)</b>	(1,781)
		<u><b>6,812</b></u>	<u>8,027</u>
<b>Earnings per share for the profit attributable to the owners of the Company</b>			
Basic and diluted earnings per share (RMB)	<i>14</i>	<u><b>0.0049</b></u>	<u>0.0053</u>

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>RMB'000</b>	<b>RMB'000</b>
<i>Notes</i>	<b>Unaudited</b>	<b>Unaudited</b>
<b>Profit for the period</b>	<b>6,812</b>	8,027
<b>Other comprehensive income:</b>		
<i>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>		
Currency translation differences	<b>8,181</b>	(19,386)
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>		
Currency translation differences	<b>30,090</b>	34,853
Changes in fair value of equity investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	<b>(628)</b>	(1,726)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	<b><u>44,455</u></b>	<b><u>21,768</u></b>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to:</b>		
Owners of the Company	<b>48,166</b>	23,514
Non-controlling interests	<b>(3,711)</b>	(1,746)
	<b><u>44,455</u></b>	<b><u>21,768</u></b>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	<b><u>44,455</u></b>	<b><u>21,768</u></b>

## INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>RMB'000</b>	<b>RMB'000</b>
<i>Notes</i>	<b>Unaudited</b>	Unaudited
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Cash used in operations	(57,902)	(91,222)
Income tax paid	(5,652)	(6,022)
	<u>(63,554)</u>	<u>(97,244)</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(11,457)	(20,479)
(Increase)/decrease in restricted bank deposits	(4,212)	15,412
Interest received	90	181
Dividends received from an associate	–	187
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	76	46
	<u>(15,503)</u>	<u>(4,653)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from borrowings	418,112	240,147
Repayments of borrowings	(453,147)	(321,465)
Proceeds from issues of new shares	21,896	–
Interest paid	(14,115)	(17,931)
Principal elements of lease payments	(9,056)	(6,292)
Payments of financing fee and deposits	(5,996)	–
	<u>(42,306)</u>	<u>(105,541)</u>
<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	277,536	359,415
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	5,826	2,797
	<u>161,999</u>	<u>154,774</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period</b>	<b><u>161,999</u></b>	<b><u>154,774</u></b>

# NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

SPT Energy Group Inc. (the “Company”) was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 12 June 2008 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands. The address of its registered office is P. O. Box 31119, Grand Pavilion, Hibiscus Way, 802 West Bay Road, Grand Cayman KY1-1205, Cayman Islands.

The Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Group”) are principally engaged in provision of oil-field services including drilling, well completion, reservoir and the manufacturing and sale of oilfield services related products mainly in the People’s Republic of China (the “PRC”) and overseas. The ultimate controlling parties of the Group are Mr. Wang Guoqiang (王國強) and Mr. Ethan Wu (吳東方) (collectively referred to as the “Controlling Shareholders”).

The Company’s shares have been listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”) since 23 December 2011.

This interim condensed consolidated financial information has not been audited.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

This interim condensed consolidated financial information for the six months ended 30 June 2023 has been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, “Interim financial reporting”. The interim condensed consolidated financial information should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022, which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”), and any public announcements made by the Company during the interim reporting period.

## 3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies applied are consistent with those described in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 except for the adoption of amended standards as set out below.

### Amended standards adopted by the Group

The following amended standards became applicable for the current reporting period:

- IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts
- Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2 Disclosure of Accounting Policies
- Amendments to IAS 8 Definition of Accounting Estimates
- Amendments to IAS 12 Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction

The amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes require the recognition of deferred tax assets (to the extent that it is probable that they can be utilised) and deferred tax liabilities at the beginning of the earliest comparative period for all deductible and taxable temporary differences associated with right-of-use assets and lease liabilities. The Group therefore changed its accounting policies as a result of adopting this amendment to IAS 12. The Group elected to adopt the new rules retrospectively but recognised the cumulative effect of initially applying the new standard on 1 January 2022. There was no impact on retained earnings on 1 January 2022.

The impact of applying these amendments on the interim condensed consolidated financial information is summarised as follows:

	<b>Amount of adjustment</b>	
	<b>1 January 2022 RMB'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 RMB'000</b>
Deferred tax assets	5,322	4,609
Deferred tax liabilities	(5,322)	(4,609)

Other than the above impact, none of these developments have had a material effect on the Group's results and financial information for the current or prior periods which have been prepared or presented in this interim condensed consolidated financial information.

Certain new standard and amendments to standards have been published that are not mandatory for 30 June 2023 reporting period and have not been early adopted by the Group.

		<b>Effective for annual periods beginning on or after</b>
Amendments to IAS 1	Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current	1 January 2024
Amendments to IAS 1	Non-current Liabilities with Covenants	1 January 2024
Amendments to IFRS 16	Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback	1 January 2024
Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7	Supplier Finance Arrangements	1 January 2024
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28	Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture	To be determined

These are not expected to have a material impact on the Group in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

#### **4. ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS**

The preparation of interim condensed consolidated financial information requires the use of accounting estimates which, by definition, may differ from the actual results. Management also needs to exercise judgement in applying the Group's accounting policies.

In preparing this interim condensed consolidated financial information, the significant judgements and the sources of estimation of uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **5. SEGMENT INFORMATION**

The chief operating decision-maker ("CODM") has been identified as the Chief Executive Officer, vice presidents and directors of the Company who review the Group's internal reporting in order to assess performance and allocate resources. The CODM has determined the operating segment based on this financial information.

The Group's operating segments, which are also the reportable segments, are entity or group of entities that offer different products and services, which is the basis by which the CODM makes decisions about resources to be allocated to the segments and assesses their performance.

The CODM assesses performance of four reportable segments: drilling, well completion, reservoir and others. These reporting segments comprise respective services performed in these areas and related ancillary manufacturing activities.



(a) Revenue

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2023 RMB'000 Unaudited	2022 RMB'000 Unaudited
Drilling	239,147	179,471
Well completion	192,897	172,616
Reservoir	324,718	297,429
Others	86,297	83,261
	<u>843,059</u>	<u>732,777</u>

The revenue from external customers reported to the CODM is measured in a manner consistent with that in the income statement. The CODM evaluates the performance of the reportable segments based on profit or loss before income tax expense, depreciation and amortisation, interest income, finance costs and certain unallocated expense (“EBITDA”).

(b) Segment information

The segment information for the six months ended 30 June 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	Drilling RMB'000	Well completion RMB'000	Reservoir RMB'000	Others RMB'000	Total RMB'000
<b>Six months ended 30 June 2023 (Unaudited)</b>					
Revenue from external customers	239,147	192,897	324,718	86,297	843,059
Time of revenue recognition					
– At a point in time	3,842	116,686	25,514	86,297	232,339
– Over time	235,305	76,211	299,204	–	610,720
EBITDA	<u>24,250</u>	<u>35,609</u>	<u>70,148</u>	<u>6,220</u>	<u>136,227</u>
<b>Six months ended 30 June 2022 (Unaudited)</b>					
Revenue from external customers	179,471	172,616	297,429	83,261	732,777
Time of revenue recognition					
– At a point in time	3,158	109,282	22,737	83,261	218,438
– Over time	176,313	63,334	274,692	–	514,339
EBITDA	<u>22,252</u>	<u>31,070</u>	<u>63,844</u>	<u>10,450</u>	<u>127,616</u>

The segment information on total assets as at 30 June 2023 and 31 December 2022 are as follows:

	<b>Drilling</b> <i>RMB'000</i>	<b>Well completion</b> <i>RMB'000</i>	<b>Reservoir</b> <i>RMB'000</i>	<b>Others</b> <i>RMB'000</i>	<b>Total</b> <i>RMB'000</i>
<b>As at 30 June 2023 (Unaudited)</b>					
Segment assets	849,293	873,815	568,861	83,820	2,375,789
Unallocated assets					<u>514,758</u>
Total assets					<u><u>2,890,547</u></u>
Additions to non-current assets (other than financial instruments and deferred income tax assets)	<u>4,223</u>	<u>2,669</u>	<u>5,562</u>	<u>7,493</u>	<u>19,947</u>
	<b>Drilling</b> <i>RMB'000</i>	<b>Well completion</b> <i>RMB'000</i>	<b>Reservoir</b> <i>RMB'000</i>	<b>Others</b> <i>RMB'000</i>	<b>Total</b> <i>RMB'000</i>
<b>As at 31 December 2022 (Audited)</b>					
Segment assets	790,961	819,427	588,061	77,084	2,275,533
Unallocated assets					<u>607,025</u>
Total assets					<u><u>2,882,558</u></u>
Additions to non-current assets (other than financial instruments and deferred income tax assets)	<u>32,718</u>	<u>8,192</u>	<u>32,585</u>	<u>47,414</u>	<u>120,909</u>

Disclosure of liabilities has not been included here because these liabilities balances are not allocated to segments.

A reconciliation of EBITDA to profit before income tax is provided as follows:

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b><i>RMB'000</i></b>	<b><i>RMB'000</i></b>
	<b>Unaudited</b>	<b>Unaudited</b>
EBITDA for reportable segments	<u>136,227</u>	<u>127,616</u>
Unallocated expenses		
– Share-based payments	(2,683)	–
– Other gains/(losses), net	1,652	(1,584)
– Unallocated overhead expenses	<u>(75,532)</u>	<u>(62,479)</u>
	<u>(76,563)</u>	<u>(64,063)</u>
	<u>59,664</u>	<u>63,553</u>
Depreciation and amortisation	(31,481)	(29,744)
Finance income (Note 11)	177	329
Finance costs (Note 11)	<u>(15,854)</u>	<u>(21,377)</u>
Profit before income tax	<u><u>12,506</u></u>	<u><u>12,761</u></u>

(c) **Geographical segment**

The following table shows revenue by geographical segment which is based on where the customer is located.

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b><i>RMB'000</i></b>	<b><i>RMB'000</i></b>
	<b>Unaudited</b>	Unaudited
<b>Revenue</b>		
PRC	<b>493,630</b>	492,854
Kazakhstan	<b>166,432</b>	130,898
Others	<b>182,997</b>	109,025
	<b>843,059</b>	<b>732,777</b>

The following table shows the non-current assets other than investments in associates, deferred income tax assets and financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income by geographical segment according to the country of domicile of the respective entities in the Group:

	<b>30 June</b>	<b>31 December</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b><i>RMB'000</i></b>	<b><i>RMB'000</i></b>
	<b>Unaudited</b>	Audited
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
PRC	<b>292,737</b>	295,157
Kazakhstan	<b>54,333</b>	53,513
Others	<b>180,267</b>	174,634
	<b>527,337</b>	<b>523,304</b>

## 6. TRADE AND NOTE RECEIVABLES

	<b>30 June 2023 RMB'000 Unaudited</b>	31 December 2022 RMB'000 Audited
Trade receivables	<b>1,189,673</b>	1,202,208
Less: loss allowance	<b>(144,195)</b>	(131,491)
Trade receivables-net	<b>1,045,478</b>	1,070,717
Notes receivable	<b>133,190</b>	68,735
Less: loss allowance	<b>(173)</b>	(75)
Notes receivable-net	<b>133,017</b>	68,660
	<b>1,178,495</b>	1,139,377

(a) Ageing analysis of gross trade and note receivables based on invoice date is as follows:

	<b>30 June 2023 RMB'000 Unaudited</b>	31 December 2022 RMB'000 Audited
Up to 6 months	<b>813,313</b>	837,346
6 months – 1 year	<b>182,868</b>	65,794
1 – 2 years	<b>124,280</b>	151,212
2 – 3 years	<b>33,928</b>	28,157
Over 3 years	<b>168,474</b>	188,434
Trade and note receivables, gross	<b>1,322,863</b>	1,270,943
Less: loss allowance	<b>(144,368)</b>	(131,566)
Trade and note receivables, net	<b>1,178,495</b>	1,139,377

(b) Certain trade and note receivables have been pledged for the Group's bank borrowings.

## 7. PREPAYMENTS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	<b>30 June 2023 RMB'000 Unaudited</b>	31 December 2022 RMB'000 Audited
Current		
Advances to suppliers	117,451	101,855
Prepayment for taxes	38,245	46,001
Deposits and other receivables	81,225	70,450
Less: loss allowance	(9,212)	(9,696)
	<u>227,709</u>	<u>208,610</u>
Non-current		
Prepayment for equipment and machinery	1,682	323
Deposits and other receivables	11,945	1
	<u>13,627</u>	<u>324</u>
Total	<u><u>241,336</u></u>	<u><u>208,934</u></u>

## 8. SHARE CAPITAL

	<b>Number of shares (Thousands)</b>	<b>Share capital RMB'000</b>
<b>Authorised:</b>		
Ordinary shares of USD0.0001 each as at 31 December 2022 and 30 June 2023	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>3,219</u>
	<b>Number of shares (Thousands)</b>	<b>Share capital RMB'000</b>
<b>Issued and fully paid:</b>		
<b>As at 31 December 2022</b>	1,853,776	1,178
Add: issuance of ordinary shares (a)	<u>100,000</u>	<u>69</u>
<b>As at 30 June 2023</b>	<u><u>1,953,776</u></u>	<u><u>1,247</u></u>

- (a) On 2 May 2023, 100,000,000 placing shares were allotted and issued at HKD0.25 per share, resulting in approximately RMB69,000 and RMB21,827,000 being recognised as share capital and share premium respectively.

## 9. TRADE AND NOTE PAYABLES

Ageing analysis of trade and note payables based on invoice date is as follows:

	<b>30 June 2023 RMB'000 Unaudited</b>	31 December 2022 RMB'000 Audited
Up to 6 months	612,016	519,586
6 months to 1 year	62,974	38,558
1 – 2 years	36,116	63,272
2 – 3 years	31,850	21,449
Over 3 years	68,212	90,894
	<u>811,168</u>	<u>733,759</u>

## 10. ACCRUALS AND OTHER PAYABLES

	<b>30 June 2023 RMB'000 Unaudited</b>	31 December 2022 RMB'000 Audited
Payroll and welfare payable	99,311	112,763
Taxes other than income taxes payable	22,039	30,027
Other payables – related parties	14,872	14,872
Other payables for purchase of property, plant and equipment	11,972	13,869
Other payables	42,899	47,459
	<u>191,093</u>	<u>218,990</u>

## 11. FINANCE COSTS, NET

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2023 <i>RMB'000</i> Unaudited	2022 <i>RMB'000</i> Unaudited
Finance income:		
– Interest income on short-term bank deposits	142	219
– Net foreign exchange gains on financing activities	35	110
<b>Finance income</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>329</b>
Interest expense:		
– Bank borrowings	(9,116)	(16,467)
– Interest paid for lease liabilities	(933)	(1,171)
– Other borrowings	(3,086)	(1,386)
Bank charges and others	(2,719)	(2,353)
<b>Finance costs</b>	<b>(15,854)</b>	<b>(21,377)</b>
<b>Finance costs, net</b>	<b>(15,677)</b>	<b>(21,048)</b>

## 12. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2023 <i>RMB'000</i> Unaudited	2022 <i>RMB'000</i> Unaudited
Current income tax	5,353	4,964
Deferred income tax	341	(230)
<b>Income tax expense</b>	<b>5,694</b>	<b>4,734</b>

During the six months ended 30 June 2023, the estimated income tax rates applicable to the Group entities (excluding group companies that are currently tax exempted) ranged from 5% to 30% (2022: 5% to 30%).

## 13. DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors did not propose a dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2023 (for the six months ended 30 June 2022: nil).

## 14. EARNINGS PER SHARE

### (a) Basic

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to the owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2023 Unaudited	2022 Unaudited
Profit attributable to owners of the Company (RMB' 000)	9,341	9,808
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (thousands)	<u>1,892,665</u>	<u>1,853,776</u>
Basic earnings per share (RMB per share)	<u><u>0.0049</u></u>	<u><u>0.0053</u></u>

### (b) Diluted

Diluted earnings per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company has one category of dilutive potential ordinary shares: share options.

The share options in issue have not been included in the calculation of the diluted earnings per share, as the adjusted exercise prices of those share options are higher than the average annual market price of the Company's shares. Accordingly, these share options had no dilutive effect during the six months ended 30 June 2023 and 2022, and the diluted earnings per share is the same as the basic earnings per share during the six months ended 30 June 2023 and 2022.



## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### BUSINESS REVIEW

In the first half of 2023, emerging from the shadow of the COVID-19 pandemic (the “**Pandemic**”) worldwide, the global economy entered the periods of recovery and adjustments after the Pandemic, with further recovery of global trade and investment and rapid growth in economies in Southeast Asia and other regions. On the other hand, against headwinds including the Russia-Ukraine conflict, elevated inflation, tighter financial conditions and the Pandemic, the trend of world economy in 2023 remains uncertain. In the process of global energy transition, international oil companies have increased the investment in low-carbon businesses while maintaining the enterprising spirit. Demands for oil and natural gas sustained a sound growth momentum. Increase in capital expenditure from the upstream exploration was driven by lack of flexibility of the crude oil supply and continuous growth in oil price at a medium and high rate and therefore the oil-field service industry is rising. Meanwhile, as the oil-field service industry is constantly confronted with challenges, including technology updates and upgrades, environmental protection, market competition and etc., research and development and innovation are always necessary for the fulfilment of the market’s changing demands and improved technical standards.

During the Period, the Group recorded revenue of RMB843.1million, representing an increase of RMB110.3 million, or 15.0% from the same period of the previous year; and recorded a profit for the period of RMB6.8 million, representing a decrease of RMB1.2 million or 15.1% as compared with the same period of the previous year. In terms of revenue by region, revenue from the PRC market amounted to RMB493.6 million, representing an increase of RMB0.8 million, or 0.2% as compared with the same period of the previous year, and accounted for 58.6% of the total revenue. Revenue from the overseas markets amounted to RMB349.4 million, representing an increase of RMB109.5 million, or 45.6% as compared with the same period of the previous year, and accounted for 41.4% of the total revenue.

In the first half of 2023, the Group adopted the following measures to cope with the new situation and new challenges faced by the oil-field service industry: firstly, continued to develop regional markets in a deeper level and actively explore emerging markets with customer demand as the guiding principle. Under the background of accelerating energy transformation by customers, the Group continued to integrate advantageous resources, improve business layout from the strategic perspective of diversified industrial construction, comprehensively promote the expansion of emerging markets and low-carbon projects, and promote the coordinated development of traditional business and new energy business. Secondly, the Group continued to implement the development strategy of “technology-driven development” focused on actual production demand of customers and promoted the development and improvement of the Group’s technical capabilities through various channels such as independent research and development, technology introduction and integration of technical resources. Thirdly, the Group actively promoted the construction of environmental, social and corporate governance mechanisms; established safety and environmental protection management while strengthening risk control, continuously enhancing its ability to resist risks and maintain sustainable development; continued to implement refined management, deepened efforts to broaden sources of income while reducing expenditure, reduced costs while increasing efficiency, and continued to improve management efficiency. The Group has been upholding prudent fiscal policies, maintained a stable financial structure and adhered to the asset-light operating strategy, which enabled the Group to maintain stronger risk resistance capabilities and enjoy more flexibility during the process of revolution of the industry.

## REVENUE ANALYSIS

During the Period, the Group recorded revenue of RMB843.1 million, representing an increase of RMB110.3 million or 15.0% from the same period of the previous year. The analysis of the Group's revenue by business segments are as follows:

Revenue	Six months ended 30 June		Change (%)
	2023 <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 <i>RMB'000</i>	
Reservoir	324,718	297,429	9.2%
Drilling	239,147	179,471	33.3%
Well completion	192,897	172,616	11.7%
Others	86,297	83,261	3.6%
Total	<u>843,059</u>	<u>732,777</u>	<u>15.0%</u>

Revenue from reservoir segment amounted to RMB324.7 million, up by RMB27.3 million or 9.2% from the same period of the previous year, accounting for 38.5% of the total revenue. Revenue from drilling segment amounted to RMB239.1 million, up by RMB59.7 million or 33.3% from the same period of the previous year, accounting for 28.4% of the total revenue. Revenue from well completion segment amounted to RMB192.9 million, up by RMB20.3 million or 11.7% from the same period of the previous year, accounting for 22.9% of the total revenue. Revenue from other segments amounted to RMB86.3 million from last year, up by RMB3.0 million or 3.6% from the same period of the previous year, accounting for 10.2% of the total revenue. In terms of proportions, the revenue from the reservoir segment accounts for a larger part of the total revenue and increased compared to the revenue of the same period of the previous year. The revenue contributions from drilling and well completion business segments are comparable and increased compared to the revenue of the same period of the previous year of which the revenue from drilling segment increased significantly compared with the same period of the previous year.

## RESERVOIR SERVICE SEGMENT

Revenue from reservoir segment	Six months ended 30 June		Change (%)
	2023 <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 <i>RMB'000</i>	
PRC	206,108	205,210	0.4%
Overseas	118,610	92,219	28.6%
Total	<u>324,718</u>	<u>297,429</u>	<u>9.2%</u>

The reservoir service segment of the Group provides geology research and oil reservoir research services, dynamic monitoring service, oil testing service, oil recovery technology service, coiled tubing service, repair service of surface production devices and other services.

During the Period, the Group's reservoir segment recorded revenue of RMB324.7 million, representing an increase of RMB27.3 million or 9.2% as compared to the same period of previous year. Revenue from reservoir segment in the PRC market amounted to RMB206.1 million, representing an increase of RMB0.9 million or 0.4% as compared to the same period of the previous year. As for the overseas reservoir segment, it recorded revenue of RMB118.6 million, representing an increase of RMB26.4 million or 28.6% as compared to the same period of last year. During the Period, the increase in revenue of overseas reservoirs was mainly due to expanded business volume of pressure gauges in Canada and compressor repairs and maintenance as well as dynamic monitoring businesses in Kazakhstan.

## DRILLING SERVICE SEGMENT

Revenue from drilling segment	Six months ended 30 June		Change (%)
	2023 <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 <i>RMB'000</i>	
PRC	<b>124,292</b>	96,284	29.1%
Overseas	<b>114,855</b>	83,187	38.1%
Total	<b>239,147</b>	179,471	33.3%

The drilling services of the Group include drilling rig service, workover rig service, complex well workover and fishing service, rotary geosteering technology service, vertical drilling technology service, horizontal drilling technology service, side tracking technology service, underbalanced drilling technology service, fine managed pressure drilling technology service, cementing services and drilling fluid services, etc.

During the Period, the Group's drilling segment recorded revenue of RMB239.1 million, representing an increase of RMB59.7 million or 33.3% as compared to the same period of previous year. During the Period, revenue from drilling segment in the PRC market amounted to RMB124.3 million, representing an increase of RMB28.0 million or 29.1% as compared to the same period of previous year. Such increase was mainly attributable to the increase in drilling businesses in domestic coalbed methane. As for drilling segment in overseas market, it recorded revenue of RMB114.9 million, representing an increase of RMB31.7 million or 38.1% as compared to the same period of previous year. The growth was attributable to the increase in workover operations in Kazakhstan.

## WELL COMPLETION SERVICE SEGMENT

Revenue from well completion segment	Six months ended 30 June		Change (%)
	2023 <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 <i>RMB'000</i>	
PRC	<b>115,945</b>	129,529	(10.5%)
Overseas	<b>76,952</b>	43,087	78.6%
Total	<b>192,897</b>	172,616	11.7%

The Group provides comprehensive well completion tools, products and services to customers, including well completion project design, well completion tools trade as well as stimulation and fracturing services.

During the Period, the Group's well completion segment recorded revenue of RMB192.9 million, representing an increase of RMB20.3 million or 11.7% as compared to the same period of previous year. Revenue from well completion segment in the PRC market amounted to RMB115.9 million, representing a decrease of RMB13.6 million or 10.5% as compared to the same period of the previous year. In terms of overseas well completion segment, it recorded revenue of RMB77.0 million, representing an increase of RMB33.9 million or 78.6% as compared to the same period of the previous year. Such increase was mainly due to the increase in well completion businesses in Turkmenistan and Indonesia.

## OTHER SEGMENT

Revenue from other segments	Six months ended 30 June		Change (%)
	2023 <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 <i>RMB'000</i>	
PRC	<b>47,285</b>	61,831	(23.5%)
Overseas	<b>39,012</b>	21,430	82.0%
Total	<b>86,297</b>	83,261	3.6%

Currently, revenue from other segments of the Group mainly includes revenue generated from the sale of natural gas and the sale of quality edible alcohol.

During the Period, revenue from other segments amounted to RMB86.3 million, representing an increase of RMB3.0 million or 3.6% as compared to the same period of previous year. Other revenue from the PRC market amounted to RMB47.3 million, representing a decrease of RMB14.5 million or 23.5% as compared to the same period of previous year, which was mainly due to the decrease in sales business of natural gas in Xinjiang. Other revenue from overseas markets amounted to RMB39.0 million, representing an increase of RMB17.6 million or 82.0% as compared to the same period of previous year, which was generated from the sales business of edible alcohol project in Ghana, Africa.

## MARKET ENVIRONMENT

Entering into 2023, the impacts of geopolitical factors have been reduced, world crude oil price has gone up and down but remained at medium and high rate growth; more apparently, the resumption of exploration and development by international oil companies has a pull effect on the oil-field service industry. Year-on-year increase in net profits of three major international oil-field service companies has been significantly promoted in the first half year. The British Petroleum (“BP”) World Energy Outlook 2023 emphasizes that fossil energy will continue to play an important role in the energy mix; international oil companies in Europe reckon that oil and natural gas will continue to be a driver of economic growth in decades, advocating increase in energy security and energy transition, staying more committed to the energy transition path to “oil and gas plus low carbon and carbon-negative technology”, which has been advocating and implementing so that the willingness to pursue organic growth in oil and gas businesses will be stronger. The Chinese market, as the world’s largest energy consumer, developing the potential of increasing oil and gas production and supply and effectively guaranteeing national energy security are always the priorities of China’s energy development. As China’s energy development is on the new stage of speeding up the planning and development of a system for new energy sources, oil and gas resources are indispensable and the bottom line of energy security needs to be strengthened for now and in the future. Oil-field service enterprises are expected to continuously benefit from increasing bets on oil-field services, petroleum engineering and other fields, reinforcing existing business with advantages, and proactively exploring the emerging sectors, such as technology service.

### *Overseas Markets*

The Group’s overseas markets mainly cover Central Asia such as Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan, Southeast Asia such as Indonesia and Singapore, North America such as Canada, Middle East and parts of Africa. During the Period, the Group’s overseas projects have pursued progress while ensuring stability and making new breakthroughs. Kazakhstan of Central Asia, as the Group’s key overseas market, has been making significant and constant contributions to output and profits to the Group. Profit-related pressure on oil-field service enterprises is caused by the lingering effects of the Russia-Ukraine war and drastically declining profitability of customers. Meanwhile, labour costs, overheads and other expenses in the region have substantially risen due to inflation. Through measures such as raising prices and efficiency, improving the completion rate of contracts, actively expanding new markets and controlling cost increases, a solid foundation for the Group’s performance has been laid. The project department in Turkmenistan fully leverages its strengths to actively seek the best way to enter into the market. Apart from consolidating the existing market position and projects, the project department is expanding promising markets. As the scale of overall business order in the Middle East is expanding, the contract profitability is significant. Business service-type currently has covered a variety of fields, including workover, completion tools, oil test and oil production test, wireline operation, etc. Recognition of service quality from customers is high and other business lines have made progress. The Ugandan Bonded Warehouse in Africa funded by us has obtained the business license from the government and proactively participated in bidding for local warehouse leasing and other projects. After stable and smooth production and operation in the first half of 2023, with optimized production equipment and refined expertise, the production capacity of the Ghana Alcohol Factory has been improved; as alcohol quality has apparently improved and each indicator relating to alcohol is adequate for strict standards of large-scale domestic and foreign liquor companies in Ghana, the distribution channel has been expanded in the future.

Revenue from Kazakhstan accounted for 47.6% of the Group's revenue from the overseas markets. Kazakhstan remains the largest overseas market in terms of revenue contribution to the Group. Revenues in Canada, Indonesia and the Middle East all increased to varying degrees.

### ***PRC Market***

In the face of a complex and ever-changing macro-environment and many difficulties and challenges, China has always regarded energy security and security as the “National Priorities” that cannot be ignored at all time. Domestic oil companies continue to increase oil and gas exploration and development, increase reserves and production, and help ensure national energy security to a new level. In July 2023, the National Energy Administration held a work promotion meeting to vigorously enhance oil and gas exploration and development. The meeting requested that confidence should be strengthened, and oil and gas reserves and production should be pushed to a new level. China will make every effort to promote the construction of a national oil and gas supply guarantee base and increase investment, centralized exploration, and large-scale production in resource-rich areas. China will strengthen deep-sea oil and gas exploration and development, accelerate the construction of a maritime power, accelerate the integration of oil and gas exploration and development with new energy, increase the promotion and application of “Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage” (“CCUS”) technology, and actively and steadily promote the green and low-carbon transformation of the oil and gas industry. The increasingly stringent policies has provided strong support for meeting the growth of domestic oil and gas demand, and also provided a good guarantee for the improvement of the business volume of the domestic oil and gas services industry. However, oil companies are still vigorously promoting quality and efficiency improvement, and strengthening cost control so that the oil service prices are still hovering at a low level, and the profits of oil services companies continue to be squeezed.

In this context, the Group has established a reasonable presence and seeks to seize the opportunity to expand its operations in Xinjiang market. In the first half of 2023, the oil and gas production of the Tarim Oilfield in Xinjiang reached 17.65 million tons, hitting a record high, which further strengthened the strategic position of the Tarim Oilfield as an important energy production base in China. Xinjiang has always been one of the major markets of the Group, and the Tarim Oilfield, Xinjiang Oilfield of PetroChina and Sinopec Northwest Petroleum Bureau are the cornerstones of Xinjiang market. During the Period, the Group gave support to the scientific exploration wells in the Tarim Basin with its undaunted will and solid technical strength, and will undertake most of the pressure testing and well completion work. The strength, quality and efficiency of well testing were highly recognized by customers. This year, the Group renewed the strategic alliance agreement with Northwest Bureau and became its priority cooperation unit for well testing of key wells and high-difficulty wells. In 2023, customers will still exercise effective price control and fine management, and promote cost reduction and efficiency enhancement, transferring the development mode from investment-driven to technological innovation-driven, resulting in low price of engineering services and fierce market competition. The Group seized opportunities to expand business, and affirmed its main direction through continuous technological innovation and resolution of difficulties, so as to ensure an increase in workload. During the Period, the Company's well completion business in Xinjiang continued to maintain its leading position in the regional market. In terms of well workover and salvage technology services, the Company has been ahead of the Tarim Oilfield, Shunbei Oilfield and Qinghai Oilfield in respect of smallhole complex salvage business, ultra-deep open hole horizontal well dredging business and other businesses achieved delighting results.

During the Period, the Group continued to consolidate the existing market share of the well completion business in the Sichuan and Chongqing markets while exploring new markets, and such business maintained sustainable growth as a whole. Among them, the fibre project in Chongqing broke the bottleneck of the Group's fibre business in the Sichuan and Chongqing region and laid the foundation for the expansion of the wellhead market in the future. In respect of the treatment for casing damaged well casings for Dagang Shale Oil Block, the Group has completed the technical preparation and implementation of pilot test wells. In response to the needs of customers, the Group has cooperated with higher petroleum universities and enterprises to develop and apply new technologies, and has successfully implemented chemical plugging operations for one well. In addition, the Group has been actively exploring business cooperation with CNOOC in recent years. This year marked the third year of the Group signing contract with China United Coalbed Methane Corp. Ltd. ("CUCBM") for drilling general contracting project in tight gas block. The Group helped the project department overcome the difficulties, provided customers with high-quality engineering services, and made positive contributions to reducing costs and increasing efficiency. The CUCBM drilling general project has been awarded the honorary title of "Outstanding Contractor" for two consecutive years, receiving the full recognition and high recognition from customers. During the Period, the Group once again won the bid for the procurement project of temperature-resistant and salt-tolerant heavy oil flow improver of CNOOC, which marked the establishment of a stable cooperative relationship between the Group and CNOOC in terms of production increase business and laid a solid foundation for expanding other markets of CNOOC.

In terms of new energy projects, the CCUS project of CHN Energy Yulin Chemical Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of CHN Energy Investment Group, is undergoing. Currently, the target area of carbon sequestration is identified, and geophysical prospecting is about to start. The Group will continue to actively seize growth opportunities and steadily facilitate the expansion of CCUS market.

## **RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (“R&D”) AND MANUFACTURING**

From the aspects of R&D and innovation, based on the actual needs of production from customers, a series of new technology solutions have been developed during the Period. Outstandingly, a series of self-developed petroleum engineering integration technologies have resolved considerable challenges relating to production, achieving quality improvement, costs reduction and increased efficiency from customer’s perspective. Major results of R&D and manufacturing are as follows:

In terms of oil reservoirs, in response to the productivity of medium-term production materially affected by the water produced from the fractured-cavity type carbonate rock reservoirs in Tarim Basin, the Group completed dynamic monitoring and analysis modelling on typical wells and concluded a set of dynamic monitoring methods applied to the fractured-cavity type carbonate rock reservoirs through specific in-depth study on interpretation analysis technology for dynamic monitoring method of fractured-cavity reservoir and dynamic monitoring method for comprehensive evaluation of characteristics of fractured-cavity reservoir; attributing to which the Group has an adequate understanding of water breakthrough, remaining oil distribution and changes of oil-water interface and timely adjusted production, resulting in improved production and recovery efficiency, which has been highly commended by the customers from oil-field company. Recently, our regional company in Xinjiang engaging in petroleum reservoir engineering has successfully taken constant gradient and continuous production operation under downhole pressure tests on the extremely difficult, deepest and ultrahigh pressure gas well located in Tarim after early rational optimization of production operation and careful preparation of equipment. The Group recorded an operational depth of 7,984.97 meters, which established the new record, under the condition of wellhead shut-in static pressure up to 98.2MPa. That provides basis to calculate and acquire parameters in reservoir bed formation of this area, deepen knowledge of geological structure, reserves estimation and preparation of development plan and etc. Also, it demonstrates that the Group made historical and significant breakthrough in the field of production operation test of ultradeep and ultrahigh pressure gas well.

In terms of drilling, with the increasing use of ultra-deep wells, horizontal wells, three-dimensional wells, cluster wells and other complex structural wells in drilling operations, the friction between the drilling tool sets and the well wall increases, which leads to the decrease of the transmission efficiency of weight-on-bit (“WOB”), resulting in adverse effects such as a decrease in drilling speed and frequent sticking. Based on the conventional hydraulic vibrator, a screw-type negative pressure pulse hydraulic vibrator was developed by optimizing the structure, improving the material, adjusting the parameters and simulating the installation position. The friction from drill string is greatly reduced after two field trials on site, with the transmission efficiency of WOB increasing by 80%, and the application cost reducing by 30% compared with other types of hydraulic vibrators, which effectively solved the problem of drilling decompression, provided a strong support for the accelerating the drilling speed of wells with complex structures.



In terms of well completion, the Group targeted the demand on 25K downhole safety valve and small size, large drift diameter permanent packer for 10K ultra-high temperature as required by well completion for ultra-deep and ultra-high pressure well in Xinjiang. A subsidiary of the Group independently developed 25K downhole safety valve and delivered to customers. 25K downhole safety valve which had been certified by the press tests of rheological property and airtightness conducted by the third testing regulator recently, will be put into use in wells and receives continuous orders specified by customer again. The successful research and development and application of the product was an international initiative, filling the market gap for the product and marking milestone significance for the development of well completion products in manufacturing segment of the Group. The research and development of small size, large drift diameter, permanent packer for 10K ultra-high temperature was also an international initiative. A prototype has been completed, and is now under testing and adjusting stage.

In terms of well workover, with the long-term development and production of a group of small hole high temperature and high pressure deep wells and ultra-deep wells in Kuqa pediment region (庫車山前), Tarim Basin, Xinjiang, the well workover efficiency was low because of quite a few prominent completion string integrity problems, such as serious deformation, rupture, blockage in the pipe, and buried annulus due to comprehensive corrosion of the completion string; and repetitive operations such as complicated grinding, casing milling, and fishing due to the limitation of space gaps when operating slim hole well workover. In response to such situation, the Group analyzed and summarized reasons for the success or failure of the well workover in Kuqa pediment region, Tarim by comparing complex working conditions at home and abroad and investigating existing well workover tools and technologies as well as optimizing a full set of targeted single well workover process control (including WOB, torque, displacement, etc.) and drilling tool sets through carrying out experimental evaluation on two to three kinds of milling shoes and fishing tools used in pediment region. With the transition to high temperature and high pressure slim hole operations, the Group designed tools such as high temperature and strong magnetic drill collars, high-efficiency dislocation milling shoes, hollow milling shoes and thin-walled diamond milling shoes, which solved this problem in one fell swoop, with the efficiency of the workover operation increased by nearly 50% and construction period shortened by around 15 days, and the long-term economic benefits were remarkable.

In the process of exploring the integration and development of traditional oil service and new energy technology, the Group has always adhered to its mission to continuously create value for customers. Based on high-quality and efficient technical services, and guided by the research and development and innovation of technical products, the Group will attain the continuous growth and sustainable development of its businesses.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Based on the Group's finalised five-year strategic plans and business objectives for 2023, the major details of the human resources work in 2023 are as follows:

- I. In terms of strategic manpower allocation, based on the Group's strategic needs, on the one hand, the talent layout should be prepared in advance, and at the same time, the talent structure should be optimized according to the business and operation development;
- II. Continued to adopt a versatile talent recruitment and promotion system to improve comprehensive manpower efficiency;
- III. Continued to push ahead with performance-oriented management system;
- IV. Continued to leverage the advantages of the Group's training system by "team development", "culture events" and other activities to restore team cohesion, rebuild team effectiveness; by "management simulation trainings" to effectively improve the management's overall thinking of team management; by "business present master" to target and improve the key staff's ability to business presentation, communication and negotiation, in various departments; by "daily classes" and "high-quality new course express" and other online courses to comprehensively carry out online and offline trainings and talent development projects. In the first half of 2023, the total participants of the Group's training sessions were 63,583, totaling 69,863 training hours cumulatively.
- V. Faced the international situation and the impact of the Pandemic, the global business system for human resources shall be continuing to be optimized to ensure the safety of employees.

As of 30 June 2023, the Group had a total of 4,326 employees, representing a decrease of five employees from 4,331 employees as at 31 December 2022. The actual labour costs of the Group in 2023 were controlled within the budget range set at the beginning of this year.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

### **Revenue**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group realized a revenue of RMB843.1 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB110.3 million, or 15.0% from RMB732.8 million for the same period of the previous year. The increase was mainly due to the expansion of operating activities of the Group.

### **Other gains/(losses), net**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group recorded other gains, net, of RMB1.7 million, as compared with other losses, net, of RMB1.6 million for the same period of the previous year. The variance was mainly due to fluctuations in exchange rates.

### **Material costs**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's material costs amounted to RMB234.9 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB36.5 million, or 18.4% from RMB198.4 million for the same period of the previous year. Such increase was mainly due to the increase of the Group's operating business.

### **Employee benefit expenses**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's employee benefit expenses were RMB280.6 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB14.4 million, or 5.4% from RMB266.2 million for the same period of the previous year. Such increase was mainly due to the increase in the labour costs resulting from the expansion of the Group's operating business.

### **Short-term and low-value lease expenses**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group recorded short-term and low-value lease expenses of RMB46.2 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB0.6 million, or 1.3% from RMB45.6 million for the same period of the previous year.

### **Transportation costs**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's transportation costs amounted to RMB12.3 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB0.8 million, or 7.0% from RMB11.5 million for the same period of the previous year.

### **Depreciation and amortisation**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's depreciation and amortisation was RMB31.5 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB1.8 million, or 6.1% from RMB29.7 million for the same period of the previous year. The increase was mainly due to the depreciation provided for purchasing new equipment in order to meet requirements of business growth.

### **Technical service expenses**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, technical service expenses of the Group were RMB124.0 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB54.6 million, or 78.7% from RMB69.4 million for the same period of the previous year. Such increase was mainly due to the expansion of the Group's operating business.

### **Impairment loss of assets**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group recorded impairment losses of assets of RMB16.4 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB9.0 million, or 121.6% from RMB7.4 million for the same period of the previous year. Such increase was mainly due to the Group making provision for bad debts with more prudence.

### **Others**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's other operating costs were RMB70.8 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB1.9 million, or 2.8%, from RMB68.9 million for the same period of the previous year. The increase was mainly due to the increase of travel expenses and office fees as a result of the gradual recovery of overseas business and increase of manpower.

### **Operating profit**

In view of the above reasons, the Group's operating profit during the Period was RMB28.1 million, as compared to RMB33.9 million for the same period of the previous year.

### **Finance costs, net**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's finance costs, net, were RMB15.7 million, representing a year-on-year decrease of RMB5.3 million, or 25.2% from RMB21.0 million for the same period of the previous year. Such decrease was mainly due to the decrease of the Group's loan.

### **Income tax expense**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the income tax expense was RMB5.7 million, representing a year-on-year increase of RMB1.0 million, or 21.3% from RMB4.7 million for the same period of the previous year. Such increase was mainly due to the expansion of the Group's operating business.

### **Profit for the period**

As a result of the explanations above, the Group's profit for the period was RMB6.8 million, as compared to RMB8.0 million for the same period of the previous year.

### **Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company**

For the six months ended 30 June 2023, the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company was RMB9.3 million, as compared to RMB9.8 million for the same period of the previous year.

## **Property, plant and equipment**

As at 30 June 2023, property, plant and equipment were RMB424.7 million, representing a decrease of RMB5.4 million, or 1.3%, from RMB430.1 million as at 31 December 2022. Such decrease was mainly due to the depreciation of property, plant and equipment.

## **Right-of-use assets**

As at 30 June 2023, the carrying value of right-of-use assets amounted to RMB57.7 million, representing a decrease of RMB3.2 million, or 5.3% from RMB60.9 million as at 31 December 2022. Such decrease was mainly due to the decrease of lease assets and the amortization of the right-of-use assets.

## **Intangible assets**

As at 30 June 2023, intangible assets were RMB15.2 million, representing a decrease of RMB0.7 million, or 4.4%, from RMB15.9 million as at 31 December 2022. The decrease was mainly due to the continuing amortisation of intangible assets.

## **Deferred income tax assets**

As at 30 June 2023, deferred income tax assets were RMB118.9 million, representing an increase of RMB3.6 million, or 3.1% from RMB115.3 million as at 31 December 2022. The increase was mainly due to changes in accounting policies related to income tax.

## **Prepayments and other receivables**

As at 30 June 2023, the non-current portion of prepayments and other receivables was RMB13.6, as compared to RMB0.3 million as at 31 December 2022. The increase was mainly due to the Group's increased project deposits for business expansion. The current portion of prepayments and other receivables was RMB227.7 million, representing an increase of RMB19.1 million, or 9.2% from RMB208.6 million as at 31 December 2022. Such increase was mainly due to the Group's payments to suppliers for the business in the second half year.

## **Inventories**

As at 30 June 2023, inventories were RMB599.4 million, representing an increase of RMB42.7 million, or 7.7% from RMB556.7 million as at 31 December 2022. The increase was mainly due to the expansion of the Group's operating business.

## **Contract assets, trade and note receivables/contract liabilities, trade and notes payables**

As at 30 June 2023, contract assets, trade and note receivables were RMB1,222.4 million, representing an increase of RMB50.3 million, or 4.3% from RMB1,172.1 million as at 31 December 2022. Such increase was mainly due to the increase in revenue during the Period. As at 30 June 2023, contract liabilities, trade and note payables were RMB869.9 million, representing an increase of RMB82.7 million, or 10.5% from RMB787.2 million as at 31 December 2022. Such increase was mainly due to the expansion of the Group's operating business.

## **Liquidity and capital resources**

As at 30 June 2023, the Group's cash and bank deposits, including cash and cash equivalents and restricted bank deposits, were RMB183.4 million, representing a decrease of RMB111.3 million, or 37.8% from RMB294.7 million as at 31 December 2022.

As at 30 June 2023, the Group's short-term borrowings and current portion of long-term borrowings were RMB360.1 million, while the long-term borrowings were RMB67.3 million. As at 31 December 2022, the Group's short-term borrowings and current portion of long-term borrowings were RMB499.5 million, while the long-term borrowings were RMB43.0 million. As at 30 June 2023, the bank borrowings of the Group were mainly denominated in RMB and such borrowings were subject to fixed interest rates.

As at 30 June 2023, the Group's current lease liabilities amounted to RMB6.4 million and the non-current lease liabilities amounted to RMB16.1 million. As at 31 December 2022, the Group's current lease liabilities amounted to RMB11.4 million and the non-current lease liabilities amounted to RMB16.6 million.

As at 30 June 2023, the Group's gearing ratio was 34.8%, representing a decrease of 11.8% as compared with 46.6% as at 31 December 2022. Gearing ratio was calculated as interest-bearing liabilities and lease liabilities divided by total equity.

## **Capital structure**

The capital of the Company comprises only ordinary shares. As at 30 June 2023, the total number of ordinary shares of the Company in issue was 1,953,775,999.0 shares (31 December 2022: 1,853,775,999.0 shares). As of 30 June 2023, equity attributable to the equity holders of the Company was RMB1,307.5 million, representing an increase of RMB72.7 million, or 5.9% from RMB1,234.8 million as at 31 December 2022.

## **Significant investment held**

As at 30 June 2023, the Group did not hold any significant investment.

## **Material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries and associates**

During the Period, the Group had no material acquisition or disposal of subsidiaries and associates.

## Assets pledged to secure bank borrowings

As at 30 June 2023, the Group pledged certain of its right-of-use assets and trade and note receivables to secure the Group's bank borrowings. The carrying values of the assets pledged are as follows:

	<b>As at 30 June 2023 RMB'000</b>	As at 31 December 2022 RMB'000
Right-of-use assets	<b>3,234</b>	3,509
Trade and note receivables	<b>85,400</b>	146,760

## Assets pledged to secure the loans from a third party institution

The Group's loans from a third party institution are expiring from 2023 to 2026 and are secured by certain machinery with a carrying amount of RMB168,135,000 (2022: RMB160,255,000), and guaranteed by a subsidiary of the Group.

## Foreign exchange risk

Fluctuations in exchange rate of United States dollar ("USD") bring foreign currency exchange risk to the Group. Currently, the Group mainly operates in the PRC, Kazakhstan, Singapore, Canada and Indonesia. Certain sales and purchases from overseas are denominated in USD. As compared to the same period of the previous year, USD against RMB appreciated in the first half of 2023, but did not have significant impacts on the Group's overall business.

## Contingent liabilities

As at 30 June 2023, the Group had no material contingent liabilities.

## Off-balance sheet arrangement

As at 30 June 2023, the Group had no off-balance sheet arrangements.

## Contractual obligations

As at 30 June 2023, the Group had capital expenditure commitments of RMB116.9 million.

## SUBSEQUENT WORK PLANS

In the second half of 2023, due to factors such as declined inflation and additional production cuts by “OPEC+”, the supply and demand structure of crude oil may improve, and the fundamental support of crude oil will be stable. With the successive introduction of a series of economic stimulus policies, China’s economy is expected to recover steadily. At the same time, the pace of interest rate increase by the Federal Reserve is expected to slow down, and the US economic trend may be stronger than expected, thus supporting the global demand for crude oil. In the context of accelerating domestic oil and gas reform, actively and steadily promoting the reform of the upstream, midstream and downstream systems and mechanisms in the oil and gas industry, stable and reliable supply can be ensured; and the deepening of international energy cooperation by “Belt and Road” will enable the oil services industry to fully enjoy the benefits that come along. The Group assesses the current situation and continuously explores new strategic upgrade paths. Focusing on our strategy and business objectives for 2023, the Group will continue to strengthen the following areas in the second half of 2023:

1. The Group will seize the strategic opportunities of energy transformation under the background of carbon neutrality at home and abroad, discovering a new path for integrated development of oil and gas and new energy, and deepening energy cooperation with countries along the “Belt and Road”, base itself on the domestic market, expand overseas markets, explore emerging markets and lay out strategic markets; while satisfying customers’ demand for “promoting the development of high-end, intelligent and low-carbon for industry chain” and “improving core competitiveness and enhancing core functions”, the Group will promote the strategic transformation and upgrading of the Group and expand into new areas in energy with its own advantages as a breakthrough to promote new energy business as the new growth engine of the Group as soon as possible.
2. The Group will continue to focus on the long-term strategy of “technology leading the development of enterprises and innovation driving the bright future”, and utilize cutting-edge and advanced technical solutions to satisfy customers’ increasing service and emission reduction requirements by empowering sustainable development with technological innovation. While a large number of new technology applications are gradually transforming profit growth points, the Group will continue to research and develop cutting-edge technologies and processes; improve capability to provide oil and gas companies with full business process of centralized, integrated and comprehensive energy technology service solutions in the process of energy transformation. The Group will continue to promote the participation in projects and technologies to effectively enhance market competitiveness, thereby enhancing the market position of the Group.
3. The Group will continue to innovate corporate management ideology, to develop accurate self-development direction; improve the level of management, the business layout, and the ability to resist risks. The Group will continue to actively implement refined management, promote project management, integrate resources to increase quality and efficiency while reducing expenditure and costs, thereby improving profitability. By strengthening the coordination of production organization, the Group will carry out the practice of management and business model innovation to enhance core competitiveness and strengthen personalized development. Through the establishment of a comprehensive risk management and control mechanism and a cost management and control system, the Group will ensure the safety level of cash flow, enhance the flexibility of operation and the ability to resist risks.



4. The Group will continuously forge an echelon of exceptionals comprising high-end technical talents as well as various market talents, pay attention to the development and growth of employees, and accelerate the cultivation of innovative teams and leading talents relying on major technology projects; continue to promote the construction of performance and incentive management system, create a platform with transparency and fairness, inspire employees' enthusiasm, display their capabilities and realize self-worth.
5. The Group will continue to establish a long-term ESG management mechanism to integrate ESG management concept into corporate decision-making and operations. The Group will build a sound internal and external environment for the development of the Group by enhancing its corporate governance capabilities, information disclosure capabilities and social communication capabilities, while fulfilling its social responsibilities for green and low-carbon development.

## **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Board did not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2023 to the shareholders of the Company (for the six months ended 30 June 2022: nil).

## **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 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the “**Listing Rules**”) on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”) as its own code of conduct regarding Directors' securities transactions.

Having made a specific enquiry to all Directors, each of the Directors has confirmed that he/she has complied with the Model Code throughout the six months ended 30 June 2023.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Group is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance to safeguard the interests of the shareholders of the Company and to enhance corporate value and accountability. The Company has adopted Corporate Governance Code (the “**CG Code**”) contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules as its own code of corporate governance.

The Company was in compliance with the code provisions set out in the CG Code during the six months ended 30 June 2023. The Company will continue to review and enhance its corporate governance practices to ensure compliance with the CG Code.

## **PLACING OF NEW SHARES UNDER GENERAL MANDATE**

On 21 April 2023, the Company entered into the placing agreement with China Galaxy International Securities (Hong Kong) Co., Limited, the placing agent, to procure placees to purchase a total number of the placing shares, being 100,000,000 new shares of the Company, at a price of HK\$0.250 per placing share, pursuant to the terms of the placing agreement.

On 2 May 2023, the Company completed the placing and subscription of 100,000,000 placing shares to not less than six placees (the “**Placing**”) with net proceeds of approximately HK\$24.62 million. The Company intends to use the net proceeds raised from the Placing for capital expenditure and general replenishment of working capital.

For further details of the Placing, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 21 April 2023 and 2 May 2023.

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

During the six months ended 30 June 2023, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's securities.

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee of the Company has reviewed the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and the unaudited interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2023 of the Group.

## **PUBLICATION**

The interim results announcement for the six months ended 30 June 2023 of the Company is published on the websites of the Stock Exchange ([www.hkexnews.hk](http://www.hkexnews.hk)) and the Company ([www.sptenergygroup.com](http://www.sptenergygroup.com)) respectively. The 2023 interim report will be despatched to the shareholders of the Company and published on the respective websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in due course.

By order of the Board  
**SPT Energy Group Inc.**  
**Mr. Wang Guoqiang**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, the PRC, 23 August 2023

*As of the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Wang Guoqiang, Mr. Ethan Wu and Mr. Li Qiang; the non-executive Directors are Mr. Wu Jiwei and Ms. Chen Chunhua; and the independent non-executive Directors are Ms. Zhang Yujuan, Mr. Wu Kwok Keung Andrew and Mr. Ma Xiaohu.*

\* *For identification purpose only*