# Progressive Path Group Holdings Limited 進昇集團控股有限公司

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### **Corporate Information**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Mr. Lee Man Tai (Chairman)

Mr. Wong Yiu Kit Ernest

Ms. Tong Sze Sze Cecilia

#### NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Ms. Tong Sze Sze Cecilia (Chairman)

Mr. Wu Wing Hang

Mr. Wong Yiu Kit Ernest

#### REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Wong Yiu Kit Ernest (Chairman)

Mr. Wu Wing Hang

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### **Management Discussion and Analysis**

#### **BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") is principally engaged in (i) construction works and (ii) the provision of construction machinery rental services. Our construction works represent the construction projects undertaken in foundation and site formation works. Our construction machinery rental services represent the rental of construction machines and construction vehicles to our customers, and the provision of machine operators and transportation services as part of our one-stop construction machinery rental services.

The Group recorded revenue of approximately HK\$480.0 million for the six months ended 30 September 2024 (the "Period"), representing an increase of approximately 60.4% from approximately HK\$299.2 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023. Net profit was increased from approximately HK\$3.0 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023 to approximately HK\$12.2 million for the Period, was mainly attributable of the revenue growth as more revenue derived from construction works, particularly those construction works projects related to the three-runway system ("3RS") during the Period.

During this year, property prices in Hong Kong declined, which inevitably impacted economic sentiment, particularly in the private property market. However, the Group still achieved revenue growth for the period. In the construction sector, demand remained for various projects in Hong Kong, especially within the public sector, including but not limited to the implementation of the Northern Metropolis Development Strategy, the Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop, the 3RS construction projects at Hong Kong International Airport, the Central Kowloon Route, and the Tung Chung New Town Extension development and railway projects. As mentioned in the 2024–25 Budget (the "Budget") of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (the "HKSAR Government") that capital works expenditure is expected to reach its peak in the next three years. In the medium range forecast, the capital works expenditure is expected to average around HK\$90 billion per annum, representing an increase of about 17% over the average annual expenditure over the past five years. This demonstrates the HKSAR Government's continued commitment to allocating resources for capital works expenditure.

The Group will remain attentive to market developments and adopt a prudent approach in assessing potential business opportunities to drive ongoing growth and enhance returns for our shareholders.

#### Revenue

During the Period, the Group generated revenue from construction works and construction machinery rental. Set out below is the breakdown of revenue of the Group during the six months ended 30 September 2024 and 2023.

#### Six months ended 30 September

	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Construction works	330,662	157,192
Construction machinery rental	149,308	142,028
	479,970	299,220

#### Revenue from construction works

During the Period, the revenue derived from our construction works amounted to approximately HK\$330.7 million (six months ended 30 September 2023: HK\$157.2 million), accounting for approximately 68.9% (six months ended 30 September 2023: 52.5%) of our total revenue, and contributed by thirteen projects (six months ended 30 September 2023: fourteen projects). Such substantial increase in revenue from construction works was mainly resulted from revenue derived from those construction works projects related to the 3RS. The revenue from construction works were mainly contributed from projects in 3RS and Kai Tak Sports Park during the Period.

As at 30 September 2024, there were thirteen projects on hand with total outstanding contract sum amounting to approximately HK\$184.8 million. Seven projects are expected to be completed in the year ending 31 March 2025, five projects are expected to be completed in the year ending 31 March 2026, one project is expected to be completed in the year ending 31 March 2027 and none of them is expected to have any material interruption.

#### Revenue from construction works (Continued)

Below set out a list of projects during the Period:

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#### Revenue from construction machinery rental

During the Period, the revenue derived from our construction machinery rental amounted to approximately HK\$149.3 million (six months ended 30 September 2023: HK\$142.0 million), accounting for approximately 31.1% (six months ended 30 September 2023: 47.5%) of our total revenue. The increase in revenue derived from construction machinery rental of the Group was mainly due to the increase in demand for construction machinery rental on the 3RS.

#### **Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin**

The Group's total gross profit increased by approximately HK\$14.6 million, from approximately HK\$19.5 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023 to approximately HK\$34.1 million for the Period while our gross profit margin increased from approximately 6.5% for the six months ended 30 September 2023 to approximately 7.1% for the Period.

The increase in gross profit and gross profit margin was mainly attributable to the increase in revenue and effective cost control during the Period.

#### Other Income

The Group's other income increased from approximately HK\$2.0 million during the six months ended 30 September 2023 to approximately HK\$3.9 million during the Period. Such increase was mainly due to the increase in other non-operating income, such as maintenance and other service income during the Period.

#### **Administrative Expenses**

The administrative expenses of the Group for the Period amounted to approximately HK\$11.6 million, representing an increase of approximately HK\$0.9 million as compared to approximately HK\$10.7 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023. Such increase was mainly due to increase in professional services fee and staff related expenses during the Period.

#### **Finance Costs**

The finance costs of the Group for the Period amounted to approximately HK\$6.2 million, representing a decrease of approximately 13.6% as compared to approximately HK\$7.2 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023. Such decrease was mainly due to the decrease in amount of the interest-bearing liabilities during the Period.

#### **Net Profit**

Net profit increased by approximately HK\$9.2 million to approximately HK\$12.2 million for the Period as compared to approximately HK\$3.0 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023. The increase in net profit was mainly attributable to the increase in revenue during the Period.

#### **Liquidity, Financial Resources and Capital Structure**

The Group has funded the liquidity and capital requirements primarily through capital contributions from shareholders, bank borrowings and cash inflows from operating activities.

As at 30 September 2024, the Group had bank balances of approximately HK\$31.4 million (31 March 2024: HK\$28.5 million). The interest-bearing liabilities of the Group as at 30 September 2024 was approximately HK\$154.2 million (31 March 2024: HK\$186.7 million). The gearing ratio is calculated based on the amount of total interest-bearing liabilities divided by total equity. The gearing ratio of the Group as at 30 September 2024 was approximately 57.4% (31 March 2024: 72.7%), representing a decrease of approximately 15.3%.

#### Interim Dividend

The board (the "Board") of directors of the Company (the "Directors") has resolved not to declare any interim dividend for the Period.

#### **Prospects**

With the major facilities of Kai Tak Sports Park expected to be completed in phases by the end of 2024, and the 3RS project set to come into operation by the end of November 2024, these two significant infrastructure projects in Hong Kong over the past few years are anticipated to influence the construction market. The Group expects a short-term decline in the market due to these developments. However, the HKSAR Government continues to view the construction industry as one of the most important drivers of Hong Kong's economy. As outlined in the Chief Executive's 2024 Policy Address, the HKSAR Government considers the Northern Metropolis to be the new engine of Hong Kong's economic growth and will expedite the implementation of economic and housing-related projects in this area. Furthermore, the HKSAR Government is actively pursuing the Major Transport Infrastructure Development Blueprint for Hong Kong and increasing housing supply through initiatives like Light Public Housing. These future projects indicate strong growth and a positive outlook for the construction sector in Hong Kong.

#### **Prospects** (Continued)

The Group has equipped itself with a variety of machinery to meet market demands and plans to upgrade its fleet at the right time to improve production efficiency and seize future opportunities.

Hong Kong's construction industry faces several significant challenges, including an aging workforce, rising construction costs, and a decline in demand and prices in the private residential market. Additionally, site safety remains a critical issue, along with growing concerns over environmental sustainability.

Given the uncertainties ahead for the construction industry, the Group will leverage its resources and competitive advantages to maximize returns. The Directors remains confident in the Group's future development, adopting a cautious and prudent approach.

#### **Pledge of Assets**

As at 30 September 2024, certain of the Group's bank borrowings and lease liabilities were secured by the property, plant and equipment with an aggregate net carrying value of approximately HK\$136.7 million (31 March 2024: HK\$169.4 million), deposits and prepayments for life insurances with an aggregate carrying value of approximately HK\$22.8 million (31 March 2024: HK\$19.6 million) and pledged deposits with an aggregate carrying value of approximately HK\$0.6 million (31 March 2024: HK\$5.8 million).

#### Foreign Exchange Risk

The Group mainly operates in Hong Kong and most of the operating transactions such as revenue, expenses, monetary assets and liabilities are denominated in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"). The Directors are of the view that the Group's risk in foreign exchange is insignificant and that we should have sufficient resources to meet foreign exchange requirements as and if they arise. Therefore, the Group has not engaged in any derivative contracts to hedge its exposure to foreign exchange risk during the Period.

#### **Employees and Remuneration Policy**

As at 30 September 2024, the Group employed 467 staff (30 September 2023: 508). Total staff costs including directors' emoluments for the Period, amounted to approximately HK\$123.9 million (six months ended 30 September 2023: HK\$101.8 million). The salary and benefit levels of the employees of the Group are competitive and individual performance is rewarded through the Group's salary and bonus system. The Group conducts annual review on salary increase, discretionary bonuses and promotions based on the performance of each employee.

During the Period, the Group has not experienced any significant problems with its employees due to labour disputes nor has it experienced any difficulty in the recruitment and retention of experienced staff

#### **Capital Commitments**

As at 30 September 2024, the Group had no material capital commitments (31 March 2024: nil).

#### **Contingent Liabilities**

As at 30 September 2024, two subsidiaries of the Group were involved in two ongoing employees' compensation claims (31 March 2024: none of the subsidiaries of the Group was involved in an ongoing employees' compensation and personal injury claim). The Directors considered that the possibility of any outflow in settling the legal claims was remote as these claims were well covered by insurance and subcontractors' indemnity. Accordingly, no provision for the contingent liabilities in respect of the litigations is necessary, after due consideration of each case.

#### **Material Acquisitions and Disposals**

During the Period, the Group did not have any material acquisitions and disposals.

#### **Significant Investment**

During the Period, the Group has no significant investment held.

#### **Future Plans for Material Investments or Capital Assets**

The Group did not have any plans for material investments and capital assets during the Period.

## **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income**

For the six months ended 30 September 2024

Six months	ended 30	<b>September</b>
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	Notes	2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
Revenue Cost of sales	4	479,970 (445,852)	299,220 (279,706)
Gross profit Other income Administrative expenses Provision for loss allowance on trade	5	34,118 3,943 (11,607)	19,514 1,991 (10,681)
receivables, net Provision for loss allowance on deposits and other receivables, net		(3,956) (1,232)	(718) -
(Provision for) reversal of loss allowance on contract assets, net Finance costs	6	(11) (6,183)	101 (7,155)
Profit before taxation Income tax expense	8 7	15,072 (2,890)	3,052 (30)
Profit and total comprehensive income for the period		12,182	3,022
Profit (loss) and total comprehensive income (expense) for the period attributable to:  Owners of the Company  Non-controlling interest		12,183 (1)	3,023 (1)
		12,182	3,022
EARNINGS PER SHARE  – Basic and diluted	10	2.94 HK cent	0.73 HK cent

## **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

As at 30 September 2024

		As at	As at
		30 September	31 March
		2024	2024
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(unaudited)	(audited)
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	11	207,120	233,264
Deposits paid for acquisition of property, plant		ŕ	
and equipment		2,065	1,996
		209,185	235,260
Current assets			
Trade receivables	12	274,892	252,459
Contract assets	13	64,123	47,420
Deposits, prepayments and other receivables		33,001	27,842
Pledged rental deposits		639	799
Pledged bank deposits		-	5,027
Bank balances and cash		31,445	28,459
		404,100	362,006
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	14	177,968	144,492
Bank borrowings	15	72,611	74,788
Income tax payable		139	184
Lease liabilities	16	48,263	58,819
		298,981	278,283
Net current assets		105,119	83,723
Total assets less current liabilities		314,304	318,983

## **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position** (Continued)

As at 30 September 2024

	Notes	As at 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (audited)
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	16	33,300	53,051
Deferred tax liabilities		12,210	9,320
		45,510	62,371
Net assets		268,794	256,612
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	17	20,750	20,750
Reserves		248,062	235,879
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		268,812	256,629
Non-controlling interest		(18)	(17)
Total equity		268,794	256,612

## **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity**

For the six months ended 30 September 2024

	Attributable to owners of the Company						
	Share capital HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Other reserve HK\$'000 (note)	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Non- controlling interest HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 April 2023	20,750	150,941	35,457	27,257	234,405	(16)	234,389
Profit (loss) and total comprehensive income (expense) for the period	_	_	_	3,023	3,023	(1)	3,022
(				-,	-,	(-)	-,
At 30 September 2023 (unaudited)	20,750	150,941	35,457	30,280	237,428	(17)	237,411
At 1 April 2024	20,750	150,941	35,457	49,481	256,629	(17)	256,612
Profit (loss) and total comprehensive income (expense) for the period	-	-	-	12,183	12,183	(1)	12,182
At 30 September 2024 (unaudited)	20,750	150,941	35,457	61,664	268,812	(18)	268,794

Note: Other reserve represented the retained profits in respect of the construction machinery rental business (the "Construction Machinery Rental Business") contributed from the controlling shareholder prior to the transfer of business to Progressive Path Group Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group"). Since 1 April 2015, the Construction Machinery Rental Business has been transferred from the controlling shareholder to Luen Yau Construction Company Limited, an indirect whollyowned subsidiary of the Company.

### **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

For the six months ended 30 September 2024

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
NET CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	62,709	46,912
AOTIVITES	02,703	40,512
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Payments for purchase of property, plant and equipment	(22,029)	(9,865)
Placement of pledged deposits	_	(5,071)
Payments for right-of-use assets	(364)	(2,273)
Payments for purchase of life insurances	(3,214)	(119)
Release of pledged deposits	5,187	4,846
Interest received	365	-
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	5	370
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(20,050)	(12,112)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Government grant received	164	_
New bank borrowings raised	165,309	65,175
Interests paid	(6,183)	(7,155)
Repayment of bank borrowings	(167,486)	(67,677)
Payment of lease liabilities	(31,477)	(36,762)
NET CACH LICED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(20, 670)	(40,410)
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(39,673)	(46,419)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH		
EQUIVALENTS	2,986	(11,619)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING		
OF THE PERIOD	28,459	27,307
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF		
THE PERIOD, REPRESENTED BY BANK BALANCES		
AND CASH	31,445	15,688

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#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company is a limited company incorporated in the Cayman Islands under the Companies Law (Chapter 22, Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability and its shares were listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 8 December 2016. Its immediate holding company and ultimate holding company is Profit Gold Global Limited, a limited company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands (the "BVI"). The address of the registered office and the principal place of business of the Company are Windward 3, Regatta Office Park, PO Box 1350, Grand Cayman KY1-1108, Cayman Islands and Unit 1108, 11/F., Tuen Mun Central Square, No. 22 Hoi Wing Road, Tuen Mun, New Territories, Hong Kong, respectively.

The Company is an investment holding company while the principal subsidiaries of the Company are principally engaged in the construction works and provision of construction machinery rental.

The condensed consolidated interim financial information are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is also the functional currency of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group").

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated interim financial information of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2024 have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix D2 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules").

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#### 3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated interim financial information have been prepared on the historical cost basis.

The accounting policies used in the condensed consolidated interim financial information are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024, except as described below.

In the current interim period, the Group has applied, for its first time, the following amendments to HKFRSs issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") which are effective for the Group's financial year beginning 1 April 2024:

Amendments to HKFRS 16 Amendments to HKAS 1 Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback
Classification of Liabilities as Current or Noncurrent and the related amendments to Hong
Kong Interpretation 5 (2020) Presentation
of Financial Statements – Classification by
the Borrower of a Term Loan that Contains a
Repayment on Demand Clause
Non-current Liabilities with Covenants

Amendments to HKAS 1
Amendments to HKAS 7 and HKFRS 7

The application of the other new and amendments to HKFRSs in the current interim period has had no material effect on the Group's financial performance and positions for the current and prior periods and/or on the disclosures set out in the consolidated interim financial statements.

Supplier Finance Arrangements

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#### 4. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

Revenue represents revenue arising on construction works and construction machinery rental. An analysis of the Group's revenue for the period is as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 September	
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Revenue from contracts with customers within the scope of HKFRS 15  – Construction works	330,662	157,192
Revenue from provision of machinery rental within the scope of HKFRS 16		
- Construction machinery rental	149,308	142,028
	479,970	299,220

Set out below is the disaggregation of the Group's revenue from contracts with customers by timing of recognition:

	For the six months ended 30 September	
	2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
Time of revenue recognition  – Over time	330,662	157,192

Information reported to the directors of the Company, being the chief operating decision maker, for the purpose of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance focuses on types of services provided. No operating segments identified by the chief operating decision maker have been aggregated in arriving at the reportable segments of the Group.

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#### 4. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Specifically, the Group's reportable segments are as follows:

- Construction works: and
- Construction machinery rental.

#### Segment revenue and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable and operating segments.

#### For the six months ended 30 September 2024 (unaudited)

	Construction works HK\$'000	Construction machinery rental HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Revenue			
External revenue	330,662	149,308	479,970
Inter-segment revenue	_	67,023	67,023
Segment revenue	330,662	216,331	546,993
Eliminations			(67,023)
Group's revenue			479,970
Segment profit	15,204	6,835	22,039
Unallocated income			3,943
Unallocated corporate expenses			(4,727)
Unallocated finance costs			(6,183)
Profit before taxation			15,072

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#### 4. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

#### **Segment revenue and results** (Continued)

#### For the six months ended 30 September 2023 (unaudited)

		Construction	
	Construction	machinery	
	works	rental	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue			
External revenue	157,192	142,028	299,220
Inter-segment revenue		63,130	63,130
Segment revenue	157,192	205,158	362,350
Eliminations			(63,130)
Group's revenue			299,220
Segment profit	6,443	6,210	12,653
Unallocated income			1,991
Unallocated corporate expenses			(4,437)
Unallocated finance costs			(7,155)
Chanesates manes tools			(1,100)
Profit before taxation			3,052

The accounting policies of the operating segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies. Segment profit represents the profit earned by each segment without allocation of central administration costs, directors' salaries, other income and finance costs. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision maker with respect to the resource allocation and performance assessment.

Inter-segment sales are conducted with terms mutually agreed by both contract parties.

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#### 4. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

#### Segment assets and liabilities

The following is an analysis of the Group's assets and liabilities by reportable and operating segments:

#### Segment assets

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Construction works	292,982	199,689
Construction machinery rental	265,974	344,319
Total segment assets	558,956	544,008
Corporate and other assets	54,329	53,258
Total assets	613,285	597,266

#### Segment liabilities

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Construction works	199,195	134,469
Construction machinery rental	58,440	119,871
Total segment liabilities	257,635	254,340
Corporate and other liabilities	86,856	86,314
Total liabilities	344,491	340,654

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#### 4. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

#### **Segment assets and liabilities** (Continued)

For the purposes of monitoring segment performance and allocating resources between segments:

- All assets are allocated to operating segments, other than pledged deposits, deposits and prepayments for life insurances, certain other receivables and bank balances and cash. Assets used jointly by reportable segments are allocated on the basis of the revenue earned by individual reportable segment; and
- All liabilities are allocated to operating segments, other than certain other payables, bank borrowings, income tax payable and deferred tax liabilities. Liabilities for which reportable segments are jointly liable are allocated in proportion to segment assets.

In measuring the Group's segment assets and liabilities, property, plant and equipment and lease liabilities of approximately HK\$207,120,000 and HK\$81,563,000 (31 March 2024: HK\$233,264,000 and HK\$111,870,000) respectively were allocated to construction works and construction machinery rental segments. However, the relevant gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment and interest on lease liabilities of approximately HK\$5,000 (2023: HK\$268,000) and HK\$3,675,000 (2023: HK\$4,341,000) respectively were not included in the measurement of segment results for the six months ended 30 September 2024. Should the gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment and interest on lease liabilities be included in the measurement of segment results, the segment profit of construction works and construction machinery rental for the six months ended 30 September 2024 would be approximately HK\$13,033,000 (2023: HK\$5,163,000) and HK\$5,336,000 (2023: HK\$3,417,000) respectively.

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#### 5. OTHER INCOME

### For the six months ended 30 September

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
		*
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Auxiliary and other service income	2,745	935
Interest income from life insurance	343	107
Government grant (note)	164	=
Bank interest income	22	=
Insurance claims	27	495
Rental income	637	180
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	5	268
Others	_	6
	3,943	1,991

Note: Government grant has been recognised as other income upon receipt for grant with no unfulfilled condition or contingency.

#### 6. FINANCE COSTS

### For the six months ended 30 September

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	2024	2023 HK\$'000
	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Interest on:		
- bank borrowings	2,508	2,814
- lease liabilities	3,675	4,341
	6,183	7,155

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#### 7. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

### For the six months ended 30 September

	oo ooptomber	
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Current tax:		
<ul> <li>Hong Kong Profits Tax</li> </ul>	_	89
Deferred taxation	2,890	(59)
Income tax expense	2,890	30

#### Notes:

- (a) Pursuant to rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the BVI, the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and the BVI.
- (b) During the six months ended 30 September 2024 and 2023, Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 16.5% of the estimated assessable profit.
- (c) During the six months ended 30 September 2023, assessable profit has been generated from one of the subsidiaries of the Company, which was fully utilised by the tax losses carried forward, while current tax of approximately HK\$89,000 (2024: nil) represented income tax expense arised from assessable profit generated by another subsidiary of the Company.

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#### 8. PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

	For the six months ended 30 September	
	2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
Profit before taxation for the period has been arrived at after charging:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	49,638	52,299

Note: Included in the depreciation of property, plant and equipment for the six months ended 30 September 2024 was depreciation of right-of-use assets of approximately HK\$32,207,000 (2023: HK\$30,517,000).

#### 9. DIVIDEND

No dividend was paid or proposed during the six months ended 30 September 2024 and 2023, nor has any dividend been proposed since the end of the reporting period.

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#### 10. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company is based on the following:

	For the six months ended 30 September	
	2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
Earnings Earnings for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings		
per share, representing profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company	12,183	3,023
	For the six months ended 30 September	
	2024	2023
	'000 (unaudited)	'000 (unaudited)
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the		
purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	415,000	415,000

The diluted earnings per share is equal to the basic earnings per share as there were no dilutive potential ordinary shares outstanding during the six months ended 30 September 2024 and 2023.

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#### 11. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the six months ended 30 September 2024 included in additions to the property, plant and equipment of approximately HK\$23,780,000 (2023: HK\$39,744,000), in which was additions to the right-of-use assets with amount of approximately HK\$1,820,000 (2023: HK\$29,298,000).

During the six months ended 30 September 2023, the Group has disposed of certain property, plant and equipment with an aggregate carrying value of approximately HK\$102,000 (2024: nil) for cash proceeds of approximately HK\$370,000 (2024: HK\$5,000), resulting in a gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment of approximately HK\$268,000 (2024: HK\$5,000).

As at 30 September 2024, included in property, plant and equipment were right-of-use assets with carrying values of approximately HK\$2,133,000, HK\$39,518,000 and HK\$90,478,000 in respect of the leasehold land, motor vehicles and machinery respectively (31 March 2024: leasehold land, motor vehicles and machinery of approximately HK\$3,428,000, HK\$51,778,000 and HK\$110,747,000 respectively).

As at 30 September 2024, the Group's ownership interest in leasehold land and building with carrying value of approximately HK\$6,716,000 (31 March 2024: HK\$6,910,000) have been pledged to secure banking facilities granted to the Group.

In respect of lease arrangements for renting motor vehicles and machinery, the Group's obligations are secured by the lessors' title to the leased assets for such leases.

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#### 12. TRADE RECEIVABLES

The following is an analysis of trade receivables at the end of each reporting period:

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Trade receivables	312,286	285,897
Less: loss allowance on trade receivables	(37,394)	(33,438)
	274,892	252,459

The Group does not hold any collateral over these balances.

The Group does not have a standardised and universal credit period granted to its customers, and the credit period of individual customer is considered on a case-by-case basis and stipulated in the contract, as appropriate. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management of the Group. In view of this and the fact that the Group's trade receivables relate to a large number of diversified customers, there is no significant concentration of credit risk.

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#### 12. TRADE RECEIVABLES (Continued)

The following is an ageing analysis of trade receivables net of loss allowance presented based on the invoice date, which approximates the respective revenue recognition date, at the end of the reporting period:

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Within 30 days	66,295	78,635
31 to 60 days	58,302	30,262
61 to 90 days	25,260	24,722
91 to 180 days	38,834	35,968
181 to 365 days	41,317	53,633
Over 365 days	44,884	29,239
	274,892	252,459

The Group measures the loss allowance on trade receivables at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit loss ("ECL"). The lifetime ECL on trade receivables are estimated individually for significant outstanding balances or collectively using a provision matrix by reference to past default experience of the debtors and an analysis of the debtors' current financial position, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions of the industry in which the debtors operate and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the end of the reporting period.

There has been no change in the estimation techniques or significant assumptions made during the current reporting period.

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#### 13. CONTRACT ASSETS

	At 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (audited)
Unbilled revenue of construction contracts (note (i)) Retention receivables of construction contracts (note (ii))	6,869 58,807	8,818 40,144
Less: loss allowance on contract assets	65,676 (1,553)	48,962 (1,542)
	64,123	47,420

#### Notes:

- (i) Unbilled revenue included in contract assets represents the Group's right to receive consideration for work completed but not yet billed because the rights are conditional on the Group's future performance accepted by the customers. The contract assets are transferred to trade receivables when the rights become unconditional, which is typically at the time the Group obtains the certification of the completed construction work from the customers.
- (ii) Retention receivables included in contract assets represents the Group's right to receive consideration for work performed and not yet billed because the rights are conditional on the satisfaction of the service quality by the customers over a certain period as stipulated in the contracts. The contract assets are transferred to trade receivables when the rights become unconditional, which is typically at the expiry date of the period for the provision of assurance by the Group on the service quality of the construction work performed by the Group.

The Group classifies these contract assets under current assets because the Group expects to realise them in its normal operating cycle.

The Group measures the loss allowance for contract assets at an amount equal to lifetime ECL. The ECL on contract assets are estimated on individually basis by reference to past default experience of the debtors and an analysis of the debtors' current financial position, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions of the industry in which the debtors operate and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the end of the reporting period.

There has been no change in the estimation techniques or significant assumptions made during the current reporting period.

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#### 14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	At 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (audited)
Trade payables Other payables Consideration payables for acquisition of property,	94,610 37,691	84,803 24,037
plant and equipment Accruals	27,225 18,442	12,551 23,101
	177,968	144,492

The following is an ageing analysis of trade payables presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting period:

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Within 30 days	33,284	37,074
31 to 60 days	14,829	22,451
61 to 90 days	14,674	2,640
91 to 365 days	26,999	16,004
Over 365 days	4,824	6,634
	94,610	84,803

The average credit period granted is 30 days (31 March 2024: 30 days). The Group has financial risk management in place to ensure that all payables are settled within the credit timeframe.

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#### 15. BANK BORROWINGS

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Secured	60,623	61,958
Unsecured	11,988	12,830
	72,611	74,788

Carrying amount repayable (based on scheduled repayment dates set out in the loan agreements):

	At 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (audited)
	(unauditeu)	(auditeu)
Within one year	56,481	54,975
After one year but within two years	7,374	7,323
After two years but within five years	7,823	11,030
After five years	933	1,460
	72,611	74,788
Carrying amount of bank borrowings that is not repayable within one year from the end of the reporting period but contains a repayment on		
demand clause (shown under current liabilities)	16,130	19,813
Carrying amount repayable within one year	56,481	54,975
Amount shown under current liabilities	72,611	74,788

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#### 16. LEASE LIABILITIES

	At 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (audited)
Analysed for reporting purposes as:  - Current  - Non-current	48,263 33,300	58,819 53,051
	81,563	111,870
	At 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (audited)
Amounts payable under lease liabilities:  – Within one year  – After one year but within two years  – After two years but within five years	48,263 24,549 8,751	58,819 34,718 18,333
Less: amount due for settlement within 12 months (shown under current liabilities)  Amount due for settlement after 12 months	81,563 (48,263) 33,300	(58,819) 53,051

As at 30 September 2024, the lease liabilities in respect of leased motor vehicles and machinery under hire purchase agreements amounted to approximately HK\$79,094,00 (31 March 2024: HK\$107,984,000) was secured by the lessor's title to the leased assets.

During the six months ended 30 September 2024, the Group entered into a number of new lease agreements in respect of motor vehicles and machinery and recognised lease liabilities of approximately HK\$1,820,000 (2023: HK\$29,298,000).

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#### 16. LEASE LIABILITIES (Continued)

#### **Amounts recognised in profit or loss**

	For the six months ended 30 September	
	2024 20 HK\$'000 HK\$'0 (unaudited) (unaudited)	
Depreciation expense on right-of-use assets included in property, plant and equipment:		
<ul> <li>Leasehold land</li> </ul>	1,009	1,220
- Motor vehicles	9,683	9,182
- Machinery	21,515	20,115
Interest expense on lease liabilities	3,675	4,341

During the six months ended 30 September 2024, the total cash outflows for leases amounting to approximately HK\$35,516,000 (2023: HK\$43,376,000).

#### 17. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of shares	Share capital HK\$'000
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.05 each <b>Authorised</b>		
At 31 March 2024 (audited) and 30 September 2024 (unaudited)	2,000,000,000	100,000
Issued and fully paid At 31 March 2024 (audited) and 30 September 2024 (unaudited)	415,000,000	20,750

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#### 18. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had pledged the following assets to banks and finance lease companies to secure the banking facilities, bank borrowings and lease liabilities granted to the Group:

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Property, plant and equipment	136,712	169,435
Deposits and prepayments for life insurances	22,784	19,570
Pledged deposits	639	5,826
	160,135	194,831

#### 19. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS

#### **Equity-settled share option scheme of the Company**

The Company's share option scheme (the "Scheme") was adopted pursuant to written resolution of the Company passed on 15 November 2016 for the primary purpose of providing incentives to directors and eligible employees, and will expire on 7 December 2026. Under the Scheme, the board of directors of the Company may grant options to eligible employees, including directors of the Company and its subsidiaries, to subscribe for shares in the Company.

The total number of shares in respect of which options may be granted under the Scheme is not permitted to exceed 10% of the shares of the Company in issue at any point in time, without prior approval from the Company's shareholders. The number of shares issued and to be issued in respect of which options granted and may be granted to any individual in any one year is not permitted to exceed 1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any point in time, without prior approval from the Company's shareholders. Options granted to substantial shareholders or independent non-executive directors of the Company in excess of 0.1% of the Company's share capital or with a value in excess of HK\$5,000,000 must be approved in advance by the Company's shareholders.

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#### 19. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

#### **Equity-settled share option scheme of the Company** (Continued)

Options granted must be taken up on the date of grant, upon payment of HK\$1.00. Options may be exercised at any time from the date of grant of the share option to the tenth anniversary of the date of grant. The exercise price is determined by the board of directors of the Company, and will not be less than the highest of (i) the nominal value of the Company's share; (ii) the closing price of the Company's shares on the date of grant; and (iii) the average closing price of the shares for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant.

No share options have been granted since the adoption of the scheme and during the six months ended 30 September 2024 and 2023.

#### 20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) Save as disclosed elsewhere in the condensed consolidated interim financial information, the Group has no material transactions or balances with related parties.

#### (b) Compensation of key management personnel

The remuneration of executive directors of the Company and other members of key management personnel during the reporting period was as follows:

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	2024 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
Short-term benefits Post-employment benefits	3,480 45	3,465 45
	3,525	3,510

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#### 21. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

### Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis

The directors of the Company consider that the carrying amounts of current and noncurrent financial assets and financial liabilities recorded at amortised cost in the condensed consolidated interim financial information are not materially differed from their fair values due to their immediate or short-term maturity or the interest rates used approximates to the discount rates of relevant financial assets or financial liabilities.

### **Corporate Governance and Other Information**

The Company strives to attain and maintain a high standard of corporate governance as it believes that effective corporate governance practices are fundamental to enhancing shareholders' value and safeguarding interests of shareholders and other stakeholders. Accordingly, the Board attributes a high priority to identifying and implementing appropriate corporate governance practices to ensure transparency, accountability and effective internal controls.

#### COMPLIANCE WITH CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Company has adopted the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") as set out in Appendix C1 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules"). During the Period, the Company has complied with the code provisions under the CG Code, except for the deviation from code provisions C.2.1 of the CG Code as explained below. The Company will continue to enhance its corporate governance practices appropriate to the operation and growth of the business of the Group. According to code provision C.2.1 of the CG Code, the role of the chairman and the chief executive officer of the Company should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. Throughout the Period and up to the date of this report, the role of the chairman of the Company is performed by Mr. Wu Wing Hang but the office of the chief executive officer of the Company is vacated. The daily operation and management of the Company is monitored by the executive Directors as well as the senior management. The Board is of the view that although there is no chief executive officer, the balance of power and authority is ensured by the operation of the Board, which comprises experienced individuals who would meet from time to time to discuss issues affecting operation of the Company.

#### COMPLIANCE WITH THE MODEL CODE

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") set out in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules as its own code of conduct regarding Directors' securities transactions. In response to a specific enquiry by the Company, all Directors have confirmed, that they have complied with the required standards as set out in the Model Code during the Period and up to the date of this report.

### **Corporate Governance and Other Information** (Continued)

## DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 30 September 2024, interests and short positions in the shares of the Company (the "Shares"), underlying Shares and any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")), held by the Directors and chief executive of the Company which have been notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO or have been entered in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, or otherwise have been notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code are as follows:

#### (i) Long position in the Shares

Name of Director	Capacity/Nature of interest	Number of Shares held	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Mr. Wu Wing Hang ("Mr. Wu")	Interest in a controlled corporation  – Corporation interest (note)	244,398,000	58.89%

Note: The 244,398,000 Shares were held by Profit Gold Global Limited ("Profit Gold"), which was wholly owned by Mr. Wu. By virtue of the SFO, Mr. Wu was deemed to be interested in the 244,398,000 Shares

#### (ii) Long position in the ordinary shares of associated corporation

Name of Director	Name of associated corporation	Capacity/Nature	Number of Share held	Percentage of shareholding	
Mr. Wu	Profit Gold	Beneficial Interest (note)	1	100%	

Note: Mr. Wu beneficially owns 100% of the issued share capital of Profit Gold, and he is deemed or taken to be interested in all the shares in Profit Gold for the purposes of the SFO. Mr. Wu is also the director of Profit Gold.

#### (iii) Short positions

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors or chief executives of the Company had any interests or short positions in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as at 30 September 2024 as recorded in the register required to be kept under section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange under the Model Code.

### **Corporate Governance and Other Information (Continued)**

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 30 September 2024, so far as it is known by or otherwise notified by any Director or the chief executive of the Company, the particulars of the corporations or individuals (other than a Director or chief executive of the Company) who had or were deemed or taken to have an interest or short position in the Shares and underlying Shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, as recorded in the register required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO were as follows:

#### Long positions in the Shares

Name	Capacity/Nature of interest	Number of Shares held	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Profit Gold Ms. Kwok Wai Sheung Melody ("Ms. Kwok")	Beneficial interest (note 1) Interest of Spouse (note 2)	244,398,000 244,398,000	58.89% 58.89%

#### Notes:

- (1) 244,398,000 Shares were beneficially owned by Profit Gold, which is wholly owned by Mr. Wu.
- (2) Ms. Kwok, being spouse of Mr. Wu, is deemed to be interested in the 244,398,000 Shares held by Mr. Wu under the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, no other persons had any interests or short positions in the Shares or underlying Shares of the Company as at 30 September 2024 as recorded in the register required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

#### SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company has adopted a share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") on 15 November 2016. The principal terms of the Share Option Scheme is summarised in Appendix IV to the prospectus of the Company dated 28 November 2016. The main purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to attract and retain the best available personnel, to provide incentive to employees (full-time and part-time), directors, consultants, advisers, distributors, contractors, suppliers, agents, customers, business partners or service providers of the Group and to promote the success of the business of the Group.

No share option has been granted, exercised, cancelled or lapsed under the Share Option Scheme since its adoption on 15 November 2016.

### **Corporate Governance and Other Information** (Continued)

#### PURCHASE, SALES OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S SECURITIES

During the Period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS PURSUANT TO RULE 13.51B(1) OF THE LISTING RULES

Mr. Lee Man Tai, an independent non-executive director of the Company, has resigned as an independent non-executive director of Yunhong Guixin Group Holdings Limited, a company listed on the GEM of the Stock Exchange (Stock Code: 8349) with effect from 18 November 2024.

Save as disclosed in this report, the Directors are not aware of any change in the information of Directors and chief executives of the Company required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules as at the date of this report.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee"), with its terms of reference established in compliance with the Listing Rules, comprises three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Lee Man Tai (the chairman of the Audit Committee), Mr. Wong Yiu Kit Ernest and Ms. Tong Sze Sze Cecilia.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the Group's unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information for the Period. The Audit Committee was satisfied that the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information were prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and requirements as well as the Listing Rules and relevant adequate disclosures have been made.

By order of the Board

Progressive Path Group Holdings Limited

Wu Wing Hang

Chairman

Hong Kong, 28 November 2024