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# VERTICAL INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

弘浩國際控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock code: 8375)

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Notice is hereby given** that an annual general meeting of Vertical International Holdings Limited (the "**Company**") will be held at 21/F., Grand Millennium Plaza, 181 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong on Friday, 17 May 2024 at 11:30 a.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To consider and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries and the reports of the directors and independent auditors for the year ended 31 December 2023.
- 2. To re-elect Mr. Liu Kwan as an independent non-executive director of the Company.
- 3. To re-elect Mr. Wong Wai Leung as an independent non-executive director of the Company.
- 4. To authorize the board of directors of the Company to fix the remuneration of directors of the Company.
- 5. To re-appoint Baker Tilly Hong Kong Limited as the auditors of the Company and to authorize the board of directors of the Company to fix their remuneration.
- 6. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

## **"THAT:**

(a) subject to compliance with the prevailing requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and paragraph (b) of this resolution, a general mandate be and is hereby generally and unconditionally given to the directors of the Company to exercise during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) all the powers of the Company to repurchase its shares in accordance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations;

- (b) the total number of shares of the Company to be repurchased pursuant to the mandate in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of this resolution (subject to adjustment in the case of any consolidation or subdivision of shares of the Company after the date of passing of this resolution); and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."
- 7. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

### **"THAT:**

- (a) subject to compliance with the prevailing requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and paragraph (b) of this resolution, a general mandate be and is hereby generally and unconditionally given to the directors of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers during or after the end of the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) in accordance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations;
- (b) the aggregate number of shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the directors pursuant to the mandate in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to:
  - (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined);
  - (ii) the exercise of options under a share option scheme of the Company; and
  - (iii) any scrip dividend scheme or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on shares of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company,

shall not exceed 20% of the total number of issued shares of the Company on the date of passing of this resolution (subject to adjustment in the case of any consolidation or subdivision of shares of the Company after the date of passing of this resolution); and

(c) for the purposes of this resolution:

"**Relevant Period**" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

"**Rights Issue**" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the directors to holders of shares of the Company or any class thereof on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares or class thereof (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of any relevant jurisdiction or the requirements of any recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange)."

8. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"THAT conditional upon the passing of the resolutions set out in items 6 and 7 of the notice convening this meeting (the "Notice"), the general mandate referred to in the resolution set out in item 7 of the Notice be and is hereby extended by the addition to the aggregate number of shares which may be allotted and issued or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted and issued by the directors pursuant to such general mandate of the number of shares repurchased by the Company pursuant to the mandate referred to in resolution set out in item 6 of the Notice, provided that such number of shares shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of this resolution (subject to adjustment in the case of any consolidation or subdivision of shares of the Company after the date of passing of this resolution)."

By Order of the Board Vertical International Holdings Limited Boon Ho Yin Henry Chairman

#### Notes:

- 1. All resolutions at the meeting will be taken by poll pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "GEM Listing Rules") and the Company's articles of association. The results of the poll will be published on the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and of the Company in accordance with the GEM Listing Rules.
- 2. Any shareholder of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint more than one proxy (who must be an individual) to attend and vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company. If more than one proxy is so appointed, the appointment shall specify the number and class of shares in respect of which each such proxy is so appointed.
- 3. In order to be valid, the form of proxy together with the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power of attorney or authority, must be deposited at the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Annual General Meeting (i.e. not later than 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, 15 May 2024) or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the form of proxy shall not preclude a shareholder of the Company from attending and voting in person at the meeting and, in such event, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.
- 4. For determining the entitlement to attend and vote at the meeting, the Register of Members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 13 May 2024 to Friday, 17 May 2024, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to be eligible to attend and vote at the annual general meeting, unregistered holders of shares of the Company shall ensure that all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4: 30 p.m. on Friday, 10 May 2024.
- 5. If a tropical cyclone warning signal no. 8 or above is hoisted or "extreme conditions" caused by super typhoons or a black rainstorm warning signal is in force at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, 17 May 2024, the meeting will be postponed and the Company will post an announcement on the websites of the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) and of the Company (www.verticaltech.com.cn) for details of alternative meeting arrangements. The meeting will be held as scheduled even when tropical cyclone warning signal no. 3 or below is hoisted, or an amber or red rainstorm warning signal is in force. Shareholders of the Company should make their own decision as to whether they would attend the meeting under bad weather conditions and if they should choose to do so, they are advised to exercise care and caution.

As at the date of this notice, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Boon Ho Yin Henry and Ms. Chow Cheung Chu; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. Liu Kwan, Mr. Chik Kin Man Paul and Mr. Wong Wai Leung.

This notice, for which the directors of the Company collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the GEM Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this notice is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this notice misleading.

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