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# ICube Technology Holdings Limited 中國微電子科技集團有限公司\*

(Formerly known as GR Vietnam Holdings Limited越南控股有限公司\*)
(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock code: 139)

# INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2010

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of ICube Technology Holdings Limited (the "Company") announces the unaudited results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30 September 2010 (the "Period") together with comparative figures for the corresponding previous period as follows:—

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

		For the six months		
		ended 30 September		
		2010	2009	
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
			(Restated)	
CONTINUING OPERATIONS	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
REVENUE	2			
Electronic products		17,448	6,432	
Treasury investments		(15,854)	14,618	
		1,594	21,050	
Cost of electronic products sold		(16,962)	(6,266)	
Brokerage and commission expenses		(109)	(523)	
		(17,071)	(6,789)	
		(15,477)	14,261	
Other income and gains	3	183	7	
Selling and distribution costs		(100)	(42)	
Administrative expenses		(17,112)	(11,950)	
Other operating expenses		(3,168)	(27)	

# For the six months ended 30 September

		2010	2009
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited) (Restated)
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Fair value losses, net:			(
Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss Finance costs	5	(4,221) (9,597)	(23,330) (8,860)
Loss before tax	4	(49,492)	(29,941)
Income tax expense	6		
Loss for the period from continuing operations		(49,492)	(29,941)
DISCONTINUED OPERATION			
Loss for the period from a discontinued operation	7	(3,515)	(3,536)
LOSS FOR THE PERIOD		(53,007)	(33,477)
Attributable to:			
Owners of the parent Minority interest		(53,007)	(33,477)
		(53,007)	(33,477)
DIVIDEND	8		
LOSS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE			
TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT	9		
Basic			
<ul><li>Continuing operations</li><li>Discontinued operation</li></ul>		HK(1.75)cents HK(0.13)cents	HK(1.06)cents HK(0.13)cents
Diluted	-	N/A	N/A

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	For the six months ended 30 September		
	2010	2009	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
LOSS FOR THE PERIOD	(53,007)	(33,477)	
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
Available-for-sale equity investments:			
Change in fair value	1,029	5,638	
Income tax effect	(170)	(930)	
	859	4,708	
Exchange differences on translation			
of foreign operations	10	(76)	
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR			
THE PERIOD, NET OF TAX	869	4,632	
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE PERIOD	(52,138)	(28,845)	
Attributable to:			
Owners of the parent	(52,138)	(28,845)	
Minority interest			
	(52,138)	(28,845)	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	At 30 September 2010		At 31 March 2010
	Notes	(Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	(Audited) <i>HK\$</i> '000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS Property, plant and equipment Prepaid land lease payment		828 -	2,844
Convertible notes-loan portion Available-for-sale equity investments	10	50,296 17,924	50,913 16,895
Total non-current assets		69,048	70,652
CURRENT ASSETS Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss Inventories Bills and trade receivables Prepayments, deposits and other receivables Pledged time deposits Cash and cash equivalents	11 12 13	162,803 2,595 3,757 5,627 7,332 70,722	147,526 1,064 1,407 4,412 7,330 134,111
Assets classified as held for sale	7	252,836 8,205	295,850
Total current assets	,	261,041	295,850
CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade payables Tax payable Other payables and accruals Convertible bonds	14	3,089 11 7,328 197,588	993 11 8,255 187,991
Liabilities directly associated with the assets classified as held for sale	7	208,016	197,250
Total current liabilities		210,848	197,250
NET CURRENT ASSETS		50,193	98,600
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		119,241	169,252
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Deferred tax liabilities		748	578
Net assets		118,493	168,674
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT Issued capital	15	28,247	28,247
Equity component of convertible bonds Reserves	13	47,257 42,989	47,257 93,170
		118,493	168,674
Minority interest			
Total equity		118,493	168,674

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have not been audited by the Company's Auditors but have been reviewed by the Company's Audit Committee (the "Audit Committee").

The unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements 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 and Appendix 16 to the Rules (the "Listing Rules") Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

The accounting policies and basis of preparation used in the preparation of these unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements are consistent with those used in the preparation of the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2010 except for the adoption of the new standards and interpretations as noted below.

HKFRS 1(Revised) First-time Adoption of Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards **HKFRS 1 Amendments** Amendments to HKFRS 1 First-time Adoption of HKFRSs - Additional

Exemptions for First-time Adopters

**HKFRS 2 Amendments** Amendments to HKFRS 2 Share-based Payment - Group Cash-settled Share-

based Payment Transactions

**Business Combinations** HKFRS 3 (Revised)

HKAS 27 (Revised) Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements

**HKAS 32 Amendments** Amendments to HKAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation –

Classification of Rights Issues

Amendments to HKFRS 5 Amendments to HKFRS 5 Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Included in Improvements

Discontinued Operations - Plan to Sell the Controlling Interest in a

to HKFRSs issued in Subsidiary

October 2008

HKAS 39 Amendment Amendment to HKAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and

Measurement - Eligible Hedged Items

HK Interpretation 4 Leases – Determination of the Length of Lease Term in respect of Hong Kong

Land Leases

HK(IFRIC)-Int 17 Distributions of Non-cash Assets to Owners

The adoption of the above new standards and interpretations has had no material effect on the accounting policies of the Group and the methods of computation in the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements.

# 2. Segment information

For the management purpose, the Group is currently organized in three operating divisions – electronic products, treasury investment and corporate & others. An analysis of the Group's revenue and results by business segments for the Period and the corresponding previous period is as follows:–

			Continuing	operations					Discontinu	ed operation		
	Electron	ic products	Treasury	investment	Corporat	e & others	To	otal	Operation of co	onvenience store	es Conso	lidated
	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)								
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000								
Segment Revenue:												
Revenue from external customers	17,448	6,432	-	-	-	-	17,448	6,432	5,836	2,003	23,284	8,435
Gains/(losses) from treasury investment			(15,854)	14,618			(15,854)	14,618		_	(15,854)	14,618
Total	17,448	6,432	(15,854)	14,618	_	_	1,594	21,050	5,836	2,003	7,430	23,053
Segment results	(2,727)	(1,107)	(25,045)	(15,095)	(12,111)	(2,655)	(39,883)	(18,857)	(3,515)	(3,548)	(43,398)	(22,405)
Interest income and unallocated revenue							9	7	-	12	9	19
Unallocated expenses							(21)	(2,231)	_	_	(21)	(2,231)
Unallocated finance costs							(9,597)	(8,860)			(9,597)	(8,860)
Loss before tax							(49,492)	(29,941)	(3,515)	(3,536)	(53,007)	(33,477)
Income tax							-	-	-	-	-	-
Loss for the period							(49,492)	(29,941)	(3,515)	(3,536)	(53,007)	(33,477)

# 3. Other income and gains

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	For the six months ended 30 September		
	2010	2009	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Bank interest income	9	6	
Others	174	1	
	183	7	
Loss before tax			
The Group's loss before tax is arrived at after charging:-			
	For the six months		
	ended 30 S	_	
	2010	2009	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Depreciation	108	95	
Finance costs			
	For the si		
	ended 30 S		
	2010 (Unaudited)	2009 (Unaudited)	
	(Unaudited) HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	HK\$ 000	$HM \Rightarrow UUU$	
Interest on bank overdrafts wholly repayable within five years	_	1	
Inputed interest on convertible bonds	9,597	8,859	
	9,597	8,860	

#### 6. Tax

No Hong Kong profits tax has been provided during the Period (2009: Nil) as the Group did not derive any assessable profit attributable to its operation in Hong Kong.

No provision for tax in the Mainland China has been made during the Period (2009: Nil) since no assessable profits has been generated by the subsidiaries operating in the Mainland China.

# 7. Discontinued operation

The results of operation of convenience stores for the periods are presented below:

	For the size	For the six months		
	ended 30 S	eptember		
	2010	2009		
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Revenue	5,836	2,003		
Cost of good sold	(4,447)	(1,518)		
	1,389	485		
Other income and gains	630	617		
Selling and distribution costs	(1,804)	(123)		
Administrative expenses	(3,721)	(4,507)		
Other operating expenses	(9)	(8)		
Loss before tax from the discontinued operation	(3,515)	(3,536)		
Income tax expense				
Loss for the period from the discontinued operation	(3,515)	(3,536)		

The major classes of assets and liabilities of operation of convenience stores classified as held for sale as at 30 September 2010 are as follows:

	At 30 September 2010 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	At 31 March 2010 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Assets		
Property, plant and equipment	3,017	_
Inventories	1,053	_
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	3,443	_
Cash and cash equivalents	692	
Assets classified as held for sale	8,205	-
Liabilities		
Trade payables	(719)	_
Other payables and accruals	(2,113)	
Liabilities directly associated with the assets classified as held for sale	(2,832)	
Net assets directly associated with the disposal group	5,373	

#### 8. Dividend

The Board has resolved not to pay any interim dividend for Period (2009: Nil).

#### 9. Loss per share attributable to owners of the parent

The calculation of basic loss per share amount is based on the loss attributable to owners of the parent for the Period of HK\$53,007,000 (2009: HK\$33,477,000) and the weighted average number of 2,824,643,047 (2009: 2,824,643,047) ordinary shares.

Diluted loss per share amount for the periods ended 30 September 2010 and 2009 have not been disclosed, as the share options and the convertible bonds outstanding during the periods ended 30 September 2010 and 2009 had an anti-dilutive effect on the basic loss per share for these periods.

# 10. Available-for-sale equity investments

		At 30 September 2010 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	At 31 March 2010 (Audited) HK\$'000
	Listed equity investments, at fair value: Hong Kong Elsewhere	386 17,538	404
		17,924	16,895
11.	Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss		
		At 30 September 2010 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	At 31 March 2010 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
	Listed equity investments in Hong Kong, at fair value	162,803	147,526
12.	Inventories		
		At 30 September 2010 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	At 31 March 2010 (Audited) <i>HK\$</i> '000
	Raw materials Work in progress Finished goods	1,133 677 785	200 - 864
	I mistica goods	2,595	1,064

#### 13. Bills and trade receivables

At	At
30 September	31 March
2010	2010
(Unaudited)	(Audited)
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
1,642	_
2,115	1,407
3,757	1,407
	30 September 2010 (Unaudited) HK\$'000  1,642 2,115

The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on credit, except for new customers where payment in advance is normally required. The credit period is generally for a period of one month, extending up to two months for major customers. Each customer has a maximum credit limit. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are regularly reviewed by senior management. Trade receivables are non-interest-bearing.

Ageing analysis:

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2010	2010
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 1 month	2,991	1,389
1 to 2 months	711	18
Over 3 months	55	
	3,757	1,407

#### 14. Trade payables

Ageing analysis:

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2010	2010
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 1 to 2 months	3,033	943
Over 3 months	56	50
	3,089	993

#### 15. Share capital

	At	At
	30 September	31 March
	2010	2010
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Authorised - 60,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each	600,000	600,000
Issued and fully paid - 2,824,643,047 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each	28,247	28,247

#### 16. Related party transactions

During the Period, the Group had no related party transactions.

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **Business Review**

The Group's revenue for the Period was HK\$1.6 million, representing a decrease of HK\$19.5 million or 92.4% as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The decrease in revenue was mainly due to a realized loss on equity securities of HK\$17.8 million. The loss for the Period was HK\$53.0 million, compared to the loss of HK\$33.5 million for the corresponding period of last year. Loss per share for the Period was HK1.88 cents (2009: Loss per share of HK1.19 cents). The Group's loss for the Period was primarily attributable to the realized loss on equity investments of HK\$17.8 million in the treasury investment segment.

During the Period, the economy of Vietnam remained uncertain and high inflationary and currency devaluation risks continued to adversely affect the performance of the retail sector in the Vietnamese market. In view of the economic uncertainties and the government's conservative view on foreign participation in the retail business, the Group has decided to restructure its existing business by disposing of its convenience stores business in Vietnam (the "Vietnam Disposal"). On 10 August 2010, the Group entered into a sales and purchase agreement for the disposal of the entire issued share capital and shareholder loan in GR Vietnam International Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Group which is engaged in investment holding and the operation of convenience stores business in Vietnam for a consideration of HK\$33.2 million. The details of the above transaction were disclosed in the Company's announcement dated 10 August 2010. This transaction was completed on 12 October 2010. The expected gain from the disposal of the discontinued operation was approximately HK\$25 million. The Board believes that the disposal will enable the Group to avoid any further losses that will possibly be incurred in the convenience stores business and to redeploy its resources for other investment opportunities.

The electronic products trading business continued to face the intense market competition in terms of the downward price pressure. To complement the electronic products trading business, the Group has made its efforts to secure new sales orders for the assembly of traditional electronic products. During the Period, sales revenue from the electronic products segment increased by HK\$11.0 million, or 171.3% to HK\$17.4 million. Due to the increase in the labour costs and set-up overheads for the launch of the new products, the operating loss for this segment increased by HK\$1.6 million to HK\$2.7 million.

During the Period, the Group continued to place strong research and development efforts on its System-on-chip (SoC) technology. The Group has achieved a significant milestone in bringing a higher level of technological development to China's semiconductor design space by developing a new core architecture for high computation performance, based on multi-processing and parallel computing. The core under development is a Multi-Threaded Virtual Pipeline (MVP) on a scalable and programmable stream processor, featuring the versatility of a unified processor by integrating the capabilities of a CPU, GPU and DSP in one solution. MVP-based SoC solutions can deliver the integrated features of a high-caliber multi-core solution while maintaining a substantial price/performance advantage in the semiconductor industry.

The Group continued to utilise its available funds in treasury investment. During the Period, the local stock market was less volatile and taking consolidation, the treasury investment segment recorded a net loss of HK\$25.0 million as compared with a net loss of HK\$15.1 million for the last corresponding period.

# **Prospects**

Mainland China has now become a key player in the global semiconductor market and its consumption of semiconductors has exceeded markets in Japan, North America and Europe. Coupled with global economic recovery and strong domestic economic growth, Mainland China's semiconductor consumption is expected to continue to grow. With the SoC business as its future core business, the Group will continue to dedicate efforts and resources in the research and development of its MVP-based SoC chips. The Board believes that the new developing business will enable the Group to capitalize on the future growth in the global semiconductor industry, particularly in Mainland China where there are opportunities for sustainable growth and higher earning prospects in the future.

Looking ahead, while global economic and financial uncertainties will persist, the Group will continue to be on the alert and to pursue a prudent investment strategy in developing its existing and new businesses.

#### **Financial Review**

The Group's revenue for the Period was HK\$1.6 million, representing a decrease of HK\$19.5 million or 92.4% as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The Group's revenue mainly comprised the sales revenue of electronic products trading of HK\$17.4 million, a realised loss of HK\$17.8 million and income and gains of HK\$2.0 million from the treasury investment segment.

The loss for the Period was HK\$53.0 million. As at 30 September 2010, the Group's consolidated net asset value was HK\$118.5 million (31 March 2010: HK\$168.7 million). The Group maintained a sound financial position and nil of bank borrowings.

# Liquidity and Financial Resources

During the Period, the Group generally financed its operations with internally generated cash flow, cash reserve and banking facilities. The Group's bank and short term deposits as at 30 September 2010 amounted to HK\$78.1 million (31 March 2010: HK\$141.4 million).

As at 30 September 2010, the Group had no bank overdrafts, short or long term interest-bearing bank borrowings (31 March 2010: Nil).

As at 30 September 2010, the Group's current ratio was 1.2 times (31 March 2010: 1.5 times) based on current assets of HK\$261.0 million (31 March 2010: HK\$295.9 million) and current liabilities of HK\$210.8 million (31 March 2010: HK\$197.3 million).

As at 30 September 2010, the Group had capital commitments for capital contribution to a joint venture company of HK\$15.3 million (31 March 2010: HK\$15.3 million). Apart from that, the Group had no other contingent liabilities or other material commitments.

## **Capital Structure**

As at 30 September 2010, the Group's gearing ratio, being convertible bonds payable to net worth and convertible bonds payable was 62.5% (31 March 2010: 52.7%).

The Group's bank deposits are mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars. Most of the Group's sales and purchases are made in United States dollars and Hong Kong dollars. Therefore, the Group's exchange risk exposure is minimal.

#### **Post Balance Sheet Events**

- (i) On 8 October 2010, the Company entered into a placing agreement with a placing agent for the placing of three year zero-coupon Convertible Bonds, on a best efforts basis, with a principal amount of HK\$200 million at the conversion price of HK\$0.125 per share. The 1,600,000,000 conversion shares represented approximately 36.16% of the issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the conversion shares. The net proceeds from the placing of approximately HK\$195.5 million are to be utilized for the redemption of the 2007 Convertible Bonds issued by the Company on 16 November 2007 or repayment of any short term financing. The details of the above transaction were disclosed in the Company's announcement dated 8 October 2010.
- (ii) On 12 October 2010, the transaction for the disposal of the subsidiary mentioned above was completed. The details of the transaction were disclosed in the Company's announcement dated 10 August 2010.

# **Significant Investments**

As at 30 September 2010, the Group held convertible notes issued by a company listed on the Stock Exchange with fair value amount of the conversion option derivative of HK\$Nil and the carrying amount of the loan portion of HK\$50.3 million. The carrying amount of the loan portion approximated to its fair value. The interest income for the Period was HK\$0.6 million.

As at 30 September 2010, the Group maintained a portfolio of equity investments (including available-for-sale equity investments and equity investments at fair value through profit or loss) with total carrying amount of HK\$180.7 million. The related dividend income for the Period was HK\$1.3 million and the loss on disposal of equity investments at fair value through profit or loss was HK\$17.8 million.

#### **Details of Charges on Assets**

As at 30 September 2010, a fixed deposit of HK\$7.3 million (31 March 2010: HK\$7.3 million) was pledged to secure banking facilities granted to the Group.

## **Material Acquisitions and Disposals**

During the Period, save for the Vietnam Disposal, the Company had no material acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries or associates.

# **Employment, Training and Development**

As at 30 September 2010, the Group had a total of 293 employees of which 28 were based in Hong Kong, 144 based in Mainland China and 121 based in Vietnam. The Group is committed to staff training and development and structured training programs for all employees.

Remuneration packages are maintained at a competitive level and reviewed on a periodic basis. Bonuses and share options are awarded to employees according to individual performance and industry practice.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Board is committed to maintaining good corporate governance, consistently enhancing transparency and effective accountability in order to maximize shareholder's benefit. Detailed disclosure of the Company's corporate governance practices was stated in its last published Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2010.

The Company has complied with the code provisions set out in Code on Corporate Governance Practices (the "CG Code") in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules throughout the Period except there is no separation of the roles of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer as specified in the code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code. Mr. Wong Howard currently assumes the roles of both the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The Board believes that this structure provides the Group with strong and consistent leadership and allows for more effective and efficient business planning and decisions as well as execution of long term business strategies. As such, it is beneficial to the business prospects of the Group.

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

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

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee meets at least twice a year to monitor and review the integrity and effectiveness of the Company's financial report. The Audit Committee has reviewed the Company's unaudited consolidated interim financial statements for the Period and discussed auditing, financial and internal control, and financial reporting matters of the Company. The Audit Committee comprises three members, namely, Mr. Tung Tat Chiu, Michael (Chairman of the Audit Committee), Mr. Li Chi Ming and Mr. Wan Ngar Yin, David, all of whom are independent non-executive directors of the Company.

On behalf of the Board

ICube Technology Holdings Limited

Wong Howard

Chairman

Hong Kong, 24 November 2010

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises 3 executive directors, namely, Mr. Wong Howard, Mr. Wong Yat Fai and Mr. Lam Sai Ho, Anthony; and 3 independent non-executive directors, namely, Mr. Tung Tat Chiu, Michael, Mr. Li Chi Ming and Mr. Wan Ngar Yin, David.

Note: At the special general meeting of the Company held on 9 November 2010, a special resolution was passed to approve the change of the English Company name to "ICube Technology Holdings Limited" and, subject to the new English name of the Company becoming effective, to adopt "中國微電子科技集團有限公司" as the new Chinese name of the Company for identification purposes.

As approved by the Registrar of Companies in Bermuda on 15 November 2010, the English name of the Company has changed to "ICube Technology Holdings Limited" with effect from 9 November 2010. The Company has then applied with the Registrar of Companies in Hong Kong for registration of the new Chinese name "中國微電子科技集團有限公司". Such registration will take effect from the date of issuance of the "Certificate of Registration of Change of Corporate Name of Non-Hong Kong Company" by the Registrar of Companies in Hong Kong.

\* for identification purposes only