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## CHINA STARCH HOLDINGS LIMITED

## 中國澱粉控股有限公司

 $(Incorporated\ in\ the\ Cayman\ Islands\ with\ limited\ liability)$ 

(Stock Code: 3838)

## **PROFIT WARNING**

This announcement is made by China Starch Holdings Limited (the "Company" and, together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") pursuant to Rule 13.09(2)(a) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571, Laws of Hong Kong).

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of the Company wishes to inform the shareholders (the "Shareholders") of the Company and potential investors that, based on the preliminary review of the unaudited consolidated management accounts of the Group for the five months ended 31 May 2013, there was a decline in the Group's revenue and net profit in this five-month period as compared with those for the same period in 2012. The decline was, based on information currently available, mainly attributable to (i) the decrease in selling price of cornstarch, lysine and starch-based sweetener; and (ii) the temporary suspension of operation of the production plant in Linqing in April and May 2013. The decline is expected to have an adverse impact on the operating profits of the Group for the six months ending 30 June 2013.

The information contained in this announcement is based on the assessment by the Board with reference to information currently available, including the unaudited consolidated management accounts of the Group for the five months ended 31 May 2013, which is yet to be finalised and has not yet been reviewed by the Company's auditors. As such, the actual financial results of the Group for the six months ending 30 June 2013 may be different from what is disclosed in this announcement.

Shareholders and potential investors are advised to read carefully the interim results announcement of the Company for the six months ending 30 June 2013 which is expected to be published in or around August 2013.

Shareholders and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

By order of the Board
CHINA STARCH HOLDINGS LIMITED
Tian Qixiang
Chairman

Shouguang, the People's Republic of China, 14 June 2013

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Tian Qixiang, Mr. Gao Shijun, Mr. Yu Yingquan and Mr. Liu Xianggang and the independent non-executive Directors are Ms. Dong Yanfeng, Mr. Cao Zenggong and Mr. Yue Kwai Wa, Ken.