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CHINA EVERGRANDE GROUP

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(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. Revenue increased by 12.6% to RMB87.50 billion for the six months ended 30 June 2016 (the "Reporting Period") from RMB77.74 billion for the corresponding period of 2015.
- 2. Gross profit increased by 12.2% to RMB24.77 billion for the Reporting Period from RMB22.07 billion for the corresponding period of 2015.
- 3. Core business profit¹ of property development and other businesses was RMB7.81 billion for the Reporting Period. The core business profit rate was 8.9% for the Reporting Period.
- 4. As at 30 June 2016, the Group had total cash (including cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash) of RMB212.00 billion, representing an increase of 29.3% as compared with RMB164.02 billion as at the end of 2015.
- 5. Contracted sales during the Reporting Period amounted to RMB141.78 billion, representing a period-on-period increase of 62.8%; the gross floor area of contracted sales was RMB16.61 million square meters, representing a period-on-period growth of 45.9%; the average price of contracted sales was RMB8,538 per square meter, representing a period-on-period increase of 11.5%.

Net profit for the Reporting Period excluding fair value gains on investment properties, exchange losses, losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and one-off donation.

The board of directors (the "Board") of China Evergrande Group (the "Company") is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2016.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

		ded 30 June	
		2016	2015
	Note	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
		RMB million	RMB million
Revenue	4	87,498	77,743
Cost of sales	5	(62,728)	(55,673)
Gross profit		24,770	22,070
Fair value gains on investment properties		3,283	5,534
(Loss)/gain on financial assets at fair value through			
profit or loss	8	(425)	2,481
Other income	6	1,875	1,217
Selling and marketing costs	5	(8,029)	(5,300)
Administrative expenses	5	(3,664)	(2,977)
Other operating expenses	5	(1,620)	(539)
Operating profit		16,190	22,486
Finance costs, net	7	(1,782)	(607)
Share of (losses)/profits of investments accounted for			
using the equity method		(71)	39
Profit before income tax		14,337	21,918
Income tax expenses	9	(7,210)	(8,632)
Profit for the period		7,127	13,286

	Note	Six months en 2016 (Unaudited) RMB million	ded 30 June 2015 (Unaudited) RMB million
Other comprehensive income			
Item that may be reclassified to profit or loss Change in value of available-for-sale financial assets Share of other comprehensive income of investments		468	(13)
accounted for using the equity method		(197)	_
Currency translation differences		175	
		446	(13)
Total comprehensive income for the period		7,573	13,273
Profit attributable to:			
Shareholders of the Company		2,017	9,427
Holders of perpetual capital instruments		4,220	2,611
Non-controlling interests		890	1,248
		7,127	13,286
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Shareholders of the Company		2,463	9,414
Holders of perpetual capital instruments		4,220	2,611
Non-controlling interests		890	1,248
		7,573	13,273
Earnings per share for profit attributable to shareholders of the Company for the period (expressed in RMB per share)			
— Basic earnings per share	10	0.147	0.626
— Diluted earnings per share	10	0.145	0.617
Dividends	11		

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

		30 June	31 December
	Note	2016	2015
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
		RMB million	RMB million
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		20,009	16,720
Land use rights		4,670	3,625
Investment properties		121,632	97,146
Properties under development		157	248
Trade and other receivables	12	15,909	10,730
Prepayments	13	8,546	1,038
Intangible assets		521	372
Investments accounted for using the equity method		13,791	8,580
Available-for-sale financial assets		3,074	2,595
Deferred income tax assets		3,463	2,752
Goodwill		885	885
		192,657	144,691
Current assets			
Inventories		1,491	1,311
Properties under development		415,098	329,610
Completed properties held for sale		83,307	54,118
Trade and other receivables	12	37,765	21,708
Prepayments	13	46,472	37,137
Income tax recoverable		6,563	4,131
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	4,559	307
Restricted cash		93,755	60,932
Cash and cash equivalents		118,248	103,090
		807,258	612,344
		307,200	
Total assets		999,915	757,035

		30 June	31 December
	Note	2016	2015
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
		RMB million	RMB million
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company			
Share capital and premium		963	971
Other reserves		10,701	7,637
Retained earnings		35,484	42,398
		47,148	51,006
Perpetual capital instruments		116,002	75,737
Non-controlling interests		18,898	15,399
TVOII-CONTOINING INTERESTS		10,070	13,377
Total equity		182,048	142,142
LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings		208,509	138,162
Other payables	14	6,099	2,481
Deferred income tax liabilities	1 1	33,244	17,569
Deferred mediae tax madricles			
		247,852	158,212
Current liabilities			
Borrowings		172,752	158,744
Trade and other payables	14	250,706	191,309
Receipt in advance from customers		118,977	83,061
Current income tax liabilities		27,580	23,567
		570.015	156 601
		<u>570,015</u>	456,681
Total liabilities		817,867	614,893
Total equity and liabilities		999,915	757,035
Net current assets		237,243	155,663
			
Total assets less current liabilities		429,900	300,354

Notes:

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

China Evergrande Group (the "Company", previously known as Evergrande Real Estate Group Limited), was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 26 June 2006 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law, Cap. 22 (2012 Revision as consolidated and revised from time to time) of the Cayman Islands and is engaged in investment holding. The Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") are principally engaged in the property development, property investment, property management, property construction, hotel operations, finance business, internet business, health industry business and fast consuming product business in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"). The address of its registered office is P.O. Box 309, Ugland House, Grand Cayman, KY1-1104, Cayman Islands.

The Company had its listing on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 5 November 2009.

The condensed consolidated interim financial information is presented in millions of Renminbi Yuan ("RMB"), unless otherwise stated. The condensed consolidated interim financial information has been approved for issue by the Board of Directors of the Company on 30 August 2016.

These condensed consolidated interim financial information has not been audited.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

This condensed consolidated interim financial information for the six months ended 30 June 2016 has been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34, "Interim financial reporting". The condensed consolidated interim financial information should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015, which have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS").

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Except as described below, the accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015, as described in those annual financial statements.

(i) New standards and amendments to standards adopted by the Group as at 1 January 2016

The following new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are mandatory for the Group's financial year beginning 1 January 2016. The adoption of these new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations does not have any significant impact to the results and financial position of the Group.

HKFRS 14 Regulatory deferral accounts

HKFRS 11 (Amendment) Accounting for acquisitions of interests in joint operation

HKAS 16 and HKAS 38 Clarification of acceptable methods of depreciation and amortisation

(Amendments)

HKAS 16 and HKAS 41 Agriculture: bearer plants

(Amendments)

HKAS 27 (Amendment) Equity method in separate financial statements
Annual improvements 2014 Annual improvements 2012–2014 cycle 1

HKFRS 10, HKFRS 12 and HKAS Investment entities: applying the consolidation exception

28 (Amendment)

HKAS 1 (Amendment) Disclosure initiative

(ii) New standards and amendments to standards that have been issued but are not effective

HKAS 12 (Amendments) Income tax¹

HKAS 7 (Amendments) Statement of cash flows¹

HKFRS 15 Revenue from contracts with customers²

HKFRS 9 Financial instruments²

HKFRS 16 Leases³

HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28 Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or

(Amendments) joint venture⁴

- ¹ Effective for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017.
- ² Effective for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018.
- Effective for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019.
- ⁴ Effective date is to be determined by the International Accounting Standard Board.
- (iii) Taxes on income in the interim periods are accrued using the tax rate that would be applicable to expected total annual earnings.

4. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The chief operating decision-maker ("CODM") of the Group has been identified as the executive directors of the Company who are responsible for reviewing the Group's internal reporting in order to assess performance and allocate resources. Management has determined the operating segments based on these reports. The Group is organised into four business segments: property development, property investment, property management and other businesses. Other businesses mainly include property construction, hotel operations, finance business, internet business, health industry business and fast consuming products business (including production and sales of spring water, grain and edible oil, and dairy). As the CODM of the Group considers most of the revenue and results of the Group are attributable to the market in the PRC, and only an immaterial part (less than 10%) of the Group's assets are located outside the PRC, no geographical segment information is presented.

The directors of the Company assess the performance of the operating segments based on a measure of segment results. Fair value gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, dividend income of available-for-sale financial assets, gain or loss on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets and finance cost and income are not included in the result for each operating segment.

Transactions between segments are carried out at agreed terms amongst relevant parties. The revenue from external parties reported to the management is measured in a manner consistent with that in the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

The segment results and other segment items included in the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the six months ended 30 June 2016 are as follows:

	Property development RMB million	investment	Property management services RMB million	Other businesses RMB million	Group RMB million
Gross segment revenue Inter-segment revenue	83,738	312 (54)	1,989 (1,296)	8,269 (5,460)	94,308 (6,810)
Revenue	83,738	258	693	2,809	87,498
Share of post-tax profit of associates Share of post-tax loss of joint ventures	59 148	_	_	(1) (277)	58 (129)
Segment results	13,977	3,495	99	(1,027)	16,544
Loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Finance costs, net			_	_	(425) (1,782)
Profit before income tax Income tax expenses	=	=	=	=	14,337 (7,210)
Profit for the period	_	_	_	_	7,127
Depreciation and amortisation Fair value gains on investment properties	406 	3,283	6	498 	910 3,283

The segment results and other segment items included in the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the six months ended 30 June 2015 are as follows:

	Property development RMB million	Property investment RMB million	Property management services RMB million	Other businesses RMB million	Group RMB million
Gross segment revenue Inter-segment revenue	75,374	134 (54)	1,161 (463)	4,628 (3,037)	81,297 (3,554)
Revenue	75,374	80	698	1,591	77,743
Share of post-tax profit of associates Share of post-tax loss of joint ventures	171 (4)		_ _	— (128)	171 (132)
Segment results	15,829	5,834	(132)	(1,487)	20,044
Gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Finance costs, net	_ _	_ _	_ _	_ _	2,481 (607)
Profit before income tax Income tax expenses	_ _	_ _	_ _	_ _	21,918 (8,632)
Profit for the period	_	_	_	—	13,286
Depreciation and amortisation Fair value gains on investment properties	330	5,534	4	386	720 5,534

Segment assets as at 30 June 2016 are as follows:

	Property development RMB million	Property investment RMB million	Property management services RMB million	Other businesses RMB million	Group RMB million
Segment assets Unallocated assets	809,403	121,632	1,539	49,682	982,256 17,659
Total assets					999,915
Segment assets include: Interest in associates Interest in joint ventures Segment assets as at 31 December 2015 are	152 278 as follows:	=	=	13 13,348	165 13,626
	Property development RMB million	Property investment RMB million	Property management services RMB million	Other businesses RMB million	Group RMB million
Segment assets Unallocated assets	622,060	97,146	1,193	26,851	747,250 9,785
Total assets					757,035
Segment assets include: Interest in associates Interest in a joint venture	154 634	_ _	_		154 8,426

There are no differences from the latest annual financial statement in the basis of segmentation or in the basis of measurement of segment profit or loss.

Segment assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, investment properties, land use rights, intangible assets, goodwill, investments accounted for using equity method, inventories, properties under development, completed properties held for sale, trade and other receivables, prepayments and cash balances. They exclude deferred tax assets, income tax recoverable, available-for-sale financial assets and financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

5. EXPENSES BY NATURE

Major expenses included in cost of sales, selling and marketing costs, administrative expenses and other operating expenses are analysed as follows:

	Six months end	Six months ended 30 June		
	2016	2015		
	RMB million	RMB million		
Cost of properties sold	55,946	49,243		
Employee benefit expenditure — including directors' emoluments	6,079	5,280		
Less: capitalised in properties under development, investment				
properties under construction and construction in progress	(1,991)	(1,486)		
Employee benefit expenses	4,088	3,794		
Business tax and other levies	4,131	4,392		
Advertising and promotion expenses	5,012	2,605		
Sales commissions	427	545		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	822	631		
Amortisation of land use rights and intangible assets	88	89		
Operating lease expenses	199	86		
Donations	1,124	123		

6. OTHER INCOME

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2016		
	RMB million	RMB million	
Interest income from bank deposits	1,133	482	
Forfeited customer deposits	134	82	
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment			
and investment properties	57	210	
Others	551	443	
	1,875	1,217	

7. FINANCE COST, NET

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2016		
	RMB million	RMB million	
Finance costs			
Interest expenses from borrowings	(13,549)	(7,879)	
Less: interest capitalised	13,549	7,879	
	_	_	
Exchange (losses)/gain	(1,572)	27	
Other finance costs	(210)	(634)	
	(1,782)	(607)	

8. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2016	2015	
	RMB million	RMB million	
Balance as at 1 January	307	10,950	
Additions	4,677	1,600	
Changes in fair value of financial assets	(425)	2,481	
Disposals		(15,031)	
Balance as at 30 June	4,559	<u> </u>	

As at 30 June 2016, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss represented the Group's equity investments in certain companies listed on China A-share and the Main Board of The Stock Exchange (2015: nil), which are quoted in an active market.

Changes in fair values of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are recorded in "Gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss" in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

9. INCOME TAX EXPENSES

Six months ended 30 June		
2016	2015	
RMB million	RMB million	
12	_	
4,157	3,898	
3,159	3,002	
(447)	371	
329	1,361	
7,210	8,632	
	2016 RMB million 12 4,157 3,159 (447) 329	

Overseas income tax

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law, Cap. 22 (2012 Revision as consolidated and revised from time to time) of the Cayman Islands and accordingly, is exempted from Cayman Islands income tax. The group companies in the British Virgin Islands were incorporated under the International Business Companies Act of the British Virgin Islands and accordingly, are exempted from British Virgin Islands income tax.

Hong Kong profits tax

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (six months ended 30 June 2015: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profit for the current period in respect of operations in Hong Kong.

PRC corporate income tax

The income tax provision of the Group in respect of operations in Mainland China has been calculated at the applicable tax rate of 25% (six months ended 30 June 2015: 25%) on the estimated assessable profits for the period, based on the existing legislation, interpretations and practices in respect thereof.

PRC withholding income tax

According to the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the PRC, starting from 1 January 2008, a withholding tax of 10% will be levied when the Group's PRC subsidiaries declare dividend out of profits earned after 1 January 2008 to their overseas holding companies. A lower 5% withholding tax rate may be applied when the immediate holding companies of the PRC subsidiaries are established in Hong Kong and fulfill the requirement of the tax treaty arrangements between the PRC and Hong Kong.

PRC land appreciation tax

PRC land appreciation tax is levied at progressive rate ranging from 30% to 60% on the appreciation of land value, being the proceeds of sales of properties less deductible expenditures including land use rights and property development expenditures.

10. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share are calculated by dividing the profits attributable to shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

Diluted earnings per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company's dilutive potential ordinary shares consist of share options.

11. DIVIDENDS

The Board of Directors of the Company resolved not to declare any dividend in respect of the six months ended 30 June 2016 (six months ended 30 June 2015: nil).

A final dividend in respect of the year ended 31 December 2015 of RMB0.38 per share totaling RMB5,199 million has been approved by the shareholders of the Company in the Annual General Meeting of the Company on 16 June 2016. This final dividend has been recognised as a liability in this interim financial information.

12. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	30 June 2016 RMB million	31 December 2015 RMB million
Trade receivables (note a)	24,413	19,659
Other receivables	29,261	12,779
	53,674	32,438
Less: non-current portion	(15,909)	(10,730)
Trade receivables (note a)	(15,535)	(10,327)
Other receivables	(374)	(403)
Current portion	37,765	21,708

As at 30 June 2016 and 31 December 2015, the fair value of trade and other receivables approximated their carrying amounts.

(a) Trade receivables mainly arose from sales of properties. Proceeds in respect of sales of properties are to be received in accordance with the terms of the related sales and purchase agreements.

The aging analysis of trade receivables at respective balance sheet dates is as follows:

	30 June 2016 RMB million	31 December 2015 RMB million
Within 90 days	10,657	9,242
Over 90 days and within 180 days	126	122
Over 180 days and within 365 days	4,868	5,662
Over 365 days	8,762	4,633
	24,413	19,659

As at 30 June 2016, trade receivables of RMB912 million (31 December 2015: RMB663 million) were past due but not impaired. These accounts are mainly related to a number of customers who did not have a recent history of default, and the Group normally holds collateral or title of the properties before collection of the outstanding balances, the directors of the Company consider that the past due trade receivables would be recovered and no provision was made against past due receivables as at 30 June 2016 (31 December 2015: nil). The aging analysis of these trade receivables is as follows:

	30 June 2016 RMB million	31 December 2015 RMB million
Within 1 year Over 1 year	767 145	580 83
	912	663

The maximum exposure to credit risk at each balance sheet date is the carrying value of each class of receivables mentioned above. The Group has retained the legal titles of the properties sold to these customers before the trade receivables are settled.

The carrying amounts of the Group's trade and other receivables are denominated in RMB.

13. PREPAYMENTS

	30 June 2016 RMB million	31 December 2015 RMB million
Prepaid business taxes and other taxes	5,411	3,647
Prepayments and advances to third parties	49,607	34,528
— for acquisition of land use rights	31,956	28,689
— for an equity investment (note a)	7,147	_
— for acquisition of subsidiaries	7,285	2,820
— others	3,219	3,019
	55,018	38,175
Less: non-current portion — prepayment for acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(8,546)	(1,038)
and intangible assets	(1,399)	(1,038)
— prepayment for an equity investment (note a)	(7,147)	
	46,472	37,137

(a) Amounts represented prepayments for acquisition of 1,001,680,000 domestic shares of Shengjing Bank Co., Ltd., a Hong Kong listed company.

14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	30 June	31 December
	2016	2015
	RMB million	RMB million
Trade payables	142,529	132,517
Other payables	99,861	54,465
Dividend payables	5,263	_
Payroll payable	982	1,498
Accrued expenses	5,952	3,488
Other taxes payable	2,218	1,822
	256,805	193,790
Less: non-current portion of other payables	(6,099)	(2,481)
	250,706	191,309
The aging analysis of trade payables is as follows:		
	30 June	31 December
	2016	2015
	RMB million	RMB million
Within one year	127,734	119,488
Over one year	14,795	13,029
	142,529	132,517

BUSINESS REVIEW

In the first half of 2016, amid a complicated domestic and overseas environment and on-going supply-side reforms, the Chinese economy recorded a steady GDP growth of 6.7% as compared with the same period last year. Stimulated by the steady economic growth and a series of favorable policies, the property market made a strong recovery. According to statistics of the National Bureau of Statistics, sales of commodity housing reached 643.02 million square meters and RMB4,868.2 billion, representing a period-on-period increase of 27.9% and 42.1% respectively, where residential properties accounted for 28.6% and 44.4% of the increase respectively. There was also a rebound to property investment. Investment in property development and housing starts in China amounted to RMB4,663.1 billion and 775.37 million square meters for the first half of the year, representing a period-on-period increase of 6.1% and 14.9% respectively.

In addition, it is noteworthy that the property market demonstrated certain new characteristics in its course of rapid development. On the one hand, it was further segmented and the focus shifted even more prominently to major first and second-tier cities and those in their vicinity. According to data issued by the China Index Academy, prices of new properties increased by 12.79% in first-tier cities and 5.33% in second-tier cities in general but over 20% in certain major ones such as Suzhou and Nanjing. On the other hand, the floor area per capita in China had enhanced significantly and purchasers sought higher quality, which spurred higher demand for higher quality properties.

Against this industry background, the Board set out to further solidify the property businesses, which were the principal operations, by optimising plans for first and second-tier cities, boosting sales and collection, better managing construction and application and enhancing product quality and after-sales service. It also strengthened plans and management of capital and consistently adhered to its strategy of diversity, resulting in a significant increase in key operational figures over past performance. For the first half of 2016, the aggregate contracted sales of the Group's properties amounted to approximately RMB141.78 billion and 16.61 million square meters, representing a period-on-period increase of 62.8% and 45.9% respectively, and the average price of the contracted sales amounted to RMB8,538 per square meter, representing a period-on-period increase of 11.5%. Moreover, the Group's contracted sales for July 2016 amounted to RMB43.01 billion, a record high for a single month in the industry in China. As of 30 June 2016, the gross floor area of the Group's land reserves was 186 million square meters and the accumulated average cost was RMB1,302 per square meter; area under construction was 68.55 million square meters, involving 379 projects. As at 30 June 2016, the Group had total cash (including cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash) of RMB212.00 billion.

Land Reserves

Solid plans for first and second-tier cities for higher sustainable profitability. In order to capture development opportunities, the Group had carried out further optimization of the regional layout of residential projects and replenishment of selected quality land reserves. During the reporting period, the Group acquired quality land reserves in a prudent manner without compromising financial soundness.

As at 30 June 2016, the total gross floor area of the Group's land reserves was 186 million square meters, representing an increase of 29.86 million square meters, or approximately 19.0%, as compared with the end of the 2015.

During the Reporting Period, the Group newly acquired 80 pieces of land for its land bank and further acquired land in the surrounding areas for 12 existing projects. Such new projects, which are located in 57 cities including Beijing, Guangzhou, Nanjing, Chengdu, Chongqing, Jinan, Harbin, Nanning, Wuhan, Dalian, Quanzhou, Dongguan and others, had a planned construction area of approximately 42.36 million square meters and an average cost of RMB1,994 per square meter. As at 30 June 2016, the Group held land reserves of 186 million square meters, covering 175 cities in the PRC, and the Group had 454 projects and recorded an accumulated average cost of approximately RMB1,302 per square meter.

Among the 80 projects newly acquired by the Group, 10.1% are located in first-tier cities and 63.8% are in second-tier cities by amount of investment, totalling 73.9%. The newly acquired projects in third-tier cities were located in the city centers of Huizhou, Yueyang, Xuchang and other cities. Against a backdrop of a reviving domestic property market, the Group believes that a large amount of quality yet low-cost land would lay solid foundations for the rapid and steady development of the Group.

Contracted Sales

Upward trend in both contracted sales volume and price setting record highs for this period of year. During the Reporting Period, the aggregate contracted sales of the Group's properties amounted to approximately RMB141.78 billion and 16.61 million square meters, and the average price of the contracted sales amounted to RMB8,538 per square meter. These three items increased by 62.8%, 45.9% and 11.5% as compared with the corresponding period in 2015, marking a new height in terms of half-yearly sales results for the Group.

The continued growth in sales results was mainly attributable to the Group's recalibrated project layout, upgraded ancillary facilities of products and standards of interior decoration, the continued policy of "return with no reason required" as well as flexible and practical sales strategy and a brand-new sales model. Meanwhile, the Group launched a portion of retail stores and parking spaces from time to time, which, to a certain extent, contributed to the increase in total sales volume and transaction prices as compared with the corresponding period in 2015. In the first half of 2016, the average single-month transaction price of the Group was over RMB8,000 per square meter save for June and the figure was RMB9,454 per square meter in May. Except for the month of February, single-month contracted sales amounts all exceeded RMB20 billion and, in June, reached RMB31.34 billion. The Board was of the opinion that the increasing average transaction price and contracted sales amount were favorable for maintaining the profit margins of the major businesses of the Group.

During the reporting period, the Group launched 38 new projects in 28 cities including Beijing, Tianjin, Foshan, Changsha, Wuhan, Chongqing, Qingdao, Haikou, Chengdu, Guiyang, Harbin, Shijiazhuang, Taiyuan, Xi'an, Quanzhou, Ziyang, Jingdezhen and others. The above new projects achieved contracted sales of RMB27.42 billion and an average contracted price of over RMB9,300 per square meter. The number of projects for sale accumulated to 395, spanning across 165 cities.

In the first half of year, the contracted sales amount was RMB141.78 billion, of which the contracted sales amount for first-tier cities was RMB10.60 billion, or 7.5%; the sales amount for second-tier cities was RMB80.16 billion, or 56.5%. The project layout had been further optimized.

PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

Commitment to the rational arrangement on construction work and emphasis on matching with sales and completion. During the reporting period, the area of new construction of the Group was 23.69 million square meters, representing an increase of 81.0% as compared with 13.09 million square meters of the corresponding period in 2015. As at 30 June 2016, the Group had 379 projects under construction and the GFA under construction was 68.55 million square meters, which secured ample properties for sale and completion and delivery on schedule.

During the reporting period, the Group persisted in implementing standardized operations. Through continuously optimizing the integrated management of the Group and management of targets and plannings, the Group completed a GFA of 13.75 million square meters as scheduled, delivered 325 projects in total with a transaction value of RMB83.74 billion and an area of 10.80 million square meters.

Financial Resources

Adherence to the strategy of "cash is king" to raise the total amount of cash, lower its net debt ratio and stabilize net profit margin from main operations.

In light of the unstable market during the Reporting Period, the Group has continuously strengthened its financial resources through a combination of measures to mitigate potential risks. The Group took a combination of measures to collect sales proceeds of over RMB110.00 billion in line with the record-high contract sales during the Reporting Period. In the first half of 2016, the Group successfully issued RMB10.00 billion non-public PRC corporate bonds and US\$700 million senior notes due in 2019 overseas. Net increase of perpetual bonds is RMB40.27 billion.

With the above measures, the total cash of the Group at the end of the period reached RMB212.00 billion, which was the highest level since its listing. Banking on the solid cooperation foundation with large-scale commercial banks in China, the Group's unutilized banking facilities reached RMB126.01 billion at the end of the period. Together with the total cash of RMB212.00 billion at the end of the Reporting Period, the Group's available funds amounted to RMB338.01 billion in total.

Meanwhile, the Group started selling aged completed properties at discounted prices since June 2016 to boost its contracted sales and increase cash collection. The Board believes that, after the clearance of aged properties, the Group could shift its focus on further optimization of land reserve and product quality of the projects. Inventory turnover rate could also increase, resulting in more cash collected in the future.

Diversified Operations

During the first half of 2016, the Group, while continuing to consolidate its principal operations of property development, continued to develop its diversified operations of finance, internet, healthcare and cultural tourism.

Since the acquisition in November 2015, Great Eastern Life, which then changed its name to Evergrande Life, had recorded an aggregated premium and total assets of RMB34.89 billion and RMB44.6 billion. In April 2016, the Group entered into agreements with several domestic shareholders to acquire 17.28% shares of Shengjing Bank.

In November 2015, the Group entered the internet sector. Since the launch of hdfax.com in March 2016, there had been a total of near 10,000,000 registered users, of which 370,000 had made transactions with total trading volume over RMB8.89 billion.

HengTen Networks (00136.HK), with businesses ranging from three basic sectors namely property services, neighborhood socializing and basic services, entered two value-added sectors namely internet households and community finance.

Evergrande Health (00708.HK) commenced operations relating to health communities, new high-end international hospitals, community health support, medical cosmetics and anti-aging.

The Group put great effort in developing livelihood-related healthcare business and distributed green and healthy products such as mineral water, groceries and milk to consumers. At present, a strategic plan of brand building, network expansion and gaining market share has been laid out.

Leveraging advantages in the Hainan International Tourism Island and the Great Shanghai Economic Circle as well as immense community-related resources of the Group, the Group began to develop large comprehensive cultural tourist projects such as 中國海南海花島 (China Hainan Haihua Island) and Hengda Haishang Venice to promote cultural tourism.

Evergrande Cinemas of 恒大文化 (Evergrande Culture) (834899) opened 56 cinemas with 405 screens and intends to open a further 40 cinemas with 278 screens in the second half of the year, to reach a total of 96 cinemas with 683 screens.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

At this juncture, China's economy is still facing downward pressure. It is expected that the central government's macro-economic policy will remain focused on stability and aim to keep economic growth and employment stable. The property market therefore will be subject to accommodative policies on the whole with inventory reduction remaining the keynote. However, adjustment policies will diverge among certain major cities. With this further divergence and the higher industry concentration, developers must recognize as their priority the need to further enhance product quality and reduce costs through sub-divided management so as to enhance competitiveness.

As one of the top 500 companies in the world and a leading property developer in China, the Group will further solidify foundations of its property business in the second half of the year by further optimizing and enlarging of its land bank in pursuit of annual sales targets. With regard to diversified operations, it will focus on expansion, reinforcement, consolidation, intensification and synergies in order to make long strides.

Land Reserves

In the second half of 2016, the Group will replenish quality land reserves in a prudent and practical manner, optimize the geographical layout of its projects and step up efforts to enhance its profitability to achieve high quality and coordinated development. The project expansion will focus on central areas of cities while new acquisition in the third-tier cities will be carried out based on stricter quantifiable criteria to further raise gross profit margins. Cost effective methods such as acquisition and merger and cooperation in development will become the major ways to acquire projects in the next stage of project expansion. As at 30 June 2016, the aggregate land premium payable by the Group amounted to RMB381.96 billion, with RMB301.71 billion paid and RMB80.25 billion outstanding and undue. Of the outstanding amount, RMB37.73 billion is due in the second half of 2016; RMB28.77 billion is due in 2017; RMB8.92 billion is due in 2018; and RMB4.83 billion is due after 2019.

Contracted Sales

The Group will ensure it has sufficient inventory, formulate its regional sales plan in line with key focus areas, insist on reviewing the completion result of sales on a monthly basis and adjust the sales strategy in a timely and flexible manner. In the second half of the year, there will be around 96 new residential projects available for sale, locating in regions such as Shanghai, Shenzhen, Chongqing, Jinan, Wuhan, Harbin, Taiyuan, Nanning, Hefei, Changchun, Dalian, Xiamen, Xinxiang and Dongguan. The Group proposes to capitalize on market timing and selectively develop new projects for sale in accordance with overall market needs. Apart from this, the Group also has further arrangement on sales of commercial premises, which is expected to effectively supplement the contracted sales of the entire year. With regard to pricing strategy, the Group will maintain a balance between the selling price and sales volume and aim to elevate sales performance in a flexible and practical manner. Given the remarkable sales performance in the first half of 2016, the RMB43.01 billion contracted sales for July 2016 which was a record high for a single month of both the Group and the industry, that 92.4% of the RMB200.0 billion total contract sales target for 2016 had been achieved in the first seven months,

together with its exceptional execution capability and product strength, the Group has upwardly adjusted such goal to RMB300.0 billion. The Board is confident that the Group can outperform its full-year contract sales target of RMB300.0 billion.

Financial Capital

The Group will continue to maintain its steady financial policies, endeavor to raise the total amount of cash and maintain its net profit margin for its main operations. To accomplish this, the Group will further enhance the collection of sales proceeds, set reasonable sales prices, increase the turnover of inventories, sell part of the commercial premises and continue to expand project cooperation. Meanwhile, the Group will formulate more reasonable plans for commencement, completion and payment, and rationally control material expenditures in land and construction.

The Group has implemented a strict payment management plan while leveraging diversified financing channels and managing the dynamic balance between capital inflow and outflow.

With respect to the control of costs and expenses, the Group will continue to fully implement reforms of product upgrades and standardization to ensure product quality and reduce costs. The Group will also utilize new promotion channels to lower its selling expenses, develop leading SAP and ERP systems in the industry and make full use of information technology to reduce operating expenses.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Overall Performance

The Group recorded revenue of RMB87.50 billion for the reporting period (2015H1: RMB77.74 billion), representing a period-on-period growth of 12.6%. Gross profit amounted to RMB24.77 billion (2015H1: RMB22.07 billion), representing a period-on-period growth of 12.2%.

Core business profit of property development and other businesses was RMB7.81 billion for the Reporting Period, which is calculated based on net profit for the Reporting Period excluding fair value gains, exchange losses, losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and one-off donation. The core business profit rate was 8.9% for the Reporting Period.

Revenue

During the Reporting Period, the revenue is RMB87.50 billion. A growth rate of 12.6% in revenue was recorded compared with the corresponding period of 2015. Revenue generated from the property development segment increased by 11.1% to RMB83.74 billion. The increase was mainly due to the property area of recognized sales increased by 0.4% as compared with the corresponding period of 2015 and the average selling price of the properties increased by 10.6% as compared with the corresponding period of 2015. Revenue generated from property management amounted to RMB693 million. Revenue generated from investment properties amounted to RMB258 million, up by 222.5%, which was mainly rental income from the properties.

Gross Profit

Gross profit of the Group was RMB24.77 billion for the Reporting Period, representing a 12.2% growth as compared with the corresponding period of last year. Increase in gross profit was mainly attributable to over 10.6% of growth in the average selling price. Gross profit rate is 28.3%, remaining relatively stable comparing to the corresponding period of last year.

Fair Value Gain on Investment Properties

Fair value gain of investment properties of the Group for the Reporting Period was RMB3.28 billion, representing a decrease of 40.7% as compared with the corresponding period of 2015. Investment properties of the Group mainly include commercial podiums in living communities, office buildings with gross floor area of about 6.04 million square meters and approximately 387,000 car parking spaces.

Loss on Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss

Loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss was RMB425 million for the Reporting Period due to the drop of value of the securities held by the Group.

Selling and Marketing Costs

During the Reporting Period, selling and marketing costs of the Group rose from RMB5.30 billion for the corresponding period of 2015 to RMB8.03 billion, which was mainly attributable to the increase in the number of projects launched and significant increase in contracted sales during the six months ended 30 June 2016. A large portion of costs were spent on nationwide marketing and brand publicity activities, which resulted in a rise in contracted sales. These costs were booked as selling and marketing expenses in the Reporting Period. However, corresponding revenue could only be recognized only after the delivery of property possession. Measures have been implemented to ensure that the Group did not overrun selling and marketing budgets on basis of contract sales amount. In terms of the proportion of selling and marketing expenses to contracted sales, similar percentages could be found both in the Reporting Period and corresponding period of 2015.

Administrative Expenses

During the Reporting Period, administrative expenses of the Group increased to RMB3.66 billion from RMB2.98 billion for the corresponding period of 2015, which was mainly attributable to the continuous expansion of the Group's nation-wide business and significant growth in contracted sales for the six months ended 30 June 2016. Office expenses and depreciation increased accordingly. The level of staff remuneration also increased.

Borrowings

As at 30 June 2016, the borrowings of the Group amounted to RMB381.26 billion, with the following maturities:

		As percentage		As percentage
	30 June	of total	31 December	of total
	2016	borrowings	2015	borrowings
	(RMB billion)		(RMB billion)	
Less than 1 year	172.8	45.3%	158.7	53.5%
1–2 years	89.1	23.4%	54.8	18.5%
2–5 years	106.9	28.0%	74.0	24.9%
More than 5 years	12.5	3.3%	9.4	3.1%
	381.3	100.0%	296.9	100.0%

A portion of the borrowings were secured by pledge of the property and equipment, land use rights, investment properties, properties under development, completed properties held for sale, cash at bank and the equity interests of certain subsidiaries of the Group at an average effective interest rate of 8.46% per annum (2015H1: 9.94%).

Foreign Exchange Exposure

The Group's business is principally conducted in Renminbi. A significant portion of residential and investment properties are located in Mainland China. However, there are approximately 20% of borrowings denominated in foreign currencies, such as US\$, HK\$ and etc.

We estimate Renminbi exchange rate to continue its two-way volatility as Renminbi exchange mechanism becomes more market-oriented. However, even though exchange loss of RMB1.57 billion was recorded in the reporting period, there is still uncertainty on the actual exchange losses or gains from repaying these borrowings on due dates.

The Group will closely monitor its exchange risk exposure and will adjust debt profile when necessary based on market changes. The Group has not entered into any significant forward exchange contract to hedge its exposure to the risk.

Liquidity

As at 30 June 2016, the total amount of cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash of the Group was RMB212.00 billion, together with unutilized banking facilities of RMB126.01 billion. The abundant working capital provided opportunities for the Group to seek the best business opportunities and provided adequate financial support to the rapid development.

LAND RESERVES

During the reporting period, the Group acquired 80 pieces of land as reserves, covering 57 cities. The planned GFA was approximately 42.36 million square meters and the average acquisition cost was RMB1,994 per square meter.

Distribution of newly acquired land reserves of the Group in the first half of 2016

No.	Name of Projects	City (Prefecture-level)	Area (square meters)	Total Gross Floor Area (square meters)	Total Area of Land Reserve	Proportion of shareholding as of 30 June 2016
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Guangdong Province Evergrande Palm Islands Huiyang Evergrande Royal Garden Shunde Evergrande Top Mansion Foshan Evergrade Xiaogui Bay Huizhou Evergrande Scenic Garden Zengcheng Evergrande Metropolis Chaozhou Evergrande Oasis Jieyang Evergrande Emerald Court Foshan Evergrande City Foshan Evergrande Emerald Court Dongguan	Huizhou Foshan Foshan Huizhou Guangzhou Chaozhou Jieyang Foshan Foshan Dongguan	284,201 39,405 108,898 158,347 99,014 101,924 193,248 51,271 74,271 75,178	415,941 211,743 402,923 395,867 227,732 356,734 458,240 153,813 207,958 112,767	415,941 153,943 402,923 395,867 227,732 356,734 458,240 27,113 207,958 112,767	100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00%
11 12	Evergrande Royal Lake Bay Foshan Evergrande Bay Donguan	Foshan Dongguan	135,831 121,000	332,070 177,565	332,070 177,565	80.00% 100.00%
13	Beijing City Evergrande Palace Beijing	Beijing	529,175	235,656	198,776	100.00%
14	Shanghai City Evergrande Royal Seaview Garden Qingpu	Shanghai	751,806	375,903	375,903	90.00%
15	Chongqing City Evergrande Central Square Chongqing	Chongqing	132,502	1,028,949	1,028,949	100.00%
16	Tianjin City Evergrande Royal Scenic Bay Tianjin	Tianjin	88,065	161,635	161,635	100.00%
17 18 19	Hubei Province Evergrande Evergreen Garden Wuhan Evergrande Emerald Court Wuhan Evergrande Metropolis Jingzhou	Wuhan Wuhan Jingzhou	373,909 101,844 83,009	1,300,000 246,250 249,027	1,300,000 246,250 249,027	60.00% 100.00% 100.00%
20 21 22 23	Sichuan Province Evergrande Royal Peninsula Chendu Evergrande Metropolis Chengdu Evergrande Minjiang City Chengdu Evergrande Jincheng Chendu	Chengdu Chengdu Chengdu Chengdu	950,072 65,195 189,617 83,848	2,567,393 246,059 511,424 218,006	2,567,393 246,059 511,424 218,006	60.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00%
24 25	Liaoning Province Evergrande City Lights Dalian Evergrande Left Bank Riverfront Shenyang Shaanxi Province	Dalian Shenyang	32,068 299,669	128,400 599,338	128,400 599,338	100.00% 100.00%
26	Evergrande Royal Dragon Bay Xi'an	Xi'an	158,644	237,966	237,966	100.00%

		City	Area	Total Gross Floor Area	Total Area of	Proportion of shareholding as of
No.	Name of Projects	(Prefecture-level)	(square meters)	(square meters)	Land Reserve	30 June 2016
	Jiangsu Province					
27	Evergrande Dragon Garden Nanjiang	Nanjing	72,434	123,137	123,137	100.00%
28	Evergrande Left Bank Riverfront Xuzhou	Xuzhou	124,945	284,077	284,077	95.00%
29	Suzhou Industrial New Zone	Suzhou	84,300	168,500	168,500	100.00%
30	Evergrande Scenic View Garden Changzhou	Changzhou	58,625	205,187	205,187	100.00%
31	Evergrande Royal View Garden Yancheng	Yancheng	259,015	518,030	518,030	100.00%
	Guizhou Province					
32	Evergrande Royal View Garden Guiyang	Guiyang	230,172	1,201,295	1,051,195	100.00%
33	Evergrande Golden Sun City Guiyang	Guiyang	2,152,684	3,134,069	2,793,139	100.00%
	Anhui Province					
34	Evergrande Crystal International Plaza Hefei	Hefei	89,158	270,943	270,943	50.40%
	Hunan Province					
35	Evergrande Royal View Garden Huaihua	Huaihua	334,623	501,925	501,925	60.00%
36	Evergrande Emerald Court Xiangtan	Xiangtan	143,199	715,997	613,881	60.00%
37	Evergrande Royal View Splendor Changsha	Changsha	298,042	536,476	536,476	51.00%
38	Evergrande Financial Plaza Changsha	Changsha	49,397	348,434	306,495	60.00%
39	Evergrande Royal View Garden HuaihuaChenzhou	Chenzhou	121,668	365,004	320,804	65.00%
40	Changsha Huangxing Road North Project	Changsha	56,622	198,178	198,178	51.00%
41	Evergrande Palace Zhuzhou	Zhuzhou	199,995	599,984	599,984	60.00%
42	Evergrande Oasis Yueyang	Yueyang	120,153	364,525	364,525	65.00%
	Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region	l				
43	Evergrande Bay Guilin	Guilin	67,304	121,148	121,148	100.00%
44	Evergrande Palace Liuzhou	Liuzhou	132,394	436,900	436,900	100.00%
45	Evergrande Atrium Nanning	Nanning	62,906	138,394	138,394	100.00%
46	Evergrande Scenic View Garden Nanning	Nanning	44,633	178,531	178,531	100.00%
47	Evergrande Atrium Liuzhou	Liuzhou	150,045	750,223	750,223	100.00%
	Henan Province					
48	Evergrande Emerald Court Xuchang	Xuchang	62,556	233,361	233,361	100.00%
49	Evergrande Mansion Zhengzhou	Zhengzhou	72,590	181,474	181,474	100.00%
50	Evergrande Atrium Zhengzhou	Zhengzhou	43,312	129,936	129,936	100.00%
51	Evergrande Rpoyal Scenic Peninsula Pingdingshan	Pingdingshan	79,702	141,978	141,978	64.00%
52	Evergrande Future City Zhengkai	Kaifeng	735,757	2,657,100	2,657,100	51.00%
	Jiangxi Province					
53	Evergrande Palace Nanchang	Nanchang	61,456	184,369	184,369	100.00%
54	Evergrande Bay Jiujiang	Jiujiang	107,429	236,343	236,343	60.00%
55	Evergrande Royal Garden Ganzhou	Ganzhou	91,917	183,834	183,834	100.00%

No. Name of Projects	City (Prefecture-level)	Area (square meters)	Total Gross Floor Area (square meters)	Total Area of Land Reserve	Proportion of shareholding as of 30 June 2016
Hebei Province 56 Evergrande Scenic Garden Xingtai 57 Evergrande Emerald Court Handan	Xingtai Handan	334,588 74,703	831,451 261,461	831,451 261,461	58.00% 100.00%
Hainan Province Evergrande Elissa Haikou Evergrande First Palace Sanya Evergrande Royal Seaview Garden	Haikou Sanya Lingshui Li Autonomous County	1,865,094 86,033 299,415	1,983,577 370,587 245,461	1,747,657 370,587 245,461	100.00% 100.00% 100.00%
Shandong Province 61 Evergrande Golden Beach Qingdao 62 Evergrande Palm Islands Dongying 63 Evergrande City Jinan	Qingdao Dongying Jinan	335,790 373,637 83,180	429,771 445,576 311,410	429,771 313,080 311,410	100.00% 100.00% 100.00%
Jilin Province 64 Evergrande First Palace Changchun	Changchun	188,431	395,705	395,705	100.00%
Hingxia Hui Autonomous Region Evergrande Royal View Garden Yinchuan	Yinchuan	89,312	178,624	178,624	100.00%
Zhejiang Province 66 Evergrande Crystal International Plaza Hangzhou	ı Hangzhou	174,165	399,802	399,802	100.00%
Fujian Province 67 Evergrande Oasis Longyan 68 Evergrande Royal Scenic Nanping 69 Evergrande Royal Scenic Quanzhou 70 Evergrande City Fuqing 71 Evergrande Scenic Garden Fuzhou 72 Evergrande Scenic Garden Wuyishan	Longyan Nanping Quanzhou Fuzhou Fuzhou Nanping	70,459 112,002 147,283 126,506 133,333 99,694	242,544 224,000 194,597 348,404 201,043 52,862	242,544 224,000 194,597 348,404 201,043 52,862	100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00%
Heilongjiang Province Evergrande Royal Garden Harbin Evergrande Atrium Harbin Evergrande Royal Scenic Qiqihar Evergrande Grand Century Harbin Evergrande International Center Harbin Evergrande Grand Splendor Harbin	Harbin Harbin Qiqihar Harbin Harbin Harbin	103,000 31,765 25,924 61,933 47,420	288,400 149,798 77,760 123,866 156,486	288,400 149,798 77,760 123,866 156,486	100.00% 87.00% 100.00% 100.00% 100.00%
78 Evergrande Grand Splendor Harbin 79 Evergrande Harmonious City Harbin Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Regio	Harbin	30,405	87,315 69,932	69,932	100.00%
80 Evergrande Oasis Urumchi Total for new projects	Urumchi	57,467 16,413,346	143,667 34,882,810	143,667 33,613,729	100.00%

		City	Area	Total Gross Floor Area	Total Area of	Proportion of shareholding as of
No.	Name of Projects	(Prefecture-level)	(square meters)	(square meters)	Land Reserve	30 June 2016
	New Land Expansion Projects in 2010	6				
1	Expansion Land of Evergrande City Liuzhou	Liuzhou	77,573	193,933	193,933	100%
2	Expansion Land of Evergrande Splendor Chongqing (Phase III)	Chongqing	162,969	292,997	292,997	100%
3	Expansion Land of Evergrande Splendor Xinxiang (Phase III)	Xinxiang	182,380	335,409	335,409	100%
4	Expansion Land of Ocean Flower Island (Phase IX)	Danzhou	1,531,762	5,864,641	5,864,641	100%
/	Expansion Land of Ocean Flower Island (Phase X)	Danzhou	324,137	324,137	324,137	100%
5	Huailai Project Zhangjiakou (Second batch of Phase I)	Zhangjiakou	381,580	763,160	763,160	100%
6	Expansion Land of Evergrande Royal View Garden Nanyang (Phase II)	Nanyang	35,499	70,998	70,998	100%
7	Evergrande The Coronation Putian	Putian	196,445	208,231	208,231	100%
8	Expansion Land of Evergrande Emerald Court Qiqihar	Qiqihar	43,864	131,500	131,500	100%
9	Changchun Qianjin Road Project	Changchun	54,394	108,788	108,788	100%
10	Evergrande Scenic Garden Zhengzhou (114 mu of post-Phase I)	Zhengzhou	76,129	83,740	83,742	51%
11	Expansion Land of Evergrande Scenic Garden Wuqing	Tianjin	202,502	299,700	299,700	100%
12	Expansion Land of Evergrande Central Square Chengdu	Chengdu	15,892	71,514	71,514	100%
Tota	l for new land reserve		19,698,472	43,631,558	42,362,478	

CONTRACTED SALES

During the reporting period, the Group achieved contracted sales of RMB141.78 billion, accomplishing 47.3% of its sales target for the entire year as upward-adjusted. The area of the contracted sales was 16.61 million square meters, while the average price of the contracted sales amounted to RMB8,538 per square meter. During the first half of the year, the Group launched 38 new projects for sale. As at 30 June 2016, the accumulated number of projects for sale was 395, spanning across 30 regions and 165 cities in China.

Regional distribution of contracted sales for the period

		Contracted		
No.	Province	Sales Amount	Percentage	
		(in RMB million)		
1	Guangdong Province	15,444	10.9%	
2	Anhui Province	9,253	6.5%	
3	Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region	4,972	3.5%	
4	Yunnan Province	1,579	1.1%	
5	Zhejiang Province	3,135	2.2%	
6	Jiangsu Province	9,425	6.6%	
7	Shanghai	2,766	2.0%	
8	Henan Province	6,878	4.9%	
9	Hunan Province	6,782	4.8%	
10	Beijing	4,901	3.5%	
11	Tianjin	2,985	2.1%	
12	Hebei Province	6,439	4.5%	
13	Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region	1,921	1.4%	
14	Jiangxi Province	5,750	4.1%	
15	Hubei Province	9,189	6.5%	
16	Shanxi Province	4,928	3.5%	
17	Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region	246	0.2%	
18	Shandong Province	7,662	5.4%	
19	Hainan Province	9,286	6.5%	
20	Sichuan Province	5,637	4.0%	
21	Fujian Province	3,029	2.1%	
22	Gansu Province	1,030	0.7%	
23	Qinghai Province	99	0.1%	
24	Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region	483	0.3%	
25	Shaanxi Province	1,767	1.2%	
26	Chongqing	5,159	3.6%	
27	Guizhou Province	2,811	2.0%	
28	Jilin Province	1,795	1.3%	
29	Heilongjiang Province	3,597	2.5%	
30	Liaoning Province	2,831	2.0%	
	Total	141,779	100%	

As of the end of July 2016, the amount of contracted sales was RMB184.79 billion, representing 61.6% of the up-lifted annual sales target while the gross floor area of contracted sales was 22.86 million square meters.

PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

As of the end of the period, the Group's area under construction was 68.55 million square meters, involving 379 projects.

As of the end of the period, the Group had 225 completed projects, which were situated in 29 primary regions in China. The total completed GFA reached 13.75 million square meters.

During the period, the Group delivered a total of 325 projects with a delivery value of RMB83.74 billion, representing a period-on-period increase of 11.1%; the delivered area was 10.80 million square meters, which remained stable as compared with the same period last year; the average price of delivery was RMB7,753 per square meters, representing a period-on-period increase of 10.6%.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Under the new economic normal, the Group, while maintaining focus on its rapid and steady growth, was dedicated to fulfilling its corporate social responsibilities as a corporate citizen. It continued to commit itself to charity and public welfare work relating to livelihood, poverty, education, environmental protection, sports and others and made unwavering contributions to the harmony and progression of society.

With respect to livelihood, the Group adhered to its philosophy of properties for the people and provided quality and affordable boutique housing to society. In addition to keeping in place the measure of "return with no reason required", the Group, as the sole developer in China delivering well-decorated properties which had established an alliance with 15 furniture and household textiles companies in the previous year, entered into strategic cooperation with a further four renowned household appliance companies in June 2016 to make the alliance all-round and being able to better use resources in the industry. This enabled purchasers to move in with only hand-carry luggage and established an exemplary model for the whole industry.

With regard to poverty alleviation, the Group initiated its poverty alleviation plan for Dafang, Bijie, Guizhou on 1 December 2015 under the support and encouragement of the CPPCC National Committee. The plan was to help all of the 180,000 poverty population in Dafang to shake off poverty by the end of 2018 through a free input of RMB3.0 billion in three years and a series of comprehensive measures targeting industry development, relocation, employment, education and start-ups. In the past half year, the measures had made satisfactory progress and their effect was surfacing. In particular, RMB1.0 billion was applied in January this year to build the first 40 key constructions and 200 farming bases. Over 3,000 employees of the Group stayed there to work with local government officers in this end, and it was established 恒大產業扶貧貸款擔保基金 (the Evergrande Guarantee Fund for Poverty Relief Loans related to Industry), 恒大大方教育獎勵基金 (the Evergrande Dafang Scholarship Fund), 恒大大方貧困家庭創業基金 (the Evergrande Dafang Angel Fund for Poverty Households) and 恒大大方慈善基金 (the Evergrande Dafang Charity Fund).

Regarding education, the Group demonstrated its devotion and commitment through a donation of RMB30.00 million to 海南省儋州市教育基金會 (the Hainan Danzhou Education Foundation) in January 2016, RMB1.00 million to 遼寧省大連市甘井子區慈善總會教育發展基金 (the Education Fund of Ganjingzi Charity, Dalian, Liaoning) in April and a scholarship of RMB2.00 million to 安徽省 铜陵市銅官山區教育局 (the Education Bureau of Tongguan Rural Area, Tongling, Anhui) in May.

As regards environmental protection, the Group continued to deepen its cooperation with prominent institutions including Harvard University, Tsinghua University and BRE from the UK to conduct research and for the application and promotion of green constructions. In April 2016, the Group set up a fund with Harvard University for health, science and green technology research.

In respect of employment, the Group joined placement programs of universities and communities and offered promising positions and chances of career development to 1,128 fresh graduates and 30,089 professionals.

As for sports, the Group carried on to make contributions to China's sports development. Guangzhou Evergrande Football Club of the Group made miracles on the field by winning the champion of the AFC Champions League for two times in three years and winning the champion of the Chinese Super League for five consecutive years. Its score is leading in this season 2016. Evergrande Football School had over 2,800 students, nurturing talents for the rise of Chinese football with its largest scale in the world.

INVESTORS RELATIONS

The Group continued to build up its investor relationship on the basis of mutuality and interaction. During the reporting period, the Group received approximately 435 visits from institutional investors and met with 643 investors of different natures. In particular, the major investor relationship activities included: visiting tours to various real estate projects of the Group across the country for about 169 visitors; the participation of the investors annual conferences organized by Citibank, Macquarie Securities, Credit Suisse, Morgan Stanley, BNP Paribas, Nomura, CITIC Securities, CICC, Haitong Securities and CIMB, at which the Group met 164 investors from 139 investment institutions; the participation of the Group in the 2015 annual results roadshows organized by Credit Suisse, DBS Bank, Citibank and Morgan Stanley, covering places such as Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen, Hong Kong, Singapore, Los Angeles, Boston, New York and London during the period, at which extensive interaction was carried out with the shareholders of the Company and 133 institutional investors of various calibers were met.

The Group firmly believes that, a clear and transparent communication channel and a beneficial and interactive investor relationship will facilitate us to formulate operating strategies that align with the interests of the shareholders, for whom we shall never cease to generate value.

AWARDS

During the period under review, the Group again won multiple awards. It ranked in Fortune 500 for the first time. In the assessment of Top 500 China Real Estate Developers, the Group ranked second in Top 500 China Real Estate Developers for six consecutive years; stayed in the Top 10 China Real Estate Developers in City Coverage, in Tourism Real Estate, in Innovation Capability and in Corporate Responsibility respectively, and was the first among the Top 10 Chinese Real Estate Developers Listed in Hong Kong by Overall Strength and by Investment Value respectively.

HUMAN RESOURCES

As at 30 June 2016, the Group had a total of 79,665 employees, of which approximately 90% are graduates with bachelor's degree or above in property development or construction, forming a team of young, highly educated and high quality personnel. During the first half of the year, the Group recruited 30,089 management and technical talents through open recruitment and 208 fresh graduates from top 10 colleges and universities such as Beijing University and Tsinghua University had successively joined the Group.

The Group firmly believes that people are the most important corporate resources, and has been adhering to a people-oriented human resources development strategy. This has helped the Group create a harmonious working environment and positive interaction between the Group and its staff. As at 30 June 2016, the total staff cost of the Group (including directors' remuneration) was approximately RMB6.08 billion (2015H1: approximately RMB5.28 billion).

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board resolved not to declare any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2016.

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

During the six months ended 30 June 2016, the Company repurchased an aggregate of 127,665,000 shares from the market. All the repurchased shares have been cancelled. The Directors believe that the repurchases of shares would lead to an enhancement of the net value of the Group and its assets and/or its earnings per share. Details of the repurchases of the shares of the Company are as follows:

Month of repurchase	Number of shares repurchased	Highest price per share	Lowest price per share	Aggregate purchase price
January 2016	127,665,000	<i>HK</i> \$ 6.70	<i>HK</i> \$ 5.91	HK\$ 821,992,990

On 11 January 2016, the Company issued 8% senior notes due 2019 with a principal amount of US\$300 million. The notes are listed and traded on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

Save as disclosed above, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 June 2016.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS CONDUCTED BY THE DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") as its own code of conduct for securities transactions conducted by directors of the Company. All directors of the Company have confirmed their compliance with the Model Code during the period.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company has been in compliance with all code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules throughout the six months ended 30 June 2016.

REVIEW OF INTERIM REPORT BY AUDIT COMMITTEE

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial information of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2016 has been reviewed by PricewaterhouseCoopers in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Review Engagements 2410 "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The Audit Committee comprises three members who are all independent non-executive Directors, namely, Mr. Chau Shing Yim, David, Mr. He Qi and Ms. Xie Hongxi. Mr. Chau Shing Yim, David, who has appropriate professional qualifications and experience in accounting matters, is the chairman of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee of the Board has reviewed the Group's interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2016, and discussed with the Company's management regarding review, internal control and other relevant matters.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The steady development of the Group has always been trusted and supported by its shareholders, investors and business partners as well as the loyalty of our staff members. On behalf of the Board, I express my heartfelt gratitude.

By order of the Board

China Evergrande Group

Hui Ka Yan

Chairman

Hong Kong, 30 August 2016

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Hui Ka Yan, Mr. Xia Haijun, Ms. He Miaoling, Mr. Pan Darong, Mr. Xu Wen and Mr. Huang Xiangui, and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Chau Shing Yim, David, Mr. He Qi and Ms. Xie Hongxi.