

## **SAPPHIRE CORPORATION LIMITED**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

(Company Registration No. 198502465W)

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### **STRATEGIC COLLABORATION WITH BEIJING ENTERPRISES WATER GROUP AND CHINA RAILWAY INVESTMENT GROUP**

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The Board of Directors (the “**Directors**”) of Sapphire Corporation Limited (the “**Company**”, and together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) wishes to announce that its subsidiary, Ranken Railway Construction Co., Ltd (“**Ranken**”) has entered into strategic partnerships with major Chinese conglomerates and state-owned enterprises, Beijing Enterprises Water Group (北控水务集团有限公司) and China Railway Investment Group (中铁投资集团有限公司) to explore civil engineering and infrastructure projects relating to environmental conservation and water management (the “**Potential Projects**”).

The parties under the strategic collaboration recognise that environmental protection and ecological restoration are key factors to be considered at the stages of design, planning and construction for sustainability of major infrastructure projects in China. Ranken had previously completed related projects such as the Luguogiao Covered Culvert of South-North Water Transfer Project (南水北调卢沟桥暗涵工程), improvements to Funan River at Wuding Bridge (府南河改造综合治理工程-五丁桥) and the Dragon-Shaped Artificial Lake / Water System in the Beijing Olympic Park (北京奥林匹克公园龙形水系工程).

The strategic partnership is to explore long-term projects, which may include evaluation of projects under the Public-Private-Partnership model. As such, this partnership (i) is not expected to have any material effect on the earnings per share and net asset value per share of the Company and the Group for the financial year ending 31 December 2017 and (ii) may not necessarily lead to the Group securing major infrastructure projects under Ranken’s existing operating models. The Company will provide updates as and when there are material developments in relation to the Potential Projects.

None of the Directors or controlling shareholders of the Company has any interest, direct or indirect, in the above transactions, other than in their respective capacities as a Director and/or controlling shareholder of the Company and Mr Cheung Wai Suen’s direct interest in Chengdu Kai Qi Rui Business Management Co., Ltd and Ranken Railway Construction Group Co., Ltd of 2.0% and 0.4% respectively.

By Order of the Board

**SAPPHIRE CORPORATION LIMITED**

Teh Wing Kwan

Group Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director

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