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英皇娛樂酒店有限公司*
Emperor Entertainment Hotel Limited
(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 296)

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERIM RESULTS
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2012**

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

| | Six months ended 30 September | | |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| | 2012 | 2011 | Change |
| | (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | (Unaudited) HK\$ '000 | |
| Revenue | 905,213 | 805,859 | 12.3% |
| Gross profit | 681,665 | 607,156 | 12.3% |
| EBITDA: | | | |
| Before non-controlling interests | 421,863 | 334,873 | 26.0% |
| After non-controlling interests | 278,906 | 223,562 | 24.8% |
| EBITDA margin | 47% | 42% | 5.0% pts |
| Gain on fair value change in investment properties | 47,700 | 34,900 | 36.7% |
| Profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company | 231,772 | 183,258 | 26.5% |
| Earnings per share | | | |
| Basic and diluted | HK\$0.18 | HK\$0.14 | 28.6% |

* For identification purposes only

The board of directors (the “Board” or “Directors”) of Emperor Entertainment Hotel Limited (the “Company”) is pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the “Group”) for the six months ended 30 September 2012 (the “Period”) together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2011 as set out below.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the six months ended 30 September 2012

| | | Six months ended 30 September | |
|--|--------------|--|--------------------|
| | | 2012 | 2011 |
| | | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) |
| | <i>Notes</i> | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Revenue | 3 | 905,213 | 805,859 |
| Cost of sales | | (16,659) | (15,855) |
| Cost of hotel and gaming operations | | (206,889) | (182,848) |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Gross profit | | 681,665 | 607,156 |
| Other income | | 12,785 | 6,201 |
| Gain on fair value change in investment properties | | 47,700 | 34,900 |
| Selling and marketing expenses | | (221,271) | (235,183) |
| Administrative expenses | | (93,632) | (84,748) |
| Finance costs | | (5,816) | (6,491) |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Profit before taxation | 4&5 | 421,431 | 321,835 |
| Taxation | 6 | (50,016) | (38,126) |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Profit for the period | | 371,415 | 283,709 |
| Other comprehensive income: | | | |
| Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations | | — | 3 |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | | 371,415 | 283,712 |
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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Continued)
For the six months ended 30 September 2012

| | | Six months ended 30 September | |
|---|-------------|--|-----------------|
| | | 2012 | 2011 |
| | | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) |
| | <i>Note</i> | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Profit for the period attributable to: | | | |
| Owners of the Company | | 231,772 | 183,258 |
| Non-controlling interests | | 139,643 | 100,451 |
| | | 371,415 | 283,709 |
| Total comprehensive income attributable to: | | | |
| Owners of the Company | | 231,772 | 183,261 |
| Non-controlling interests | | 139,643 | 100,451 |
| | | 371,415 | 283,712 |
| Earning per share | 8 | | |
| Basic and diluted | | HK\$0.18 | HK\$0.14 |

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 September 2012

| | | As at |
|---|---|--|
| | 30 September 2012 (Unaudited) <i>Notes</i> | 31 March 2012 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i> |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Investment properties | 438,700 | 391,000 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 1,219,763 | 1,167,907 |
| Prepaid lease payments | 229,364 | 232,587 |
| Deposits paid for acquisition of property, plant and equipment | 5,393 | 14,848 |
| Goodwill | 110,960 | 110,960 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 2,004,180 | 1,917,302 |
| Current assets | | |
| Inventories, at cost | 13,211 | 12,345 |
| Trade and other receivables | 9 302,711 | 316,669 |
| Prepaid lease payments | 6,446 | 6,446 |
| Pledged bank deposit | 300 | 300 |
| Short-term bank deposits | 239,892 | 501,923 |
| Bank balances and cash | 1,483,626 | 898,666 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 2,046,186 | 1,736,349 |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Trade and other payables | 10 223,172 | 158,397 |
| Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries | 1,901 | 3,649 |
| Amounts due to non-controlling interests of a subsidiary | 220,431 | 230,221 |
| Taxation payable | 246,439 | 202,315 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 691,943 | 594,582 |
| Net current assets | 1,354,243 | 1,141,767 |
| Total assets less current liabilities | 3,358,423 | 3,059,069 |
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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Continued)

As at 30 September 2012

| | As at | |
|--|---------------------|-----------|
| | 30 September | 31 March |
| | 2012 | 2012 |
| | (Unaudited) | (Audited) |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Non-current liability | | |
| Deferred taxation | 108,149 | 102,263 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 3,250,274 | 2,956,806 |
| <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Capital and reserves | | |
| Share capital | 129 | 129 |
| Reserves | 2,260,670 | 2,106,451 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Equity attributable to owners of the Company | 2,260,799 | 2,106,580 |
| Non-controlling interests | 989,475 | 850,226 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 3,250,274 | 2,956,806 |
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Notes:

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 “Interim Financial Reporting” issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“HKICPA”) and with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the “Listing Rules”) on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”).

2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments which were adjusted to fair value at initial recognition and investment properties which are measured at fair values. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods.

The accounting policies used in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group’s annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2012, except as described below.

In the Period, the Group has adopted certain new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (“HKFRSs”), amendments and interpretations (collectively the “New and Revised HKFRSs”), issued by the HKICPA that are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 April 2012.

The adoption of the New and Revised HKFRSs has had no material effect on how the results and financial position for the current and prior periods are prepared and presented.

The Group has not applied any new standards or interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective for the current accounting period.

3. REVENUE

An analysis of the Group's revenue is as follows:

| | Six months ended 30 September | 2012 | 2011 |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------|------|
| | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | |
| | <i>HK\$'000</i> | <i>HK\$'000</i> | |
| Service income from gaming operation in VIP rooms | 168,380 | 188,981 | |
| Service income from gaming operation in mass market halls | 630,239 | 517,484 | |
| Service income from gaming operation in slot machine hall | 24,521 | 26,578 | |
| Hotel room income | 20,776 | 21,104 | |
| Food and beverage sales | 44,457 | 37,059 | |
| Rental income from investment properties | 14,601 | 12,691 | |
| Others | 2,239 | 1,962 | |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | |
| | 905,213 | 805,859 | |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | |

4. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The executive directors of the Company (the "Executive Directors") have been identified as the chief operating decision maker ("CODM"). The Executive Directors review the Group's internal reporting in order to assess performance and allocate resources.

For gaming operation, the Executive Directors regularly analyse gaming revenue in terms of service income from VIP rooms, mass market halls and slot machine hall. No operating results nor discrete financial information is presented to the Executive Directors in relation to the above analyses. The Executive Directors review the revenues and operating results of gaming operation as a whole. The Executive Directors have identified the operating and reportable segments under HKFRS 8 as gaming operation and hotel operation.

The segment information reported externally was analysed on the basis of their types of services supplied by the Group's operating divisions which is consistent with the internal information that are regularly reviewed by the CODM for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of performance. This is also the basis of organisation in the Group, whereby the management has chosen to organise the Group around differences in services. The principal activities of the operating and reportable segments are as follows:

| | | |
|------------------|---|---|
| Gaming operation | – | Mass market halls, slot machine hall and VIP room operations and provision of gaming-related marketing and public relation services in the casino of the Grand Emperor Hotel in Macau |
| Hotel operation | – | Hotel operation in the Grand Emperor Hotel in Macau including rental income from investment properties in the Grand Emperor Hotel |

The Executive Directors assess the performance of individual operating and reportable segments based on a measure of adjusted earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation, central administration costs and gain on fair value changes in investment properties (the "Adjusted EBITDA").

Inter-segment revenue is charged at prevailing market rate.

Information regarding the above segments is reported below.

4. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Segment revenue and results

For the six months ended 30 September 2012

| | Gaming operation (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | Hotel operation (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | Total (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | Elimination (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | Consolidated (Unaudited) HK\$'000 |
|--|--|---|----------------------------------|--|---|
| SEGMENT REVENUE | | | | | |
| External revenue | 823,140 | 82,073 | 905,213 | – | 905,213 |
| Inter-segment revenue | – | 1,411 | 1,411 | (1,411) | – |
| Total | 823,140 | 83,484 | 906,624 | (1,411) | 905,213 |
| Segment result based on the Adjusted EBITDA | | | | | |
| | 411,484 | 39,470 | 450,954 | | 450,954 |
| Bank interest income | | | | | 10,982 |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | | | | | (50,075) |
| Release of prepaid lease payments | | | | | (3,223) |
| Gain on fair value change in investment properties | | | | | 47,700 |
| Imputed interest expense on amounts due to non-controlling interests of a subsidiary | | | | | (5,816) |
| Unallocated corporate expenses | | | | | (29,091) |
| Profit before taxation | | | | | 421,431 |

4. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Segment revenue and results (Continued)

For the six months ended 30 September 2011

| | Gaming operation (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | Hotel operation (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | Total (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | Elimination (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | Consolidated (Unaudited) HK\$'000 |
|--|--|---|----------------------------------|--|---|
| SEGMENT REVENUE | | | | | |
| External revenue | 733,043 | 72,816 | 805,859 | – | 805,859 |
| Inter-segment revenue | – | 2,311 | 2,311 | (2,311) | – |
| Total | 733,043 | 75,127 | 808,170 | (2,311) | 805,859 |
| Segment result based on the Adjusted EBITDA | | | | | |
| | 324,826 | 36,706 | 361,532 | | 361,532 |
| Bank interest income | | | | 4,104 | |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | | | | (42,328) | |
| Release of prepaid lease payments | | | | (3,223) | |
| Gain on fair value change in investment properties | | | | 34,900 | |
| Imputed interest expense on amounts due to non-controlling interests of a subsidiary | | | | (6,491) | |
| Unallocated corporate expenses | | | | (26,659) | |
| Profit before taxation | | | | 321,835 | |

No analysis of the Group's assets and liabilities by operating and reportable segments is disclosed as it is not regularly provided to the Executive Directors for review.

Other than the segment information disclosed in above, there was no other information reviewed by the CODM for both periods.

5. PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

| | Six months ended 30 September 2012 (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | 2011 (Unaudited) HK\$'000 |
|--|---|---------------------------------|
|--|---|---------------------------------|

Profit before taxation has been arrived at after charging:

| | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| Commission expenses in gaming operation (included in selling and marketing expenses) | 199,783 | 217,426 |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | 50,075 | 42,328 |
| Release of prepaid lease payments | 3,223 | 3,223 |

and after crediting:

| | | |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Bank interest income | <u>10,982</u> | <u>4,104</u> |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------|

6. TAXATION

| | Six months ended 30 September 2012 (Unaudited) HK\$'000 | 2011 (Unaudited) HK\$'000 |
|--|---|---------------------------------|
|--|---|---------------------------------|

The charge comprises:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Macau Complimentary Income Tax | 44,130 | 31,542 |
| Deferred taxation | <u>5,886</u> | <u>6,584</u> |
| | <u>50,016</u> | <u>38,126</u> |

The Macau Complimentary Income Tax is calculated at the applicable rate of 12% of the estimated assessable profits for both periods.

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made as there was no estimated assessable profits for both periods.

7. DIVIDEND

A dividend of HK\$0.06 per share with an aggregate amount of approximately HK\$77,553,000 was paid to the shareholders of the Company during the Period as the final dividend of 2011/2012. A dividend of HK\$0.05 per share with an aggregate amount of approximately HK\$64,627,000 was paid to the shareholders of the Company during the corresponding period in 2011 as the final dividend of 2010/2011.

8. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Company is based on the following data:

| | Six months ended 30 September | |
|---|--|--------------------|
| | 2012 | 2011 |
| | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) |
| Earnings | | |
| Earnings (profit for the period attributable to the owners of the Company) for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share | 231,772 | 183,258 |
| Number of shares | | |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share | 1,292,545,983 | 1,292,545,983 |

The computation of diluted earnings per share does not assume the exercise of the Company's outstanding share options as the exercise price of those options was higher than the average market price of the Company's shares for both periods.

9. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

| | As at | |
|--|--|--|
| | 30 September 2012 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i> | 31 March 2012 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i> |
| Trade receivables | 227,483 | 277,672 |
| Less: Allowance for bad and doubtful debts | (51,075) | (62,769) |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Chips on hand | 176,408 | 214,903 |
| Other receivables and prepayments | 113,786 | 89,315 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 12,517 | 12,451 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 302,711 | 316,669 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |

The Group normally allows credit periods of up to 60 days to its trade customers, except for certain credit worthy customers with long term relationship and stable repayment pattern, where the terms are extended to a longer period. An aged analysis of the Group's trade receivables (net of allowances) based on the date of credit granted at the end of the reporting period is set out below:

| | As at | |
|---------------|--|--|
| | 30 September 2012 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i> | 31 March 2012 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i> |
| 0 – 30 days | 106,962 | 153,020 |
| 31 – 60 days | 43,546 | 15,640 |
| 61 – 90 days | 900 | – |
| 91 – 180 days | 4,810 | 3,600 |
| Over 180 days | 20,190 | 42,643 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 176,408 | 214,903 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |

Chips on hand represent chips issued by a gaming concessionaire in Macau which can be exchanged into their cash amounts.

10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

| | As at | |
|------------------------------------|--|--|
| | 30 September 2012 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i> | 31 March 2012 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i> |
| Trade payables | 15,430 | 13,940 |
| Construction payables and accruals | 31,345 | 10,397 |
| Other payables and accruals | 161,397 | 119,060 |
| Short-term advance | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 223,172 | 158,397 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |

An aged analysis of the Group's trade payables at the end of the reporting period is set out below:

| | As at | |
|---------------|--|--|
| | 30 September 2012 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i> | 31 March 2012 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i> |
| 0 – 30 days | 10,424 | 7,009 |
| 31 – 60 days | 4,424 | 6,606 |
| 61 – 90 days | 319 | 198 |
| 91 – 180 days | 218 | 92 |
| Over 180 days | 45 | 35 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 15,430 | 13,940 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Group principally engages in provision of entertainment and hospitality services in Macau.

MARKET REVIEW

During the Period, Macau's gaming revenue increased by a moderate growth of 9.6% to MOP149,524 million, according to Macau's Gaming Inspection and Coordination Bureau. Meanwhile, data published by the Statistics and Census Service of the Macau Government reported that the number of visitor arrivals to Macau reached 13.9 million, representing a slight decrease of 2.2% over the same period last year. Macau has been continuing to be a favourable travel destination for mainland visitors with the number of visitors from the mainland reached 8.2 million during the Period, representing 59.1% (2011: 56.7%) of total visitor arrivals.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overall Review

Despite the softened market gaming revenue growth (9.6%) during the Period, the Group outperformed the market and recorded revenue of HK\$905.2 million (2011: HK\$805.9 million), representing an increase of 12.3%. This satisfactory performance was attributable to the Group's effective management in customer segmentation with strategic focus on premium mass market. The Group's earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation ("EBITDA") and after non-controlling interests amounted to HK\$278.9 million (2011: HK\$223.6 million), representing a growth of 24.8%. As a result of the Group's continuous efforts on utilising gaming spaces and increasing operational efficiencies, the EBITDA margin further climbed to 47% (2011: 42%). Profit for the Period attributable to the owners of the Company increased by 26.5% to HK\$231.8 million (2011: HK\$183.3 million). Basic earnings per share was HK\$0.18 (2011: HK\$0.14). The Board has resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK\$0.053 (2011: HK\$0.043) per share.

Liquidity and Financial Resources

In the Period, the Group mainly funded its operations and capital expenditure through its internally generated cash flow from operations. As at 30 September 2012, advances from non-controlling interests of a subsidiary of the Company were HK\$220.4 million (31 March 2012: HK\$230.2 million), which was denominated in Hong Kong dollars, unsecured, interest-free and repayable only when the subsidiary has surplus fund. The Group had no bank borrowings with low gearing ratio, optimising its financial position and minimising its exposure to interest rate risk.

The Group's current assets and current liabilities as at 30 September 2012 were HK\$2,046.2 million and HK\$691.9 million (31 March 2012: HK\$1,736.3 million and HK\$594.6 million) respectively. The gearing ratio of the Group (expressed as a percentage of total borrowings over total assets) as at 30 September 2012 was further decreased to 5.4% (31 March 2012: 6.3%).

Save as disclosed above and trade and other payables and accrued charges, the Group had no other external borrowings. During the Period, the Group was able to maintain its strong and healthy financial position as supported by strong cash inflow. Aggregate of bank balances and cash on hand and short-term bank deposits of the Group as at 30 September 2012 amounted to HK\$1,723.5 million (31 March 2012: HK\$1,400.6 million), which were mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars and Macau Pataca. With the borrowings, bank balances and cash on hand and short-term bank deposits denominated in Hong Kong dollars and Macau Pataca, the Group did not experience any significant exposure to foreign exchange rate fluctuation during the Period.

Pledge of Assets

As at 30 September 2012, assets with carrying values of approximately HK\$1.5 billion (31 March 2012: HK\$1.5 billion) were pledged to a bank as security for unutilised banking facilities available to the Group. In addition, the Group pledged a bank deposit of HK\$0.3 million (31 March 2012: HK\$0.3 million) to a bank as security for use of ferry ticket equipment granted by a third party to the Group.

Contingent Liability

The Group has no contingent liability as at the end of the Period.

BUSINESS REVIEW

The Group's flagship project, Grand Emperor Hotel in Macau (the "Hotel") has over 130,000 square feet of gaming space spreading over six floors offering slot machines as well as gaming tables in gaming concourse and VIP room. During the Period, the Group had continued to enhance the mix of premium mass segment to capitalize on the growing middle class market with high disposable income. The Group had once again demonstrated its capability to enhance table yields and had achieved record-high average win per table per day in gaming concourse despite uncertain macro environment.

Gaming Revenue

The Group's casino is operated under the gaming licence held by Sociedade de Jogos de Macau, S.A.. The gaming revenue for the Period increased by 12.3% to HK\$823.1 million (2011: HK\$733.1 million), accounting for 90.9% of the Group's total revenue.

Gaming Concourse

Supported by evolving middle class mainland visitors, premium mass market continued to grow and the gross win in gaming concourse achieved 22.0% growth to HK\$1,135.0 million (2011: HK\$930.0 million). Segmental revenue increased by 21.8% to HK\$630.2 million (2011: HK\$517.5 million), accounting for 69.6% of the Group's total revenue. During the Period, the Group had allocated more gaming spaces in gaming concourse to fully capture the potential from premium mass customers. The number of tables in the gaming concourse was 65 tables (2011: 63 tables). Average win reached a record high of approximately HK\$97,500 (2011: HK\$83,000) per table per day.

VIP Room

The Group self-managed a VIP room with a total of 12 tables (2011: 14 tables) with the rolling amount of HK\$9.0 billion (2011: HK\$11.7 billion). Segmental revenue was HK\$168.4 million (2011: HK\$189.0 million), accounting for 18.6% of the Group's total revenue. Average win was approximately HK\$154,000 (2011: HK\$130,000) per table per day.

Slot Machines

The segment recorded a gross win of HK\$55.3 million (2011: HK\$59.6 million) with the capacity of 282 slot seats (2011: 314 slot seats). Segmental revenue was HK\$24.5 million (2011: HK\$26.6 million), accounting for 2.7% the Group's total revenue. Average win was approximately HK\$1,090 (2011: HK\$1,050) per seat per day.

Hotel Revenue

During the Period, this segment has recorded a revenue of HK\$82.1 million (2011: HK\$72.8 million), accounting for 9.1% of the Group's total revenue. The Hotel has a capacity of 307 guest rooms. During the Period, the Hotel reported an average daily rate of HK\$1,138 (2011: HK\$1,052) and a high occupancy rate of 90% (2011: 89%). Room and other revenue amounted to HK\$23.0 million (2011: HK\$23.1 million). Revenue from food and beverage was HK\$44.5 million (2011: HK\$37.0 million), while rental revenue from sauna, night club and retail space was HK\$14.6 million (2011: HK\$12.7 million).

OUTLOOK

The Group expects premium mass segment will be the key growth driver for the industry in the coming years. Leveraging the prestigious reputation of "Emperor" among Chinese communities, the Group is confident to attract and retain the target customers through effective marketing initiatives and delivery of high-quality services. The Group will also strive to improve profitability and overall margin performance by enhancing operating efficiencies and optimising gaming space for maximising shareholders' value.

EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICY

As at 30 September 2012, the Group's number of employee was 1,133 (31 March 2012: 1,094). Total staff costs including directors' remuneration and the other staff costs for the Period were HK\$169.8 million (2011: HK\$147.8 million). Employees' remuneration was determined in accordance with individual's responsibility, performance and experience. Staff benefits include contribution to retirement benefit scheme, medical insurance and other fringe benefits.

To provide incentives or rewards to the staff, the Company adopted a share option scheme on 2 September 2002 (the "Scheme"). The Scheme has lapsed automatically on 1 September 2012 upon expiry of the 10-year period. During the Period, the Company did not grant any option under the Scheme and the outstanding share options as at the end of the Period was 10,000,000 share options which were granted to certain directors of the Company in August 2005 and can be exercised before 10 August 2015.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board is pleased to declare an interim dividend of HK\$0.053 per share (“Interim Dividend”) for the financial year ending 31 March 2013 (2011/2012: HK\$0.043 per share) amounting to approximately HK\$68.5 million (2011/2012: HK\$55.6 million). The Interim Dividend will be payable on 21 December 2012 (Friday) to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 14 December 2012 (Friday).

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The register of members of the Company will be closed, for the purpose of determining shareholders’ entitlement to the Interim Dividend, from 13 December 2012 (Thursday) to 14 December 2012 (Friday), during which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

In order to qualify for the Interim Dividend, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company’s Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, Tricor Secretaries Limited, at 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen’s Road East, Hong Kong for registration no later than 4:30 p.m. on 12 December 2012 (Wednesday).

REVIEW OF INTERIM RESULTS

The condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group have not been audited nor reviewed by the Company’s auditor, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, but have been reviewed by the audit committee of the Company, which comprises three Independent Non-executive Directors of the Company.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Corporate Governance Code

The Company had complied throughout the Period with all the provisions of the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules.

Model Code for Securities Transactions

The Company had adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (“Model Code”) as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules as its own code of conduct regarding Director’s securities transactions. Having made specific enquiry to the Directors, all of them confirmed that they have complied with the required standard of dealings as set out in the Model Code throughout the Period.

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

During the Period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company’s listed securities.

PUBLICATION OF THE UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS AND INTERIM REPORT

The interim results announcement is published on the Stock Exchange's website (<http://www.hkex.com.hk>) and the Company's website (<http://www.emp296.com>). The interim report will be dispatched to the shareholders of the Company and will be available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in due course.

By order of the Board
Emperor Entertainment Hotel Limited
Luk Siu Man, Semon
Chairperson

Hong Kong, 26 November 2012

As at the date hereof, the Board comprised:

Non-executive Director:

Ms. Luk Siu Man, Semon

Executive Directors:

Mr. Wong Chi Fai
Ms. Fan Man Seung, Vanessa

Independent Non-executive Directors:

Ms. Chan Sim Ling, Irene
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