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**Meta-Wisdom Tech Limited** 

(Incorporated in the British Virgin Islands with limited liability)



Home Control International Limited (Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 1747)

### JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT

## MANDATORY UNCONDITIONAL CASH OFFER BY EMPEROR CORPORATE FINANCE LIMITED FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE OFFEROR TO ACQUIRE ALL THE ISSUED SHARES IN HOME CONTROL INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY OWNED OR AGREED TO BE ACQUIRED BY THE OFFEROR)

# **DESPATCH OF THE COMPOSITE DOCUMENT**

Financial Advisor to the Offeror



### **Emperor Corporate Finance Limited**

### Independent Financial Adviser to the Independent Board Committee



### Rainbow Capital (HK) Limited

References are made to (i) the announcement dated 24 June 2025 jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company in relation to, among others, the SPA and the Offer; and (ii) the composite offer and response document dated 15 July 2025 jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company in relation to the Offer (the "**Composite Document**") and published on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company on 14 July 2025. Capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings as defined in the Composite Document unless the context requires otherwise.

#### DESPATCH OF THE COMPOSITE DOCUMENT

The Composite Document containing, among other things, (i) the expected timetable in respect of the Offer; (ii) a letter from Emperor Corporate Finance setting out, among other things, details of the Offer; (iii) a letter from the Board; (iv) a letter from the Independent Board Committee; and (v) a letter from the Independent Financial Adviser, together with the Form of Acceptance, will be despatched to the Offer Shareholders on 15 July 2025 in accordance with the Takeovers Code.

The Offer will open for acceptance on and from Tuesday, 15 July 2025 and the latest time for acceptance of the Offer will be 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 5 August 2025, unless otherwise extended or revised in accordance with the Takeovers Code.

The Offer is unconditional in all respects. The Offer Shareholders are advised to read the Composite Document (including the recommendation of the Independent Board Committee to the Offer Shareholders and the advice from the Independent Financial Adviser to the Independent Board Committee and the Offer Shareholders in respect of the Offer) and the accompanying Form of Acceptance carefully, before deciding whether or not to accept the Offer.

#### **EXPECTED TIMETABLE**

The timetable set out below is indicative only and may be subject to change. Any changes to the timetable will be jointly announced by the Offeror and the Company as and when appropriate. Unless otherwise specified, all time and date references contained in this joint announcement refer to Hong Kong times and dates.

#### Event

#### Hong Kong Time and Date 2025

Date of despatch of the Composite Document and the accompanying Form of Acceptance ( <i>Note 1</i> ) Tuesday, 15 July
Opening date of the Offer (Note 1) Tuesday, 15 July
Closing Date (Notes 2 and 3) Tuesday, 5 August
Latest time for acceptance of the Offer on the Closing Date ( <i>Notes 2, 3 and 5</i> )
Announcement of the results of the Offer on the websites of ( <i>Note 2</i> ):
• the Stock Exchange by 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 5 August
• the Company by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 5 August
Latest date for posting of remittances for the amounts due in respect of valid acceptances received under the Offer ( <i>Notes 4 and 5</i> ) Thursday, 14 August

#### Notes:

- (1) The Offer, which is unconditional in all respects, is made on the date of despatch of the Composite Document, and is capable of acceptance on and from that date until 4:00 p.m. on the Closing Date. Acceptances of the Offer shall be irrevocable and not capable of being withdrawn, except in the circumstances as set out in the section headed "5. Right of withdrawal" in Appendix I to the Composite Document.
- (2) In accordance with the Takeovers Code, the Offer must initially be open for acceptance for at least 21 days after the date on which the Composite Document is despatched. The Offer will close for acceptances at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 5 August 2025, unless the Offeror revises or extends the Offer in accordance with the Takeovers Code. The Offeror and the Company will jointly issue an announcement on the website of the Stock Exchange by no later than 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 5 August 2025, stating the results of the Offer and whether the Offer has been extended, revised or has closed for acceptance. In the event that the Offeror decides to extend or revise the Offer and the announcement does not specify the next closing date, at least 14 days' notice by way of an announcement will be given before the Offer is closed to those Offer Shareholders who have not accepted the Offer.
- (3) If you wish to accept the Offer you should ensure your duly completed and signed Form of Acceptance and the relevant documents (if applicable) arrive at the Registrar by no later than the prescribed time. If you choose to deliver the documents by post you should consider the timing requirements for postage.

Beneficial owners of the Offer Shares who hold their Offer Shares in CCASS directly as an investor participant or indirectly via a broker or custodian participant and who wish to accept the Offer should note the timing requirements for causing instructions to be made to CCASS in accordance with the General Rules of CCASS and CCASS Operational Procedures and any deadline set by HKSCC Nominees Limited.

All acceptances, instructions, authorisations and undertakings given by the Offer Shareholders in the Form of Acceptance shall be irrevocable except as permitted under the Takeovers Code.

- (4) Remittances in respect of the cash consideration (after deducting the seller's ad valorem stamp duty) payable in respect of the Offer Shares tendered under the Offer will be despatched to the accepting Offer Shareholders by ordinary post at their own risk as soon as possible, but in any event no later than seven (7) Business Days after the date of receipt by the Registrar of the duly completed Form of Acceptance and all requisite documents to render the acceptance under the Offer complete and valid in accordance with the Takeovers Code, the Composite Document and the accompanying Form of Acceptance.
- (5) If any severe weather condition is:
  - (i) in force in Hong Kong at any local time before 12:00 noon but no longer in force at or after 12:00 noon on the latest date for acceptance of the Offer and/or the latest date for posting of remittances for the amounts due under the Offer in respect of valid acceptances, the latest time for acceptance of the Offer will remain at 4:00 p.m. on the same Business Day and/or the latest date for posting of remittances will remain on the same Business Day (as the case may be); or
  - (ii) in force in Hong Kong at any local time at or after 12:00 noon on the latest date for acceptance of the Offer and/or the latest date for posting of remittances for the amounts due under the Offer in respect of valid acceptances, the latest time for acceptance of the Offer will be rescheduled to 4:00 p.m. on, and/or the latest date for posting of remittances will be rescheduled to, the following Business Day which does not have any of those warnings in force at or after 12:00 noon and/or thereafter (or another Business Day thereafter that does not have any severe weather condition at 12:00 noon or thereafter).

For the purpose of this joint announcement, "severe weather" refers to the scenario where a tropical cyclone warning signal number 8 or above is hoisted, "extreme conditions" as announced by the Hong Kong government and/or a black rainstorm warning is/are in force in Hong Kong. Further announcement(s) will be made if there is any change to the expected timetable as a result of any severe weather.

Save as mentioned above, if the latest time for acceptance of the Offer does not take effect on the date and time as stated above, the other dates mentioned above may be affected. The Offeror and the Company will jointly notify the Offer Shareholders by way of announcement(s) on any change to the expected timetable as soon as practicable.

#### WARNING

Shareholders and/or potential investors of the Company should exercise caution when dealing in the Shares or exercising other rights in respect of any of them.

Persons who are in doubt as to the action they should take should consult their licensed securities dealers or registered institutions in securities, bank managers, solicitors, professional accountants or other professional advisers.

For and on behalf of Meta-Wisdom Tech Limited Mr. YANG Haofang Sole Director By order of the Board of Home Control International Limited Kwok Hoong SIU Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 14 July 2025

As of the date of this joint announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Kwok Hoong SIU as executive Director; Mr. Alain PERROT, Mr. Wei ZHOU and Mr. Ewing FANG as non-executive Directors; and Mr. Werner Peter VAN ECK, Dr. Shou Kang CHEN and Ms. Keet Yee LAI as independent non-executive Directors.

The Directors jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this joint announcement (other than the information relating to the Offeror and Offeror Concert Parties), and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this joint announcement (other than those expressed by the sole director of the Offeror) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this joint announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this joint announcement misleading.

As at the date of this joint announcement, the sole director of the Offeror is Mr. Yang.

The sole director of the Offeror accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this joint announcement (other than the information relating to the Group), and confirms, having made all reasonable enquires, that to the best of his knowledge, opinions expressed in this joint announcement (other than those expressed by the Directors) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this joint announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this joint announcement misleading.