



# UDL HOLDINGS LIMITED

(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 620)

## INTERIM RESULTS

### FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 JANUARY 2006

#### INTERIM RESULTS

The board of directors (the “Directors”) of UDL Holdings Limited (the “Company”) announces the unaudited interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “Group”) for the six months ended 31 January 2006 together with comparative figures as follows:

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)

Six months ended

31 January

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2006</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>	<b>2005</b> <i>HK\$'000</i> (Restated)
<b>Turnover</b>	4	<b>10,057</b>	1,796
Other revenue		<b>3,785</b>	4,928
<b>Total revenue</b>		<b>13,842</b>	6,724
Staff costs		<b>(2,934)</b>	(2,518)
Marine engineering and structural steel engineering costs		<b>(7,169)</b>	(1,938)
Depreciation and amortisation		<b>(9,957)</b>	(9,793)
Other operating expenses		<b>(4,654)</b>	(3,122)
<b>Loss from operating activities</b>	6	<b>(10,872)</b>	(10,647)
Finance costs		<b>(5,675)</b>	(4,220)
<b>Loss before taxation</b>		<b>(16,547)</b>	(14,867)
Taxation	7	–	–
<b>Loss attributable to shareholders</b>	8	<b>(16,547)</b>	(14,867)
<b>Loss per share</b>			
– Basic (Hong Kong cents)	9	<b>(1.68)</b>	(1.57)

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

		(Unaudited) 31 January 2006 HK\$'000	(Audited) 31 July 2005 HK\$'000
	<i>Note</i>		
<b>ASSETS AND LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment		69,253	78,232
Land use right – Prepaid Land Premiums		962	988
		<u>70,215</u>	<u>79,220</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Trade and other receivables	10	11,933	10,097
Amounts due from related companies	11	10,571	6,914
Cash and bank balances		650	812
		<u>23,154</u>	<u>17,823</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Bank and other borrowings	12	115,183	16,059
Trade and other payable	13	15,048	17,864
Amounts due to related companies		34,844	17,598
Amounts due to directors		492	649
		<u>165,567</u>	<u>52,170</u>
<b>Net current liabilities</b>		<u>(142,413)</u>	<u>(34,347)</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>(72,198)</u>	<u>44,873</u>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Bank and other borrowings	12	–	(100,490)
<b>Net liabilities</b>		<u>(72,198)</u>	<u>(55,617)</u>
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>			
Share capital		9,892	9,717
Reserves		(82,090)	(65,334)
<b>Deficiency of assets</b>		<u>(72,198)</u>	<u>(55,617)</u>

## NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. CORPORATE UPDATE

The Board has put forwarded the following proposals (the “Proposals”) to the shareholders accordance to the circular dated 27 January 2006 (the “Circular”):-

- The rights issue;
- The acquisition of a yard holding company in Singapore (“YHCD”);
- The acquisition of the vessels;
- The disposal; and
- The buy-back

The Proposals have been duly passed at the Special General Meeting on 14 February 2006 and the above proposals have been duly completed as of to date except the buyback proposal.

The audited pro forma financial information of the Group as if the Proposals have been completed on 31 July 2005 is shown in the Circular. It was prepared using accounting policies materially consistent with those of the Group based on the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for year ended 31 July 2005 and the audited financial information of YHCD as set out in the accountants' report in the Circular. The unaudited pro forma consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its subsidiaries immediately after the completion of the Proposals as detailed in Section C of Appendix III to the Circular is summarised as follows:–

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Non-current assets</b>	
Property, plant and equipment	7,785
Investment Property	23,403
Land use right	988
	<hr/> 32,176 <hr/>
<b>Current assets</b>	
Trade and other receivables	10,800
Stock	72,700
Amounts due from related companies	12,848
Cash and bank balances	4,645
	<hr/> 100,993 <hr/>
<b>Current liabilities</b>	
Bank and other borrowings	14,375
Trade and other payables	12,029
Amounts due to related companies	18,873
Amounts due to directors	651
Provision for taxation	89
	<hr/> 46,017 <hr/>
<b>Net current assets</b>	<hr/> 54,976 <hr/>
<b>Total assets add net current assets</b>	<hr/> 87,152 <hr/>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>	
Bank and other borrowings	(33,999)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<hr/> <b>53,153</b> <hr/>
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>	
Share capital	33,458
Reserves	19,695
<b>SURPLUS OF ASSETS</b>	<hr/> <b>53,153</b> <hr/>

As the unaudited pro forma financial information as been prepared for illustrative purpose only and because of its nature, it may not give a true picture of the financial position of the Group as at any future financial dates. Also, it may not give a true picture of the results of the Group for any future financial dates as if the Proposals have been completed.

## **2. BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The condensed interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the “Listing Rules”) on The Stock Exchange and with Hong Kong Accounting Standards (“HKASs”) No.34 “Interim Financial Reporting” issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the “HKICPA”). The accounting policies and basis of preparation adopted in the preparation of the interim financial statements are the same as those used in the annual financial statement for the year ended 31 July 2005, except for the accounting policy changes that are expected to be reflected in the Group’s financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2005. Details of these changes in accounting policies are set out in Note 3.

## **3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The HKICPA has issued a number of new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (“HKFRSs”), which term collectively includes HKASs and interpretations that are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005. The adoption of the new and revised HKFRSs has resulted in changes to the Group accounting policies and the effects of adopting these HKFRSs are set out as below:

### **HKAS 17: Lease**

In prior period, leasehold land and buildings held for own uses were stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment loss.

Upon the adoption of HKAS 17, prepaid land premiums for land lease payments under operating lease are initially stated at cost and subsequently amortised on the straight-line basis over the lease term. When the lease payments cannot be allocated reliably between the land and buildings elements, the entire lease payments are included in the cost of the land and buildings as a finance lease in property, plant and equipment.

This change in accounting policy has had no effect on the condensed consolidated income statement and retained earnings.

### **HKFRS 2: Share Based Payment**

The adoption of HKFRS 2 has resulted in a change in accounting policy for employee share options. Prior to this, the Group did not recognise compensation cost in respect of share options granted to employees or directors of the Group. Following the adoption of HKFRS 2, the fair value of share options at grant date is amortised over the relevant vesting periods to the profit and loss accounts and credited to employee share-based compensation reserve under equity.

In accordance with the transitional provision of HKFRS 2, the new accounting policy for employee share options has been applied to share options that were granted after 7 November 2002 and had not yet vested at 1 January 2005.

Because all outstanding share options granted by the Group have already vested as at 31 January 2006, there was no impact to the respective profit and loss accounts in current period (2005: approximately HK\$300,000).

#### 4. **TURNOVER**

The Group's turnover represents revenue derived from its marine engineering and structural steel engineering operations which comprise engineering works income and the gross income from its capacity and related services provided as a result thereof.

#### 5. **SEGMENT INFORMATION**

##### a. **Geographical segments**

All of the activities of the Group are based in Hong Kong and all of the Group's turnover and loss before taxation are derived from Hong Kong. Accordingly, no geographical segment information is presented.

##### b. **Business segments**

No separate analysis of financial information by business segments is presented as the Group's revenue, results, assets and liabilities were all derived from its principal line of business of marine engineering and structural steel engineering operations.

#### 6. **LOSS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

The Group's loss from operating activities is arrived at after crediting/charging:

	<b>Six months ended</b>	
	<b>31 January</b>	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Crediting:–		
Foreign exchange gain, net	<b>2,216</b>	3,875
Recovery of bad debts	<b>597</b>	–
Charging:–		
Depreciation:		
Owned fixed assets	<b>9,928</b>	9,944
Staff cost (including directors' remuneration)	<b>2,866</b>	2,426
Contribution to mandatory provident fund	<b>68</b>	92
Operating leases	<b>588</b>	396
Legal and professional fees	<b>1,534</b>	609
Share option expenses (Restated)	–	330
Provision for doubtful debts	–	77

#### 7. **TAXATION**

No Hong Kong profit tax has been provided in the financial statements for the current period as the Group did not derive any assessable profit for the period (2005: Nil).

#### 8. **LOSS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS**

The loss attributable to shareholders for the year dealt with in the financial statements of the Company is loss of approximately HK\$16,547,000 (2005: HK\$14,867,000).

#### 9. **LOSS PER SHARE**

The calculation of basic loss per share is based on the net loss attributable to shareholders of HK\$16,547,000 (2005: net loss of HK\$14,867,000) and the adjusted weighted average number of 984,272,717 (2005: 945,230,275) ordinary shares in issue during the period.

Diluted loss per share is not presented as there is no dilution potential ordinary shares during the period.

#### 10. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	<b>31 January 2006 HK\$'000</b>	<b>31 July 2005 HK\$'000</b>
Trade receivables	1,754	1,627
Retention money receivable	1,098	1,098
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	9,081	7,372
	<u>11,933</u>	<u>10,097</u>

The aged analysis of trade receivable net of provision for doubtful debts was as follows:

	<b>31 January 2006 HK\$'000</b>	<b>31 July 2005 HK\$'000</b>
Current	308	393
1-3 months	710	707
4-6 months	219	291
7-12 months	145	72
Over 1 year	372	164
	<u>1,754</u>	<u>1,627</u>

Trading terms with customers are largely on credit, where trade deposits, advances and payment in advance are normally required. Invoices are normally payable within 30 days of issuance, except for certain well-established customers, where the terms are extended beyond 30 days. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are regularly reviewed by senior management.

#### 11. AMOUNT DUE FROM RELATED COMPANIES

	<b>31 January 2006 HK\$'000</b>	<b>31 July 2005 HK\$'000</b>
Amount due from related companies	10,541	6,914
Amount due from associate company (Note a)	30	–
	<u>10,571</u>	<u>6,914</u>

Note a:

Details of the associate company as follows:–

Name	Place of Establishment	Percentage of equity held	
		2006	2005
Press United Logistics Ltd.*	Hong Kong	50%	–

\* A joint venture formed between the Company and an independent third party. Total contracted but not provided for capital investment is approximately HK\$1.2 million.

## 12. BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS

	<b>31 January 2006 HK\$'000</b>	<b>31 July 2005 HK\$'000</b>
Bank and other borrowings comprise:		
Bank overdrafts	617	574
Other loans	114,566	115,975
	<b>115,183</b>	<b>116,549</b>
Analysed as:		
Secured ( <i>Note a</i> )	104,339	100,490
Unsecured – loan ( <i>Note c</i> )	10,227	15,485
– Bank overdrafts ( <i>Note b</i> )	617	574
	<b>115,183</b>	<b>116,549</b>
Bank and other borrowings are repayable as follows:		
Within one year or on demand	115,183	16,059
More than one year, but not exceeding two years	–	100,490
	<b>115,183</b>	<b>116,549</b>
Less: Amount due within one year and shown under current liabilities	<b>(115,183)</b>	<b>(16,059)</b>
Amount due after one year	<b>–</b>	<b>100,490</b>

### Notes:

(a) As at 31 January 2006, the Group had two secured loans from one Singapore and one Hong Kong related parties lender respectively. The loan from the Singapore lender of approximately HK\$74,433,000 (31 July 2005: HK\$71,448,000), were secured by the floating crafts and vessels of UDL Marine Assets (Singapore) Pte Limited (“UDLS”) with net book value of approximately HK\$48,500,000 (31 July 2005: HK\$54,500,000), a fixed and floating charges over the assets of UDLS, joint and several guarantee from a director of the Company, Mrs. Leung Yu Oi Ling Irene (“Mrs. Leung”) and the spouse of Mrs. Leung, Mr. Leung Yat Tung (“Mr. Leung”), an assignment of insurance and income for certain vessels and subordination of loan from Mr. Leung and Mrs. Leung. The loan bears interest at prime rate +2% per annum and is required to be repaid from 1 August 2006.

The loan from the Hong Kong Lender of approximately HK\$29,906,000 (31 July 2005: HK\$29,042,000) was secured floating craft and vessels of UDL Marine Assets (Hong Kong) Limited (“UDLHK”) with net book value of approximately HK\$12,954,000 (31 July 2005: HK\$16,550,000), a first floating charge on undertaking of all UDLHK’s property, assets and rights and a personal guarantee from Mr. Leung. The loan bears interest at prime rate +2% per annum and is required to be repaid from 1 August 2006.

- (b) As at 31 January 2006, the outstanding bank overdraft was secured by UDLS's floating crafts and vessels, a fixed and floating charges over the assets of UDLS, joint and several guarantee from a director of the Company, Mrs. Leung and her spouse Mr. Leung, an assignment of insurance and income for certain vessels and subordination of loan from Mrs. Leung and Mr. Leung.
- (c) As at 31 January 2006, unsecured loans of approximately HK\$10,227,000 (31 July 2005: HK\$15,485,000) were borrowed from two related parties which are used to finance the Group's operation. Those loans were unsecured, repayable on demand and bear interest at prime to prime +2% per annum.

### 13. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	<b>31 January 2006 HK\$'000</b>	<b>31 July 2005 HK\$'000</b>
Trade payables	5,036	5,575
Advances received	529	1,056
Other payables and accruals	9,483	11,233
	<u>15,048</u>	<u>17,864</u>

The aged analysis of trade payables was as follows:

	<b>31 January 2006 HK\$'000</b>	<b>31 July 2005 HK\$'000</b>
Current	2	185
1-3 months	24	21
4-6 months	58	18
7-12 months	15	29
Over 1 year	4,937	5,322
	<u>5,036</u>	<u>5,575</u>

### 14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

- a. At 31 January 2006, the Company and the Group had contingent liabilities in respect of the Company's undertaking to the trustee of the Schemes that the aggregate proceeds of the Unencumbered Assets and the Accounts Receivables realised under the Schemes shall not be less than HK\$176 million (31 July 2005: not less than HK\$176 million).
- b. There was the amount of SGD358,982 (equivalent to HK\$1,680,233) relating to interest payable on banking facilities of a subsidiary. The directors of the subsidiary are disputing this amount and no provision has been made in the financial statements.



- c. During this period, the Company and the Group had pending litigation in respect of the Statement of Claim for HCA 624 of 2005 dated 28 September 2005, the Group's solicitor is of the view that there are three claims which duplicate partly with each other. Fonfair Ltd. ("Fonfair") claims against the defendants for the amount of HK\$19,568,644.66 together with interest and costs, Money Facts Ltd. ("Money Facts") claims the amount of HK\$13,334,211.42 (HK\$12,874,121.48 of which is pleaded by Money Facts as part of its loss and damage suffered by virtue of its 7,900/12,008th interest held in Fonfair) together with interest and costs, and Leung Yuet Keung claims the amount of HK\$15,190,409.54 (HK\$6,667,105.71 of which is pleaded by Leung Yuet Keung as part of his loss and damage suffered by virtue of his 3,950/7,900th interest held in Money Facts) together with interest and costs. As pleaded by the plaintiffs, (a) Harbour Front Limited, which is the majority shareholder of the Company, holds 3,958 out of the 12,008 issued ordinary shares of Fonfair and 3,950 out of the 7,900 issued ordinary shares of Money Facts; (b) Money Facts hold 7,900 out of the 12,008 issued ordinary shares of Fonfair; and (c) Leung Yuet Keung holds 3,950 out of the 7,900 issued ordinary shares of Money Facts.

## **15. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT**

- (a) According to a conditional agreement dated 29 December 2005 entered into between the Company as Vendor and Harbour Front as purchaser, the details of which were included in an announcement of the Company dated 29 December 2005 and also in the Letter from the Board, the Group will dispose of its entire interest in two of its subsidiaries, namely UDLHK and UDLS, which set out in Appendix I of the Company's circular dated 27 January 2006.
- (b) As explained in Note 1 – Corporate Update, the Company has recently put forward the following proposals to its shareholders:–
1. Settlement agreement and issue of promissory notes;
  2. Right issue;
  3. Acquisition of a yard holding company in Singapore;
  4. Purchase of a total of thirty three marine engineering vessels;
  5. Disposal of the Group's entire interest in UDLHK and UDLS (the "Disposal"); and
  6. Buy back of nine vessels of UDLS

The proposals have been duly passed at the Special General Meeting on 14 February 2006.

## **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Directors do not recommend the payment of any dividend for the six months ended 31 January 2006 (2005: nil).

## **MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

### **Financial Review**

For the six months ended 31 January 2006, turnover of the Group amounted to approximately HK\$10.0 million (Jan 2005: HK\$1.8 million).

For the period under review, net loss attributable to shareholder amounted to HK\$16.5 million (Jan 2005: 14.9 million).

As at 31 January 2006, the Group has a current ratio (current assets to current liabilities) of 14% (July 2005: 34%).

### **Business Review and Prospects**

With the recovery of the local economy and the development in the adjacent areas, in financial year 2006 (“FY 2006”), the Group has picked up other business activities, such as structural steel engineering projects and provision of contracting and engineering services, which has since the implementation of the Scheme in 2000 been suspended. As regards the structural steel engineering projects, the Group continues co-operate with major structural steel engineering contractors in the PRC on various confirmed and potential contracts. These potential contracts, if concluded, are expected to make positive contribution to the Group’s revenue in the FY 2006.

In view of the Group’s past experience and operations with extensive customers and vendors network, which was built up in the 90’s in the shipbuilding industry which closely relates to the marine construction engineering industry, the Group has already resumed its shipbuilding business and has received considerable orders for the supply of various kinds of reconditioned second hand marine engineering vessels. These confirmed orders and other orders which are close to be concluded are expected to contribute positively to the Group’s revenue for the FY 2006 onward.

Though the acquisition of the yard holding company (“YHCD”) in Singapore after the Company’s very substantial acquisition as set out in the circular dated 27 January 2006, the Group aims at enhancing its recurrent income and further expending its shipbuilding and repairing, and structural steel engineering business including offshore engineering related services by utilising the assets of YHCD for engineering operations. Due to the up surge of requirements in Singapore for fabricating and building capacity of shipbuilding and structural steel engineering nature form the oil, gas and offshore engineering industries and together with the high profile emphasis placed on such development by the Singapore government, the growth of the related manufacturing product industry for offshore exploration and production facilities has been steadily increased for some seven years. It is expect the Group could expend it business into (i) the modules fabrication of topside installation for oil/gas production platforms; (ii) fabrication of offshore rig components as outsource segment of work from the major proprietary product builders; and (iii) minor components such as pipework and ancillary installations.

## **LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

Upon completion of the right issue, acquisition, disposal and buy back corporate exercise as per the circular dated 27 January 2006, the right issue, acquisition and disposal will (i) strengthen the capital base of the Company and remove the substantial net deficiency of assets of the Group and give it a considerable net assets value; (ii) remove all uncertainties regarding the financial support from the related party lender to the Group; (iii) remove all uncertainties regarding the ability of the related party lenders to meet their respective payment obligations under the assigned loans; and (iv) allow the Group to expand its business for the supply of various kinds of reconditioned second hand marine engineering vessels; (v) remove the uncertainties regarding the ability of the Group to raise additional equity funding; (vi) provide resources to normalise and expand the Group's business, including the resumption and expansion of the shipbuilding business and structural steel engineering; and (vii) provide additional capital for the Group's operation in the future.

## **FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT**

As at 31 January 2006, 64.6% of the total secured borrowings are denominated in US dollar and the remaining in local currency. It is the Group's view that the current link between HK dollar and US dollar will be maintained and the mechanism will continue to function in the foreseeable future. Hedging will be arranged when the cost and benefit of which is justified.

## **EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICY**

As at 31 January 2006, including contract workers, the Group had total number of 60 technical and working staff.

The Directors are actively reviewing staffing levels and remuneration package of the Group's employees with a view to maintain a cost-effective organisational structure. The remuneration policy and package of the Group's employees are structured by reference to market terms and statutory requirements as appropriate. In addition, the Group also provide other staff benefit such as mandatory provident fund and a share option scheme to its employees.

## **PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES**

Neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 31 January 2006.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

On 1 January 2005, the Code of Best Practices was replaced by the Code of Corporate Governance Practices (the "Code") as contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules.

During the period, the Company has been taking action to comply with the code provision set out in the Code, such as Remuneration Committee has been established to monitor the Group's development in this area, only with major areas of deviation detailed below, namely (1) the chairman is not subject to retirement by rotation; (2) Independent Non-executive Directors of the Company are not appointed for a specified term, but are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at annual general meetings in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association.

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules. The Company has made specific enquiry to all directors regarding any non-compliance with the Model Code during the period under review and they all confirmed that they have fully complied with the standard set out in the Model Code.

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee was established for the purpose of reviewing and providing supervision over the Group's financial reporting process and internal controls systems, and compliance with the relevant rules and regulations. The audit committee comprises the three independent non-executive directors of the Company. The unaudited financial statement for six months ended 31 January 2006 has been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

### **PUBLICATION OF RESULTS ON THE WEBSITE OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE**

Information required by paragraphs 46(1) – 46(6) of Appendix 16 the Listing Rules will be published on the website of the Stock Exchange on or before 30 April 2006.

By order of the Board  
**UDL Holdings Limited**  
**Leung Yu Oi Ling Irene**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 18 April 2006

#### *Executive Directors*

Mrs. Leung Yu Oi Ling, Irene  
*(Chairman)*

Mr. Lee Ka Lun, Stephen  
Ms. Leung Chi Yin, Gillian

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