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## **Zall Smart Commerce Group Ltd.**

卓爾智聯集團有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 2098)

## PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE IN RELATION TO THE VERY SUBSTANTIAL ACQUISITION

This announcement is made by Zall Smart Commerce Group Ltd. (the "Company") pursuant to Rules 14.36B and 14A.63 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 13 November 2016 and the circular of the Company dated 15 February 2017 (the "Circular") in relation to the acquisition of the Target Companies. Unless otherwise stated, defined terms used in this announcement shall bear the same meanings as defined in the Circular.

## PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE

Pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement, Vendor D covenants to the Purchaser, among others, that if the consolidated revenue and the consolidated net profit after taxation of the Project Group as derived from activities in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Project Group and determined based on the audited consolidated financial statements of the Project Group exceed the target revenue of RMB80,566,000,000 (the "Target Revenue 2022") and target net profit of RMB251,000,000 (the "Target Net Profit 2022") for the financial year ended 31 December 2022, the excess can be used to make up for the shortfall of the Actual Revenue or Actual Net Profit in the previous financial year and the financial year before the previous financial year successively (if applicable).

## **ACTUAL PERFORMANCE**

Based on the financial information of the Project Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2022, the Actual Revenue is approximately RMB43,008,487,000, and the Actual Net Profit of the Project Group is approximately RMB75,368,000. As the Actual Revenue and the Actual Net Profit for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 did not exceed the Target Revenue 2022 and the Target Net Profit 2022 respectively, no excess was available to make up for the shortfall of the Actual Revenue or Actual Net Profit in any previous financial year. Pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement, no Consideration Shares shall be released for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

The Board (including the independent non-executive Directors) is of the view that, pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement, (i) the Performance Guarantee provides the Purchaser with a mechanism to adjust the Consideration and the Vendors with a mechanism to allow release of the Consideration Shares from the Lock-up Undertaking; (ii) the Vendors have fulfilled their obligations in accordance with the Acquisition Agreement; and (iii) the Group is not provided with any option to sell any part of the entire equity interest of the Project Group back to any of the Vendors.

At the same time, as disclosed in the Circular, with respect to Vendor D, following the publication of the 2022 annual report of the Company, as there are still Consideration Shares which have not been released to Vendor D in accordance with the Acquisition Agreement, Vendor D must sell all such unreleased Consideration Shares to the public investors at a price and in such manner as requested by the Purchaser after taking into account the market conditions then subsisting, and the proceeds received from the sale of such unreleased Consideration Shares will be remitted to the Purchaser as compensation for the loss suffered by it.

By order of the Board

Zall Smart Commerce Group Ltd.

Yan Zhi

Co-chairman

Hong Kong, 26 April 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises eight members, of which Mr. Yan Zhi, Dr. Gang Yu, Mr. Qi Zhiping, Mr. Yu Wei and Mr. Xia Lifeng are executive Directors; Mr. Cheung Ka Fai, Mr. Wu Ying and Mr. Zhu Zhengfu are independent non-executive Directors.