

## JOINT VENTURE IN AIWATER IN HUBEI, CHINA

The Board of Directors of Leader Environmental Technologies Limited ("**Company**" or "**Leader**", and together with its subsidiaries, "**Group**") wishes to announce that the Company has incorporated a 50%:50% investment holding company, UG Water Pte. Ltd. ("**UG Water**"), with Mr. Gong Shuyi ("**Mr Gong**") in Singapore.

UG Water will setup a wholly-owned subsidiary in China, Xinwo AlWater (Hubei) Co. Ltd. ("**Xinwo**"). The Company and Mr Gong will contribute S\$10,000 each into Xinwo as working capital.

## **Background of Mr Gong:**

Mr. Gong has been working in wastewater treatment for more than 20 years and he has extensive network in Hubei region.

## Rationale and synergies for the joint venture:

The principal activity of Xinwo is to deploy artificial intelligence to optimise the operation and management of WWTP. The Company's subsidiary, AlWater (Anhui) Co. Ltd, has already implemented the Group's proprietary AlWater Management system in the two WWTP in Jingzhou, Hubei, one industrial and one municipal WWTP, each with design treatment capacity of 60,000 tonnes/day.

Mr Gong will oversee the day-to-day operations and marketing aspects of Xinwo while Leader will provide its proprietary AlWater Management system to its potential customers. The joint venture will benefit from Mr Gong's established network in Hubei region and his diverse experience in the WWTP business.

The Group's investment in Xinwo will be funded using the proceeds from the convertible bonds.

The aforesaid Investment is not, in itself, expected to have any material impact on the earnings and net tangible assets per share of the Group for the current financial year ending 31 December 2024.

None of the Directors or substantial shareholders of the Company has any interest, direct or indirect, in any of the foregoing projects and/or investments as stated in this announcement, other than through their respective shareholdings in the Company and its subsidiaries.

## BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LEADER ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED

Mr Ngoo Lin Fong Executive Director 18 October 2024