Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited take no responsibility for the contents of this announcement, make no representation as to its accuracy or completeness and expressly disclaim any liability whatsoever for any loss howsoever arising from or in reliance upon the whole or any part of the contents of this announcement.

This announcement is for information purposes only and does not constitute an invitation or offer to acquire, purchase or subscribe for the securities referred to herein. This announcement is not, and is not intended to be, an offer of securities of the Company for sale, or the solicitation of an offer to buy securities of the Company, in the United States. The securities referred to herein have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act, or any state securities laws of the United States, and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act) except pursuant to an exemption under, or in a transaction not subject to, the U.S. Securities Act. This announcement and the information contained herein are not for distribution, directly or indirectly, in or into the United States. No public offer of the securities referred to herein is being or will be made in the United States.



(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock code: 272)

# US\$500,000,000 SENIOR PERPETUAL CAPITAL SECURITIES CALLABLE 2017 OF SHUI ON DEVELOPMENT TO BE GUARANTEED BY THE COMPANY

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 3 December 2012 made at approximately 8 am in relation to the proposed offering of senior perpetual capital securities by Shui On Development to be guaranteed by the Company.

The Board is pleased to announce that on 3 December 2012, Hong Kong Time, the Company and Shui On Development entered into a Subscription Agreement with Deutsche Bank, J.P. Morgan, Standard Chartered Bank and UBS in connection with the issue by Shui On Development of an aggregate principal amount of US\$500 million senior perpetual capital securities.

The estimated net proceeds of the Securities Issue, after deduction of underwriting commissions and other estimated expenses, will amount to approximately US\$488 million. The Group intends to use the net proceeds from the Securities to fund capital expenditures related to the Group's real estate operations and/or acquire, develop, construct or improve assets, real or personal property or equipment or repay existing indebtedness, in each case, subject only to the extent permitted under the terms of the 6.875% Senior Notes, the 7.625% Senior Notes, the 8% Senior Notes and the 9.75% Senior Notes. The Group may adjust the foregoing acquisition and development plans in response to changing market conditions and thus, reallocate the use of the proceeds. Pending application of the net proceeds of the Securities Issue, the Group intends to invest such net proceeds in temporary cash investments.

Approval-in-principle has been received for the listing of the Securities on the SGX-ST. The SGX-ST assumes no responsibility for the correctness of any of the statements made or opinions expressed or reports contained herein. Admission of the Securities to the official list of the SGX-ST is not to be taken as an indication of the merits of the Company, Shui On Development or the Securities. No listing of the Securities has been, or will be, sought in Hong Kong.

# **INTRODUCTION**

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 3 December 2012 made at approximately 8 am in relation to the proposed offering of senior perpetual capital securities by Shui On Development to be guaranteed by the Company.

The Board is pleased to announce that on 3 December 2012, Hong Kong Time, the Company and Shui On Development entered into a Subscription Agreement with Deutsche Bank, J.P. Morgan, Standard Chartered Bank and UBS in connection with the issue by Shui On Development of an aggregate principal amount of US\$500 million senior perpetual capital securities.

#### THE SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT

#### **Date**

3 December 2012

# Parties to the Subscription Agreement

- (a) Shui On Development as the issuer of the Securities;
- (b) Company as the guarantor of Shui On Development's obligations under the Securities and the Trust Deed; and
- (c) Deutsche Bank, J.P. Morgan, Standard Chartered Bank and UBS as the joint lead managers and joint bookrunners of the Securities.

Deutsche Bank, J.P. Morgan, Standard Chartered Bank and UBS, as the joint lead managers and joint bookrunners, are managing the offer and sale of the Securities.

To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief, having made all reasonable enquiries, Deutsche Bank, J.P. Morgan, Standard Chartered Bank and UBS are independent third parties and are not connected persons of the Company.

The Securities and the Guarantee have not been, and will not be, registered under the U.S. Securities Act. The Securities will only be offered by Deutsche Bank, J.P. Morgan, Standard Chartered Bank and UBS outside the United States, in compliance with Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act and will not be offered to, or for the account or benefit of U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act). None of the Securities will be offered to the public in Hong Kong nor will the Securities be placed to any connected persons of the Company.

#### Principal terms of the Securities

#### Securities Offered

Subject to certain conditions to completion, Shui On Development will issue the Securities in an aggregate principal amount of US\$500 million and the Securities will be callable on 2017.

# Offer Price

The offer price of the Securities will be 100% of the principal amount of the Securities.

#### Distributions

The Securities confer a right to receive distributions at the applicable rate described below for the period from and including, 10 December 2012 payable semi-annually in arrear in U.S. dollars on 10 June and 10 December in each year, commencing on 10 June 2013. The distribution rate applicable to the Securities shall be: (a) 10.125 per cent. per annum until 10 December 2017, and (b) in respect of each five calendar year period after 10 December 2017, the relevant treasury rate (as defined in the terms and conditions of the Securities) plus the initial spread of 9.487 per cent. and a step-up margin of 3.00 per cent.

# Step up of Distribution after Breach of Covenant or Change in Control

If (a) Shui On Development fails to comply with any of the covenants set out in terms and conditions of the Securities and such breach continues or (b) Shui On Development does not redeem the Securities following the occurrence of a change of control (as defined in the terms and conditions) or fails to make or consummate an Offer to Purchase, the then-prevailing distribution rate shall be increased by 3.00 per cent. per annum with effect from (and including) the date on which such change of control occurs, provided that the maximum aggregate increase in the distribution rate shall be 3.00 per cent. per annum.

# Status of the Securities

The Securities constitute direct, unsubordinated and (subject to the terms and conditions of the Securities) unsecured obligations of the Shui On Development and shall at all times rank *pari passu* and without any preference or priority among themselves. The payment obligations of the Shui On Development under the Securities shall, save for such exceptions as may be provided by applicable law and subject to the terms and conditions of the Securities, at all times rank at least equally with all its other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations.

#### Status of the Guarantee

The obligations of the Company under the Guarantee shall, save for such exceptions as may be provided by applicable law and subject to the terms and conditions of the Securities, at all times rank at least equally with all its other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations.

#### Covenants

Subject to certain exceptions, the Securities, the Trust Deed and the Guarantee will limit the ability of Shui On Development and the Company and the ability of their respective restricted subsidiaries (as defined in the terms and conditions of the Securities) (as the case may be) to, among other things:

- (a) incur additional indebtedness and issue preferred stock;
- (b) enter into transactions with shareholders or affiliates;
- (c) create liens;
- (d) enter into sale and leaseback transactions; and
- (e) sell assets.

#### Redemption

The Securities are perpetual securities and have no fixed redemption date. On 10 December 2017 and on 10 June and 10 December in each year thereafter, Shui On Development may redeem the Securities, in whole but not in part, upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof plus any distributions accrued to, but excluding, the date fixed for redemption (including any distributions deferred in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Securities and the interest on such deferred distributions).

The Securities may also be redeemed at the option of Shui On Development in whole, but not in part, at any time, at their principal amount together with all outstanding distributions deferred in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Securities and the interest on such deferred distributions (if any) and any distribution accrued to the date fixed for redemption, upon the occurrence of certain changes in the Cayman Islands or Hong Kong requiring the payment of additional tax amounts (as specified in the terms and conditions of the Securities). In addition, the Securities may be redeemed at the option of Shui On Development in whole, but not in part, at a redemption price equal to (i) the early redemption amount (as defined in the terms and conditions of the Securities) if such redemption occurs prior to 10 December 2017 or (ii) the principal amount thereof together with any distribution accrued to the date fixed for redemption (including any distributions deferred in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Securities and the interest on such deferred distributions) if such redemption occurs on or after 10 December 2017, (A) in the case that prior to the date of the notice of redemption, at least 90 per cent. in principal amount of the Securities originally issued has already been redeemed or purchased and cancelled; or (B) upon the occurrence and continuation of an equity

disqualification event (as defined in the terms and conditions of the Securities); or (C) upon the occurrence and continuation of a change of control (as defined in the terms and conditions of the Securities); or (D) upon the occurrence and continuation of a breach of any of the covenants (as defined in the terms and conditions of the Securities).

# Reason for the Securities Issue

The Group is one of the leading property developers in the PRC. The Group engages principally in the development, sale, leasing, management and long-term ownership of high-quality residential, office, retail, entertainment and cultural properties in the PRC. Specifically, the Group focuses on master planning and development of large-scale, mixed use city-core integrated property projects, typically in cooperation with the relevant local governmental authorities.

The Securities Issue is being undertaken to supplement the Group's funding of its expansion and growth plan as well as to potentially repay existing indebtedness.

# Proposed use of proceeds

The estimated net proceeds of the Securities Issue, after deduction of underwriting commissions and other estimated expenses, will amount to approximately US\$488 million. The Group intends to use the net proceeds from the Securities to fund capital expenditures related to the Group's real estate operations and/or acquire, develop, construct or improve assets, real or personal property or equipment or repay existing indebtedness, in each case, subject only to the extent permitted under the terms of the 6.875% Senior Notes, the 7.625% Senior Notes, the 8% Senior Notes and the 9.75% Senior Notes. The Group may adjust the foregoing acquisition and development plans in response to changing market conditions and thus, reallocate the use of the proceeds. Pending application of the net proceeds of the Securities Issue, the Group intends to invest such net proceeds in temporary cash investments.

#### Listing

Approval-in-principle has been received for the listing of the Securities on the SGX-ST. The SGX-ST assumes no responsibility for the correctness of any of the statements made or opinions expressed or reports contained herein. Admission of the Securities to the official list of the SGX-ST is not to be taken as an indication of the merits of the Company, Shui On Development or the Securities. No listing of the Securities has been, or will be, sought in Hong Kong.

# **DEFINITIONS**

In this announcement, unless the context requires otherwise, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"6.875% Senior Notes"	the RMB denominated US\$ settled 6.875% Senior Notes due 2013 in an aggregate principal amount of RMB3,000 million issued by Shui On Development on 23 December 2010, guaranteed by the Company
"7.625% Senior Notes"	the RMB denominated US\$ settled 7.625% Senior Notes due 2015 in an aggregate principal amount of RMB3,500 million issued by Shui On Development on 26 January 2011, guaranteed by the Company
"8% Senior Notes"	8% Senior Notes due 2015 in an aggregate principal amount of S\$250 million issued by Shui On Development (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. on 26 January 2012, guaranteed by the Company and Shui On Development
"9.75% Senior Notes"	the 9.75% Senior Notes due 2015 in an aggregate principal amount of US\$875 million issued by Shui On Development on 16 February 2012, 29 February 2012 and 6 August 2012, guaranteed by the Company
"Board"	the board of Directors
"Company"	Shui On Land Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability, whose Shares are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange
"connected person(s)"	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"Deutsche Bank"	Deutsche Bank AG, Singapore Branch, one of the joint lead managers and joint bookrunners in respect of the offer and sale of the Securities
"Director(s)"	director(s) of the Company
"Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries from time to time

the guarantee given by the Company on Shui On Development's obligations under the Securities "Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the **PRC** "J.P. Morgan" J.P. Morgan Securities plc, one of the joint lead managers and joint bookrunners in respect of the offer and sale of the Securities "Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange "PRC" the People's Republic of China excluding, for the purpose of this announcement, Hong Kong, the Macao Special Administrative Region of the PRC and Taiwan area "RMB" Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC "S\$" Singapore dollar, the lawful currency of Singapore "Securities" the US\$500 million perpetual capital securities to be issued by Shui On Development "Securities Issue" the issue of Securities by Shui On Development and guaranteed by the Company "SGX-ST" Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited "Share(s)" the ordinary share(s) with par value of US\$0.0025 each in the share capital of the Company "Shui On Development" Shui On Development (Holding) Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability, and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company "Standard Chartered Standard Chartered Bank, one of the joint lead Bank" managers and joint bookrunners in respect of the offer and sale of the Securities

"Guarantee"

"Stock Exchange"

The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

"Subscription Agreement"	the agreement dated 3 December 2012 entered into between, among others, the Company, Shui On Development, Deutsche Bank, J.P. Morgan, Standard Chartered Bank and UBS in relation to the Securities Issue
"Trust Deed"	the written agreement between the Company as guarantor, Shui On Development as issuer of the Securities and DB Trustees (Hong Kong) Limited as trustee of the Securities, pursuant to which the Securities will be issued
"UBS"	UBS AG, Hong Kong Branch, one of the joint lead managers and joint bookrunners in respect of the offer and sale of the Securities
"U.S." or "United States"	the United States of America, its territories and possessions and all areas subject to its jurisdiction
"U.S. Securities Act"	the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended
"US\$"	United States dollar, the lawful currency of the United States
"%"	per cent.

By order of the Board
Shui On Land Limited
Vincent H. S. LO
Chairman

# Hong Kong, 4 December 2012

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Vincent H. S. LO (Chairman), Mr. Freddy C. K. LEE (Chief Executive Officer) and Mr. Daniel Y. K. WAN; the non-executive Director is Mr. Frankie Y. L. WONG; and the independent non-executive Directors are Sir John R. H. BOND, Dr. William K. L. FUNG, Professor Gary C. BIDDLE, Dr. Roger L. McCARTHY and Mr. David J. SHAW.

<sup>\*</sup> For identification purpose only