

### FULL YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND DIVIDEND ANNOUNCEMENT

Full year financial statements on consolidated results for the year ended 31 December 2013. These figures have been audited.

### 1(a) Consolidated statement of profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2013

	2013	2012	+/(-)
	\$'000	\$'000	%
Revenue			
Interest income and hiring charges	47,035	44,339	6.1
Interest expense	(16,967)	(14,228)	19.3
Net interest income and hiring charges	30,068	30,111	(0.1)
Fees and commissions	579	466	24.2
Dividends	127	110	15.5
Rental income from investment properties	3,232	3,209	0.7
Other income	328	241	36.1
Income before operating expenses	34,334	34,137	0.6
Staff costs	(12,973)	(10,363)	25.2
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(817)	(1,064)	(23.2)
Depreciation of investment properties	(377)	(377)	-
Other operating expenses	(6,471)	(6,272)	3.2
Profit from operations before impairment losses	13,696	16,061	(14.7)
Allowances for impairment losses on loans and advances	(285)	(379)	(24.8)
Profit before income tax	13,411	15,682	(14.5)
Income tax expense	(1,948)	(986)	97.6
Profit for the year	11,463	14,696	(22.0)

### 1(b) Earnings Per Share of the Group

	2013	2012
Earnings per share (cents)		
- Basic	7.27	12.22
- Diluted	7.27	12.22

The Group's basic earnings per share is calculated based on the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue of 157,625,764 (2012: 120,221,170) shares.

There are no potential dilutive ordinary shares for the years ended 31 December 2013 and 2012.



## 1(c) Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2013

	2013	2012	+/(-)
Profit for the year	\$'000	\$'000	%
	11,463	14,696	(22.0)

### Other comprehensive income

### Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss

Net change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	(18,913)	5,080	NM
Income tax relating to components of other comprehensive income that may be reclassified subsequently	3,215	(863)	NM
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the year, net of tax	(15,698)	4,217	NM
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the year	(4,235)	18,913	NM

NM: Not meaningful



### 2(a) Statements of Financial Position

	Group		Company		
	2013	2012	2013	2012	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
ASSETS					
Current assets					
Cash on deposit, at banks and in hand	225,668	268,615	225,630	268,560	
Other assets	5,853	5,756	5,853	5,756	
Investments	206,428	196,803	206,136	196,531	
Loans and advances due within twelve months	457,288	391,779	457,288	391,779	
Statutory deposit with the Monetary Authority of Singapore ("MAS")	44,881	40,422	44,881	40,422	
Total current assets	940,118	903,375	939,788	903,048	
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment	17,005	17,495	17,005	17,495	
Investment properties	24,830	25,207	24,830	25,207	
Subsidiary	-	-	25	25	
Loans and advances due after twelve months	1,089,819	1,031,546	1,089,819	1,031,546	
Total non-current assets	1,131,654	1,074,248	1,131,679	1,074,273	
Total assets	2,071,772	1,977,623	2,071,467	1,977,321	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Current liabilities					
Deposits and savings accounts of customers	1,740,458	1,630,041	1,741,191	1,630,770	
Other liabilities	17,367	16,135	16,898	15,652	
SPRING loans due within twelve months (unsecured)	3,467	4,947	3,467	4,947	
Provision for employee benefits	231	219	231	219	
Current tax payable	2,136	2,713	2,136	2,713	
Total current liabilities	1,763,659	1,654,055	1,763,923	1,654,301	
Non-current liabilities					
SPRING loans due after twelve months (unsecured)	3,539	3,667	3,539	3,667	
Deferred tax liabilities	983	4,194	943	4,158	
Total non-current liabilities	4,522	7,861	4,482	7,825	
Total liabilities	1,768,181	1,661,916	1,768,405	1,662,126	
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company					
Share capital	180,008	180,008	180,008	180,008	
Reserves	123,583	135,699	123,054	135,187	
Total equity	303,591	315,707	303,062	315,195	
Total liabilities and equity	2,071,772	1,977,623	2,071,467	1,977,321	
OFF BALANCE SHEET ITEMS					
Undrawn loan commitments	561,334	558,922	561,334	558,922	
Guarantees Issued	3,784	3,734	3,784	3,734	
Total off-balance sheet items	565,118	562,656	565,118	562,656	
2(b) Net asset value per ordinary share (\$)	1.93	2.00	1.92	2.0	

The net asset value per ordinary share of the Group and of the Company is calculated based on the net assets of the Group and of the Company and the number of ordinary shares in issue of 157,625,764 (31 December 2012: 157,625,764) shares.



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	2013	2012
	\$'000	\$'000
Operating activities		
Profit before income tax	13,411	15,682
Adjustments for:	- ,	-,
Impact of accrual of interest income	42	(5)
Impact of accrual of interest expense	468	2,473
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	817	1,064
Depreciation of investment properties	377	377
Allowances for impairment losses on loans and advances	285	379
Dividends	(127)	-
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital	15,273	19,970
Changes in working capital		
Other assets	316	16
Loans and advances	(124,067)	(244,049)
Statutory deposit with the MAS	(4,459)	(5,175
Deposits and savings accounts of customers	110,417	251,536
Other liabilities	764	(1,645
SPRING loans	(1,608)	(3,786)
Provision for employee benefits	12	(5)
Cash (used in) generated from operating activities	(3,352)	16,862
Income taxes paid	(2,521)	(4,766)
Net cash (used in) from operating activities	(5,873)	12,096
Investing activities		
Purchase of investments	(28,985)	(22,574)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and investment properties	(327)	(413)
Proceeds from disposal of investments	-	3,000
Dividends received	119	-
Net cash used in investing activities	(29,193)	(19,987)
Financing activities		
Dividends paid	(7,881)	(7,356)
Net proceeds from Rights Issue		62,809
Net cash (used in) generated from financing activities	(7,881)	55,453
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(42,947)	47,562
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	268,615	221,053
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	225,668	268,615

### 3 Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 December 2013



### 4 Statements of Changes in Equity

	Share capital	Statutory reserve	Fair value reserve	Accumulated profits	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 January 2012	117,199	73,212	16,014	34,916	241,341
Total comprehensive income for the year					
Profit for the year Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	- 4,217	14,696	14,696 4,217
Total		-	4,217		18,913
Transfer from accumulated profits to statutory reserve	-	7,347	-	(7,347)	-
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity lssue of rights shares	62,809	-	-	-	62,809
Final one-tier tax exempt dividend paid for				(7.256)	(7 256)
financial year 2011 of 7 cents per share	62,809	-	-	(7,356) (7,356)	(7,356) 55,453
Balance at 31 December 2012	180,008	80,559	20,231	34,909	315,707
Total comprehensive income for the year					
Profit for the year	-	-	-	11,463	11,463
Other comprehensive loss for the year Total	-		<u>(15,698)</u> (15,698)	 11,463	<u>(15,698)</u> (4,235)
Transfer from accumulated profits to statutory			(10,000)	11,400	(4,200)
reserve	-	5,732	-	(5,732)	-
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity					
Final one-tier tax exempt dividend paid					
for financial year 2012 of 5 cents per share	-	-	-	(7,881)	(7,881)
Balance at 31 December 2013	180,008	86,291	4,533	32,759	303,591
Company					
Balance at 1 January 2012 Total comprehensive income for the year	117,199	73,212	15,865	34,584	240,860
Profit for the year	-	-	-	14,694	14,694
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	4,188	-	4,188
Total	-	-	4,188	14,694	18,882
Transfer from accumulated profits to statutory reserve Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity	-	7,347	-	(7,347)	-
lssue of rights shares Final one-tier tax exempt dividend paid for	62,809	-	-	-	62,809
financial year 2011 of 7 cents per share	-	-	-	(7,356)	(7,356)
Total Balance at 31 December 2012	62,809 <b>180,008</b>	- 80,559	20,053	(7,356) <b>34,575</b>	55,453 <b>315,195</b>
Total comprehensive income for the year	100,000	00,000	20,000	04,070	010,100
Profit for the year	-	-	-	11,463	11,463
Other comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	(15,715)	-	(15,715)
Total	-	-	(15,715)	11,463	(4,252)
Transfer from accumulated profits to statutory		E 720		(5 7 2 2 )	
reserve Transactions with owners, recognised directly in	-	5,732	-	(5,732)	-
equity					
Final one-tier tax exempt dividend paid					
for financial year 2012 of 5 cents per share	-	-	-	(7,881)	(7,881)
Balance at 31 December 2013	180,008	86,291	4,338	32,425	303,062



### **5** Accounting Policies and Comparative Figures

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRSs").

In the current financial year, the Group has adopted all the new and revised FRSs and Interpretations of FRSs ('INT FRS") that are relevant to its operations and effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013. The adoption of these new/revised FRSs and INT FRSs does not result in changes to the Group's and Company's accounting policies and has no material impact on the amounts reported for the current or prior years.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted in the financial statements are consistent with those applied in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012.

### 6 Review of Performance

Net loan assets grew 8.7% to \$1,547.1 million as at 31 December 2013 compared to \$1,423.3 million as at 31 December 2012. In tandem with the increase in loan assets, deposits and savings accounts of customers increased by 6.8% to \$1,740.5 million as at 31 December 2013.

The Group registered a profit after tax of \$11.5 million for the financial year ended 31 December 2013, a decline of 22% from \$14.7 million a year ago. The decline was mainly due to the higher operating expenses and income tax expense recorded as compared to the previous year.

Despite an increase in the loans base, net interest income and hiring charges declined by 0.1% due to the continual compression of interest margin. Interest income and hiring charges, driven primarily by higher loan balances, increased 6.1%. However, this was more than offset by a 19.3% increase in interest expense from a higher deposit base and rates.

Operating expenses increased by 14.2% due to an increase in business costs and reversal of staff costs in the previous year due to overprovision.

Net allowance for loan losses decreased marginally to \$0.3 million, from \$0.4 million a year ago. The Group continues to maintain adequate individual and collective impairment allowances in respect of its loan portfolio.

There was a write-back of about \$0.1 million from over-provisions of tax in respect of prior years as compared to a write-back of \$1.9 million in the previous year.

There was a decline in the fair value of available-for-sale financial assets under Other Comprehensive Income, mainly from revaluation of Singapore Government Securities ("SGS"). The drop in value was due to the announcement of the US Federal Reserve's tapering of bond purchases which would commence in January 2014 and the expected interest rate hike which led to a sell-off of bonds. The Group purchases SGS as part of its liquid assets for purpose of maintaining the minimum liquid assets required under the Finance Companies' Act.

In the opinion of the Directors, no item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature has arisen which is likely to affect substantially the results of the operations of the Group and the Company in the interval between the end of financial year and the date of this report.

### 7 Comments on Significant Trends and Competitive Conditions in the Industry

Based on the advance estimates released by the Ministry of Trade and Industry on 2 January 2014, the Singapore economy grew by 4.4% on a year-on-year basis in the fourth quarter of 2013 compared to 5.95% in the previous quarter. For 2013, the economy is estimated to have grown by 3.7%.

Global recovery is expected to strengthen into 2014. The pick-up in the US economy and the Eurozone recovery should bode well for the externally-oriented sectors. However, uncertainties remain as the continued tapering of the US stimulus and reversal of capital flows from the emerging markets are likely to adversely impact the financial markets. While the outlook for Asia remains positive, problems and tensions persist in Northeast Asia, and disputes



over the South China Sea continue to pose challenges in Southeast Asia. The domestic challenges of economic restructuring, tight labour market and elevated costs will remain key challenges for Singapore companies in the year ahead.

Against this backdrop, we expect the operating environment to continue to be challenging and competitive. Loan growth is expected to continue to moderate from the property cooling measures and car financing restrictions. Nevertheless, the Group will continue to prudently grow our loan portfolio and effectively manage our operating costs.

### 8 Dividends

The Board of Directors is pleased to recommend a first and final dividend of 5 cents per share one-tier tax exempt in respect of the financial year 2013 for approval by the shareholders at the next Annual General Meeting.

	Latest Year (2013)	Previous Year (2012)
Name of Dividend	First and final	First and final
Dividend Type	Cash	Cash
Dividend	5 cents per share one-	5 cents per share one-tier
	tier tax exempt	tax exempt

### a) Total Annual Dividend

	<u>Latest Year (2013)</u> <u>\$'000</u>	<u>Previous Year (2012)</u> <u>\$'000</u>
Ordinary	\$7,881	\$7,881
Preference	_	-
Total	\$7,881	\$7,881

### b) Date Payable

Subject to approval by the shareholders at the next Annual General Meeting and to be announced at a later date.

### c) Books closure date

Subject to approval by the shareholders at the next Annual General Meeting and to be announced at a later date.

9 Changes in the Company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for other purpose since the end of the previous period reported.

There has been no change in the Company's share capital arising from the above issues.

As at the end of the financial year, there were no outstanding convertibles (31 December 2012: Nil).

### 10 Status on the use of proceeds raised from IPO and any offerings pursuant to Chapter 8 of the SGX Listing Manual and whether the use of the proceeds is in accordance with the stated use.

No proceeds have been raised from any offerings pursuant to Chapter 8 of the SGX Listing Manual since the end of the previous period.



### 11 Sales, transfers, disposal, cancellation and /or use of treasury shares as at the end of the financial period.

### Nil (31 December 2012: Nil).

### 12 Shareholders' mandate for interested party transactions ("IPT")

The Group has not sought any shareholders' mandate for IPTs pursuant to Rule 920 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual nor does it have any IPTs. (31 December 2012: Nil)

### 13 Comparative Figures of the Group's Borrowings and Debt Securities

	<u>As at 31/12/2013</u>		<u>As at 31/12/201</u>	
	Secured	<u>Unsecured</u>	Secured	<u>Unsecured</u>
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand	-	3,467	-	4,947
Amount repayable after one year	-	3,539	-	3,667

### **14 Other Information**

(a) Income of the Group is derived primarily from financing business and related nominee services. The Group operates in Singapore only.

	<u>2013</u> \$'000	<u>2012</u> \$'000	Increase / (Decrease) %
Interest income and hiring charges reported for first half year	23,299	21,542	8.16
Interest income and hiring charges reported for second half year	23,736	22,797	4.12
Operating profit reported for first half year	4,928	6,429	(23.35)
Operating profit reported for second half year	6,535	8,267	(20.95)

- (b) Amount of any adjustment for under or overprovision of tax in respect of prior years - Adjustment for overprovision of tax \$115,913 (2012: \$1,862,795)
- (c) Amount of any pre-acquisition profits Nil (2012: Nil)
- (d) Amount of profits on any sale of investments, property, plant and equipment - Profit on sale of property, plant and equipment - Nil (2012: Nil) - Profit on sale of investments - Nil (2012: Nil)



# 15 Disclosure of person occupying a managerial position in the issuer or any of its subsidiaries who is a relative of a Director or Chief Executive Officer or Substantial Shareholder of the issuer pursuant to Rule 704(13)

Name	Age	Family relationship with any director and/or substantial shareholder	Current position and duties and the year the position was first held	Details of changes in duties and position held, if any, during the year
Lee Sze Leong	55	<ul> <li>Director/shareholder of F H Lee Holdings Pte Ltd, substantial shareholder.</li> <li>Son of Lee Fee Huang, substantial shareholder.</li> <li>Brother of :</li> <li>Lee Sze Siong (Deputy Managing Director &amp; substantial shareholder)</li> <li>Lee Sze Hao and Lee Yit (substantial shareholders)</li> </ul>	Chairman & Managing Director/CEO. Year Appointed: 1997 Oversees the operations of the company.	Nil
Lee Sze Siong	52	<ul> <li>Director/shareholder of F H Lee Holdings Pte Ltd, substantial shareholder.</li> <li>Son of Lee Fee Huang, substantial shareholder.</li> <li>Brother of :</li> <li>Lee Sze Leong (Chairman &amp; Managing Director/substantial shareholder)</li> <li>Lee Sze Hao and Lee Yit (substantial shareholders)</li> </ul>	Deputy Managing Director Year Appointed: 2010 Assists the Managing Director/CEO in overseeing the operations of the company.	Nil

By order of the Board

Lee Sze Leong Chairman 10 February 2014



### **Directors' Confirmation**

The Directors confirm that, to the best of their knowledge, nothing has come to the attention of the Board of Directors which may render the Group's audited financial results and the Company's statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2013 to be false or misleading.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

Lee Sze Leong Chairman 10 February 2014

### The auditors' report on the full financial statements of Sing Investments & Finance Limited for the financial year ended 31 December 2013 is as follows:

### "INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To: Members of Sing Investments & Finance Limited

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Sing Investments & Finance Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiary (the "Group"), which comprise the statements of financial position of the Group and the Company as at 31 December 2013, and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows of the Group and the statement of changes in equity of the Company for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act (the "Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair profit and loss accounts and balance sheets and to maintain accountability of assets.

### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers the internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



### Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and of the Company as at 31 December 2013 and of the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group and changes in equity of the Company for the year ended on that date.

### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company and by the subsidiary incorporated in Singapore of which we are the auditors have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Deloitte & Touche LLP Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants Singapore

Date: 10 February 2014