
**APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT THE UPDATED TRADING
RESUMPTION PROPOSAL
– RECEIPT OF NO OBJECTION LETTER FROM THE SGX-ST**

The board of directors (the “**Board**” or “**Directors**”) of Astaka Holdings Limited (the “**Company**” and together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) refers to the Company’s announcement dated 18 July 2022 (the “**Announcement**”), in relation to, *inter alia*, the Company’s application to the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the “**SGX-ST**”) for an extension of time of up to 30 September 2023 (the “**Extended Deadline**”) to comply with Rule 1304(1) of the SGX-ST Listing Manual Section B: Rules of Catalist (the “**Catalist Rules**”) to submit the Updated Trading Resumption Proposal (the “**Waiver**” or “**Extension of Time**”).

Unless otherwise defined, all capitalised terms shall bear the same meanings as ascribed to them in the Announcement.

1. GRANT OF EXTENSION OF TIME

The Board wishes to inform shareholders of the Company (the “**Shareholders**”) that the SGX-ST had on 19 August 2022, through the Sponsor, informed the Company, that based on the Company’s submissions and representations to the SGX-ST, the SGX-ST has no objection to the Company’s application for the Waiver, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) the Company making an announcement of the Extension of Time granted by the SGX-ST, disclosing the reasons for seeking the Extension of Time as soon as practicable as required under Catalist Rule 106. The announcement should also set out the key milestones and expected timeline leading to the submission of the Updated Trading Resumption Proposal by the Extended Deadline;
- (b) submission of a written confirmation from the Company that it is not aware of any information that will have a material bearing on investors’ decision which has yet to be announced by the Company;
- (c) submission of a written confirmation from the Company that the Extension of Time does not contravene any laws and regulations governing the Company and the articles of association of the Company (the confirmation in this paragraph and in paragraph (b) above, collectively, the “**Confirmations**”); and
- (d) regular and detailed monthly updates to the SGX-ST and Shareholders via SGXNET on the Company’s operations and progress in meeting key milestones for submission of the Updated Trading Resumption Proposal to the SGX-ST (the “**Monthly Updates**”),

(each a “**Waiver Condition**” and collectively, the “**Waiver Conditions**”).

The Waiver will not be effective if any of the Waiver Conditions have not been fulfilled.

2. REASONS FOR SEEKING THE EXTENSION OF TIME

As mentioned in the Announcement, the Extension of Time was sought in view of the following:

- (a) The Company notes that the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Group for the three months period ended 31 March 2022 (“**3M2022**”), which was announced on 28 April 2022, showed an improvement of the Group’s financial performance and position, compared to the corresponding period in 2021 (“**3M2021**”). In particular, the Group recognised a net profit of approximately RM10.0 million in 3M2022, as compared to a net loss of approximately RM6.3 million in 3M2021. In addition, the Group had recorded an increase of net current assets from approximately RM75.5 million as at 31 December 2021 to approximately RM85.1 million as at 31 March 2022.
- (b) The Group’s financial performance was adversely affected in FY2021 due to the Covid-19 situation in Malaysia which had led to, among others, the various movement control orders implemented by the Malaysia government since March 2020, the nationwide “total lockdown” imposed by the Malaysian government since June 2021 and the introduction of the four-phase National Recovery Plan where the Group was only able to resume its operations in full in October 2021.

Following the full reopening of all economic sectors in Malaysia in October 2021 and the lifting of the border control in Malaysia since November 2021, the Group has been stepping up on its marketing efforts to seize the opportunities in the property market in Johor, Malaysia through (i) the launch of new show units and organising of live unboxing and festive events to sustain market awareness and promote property units, and (ii) various sales packages and promotions, including special rebates and discounts to sell its property units to capture the demand in view of the positive market sentiment in the property market.

In tandem with the recovering economic climate, the Malaysian authorities have opened its international borders on 1 April 2022, and the Group has encountered more prospective foreign home seekers (in particular, Singaporeans) who participated in the Group’s roadshows for the property units of the Group’s 2 main property development projects, namely, The Astaka @ One Bukit Senyum and Bukit Pelali @ Pengerang. In addition, the Group has seen a surge of enquiries for its property units from the prospective local home seekers.

Accordingly, the Board and the management of the Company (the “**Management**”) is hopeful that in tandem with the recovering economic climate, the demand for the Group’s property units will improve over the next 6 to 12 months and will be beneficial to the Group’s property development business, including but not limited to, the joint venture with Straits Perkasa Services Sdn. Bhd. in relation to the development of a parcel of land on Mukim Tebrau, Tempat Taman Setia Indah, Daerah Johor Bahru, Negeri Johor (the “**SPSS Project**”), as the Group will be able to expand its property development portfolio and increase its revenue. Further details of the SPSS Project are set out in the Company’s announcement dated 20 April 2022.

- (c) In view of the foregoing, the Board is of the view that the Extension of Time would allow the Group more time to execute its business plans and sell its property units over the next few months, and the Group would be able to sustain its improved financial

performance for FY2022 to further demonstrate to the SGX-ST that its business is able to generate operating cashflow to support its ongoing working capital needs. Accordingly, the Company's application to the SGX-ST to lift the Voluntary Suspension would be further enhanced and strengthened.

In addition, the Extension of Time would provide sufficient time for the Management to demonstrate meaningful progress in the business operations so as to, amongst others, adequately address any perceived issues pertaining to the business viability and going concern of the Group after the lifting of the Voluntary Suspension which would form an essential part of the Updated Resumption Proposal to be submitted to the SGX-ST by 30 September 2023.

3. KEY MILESTONES AND EXPECTED TIMELINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE UPDATED TRADING RESUMPTION PROPOSAL

The key milestones and expected timeline leading to the submission of the Updated Trading Resumption Proposal by the Extended Deadline are set out below:

S/N	Milestone(s)	Targeted Timeline
1.	EGM for Master Supplemental Agreement with JBB Builders Sdn. Bhd.	October 2022
2.	Fulfilment of Conditions Precedent to Joint Development Agreement with Straits Perkasa Services Sdn. Bhd. This is subject to liaison and feedback from the respective government authority agencies.	October 2022 <i>*Subject to automatic extension of three (3) months, till January 2023</i>
3.	Finalisation and release of unaudited 3QFY2022 results	Mid-November 2022
4.	Finalisation and release of unaudited FY2022 results	End-February 2023
5.	Finalisation and release of audited FY2022 results	Mid-April 2023
6.	Finalisation and release of unaudited 1QFY2023 results	Mid-May 2023
7.	Completion of the proposed disposal of land at One Bukit Senyum	July 2023
8.	Finalisation and release of unaudited 2QFY2023 results	Mid-August 2023
9.	Finalisation and submission of Updated Trading Resumption Proposal	September 2023

4. CONFIRMATIONS FROM THE BOARD

Pursuant to the Waiver Conditions as set out in paragraphs 1(b) and 1(c) above, the Company has on the date hereof submitted the Confirmations to the SGX-ST.

The Company further confirms that the Waiver Condition as set out in paragraph 1(d) above will be fulfilled by the Company through the Monthly Updates to the SGX-ST and the Shareholders via SGXNet.

5. FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Board and the Management will, in discussion with the Sponsor, work towards the submission of the Updated Trading Resumption Proposal in a timely manner. In addition to the Monthly Updates, the Company will also make further announcement(s) to update the Shareholders as may be necessary or appropriate.

The Company will also make an immediate disclosure via SGXNet if it is / will be in contravention of any laws and regulations governing the Company and the articles of association of the Company arising from the Waiver.

By Order of the Board

Khong Chung Lun
Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

23 August 2022

This announcement has been prepared by the Company and reviewed by the Company's sponsor, Novus Corporate Finance Pte. Ltd. (the "**Sponsor**"), in compliance with Rule 226(2)(b) of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "**SGX-ST**") Listing Manual Section B: Rules of Catalyst.

This announcement has not been examined or approved by the SGX-ST and the SGX-ST assumes no responsibility for the contents of this announcement, including the correctness of any of the statements or opinions made, or reports contained in this announcement.

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