



# **TIMELESS SOFTWARE LIMITED**

*(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)*

**(Stock code: 8028)**

## **RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT**

**For the quarter ended 31 December 2005**

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The Board of Directors (“Board”) of Timeless Software Limited (“Company”) is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (“Group”) for the three and nine months ended 31 December 2005 together with the comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding periods in 2004 as follows:

### Condensed Consolidated Income Statements

For the three and nine months ended 31 December 2005

	Notes	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December		(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December	
		2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Turnover		650	776	3,022	2,704
Other income		38,405	588	40,959	775
Cost of computer software and hardware sold		(4)	(25)	(696)	(25)
Staff costs		(2,648)	(2,803)	(9,163)	(9,527)
Depreciation and amortisation		(2,243)	(3,483)	(6,884)	(10,379)
Other expenses		(1,978)	(1,580)	(5,535)	(5,380)
Impairment in value of available-for-sale financial assets		—	—	(1,187)	—
Impairment in value of investment securities		—	—	—	(129)
Profit(loss) from operations		32,182	(6,527)	20,516	(21,961)
Finance costs		(395)	(143)	(736)	(434)
Share of results of associates		(395)	(884)	(1,427)	(15,942)
Share of results of jointly controlled entities		(620)	426	(4,165)	(3,061)
Profit(loss) before taxation		30,772	(7,128)	14,188	(41,398)
Taxation	3	—	—	—	—
Profit(loss) for the period		<u>30,772</u>	<u>(7,128)</u>	<u>14,188</u>	<u>(41,398)</u>
Profit(loss) attributable to:					
Equity holders of the Company		30,804	(7,126)	14,361	(41,387)
Minority interests		(32)	(2)	(173)	(11)
		<u>30,772</u>	<u>(7,128)</u>	<u>14,188</u>	<u>(41,398)</u>
Earnings(loss) per share	4				
- Basic		<u>3.01 cents</u>	<u>(0.72) cents</u>	<u>1.41 cents</u>	<u>(4.17) cents</u>
- Diluted		<u>2.99 cents</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>1.40 cents</u>	<u>N/A</u>

## Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the nine months ended 31 December 2005

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company								
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	Share capital	Share premium	Share options reserve	Goodwill reserve	Translation reserve	Deficit	Total	Minority interests	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 April 2004	49,503	629,932	—	(9,080)	—	(460,681)	209,674	2,360	212,034
Issue of shares	248	358	—	—	—	—	606	—	606
Expenses incurred in connection with the issue of shares	—	(11)	—	—	—	—	(11)	—	(11)
Loss for the period	—	—	—	—	—	(41,387)	(41,387)	(11)	(41,398)
At 31 December 2004	49,751	630,279	—	(9,080)	—	(502,068)	168,882	2,349	171,231
At 1 April 2005	50,474	630,625	—	—	—	(543,159)	137,940	6,787	144,727
Exchange differences arising from translation of financial statements of overseas operations recognised directly in equity	—	—	—	—	777	—	777	—	777
Profit(loss) for the period	—	—	—	—	—	14,361	14,361	(173)	14,188
Total recognised income and expense for the period	—	—	—	—	777	14,361	15,138	(173)	14,965
Issue of shares	753	340	—	—	—	—	1,093	—	1,093
Expenses incurred in connection with the issue of shares	—	(10)	—	—	—	—	(10)	—	(10)
Recognition of equity settled share-based payments	—	—	1,020	—	—	—	1,020	—	1,020
	753	330	1,020	—	—	—	2,103	—	2,103
At 31 December 2005	51,227	630,955	1,020	—	777	(528,798)	155,181	6,614	161,795

## Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

For the nine months ended 31 December 2005

### 1. Basis of preparation

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Chapter 18 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“GEM Listing Rules”) and complied with all applicable accounting standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the “HKICPA”).

### 2. Principal accounting policies

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair values, as appropriate.

The accounting policies used in the condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the annual financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2005 except as described below.

In the period under review, the Group has applied, for the first time, a number of new Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (“HKFRSs”), Hong Kong Accounting Standards (“HKASs”) and Interpretations (hereinafter collectively referred to as “new HKFRSs”) issued by the HKICPA that are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005. The application of the new HKFRSs has resulted in the change in presentation of income statement, balance sheet and the statement of changes in equity. In particular, the presentation of minority interests has been changed. The adoption of the new HKFRSs has resulted in changes to the Group’s accounting policies in the following areas:

- (i) HKFRS 2 “Share-based payment”
- (ii) HKFRS 5 “Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations”
- (iii) HKAS 32 “Financial instruments : disclosure and presentation”
- (iv) HKAS 39 “Financial instruments : recognition and measurement”

#### Summary of the effects of the changes in accounting policies

The effects of the changes in the accounting policies described above on the results for the period under review are as follows:

	<b>Nine months ended 31 December 2005</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>
Expenses in relation to share options granted to employees and decrease in profit for the period under review	1,020

The cumulative effects of the application of the new HKFRSs as at 31 March 2005 and 1 April 2005 are summarised below:

	<b>31 March 2005</b>	<b>Adjustment</b>	<b>1 April 2005</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	<i>(originally stated)</i>		<i>(restated)</i>
<u>Balance sheet items</u>			
Property, plant and equipment ( <i>note a</i> )	131,370	(120,872)	10,498
Available-for-sale financial assets ( <i>note b</i> )	—	1,234	1,234
Investments in securities ( <i>note b</i> )	1,234	(1,234)	—
Non-current assets classified as held for sale ( <i>note a</i> )	—	120,872	120,872
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Notes:

- (a) In accordance with HKFRS 5, the property was reclassified as an asset held for sale.
- (b) Upon the adoption of HKAS 39, the investments in securities were reclassified as available-for-sale financial assets.

### 3. Taxation

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made in the financial statements as the Group had no assessable profit for the period.

### 4. Earnings(loss) per share

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings(loss) per share is based on the following data:

	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Nine months ended</b>	
	<b>31 December</b>		<b>31 December</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
Profit(loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company for the purposes of basic and diluted earnings(loss) per share	<u>HK\$30,804,000</u>	<u>HK\$(7,126,000)</u>	<u>HK\$14,361,000</u>	<u>HK\$(41,387,000)</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings(loss) per share	1,024,281,503	993,307,373	1,021,194,229	991,823,656
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares in respect of share options	<u>5,296,819</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>6,910,482</u>	<u>3,527,113</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings(loss) per share	<u>1,029,578,322</u>	<u>993,807,373</u>	<u>1,028,104,711</u>	<u>995,350,769</u>

No diluted loss per share for the three months and nine months ended 31 December 2004 have been presented as the share options granted by the Company are anti-dilutive.

## **Interim Dividend**

The Board does not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the nine months ended 31 December 2005 (2004: Nil).

## **Business Review and Outlook**

The directors continued to take a conservative approach for accounting purposes and a stringent view on recognising revenue was still being adopted especially for contracts of relatively longer term in nature in Mainland China. The net profit attributable to equity holders for the nine month period ended 31 December 2005 was approximately HK\$ 14.4 million (2004: a net loss of approximately HK\$41.4 million). The net profit was mainly attributable to the following:—

1. The written back of allowance for other receivables of approximately HK\$2.2 million and gain on disposal of certain properties of approximately HK\$37.8 million which were included as other income;
2. The reduction in amortisation of the leasehold land and building in respect of the Group's headquarters at The Center of approximately HK\$2.1 million as a result of adoption of new HKFRS 5 "Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations"; and
3. The decrease in the share of losses of associates to approximately HK\$1.4 million for the current period from the previous corresponding period of approximately HK\$15.9 million.

For the period under review, turnover was approximately HK\$3 million, an increase of 11.8% from HK\$2.7 million in the corresponding period in previous year. The Group had adopted HKFRS 2 "Share-based Payment" to account for its share options in the period under review and recognised an amount of share option expense of approximately HK\$1 million in staff costs. Further impairment in value of investment securities of approximately HK\$1.2 million was classified as impairment in value of available-for-sale financial assets.

Subsequent to the issue on 10 November 2005 of the Company's Quarterly Report for the quarter ended 30 September 2005, further progress has been made in respect of the disposal of the Group's property at 79/F, The Center. In the current period, the disposal had been completed at the end of December 2005 and the Group recognised a gain on such disposal of approximately HK\$36.2 million.

Following the completion of disposal of the above property, the Group is now in a much strengthened financial position to implement more aggressive marketing strategies in promoting the technologies and benefits of the Timeless Consolidated Platform and in expanding markets and product lines. In particular, the Group will continue to focus on high technology content areas such as digital broadcasting, multimedia message streaming, three dimensional geographic information delivery and collaborative remote-network security monitoring.

## **Purchase, Sale or Redemption of the Company's Listed Securities**

During the period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

On behalf of the Board

**Cheng Kin Kwan**

*Chairman & Chief Executive Officer*

Hong Kong, 8 February 2006

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Cheng Kin Kwan (Chairman), Mr. Law Kwai Lam, Mr. Chung Yiu Fai, Ms. Leung Mei Sheung Eliza, Ms. So Mi Ling Winnie, Ms. Zheng Ying Yu, Mr. Fung Chun Pong Louis and Mr. Liao Yun; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Ng Kwok Tung, Ms. Tsang Wai Chun Marianna and Mr. Chan Mei Ying Spencer.*

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