

## GALAXY ENTERTAINMENT GROUP REPORTS SELECTED UNAUDITED Q3 2014 FINANCIAL DATA

# GROUP ADJUSTED EBITDA OF \$3.3 BILLION, UP 1% YEAR-ON-YEAR DESPITE CHALLENGING ENVIRONMENT

GALAXY MACAU<sup>TM</sup> PHASE 2 ON SCHEDULE AND ON BUDGET TO COMPLETE AS THE NEXT MAJOR PROJECT IN MACAU BY MID-2015

## FAMILY FRIENDLY GRAND WALDO COMPLEX ON SCHEDULE TO REOPEN IN EARLY 2015

#### \$3 BILLION SPECIAL DIVIDEND PAID IN JULY 2014

Hong Kong, 11 November 2014 – Galaxy Entertainment Group Limited ("GEG" or "the Group") (HKEx stock code: 27) today reported selected unaudited 2014 third quarter financial data for the three month period ended 30 September 2014.

#### THIRD QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS

#### **GEG: Delivering Growth Despite Challenging Conditions**

- Revenue of \$17.3 billion, an increase of 6% year-on-year
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$3.3 billion, an increase of 1% year-on-year

#### **GEG: Returning Surplus Capital To Shareholders During The Quarter**

- Paid special dividend of \$0.70 per share to shareholders on 31 July 2014
- Announced the establishment of the \$1.3 billion GEG Foundation on 4 July 2014

#### Galaxy Macau™: Delivers Robust Performance

- Year-on-year revenue increase of 11% to \$11.1 billion
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$2.4 billion, up 4% year-on-year

#### StarWorld Macau: Earnings Directionally In Line Year-on-Year

- Year-on-year revenue increase of 0.5% to \$5.7 billion
- Adjusted EBITDA at \$904 million, down 0.7% year-on-year

## Development Update: Advancing Galaxy Macau™ Phase 2; Game Changer For GEG's Hotel, Retail And Leisure Offer

- Galaxy Macau<sup>™</sup> Phase 2 Remains on budget and on schedule to complete by mid-2015
- Cotai Phases 3 & 4 Site investigation works for the \$50-\$60 billion resort due to commence shortly
- Grand Waldo Complex Target to unveil conceptual plans in January 2015 and re-launch in early 2015
- Hengqin Island Continued development of resort conceptual plans for the 2.7 sq km land parcel
- International Continuously exploring opportunities in overseas markets, primarily in Asia

#### **Balance Sheet: Remains Well Capitalised and Liquid**

- Cash on hand at 30 September 2014 of \$11.5 billion
- Virtually debt free with a net cash position of \$11.2 billion

#### **Subsequent Event:**

 Paid another special dividend of \$0.45 per share or approximately \$1.9 billion to shareholders on 31 October 2014



#### Dr. Lui Che Woo, Chairman of GEG said:

"Our results represent a strong performance in the face of strong macro headwinds, underlining the enduring appeal of our properties and management's rigorous focus on growing revenues and driving efficiencies across the business.

During the quarter we completed our 10<sup>th</sup> year of operation in Macau and to celebrate we announced the establishment of the GEG Foundation. The Foundation primarily aims to educate and empower young people in Macau and on the Mainland.

We are pleased that both of our flagship properties performed well in the period. Galaxy  $Macau^{TM}$  delivered solid financial results, and StarWorld Macau's EBITDA performance was in line with the same quarter last year and ahead of the previous quarter.

We remain very optimistic about Macau's medium to longer term prospects and excited that Galaxy Macau<sup>™</sup> Phase 2 is on schedule to complete on time and on budget by mid-2015. It will significantly increase the property's inventory of five star luxury hotel rooms and its high-end retail and leisure space, strengthening Galaxy Macau<sup>™</sup>'s status as a first choice destination for discerning, higher value customers.

The redevelopment on the Grand Waldo Complex is on schedule and we plan to unveil our exciting conceptual plans in January 2015. The emphasis will be Family Friendly leisure and entertainment for the middle-class supported by many local Macau businesses.

Underscoring our continued confidence in the outlook for the Group and for Macau, we paid a special dividend of \$0.70 per share to shareholders on 31 July 2014, and paid another special dividend of \$0.45 per share to shareholders on the 31 October 2014.

As always, I would like to thank our team of 16,000 staff for their commitment to provide customers with a truly memorable experience, by offering the highest quality resort facilities and delivering 'World Class, Asian Heart' service. We believe that this truly differentiates GEG."

#### **Group Financial Results**

The Group posted quarterly revenue of \$17.3 billion, an increase of 6% year-on-year. Adjusted EBITDA increased by 1% in the same period to \$3.3 billion. As of 30 September 2014, the latest twelve months Adjusted EBITDA climbed 22% to \$14.1 billion. The Group's flagship properties achieved solid quarterly performances, with Galaxy Macau™ registering Adjusted EBITDA growth of 4% year-on-year and StarWorld Macau bouncing back quarter-on-quarter with Adjusted EBITDA improving by 10%.

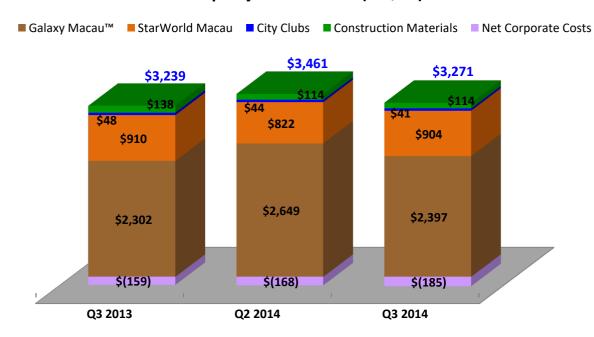
The Group's total gaming revenue for Q3 2014 on a management basis¹ grew a market leading 6.5% year-on-year to \$17.1 billion driven by solid increases in VIP and Mass. Total Mass revenue increased 12% year-on-year to \$4.8 billion while VIP climbed 5% year-on-year to \$11.8 billion. Electronic games also grew 6% year-on-year to \$0.5 billion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The primary difference between statutory revenue and management basis revenue is the treatment of City Clubs revenue where fee income is reported on a statutory basis and gaming revenue is reported on a management basis.



GEG's balance sheet at 30 September 2014 remains well capitalised and liquid, with cash on hand of \$11.5 billion and net cash of \$11.2 billion. GEG had debt of just \$240 million at 30 September 2014.

## **Group Adjusted EBITDA (HK\$'m)**



#### Galaxy Macau™

Galaxy Macau™'s revenue in the third quarter increased by 11% year-on-year to \$11.1 billion and Adjusted EBITDA grew 4% to \$2.4 billion. These good results were driven by robust performances in both the VIP and mass gaming segments, where revenue increased by 12% to \$7.2 billion and by 12% to \$3.1 billion, respectively. Non-gaming revenue increased 3% to \$386 million. Hotel occupancy rates at the property's three five star hotels averaged 99% for the quarter.

Adjusted EBITDA margins under HKFRS and US GAAP for the period ended 30 September 2014 were 22% (Q3 2013: 23%) and 29% (Q3 2013: 31%), respectively. The property generated an impressive latest twelve months Return on Investment (ROI)<sup>2</sup> of 60%.

#### **VIP Gaming**

HK\$'m	Q3 2013	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	QoQ%	YoY%
Turnover	191,140	264,340	224,435	-15%	17%
Net Win	6,473	8,364	7,239	-13%	12%
Win %	3.4%	3.2%	3.2%		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ROI calculated based on the total Adjusted EBITDA for the latest twelve months divided by gross book value through 30 September 2014 including allocated land cost.



### **Mass Gaming**

HK\$'m	Q3 2013	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	QoQ%	YoY%
Table Drop	7,012	6,943	6,842	-1%	-2%
Net Win	2,730	3,020	3,070	2%	12%
Hold %	38.9%	43.5%	44.9%		

#### **Electronic Gaming**

HK\$'m	Q3 2013	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	QoQ%	YoY%
Slots Handle	8,375	8,823	9,325	6%	11%
Net Win	402	384	419	9%	4%
Hold %	4.8%	4.4%	4.5%		

#### StarWorld Macau

StarWorld Macau delivered Adjusted EBITDA of \$904 million, broadly flat on the same period last year and up 10% sequentially. Revenue increased by 0.5% year-on-year to \$5.7 billion. These results were achieved off the back of continuing good growth in the mass gaming segment, where revenue increased by 10% year-on-year to \$1.1 billion, and a solid performance in the VIP segment, which saw a modest 2% reduction in revenue to \$4.4 billion. Hotel occupancy was 99% for the quarter.

Adjusted EBITDA margins under HKFRS and US GAAP for the period ended 30 September 2014 were 16% (Q3 2013: 16%) and 24% (Q3 2013: 26%), respectively. StarWorld Macau reported latest twelve months Return on Investment (ROI) <sup>3</sup> of 108%.

#### **VIP Gaming**

HK\$'m	Q3 2013	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	QoQ%	YoY%
Turnover	169,121	168,460	150,452	-11%	-11%
Net Win	4,500	4,260	4,412	4%	-2%
Win %	2.7%	2.5%	2.9%		

#### **Mass Gaming**

HK\$'m	Q3 2013	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	QoQ%	YoY%
Table Drop	2,829	2,874	2,661	-7%	-6%
Net Win	1,012	1,094	1,116	2%	10%
Hold %	35.4%	37.6%	41.4%		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ROI calculated based on the total Adjusted EBITDA for the latest twelve months divided by gross book value through 30 September 2014 including allocated land cost.



### **Electronic Gaming**

HK\$'m	Q3 2013	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	QoQ%	YoY%
Slots Handle	744	727	682	-6%	-8%
Net Win	44	48	45	-6%	2%
Hold %	5.9%	6.6%	6.6%		

#### **City Clubs and Construction Materials Division**

City Clubs achieved \$41 million of Adjusted EBITDA in the quarter.

The Construction Materials Division reported Adjusted EBITDA of \$114 million, down 17% year-on-year but flat sequentially.

#### **Developing Macau's Largest Development Pipeline**

GEG currently offers approximately a total of 2,700 five-star hotel rooms and has been operating at near maximum occupancy. To meet the expected growth in demand and to provide visitors with a more complete entertainment, retail and food & beverage offer, GEG has ambitious plans to build out the largest development pipeline in the Macau gaming market and the global gaming industry.

Phase 2 of Galaxy Macau<sup>™</sup> will add approximately a further 1,350 five-star hotel rooms targeting higher value customers and will dramatically extend the property's retail offer. We are confident that it will complete by mid-2015 as Macau's next major resort. We are expanding our retail offering to approximately 100,000 square metres and are pleased to report that the space is virtually fully leased and that it has secured world renowned brands where we will be introducing a number of new brands to Macau. GEG expects that the expanded Galaxy Macau<sup>™</sup> will capture a new wave of higher value visitors and believes that it has a distinct advantage in being the first operator to open new capacity in 2015.

The redevelopment on the Grand Waldo Complex is on schedule and we plan to unveil our exciting conceptual plans in January 2015 with the aim to re-launch the Complex in early 2015. The emphasis will be Family Friendly leisure and entertainment for the middle-class. We are particularly pleased that a number of Macau's SMEs will be joining GEG and participating in the success of the Grand Waldo Complex.

For the long term, GEG is set to begin initial works for Cotai Phases 3 & 4 and is advancing conceptual plans for its 2.7 square kilometre land parcel on Hengqin Island.

#### \$1.3 Billion GEG Foundation

To celebrate the Group's 10<sup>th</sup> year in operation, GEG announced the establishment of the GEG Foundation on 4 July 2014. Initially funded with \$300 million and a further commitment of another \$1 billion due later on, the Foundation aims to educate and empower young people in Macau and on the Mainland.



## **Selected Major Awards (January to October 2014)**

	Award	Presenter
	Best Hotel Group Award	Robb Report China's 2014 Best of the Best Awards
	Forbes Asia's Fabulous 50 Companies	Forbes Magazine
	Best Managed Companies in Asia – Gaming	Euromoney Magazine
GEG	Casino Operator of the Year Australia / Asia	International Gaming Awards
	My Favourite Hotel and Resort	U Magazine
	Best Resort of the Year (HK/Macau)	Travel Weekly Magazine and Events Magazine jointly organized – China Travel & Meetings Industry Awards
au™	Best Service Resort Asia	Golden Horse Award of China Hotel
Galaxy Macau™	Top 10 Resort Hotels of China	China Hotel Starlight Awards
Galax	Hurun Report Best of the Best Awards – Luxury Hotel in Macau Star Performer	Hurun Report
	Ranked as "Top Class Comfort"	Michelin Guide Hong Kong Macau 2014
	2014 Certificate of Excellence	TripAdvisor Travelers' Choice Awards
ıcan	Best Service Hotel of the Year	Travel Weekly Magazine and Events Magazine jointly organized – China Travel & Meetings Industry Awards
StarWorld Macau	Best Service Hotel of Asia	Golden Horse Award of China Hotel
StarW	Top 10 Glamorous Hotels of China	China Hotel Starlight Awards



#### **Special Dividends**

Reflecting GEG's confidence in its future prospects and its ability to generate surplus cash, even while developing Macau's largest development pipeline, a special dividend of \$0.70 per share was paid to shareholders on 31 July 2014.

Post period end, GEG paid another special dividend to shareholders of \$0.45 per share on 31 October 2014. Together these special dividends totaled approximately \$5 billion and demonstrate GEG's commitment to returning surplus capital to shareholders.

#### Outlook

GEG continues to be optimistic about its future prospects and those of Macau as a whole. While 2014 has been a more challenging year for the industry, primarily as a result of economic headwinds, the appeal of Macau as a recreational and holiday destination for Mainland Chinese visitors is undiminished. This is illustrated by visitation in the first nine months of the year growing a healthy 7% year-on-year to 23.5 million. Furthermore, the fundamental long term drivers for growth remain unaltered, with major infrastructure works and increasing domestic consumption in Mainland China set to drive substantial visitation growth for many years to come.

With a high quality property portfolio, powerful brand and extensive development pipeline, GEG has a unique platform to attract new higher value customers, drive profitability and selectively returns surplus capital to its shareholders. Phase 2 of Galaxy Macau<sup>™</sup> is on schedule to be the next major resort to complete in Macau by mid-2015. We plan to unveil our exciting conceptual plans for the Grand Waldo Complex in January 2015 with the aim to re-launch the Complex in early 2015. Management is deeply excited by the breadth and scale of the expanded property's offer and is confident it will further fulfil GEG's promise of providing customers with the very best facilities and service of any integrated resort in Macau.

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#### About Galaxy Entertainment Group (HKEx stock code: 27)

Galaxy Entertainment Group Limited ("GEG") is one of Asia's leading gaming and entertainment corporations, and is a member of the Hang Seng Index.

GEG primarily develops and operates hotels, gaming and integrated resort facilities in Macau, the only legal gaming location in China and the largest gaming entertainment market in the world.

The two flagship properties of GEG include Galaxy Macau<sup>™</sup>, a world class integrated destination resort opened in May 2011 at Cotai, and StarWorld Macau, an award-winning property opened in 2006 on the Macau peninsula.

In April 2012, GEG announced the development of Galaxy Macau<sup>™</sup> Phase 2 that will nearly double the size of the existing resort to one million square metres. Upon its targeted completion by mid-2015, Galaxy Macau<sup>™</sup> Phase 2 will bring to Macau some of the most exciting entertainment, leisure, retail and MICE facilities. In December 2012, GEG outlined its concept plans for Phases 3 & 4 of its Cotai landbank and expects to commence site investigation works as early as late 2014.

GEG has entered into a framework agreement with the Hengqin Island authority to develop a 2.7 square kilometre land parcel for a world class destination resort in Hengqin Island. This project will complement GEG's business in Macau and differentiate us from our peers, as well as play a key role in supporting Macau to become a world centre of tourism and leisure.

Additionally, GEG operates a Construction Materials Division.

For more information, please visit www.galaxyentertainment.com.