

21 February 2024

Subject: Management Discussion and Analysis Operating results for the year 2023.

Attention: The President  
The Stock Exchange of Thailand

AIRA Factoring Public Company Limited (“the Company”) would like to submit the Financial Statements ending December 31, 2023 which was reviewed by auditor and Management Discussion and Analysis Review to be compared operating results between the year of 2023 and 2022 together with the Company’s financial status compared between ending December 31, 2023 and ending December 31, 2022 as follows:

#### **Financial Performance Explanation and Analysis**

- **Thai economy and operating effect**

In quarter 4 ,2023 The Thai economy is likely to recover but at a slower rate. This depends on the recovery of the tourism and private consumption will gain further momentum due to the return of tourists, while merchandise exports slowed down but it will better in 2024. At the same time there still uncertainly from higher inflation trends. As a result, the policy interest rate continuously high compared to the previous year. Including the political situation that still higher uncertain.

The company has adjusted its operating strategy and started using Online Factoring System beside of landing E-Factoring system in quarter 4, 2023, which is a service upgrade in line with the development framework used to business growth up (ESG), this will allow for more efficient control over operations.

#### **Performance and Profitability**

During the year of 2023 and 2022, interest income from factoring were 173.62 million Baht and 158.14 million Baht or equivalent to 72.0% and 69.8% of total revenues respectively. Fees and services income were 50.68 million Baht and 47.75 million or 21.0% and 21.1% respectively. Interest received from loans amounted to 15.30 million Baht and 19.42 million Baht or 6.3% and 8.6% respectively. Total revenues were 241.17 million Baht and 226.50 million Baht respectively. Finance costs were 63.45 million Baht and 42.57 million Baht or 26.3% and 18.8% respectively. The Company’s gross profits were 176.74 million Baht and 182.85 million Baht or 73.77% and 81.15% respectively.

During the year of 2023 and 2022, the Company's administrative expenses were 115.16 million Baht and 107.81 million Baht or 47.8% and 47.6% of total revenues. Provision for doubtful account was 53.11 million Baht and 19.35 million Baht respectively or 22.0% and 8.5% of total revenues. The Company have increase of Provision for doubtful account and finance cost because the policy interest rate of banks increased from the same period last year. Resulted to the Net profit during the year of 2023 and 2022 were 6.82 million Baht and 45.26 million Baht respectively.

### **Financial Status as at 31 December 2023**

The Company's total assets as at December 31, 2023 were 2,504.46 million Baht which increased by 120.16 million Baht or 5.0% compared to as at December 31, 2022.

Current assets as at December 31, 2023 were 2,391.04 million Baht which increased by 81.65 million Baht or 3.5% compared to as at December 31, 2022. Largest proportion was Factoring Receivables as at December 31, 2023 were 1,970.78 million Baht or equivalent to 78.7% of total assets.

Non-current assets as at December 31, 2023 were 113.42 million Baht or equivalent to 4.5% of total assets which increased 38.51 million Baht.

Total liabilities as at December 31, 2023 were 1,972.02 million Baht or equivalent to 78.9% of total liabilities and shareholders' equity which increased 113.34 million Baht or 6.1% compared to as at December 31, 2022 as a result of short-term loan from financial institutions which is in line with the increased in assets of loan receivable. Including increased from liabilities under finance lease because the company has moved to a new office.

### **Liquidity and Capital Adequacy**

As at December 31, 2023, shareholder s' equity was 532.44 million Baht or equivalent to 21.3% of total liabilities which increased by 120.16 million Baht or equivalent to 5.0% from the same period last year.

As at December 31, 2023, the Company had current ratio 1.23 and debt to equity 3.70 with an available credit facilities which had not yet been drawn down amounted to 835 million Baht. Indicating the Company has capital and adequacy funding sources, suitable financial structure and liquidity for carry on business operations.

### **Financial Ratios**

The financial ratios were on good ratios. The Company had current ratio 1.23 reflecting good liquidity, Also net profit margin of 2.83%, Return on equity 1.28% and debt to equity 3.70.

### **Commitments and Contingent Liabilities**

The Company has entered into lease agreements in respect of the lease of office building space and service agreements. The terms of the agreements are generally 2 years 3 months.

Future minimum lease payments required under these non-cancellable operating leases.



### Factors which may adversely impact to the performance

- **Credit Risk**

With the nature of factoring credit transactions, this may face the same credit risk as other types of loans. But the factoring transaction is a credit after the delivery of goods and services to the buyer and due to the purchase and reduction of trade receivables, resulting in the right to claim under the law, together with the company has a strict policy and credit control procedures. With a credit consideration process (Underwriting) and monitoring (credit quality) from various data analysis, both for customers and trade receivables, before and after loan approval as well as establishing credit policies as a standard for assessing credit risk. Require credit review for customer and debtors at least once a year, as well as monitoring and improving the credit process all the time to adjust the process to be efficient and suitable for the economic conditions in each period by using technology and database for risk management. Therefore, the quality of credit management is at a good level in the past.

- **Interest Rate Risk**

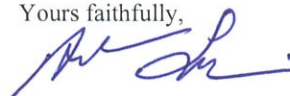
The Company's exposure to interest rate risk relates primarily to its cash at banks, factoring receivables, loans receivable, other receivables, bank overdrafts and short-term loans from financial institutions. The Company mitigates this risk by matching the sources of borrowings with factoring receivables to ensure that the Company maintains an accumulated average spread of interest under the Company's policy. Moreover, the Company analyses the term of interest rate movement of factoring receivables, borrowings and the Company adjusts the interest rate charge to receivables when the interest rate changes. Thus, the Company is flexible in its response to interest rate fluctuations. In addition, since most of the Company's financial assets and liabilities bear floating interest rates or fixed interest rates which are close to the market rate, the interest rate risk is expected to be minimal.

- **Liquidity Risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk due to the company cannot change assets to cash or unable to provide sufficient funds as needed in a timely manner. However, in the past, the company having liquidity management and receiving sufficient and continuous financial support from financial institutions and business partners. Makes it able to support business operations and expand business in the future effectively as well as having a suitable liquidity management between costs and returns Bring continuous good results.

Please be informed accordingly.

Yours faithfully,



(Mr. Akrawit Sooksai)

Director and Chief Executive Officer

