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## **ESSEX BIO-TECHNOLOGY LIMITED**

**億勝生物科技有限公司**

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 1061)**

### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### **CHANGE IN BOARD LOT SIZE**

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Essex Bio-Technology Limited (the “**Company**”) announces that the board lot size of the ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each in the capital of the Company (the “**Shares**”) for trading on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”) will be changed from 4,000 Shares to 1,000 Shares with effect from 9:00 a.m. on Friday, 7 August 2015. The expected time table for such change in board lot size is set out below.

Shareholders of the Company (the “**Shareholders**”) may submit their existing share certificate(s) in board lot of 4,000 Shares each to the Company’s branch share registrar, Hong Kong Registrars Limited, in exchange for new share certificates in board lot of 1,000 Shares each free of charge during business hours from Friday, 24 July 2015 to Monday, 31 August 2015 (both days inclusive).

The Board announces that the board lot size of the Shares for trading on the Stock Exchange will be changed from 4,000 Shares to 1,000 Shares with effect from 9:00 a.m. on Friday, 7 August 2015.

The Shares are currently traded in board lot of 4,000 Shares each and the market value of each board lot of the Shares is HK\$20,400 (based on the closing price of HK\$5.10 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange as at the date of this announcement). Upon the change in board lot size becoming effective, the Shares will be traded in board lot of 1,000 Shares each and the estimated market value per each board lot of the Shares will be HK\$5,100 (based on the closing price of HK\$5.10 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange as at the date of this announcement).

The Board is of the view that the change in board lot size will reduce the value of each board lot and may improve the liquidity of the Shares and enable the Company to attract more investors and broaden its shareholder base. The change in board lot size will not result in any change in the relative rights of the Shareholders. No odd lots of the Shares will be resulted from the aforesaid change in board lot size (other than those already existed before such change becoming effective) and no odd lot arrangement will be made to match the sales and purchases of odd lots. The Board considers that the change in board lot size is in the interest of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

## **EXPECTED TIMETABLE**

The expected timetable for such change in board lot size is set out below:

First day for free exchange of existing share certificates

in board lot of 4,000 Shares each for new share certificates

in board lot of 1,000 Shares each . . . . . Friday, 24 July 2015

Last day for trading of the Shares with old board lot of

4,000 Shares in the original counter . . . . . Thursday, 6 August 2015

Effective date of the change in board lot size

from 4,000 Shares to 1,000 Shares . . . . . Friday, 7 August 2015

Original counter for trading in the Shares in board lot

of 4,000 Shares each becomes counter for trading

in the Shares in board lot of 1,000 Shares . . . . . 9:00 a.m. Friday, 7 August 2015

Temporary counter for trading in the Shares in board

lot of 4,000 Shares each opens . . . . . 9:00 a.m. Friday, 7 August 2015

First day of parallel trading in Shares (in board lot of

1,000 Shares each and board lot of 4,000 Shares each) . . . . . 9:00 a.m. Friday, 7 August 2015

Temporary counter for trading in the Shares in old board

lot of 4,000 Shares each closes . . . . . 4:00 p.m. Thursday, 27 August 2015

Last day of parallel trading in Shares (in board lot of

1,000 Shares each and board lot of 4,000 Shares each) . . . . . 4:00 p.m. Thursday, 27 August 2015

Last day for free exchange of existing share certificates

in board lot of 4,000 Shares each for new share certificates

in board lot of 1,000 Shares each . . . . . 4:30 p.m. Monday, 31 August 2015

## **EXCHANGE OF NEW SHARE CERTIFICATE(S)**

Shareholders may submit their existing share certificate(s) in board lot of 4,000 Shares each to the Company's branch share registrar, Hong Kong Registrars Limited at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, in exchange for new share certificate(s) in board lot of 1,000 Shares each free of charge during the period from 9:00 a.m. Friday, 24 July 2015 to 4:30 p.m. Monday, 31 August 2015 (both days inclusive). Such exchange of share certificate(s) thereafter will be accepted only on payment of a fee of HK\$2.50 (or such higher amount as may from time to time be specified by the Stock Exchange) for each new share certificate in board lot of 1,000 Shares each issued or each existing share certificate submitted, whichever number of share certificate involved is higher. It is expected that the new share certificate(s) will be available for collection from the Company's branch share registrar by the Shareholders within 10 business days after delivery of the existing share certificate(s) to the Company's branch share registrar for exchange purpose.

As from Friday, 7 August 2015, all new share certificates will be issued in board lot of 1,000 Shares each (except for odd lots or where the Company's branch share registrar is otherwise instructed). All existing share certificates in board lot of 4,000 Shares each will continue to be good evidence of legal title to such Shares and be valid for transfer, delivery and settlement purposes. Save and except for the change in the number of Shares for each board lot, the new share certificate(s) will have the same format and colour as the existing share certificates.

By Order of the Board  
**Essex Bio-Technology Limited**  
**Ngiam Mia Je Patrick**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 17 July 2015

*Executive directors of the Company as at the date of this announcement are Mr. Ngiam Mia Je Patrick, Mr. Fang Haizhou and Mr. Zhong Sheng. Independent non-executive directors of the Company as at the date of this announcement are Mr. Fung Chi Ying, Mr. Mauffrey Benoit Jean Marie and Ms. Yeow Mee Mooi.*