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Chongqing Iron & Steel Company Limited **重慶鋼鐵股份有限公司**

(a joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)
(在中華人民共和國註冊成立的股份有限公司)

(Stock Code: 1053)

ANNOUNCEMENT ON ESTIMATED LOSS IN THE INTERIM RESULTS OF 2023

This announcement is made by Chongqing Iron & Steel Company Limited (the “**Company**”) pursuant to Rule 13.09 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”) and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571, Laws of Hong Kong).

IMPORTANT NOTE:

The Company expects that the net loss attributable to the shareholders of the listed company for the first half of 2023 will be approximately RMB435.00 million, representing a year-on-year decrease of net profit of approximately RMB951.42 million, or approximately 184.23%, as compared with that of the corresponding period of the previous year (statutory disclosure); and the net loss excluding non-recurring gains or losses attributable to shareholders of the listed company will be approximately RMB447.00 million, representing a year-on-year decrease of net profit of approximately RMB993.62 million, or approximately 181.78%, as compared with that of the corresponding period of the previous year (statutory disclosure).

I. ESTIMATED RESULTS DURING THE PERIOD

(I) Estimated results period

1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023.

(II) Estimated results

Based on a preliminary estimate by the finance department, the net loss attributable to the shareholders of the listed company for the first half of 2023 is expected to be approximately RMB435.00 million, representing a year-on-year decrease of net profit of approximately RMB951.42 million, or approximately 184.23%, as compared with that of the corresponding period of the previous year (statutory disclosure).

The net loss excluding non-recurring gains or losses attributable to the shareholders of the listed company for the first half of 2023 is expected to be approximately RMB447.00 million, representing a year-on-year decrease of net profit of approximately RMB993.62 million, or approximately 181.78%, as compared with that of the corresponding period of the previous year (statutory disclosure).

(III) The estimated results have not been audited by auditors.

II. RESULTS FOR THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR

(I) Net profit attributable to the shareholders of the listed company: RMB516.416 million. Net profit excluding non-recurring gains or losses attributable to the shareholders of the listed company: RMB546.619 million.

(II) Earnings per share: RMB0.06.

III. MAIN REASONS FOR THE ESTIMATED LOSS IN RESULTS DURING THE PERIOD

In the first half of 2023, the recovery of downstream demand in the iron and steel industry did not meet the expectation, which was mainly attributed to the real estate slump. With a superimposed factor of the easing of raw material supply, a negative feedback was formed in the industry chain, and the price of steel fell sharply while the cost still remained at a high level. The Company was subject to tremendous pressure of the business environment, with shrank profit margins and significant year-on-year decrease in the operating results for the first half of the year.

IV. RISK DISCLOSURE

There are no material uncertainties in the Company that will affect the accuracy of the estimated results.

V. OTHER MATTERS

The foregoing estimated information is a preliminary review only. For the detailed and accurate financial information, the 2023 interim report to be formally disclosed by the Company shall prevail. Investors are advised to make prudent decision and pay attention to the investment risks.

By order of the Board
Chongqing Iron & Steel Company Limited
Zou An
Secretary to the Board

Chongqing, the PRC, 15 July 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Directors of the Company are: Mr. Xie Zhixiong (Executive Director), Mr. Meng Wenwang (Executive Director), Mr. Zou An (Executive Director), Mr. Song De An (Non-executive Director), Mr. Lin Changchun (Non-executive Director), Mr. Zhou Ping (Non-executive Director), Mr. Sheng Xuejun (Independent Non-executive Director), Mr. Zhang Jinruo (Independent Non-executive Director) and Mr. Guo Jiebin (Independent Non-executive Director).