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**SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT AND ITS PARTNER NWS SIGN A PRELIMINARY COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH CHONGQING WATER ASSETS MANAGEMENT CO. IN ORDER TO CREATE A JOINT ENTITY NAMED “DERUN ENVIRONMENT” AIMING AT INVESTING IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL SECTOR**

SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT, through Chongqing Suyu Business Development Company Limited (“Suyu”), a 50/50 joint venture company with NWS Holdings Limited (“NWS”), has signed an investment cooperation agreement with Chongqing Water Assets Management Co., Ltd. (“CWA”), which is a new step forward in the long lasting relationship between the three parties.

Mr. Jean-Louis Chaussade, the CEO of SUEZ environnement, comments: *“This agreement is a turning point in the cooperation between SUEZ environnement, CWA and NWS. SUEZ environnement, which has been present in China for more than 30 years, is determined to further improve the development of the environmental industry in Chongqing but also in all Mainland China. Our Group will bring, its experience and operational know how, and will become a leader in this country; this strategy matches perfectly with the new incentives in matter of environmental regulations norms highlighted by the Chinese government in its 5 years plan.”*

The parties keep on working with a view to entering into a definitive investment agreement for the investment into Derun Environment, that will include post transaction, among other assets, a 67.085% equity interest in Chongqing Sanfeng Environment Industry Group Co. Ltd. (“Sanfeng”), a Chongqing-based company, leader in waste-to-energy projects in China, and 50.1% in Chongqing Water Group Co. Ltd. (“CWG”) listed at the Shanghai stock exchange, and that provides water and wastewater treatment services in the Chongqing urban area.

Derun Environment is expected to become a platform operating environmental-related businesses, potentially including renewable resource recycling and utilisation pollution control, soil remediation, environmental technology development, waste treatment and waste-to-energy project investment.

The agreement is in line with previous strategic framework agreements signed with CWA, and remains subject to a number of condition precedents and a final approval of all the parties at a later stage.



### **SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT**

*SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT supplies drinking water to 92 million people, delivers wastewater treatment services to 65 million, collects waste produced by almost 50 million, reuses 14 million tons of waste each year and produces 5,138 GWh of local and renewable energy. With 80,990 employees, SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT, which is present on all five continents, is a key player in the sustainable management of resources. SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT generated total revenues of EUR 14.3 billion in 2014.*

### **Chongqing Water Assets Management Co., Ltd.**

*Chongqing Water Assets Management Co., Ltd. is a large state-owned enterprise established with approval by the Chongqing Municipal People's Government. It consolidates state-owned water-related assets, hydraulic assets and Sanfeng Environment Group of Chongqing. It is a key state-owned enterprise which undertakes responsibilities of building, designing and managing projects of urban/suburban water supplies, wastewater treatment, solid waste incineration and treatment. It is also a key investment and development platform for Chongqing municipal infrastructure.*

### **NWS Holdings Limited**

*NWS Holdings Limited, the infrastructure and service flagship of New World Development Company Limited, operates businesses in Hong Kong, Mainland China and Macau. Its Infrastructure portfolio includes Roads, Energy, Water and Ports & Logistics projects. Its Services portfolio comprises Facilities Management, Construction & Transport and Strategic Investments.*

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