Renren Announces Unaudited First Quarter 2014 Financial Results

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BEIJING, May 21, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Renren Inc. (NYSE: RENN) ("Renren" or the "Company"), a leading real-name social networking internet platform in China, today announced its unaudited financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2014.

First Quarter 2014 Highlights

- Total net revenues were US\$24.9 million, a 39.9% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.
 - o Renren net revenues were US\$12.2 million, a 17.3% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.
 - o Games net revenues were US\$12.7 million, a 52.5% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.
- Gross profit was US\$8.7 million, a 65.2% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.
- Operating loss was US\$29.2 million, compared to an operating loss of US\$20.4 million in the corresponding period in 2013.
- Net income attributable to the Company was US\$32.3 million, compared to a net loss of US\$3.1 million in the corresponding period in 2013.
- Adjusted net income (1) (non-GAAP) was US\$36.1 million, compared to an adjusted net income of US\$0.5 million in the corresponding period in 2013.

"First quarter revenues, as expected, remained under pressure from the challenges in advertising and gaming that we have faced for some quarters. On the positive side, the portion of advertising from mobile is growing and the interest from brand advertisers for the young target demographic that Renren serves is notably increasing. Meanwhile, we are pleased to see strong growth in the amount of UGC videos uploaded to our on-line video site, 56.com, along with its increasing traffic", commented Joseph Chen, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "We remain committed in building and realizing long-term value for our shareholders."

(1) Adjusted net income (loss) is a non-GAAP measure, which is defined as net income (loss) excluding share-based compensation expenses, amortization of intangible assets and impairment of intangible assets.

First Quarter 2014 Results

Total net revenues for the first quarter of 2014 were US\$24.9 million, representing a 39.9% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.

Renren net revenues were US\$12.2 million, representing a 17.3% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013. Within Renren net revenues, *online advertising* revenues were US\$7.8 million for the first quarter of 2014, a 19.2% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013. The decrease was due to increasing competition and traffic migration to mobile. *Internet Value-Added Services (IVAS)* revenues were US\$4.4 million, representing a 13.6% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013. The number of accumulated activated users on renren.com increased from approximately 184 million as of March 31, 2013 to approximately 210 million as of March 31, 2014. Monthly unique log-in users in March 2014 was approximately 51 million, compared to approximately 57 million in March 2013 and approximately 45 million in December 2013.

Games net revenues were US\$12.7 million for the first quarter of 2014, a 52.5% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013. The decrease was due to previously launched games having reached mature stages and the earlier disclosed delay of new games release.

Cost of revenues was US\$16.2 million, a 1.0% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013.

Operating expenses were US\$38.0 million, a 16.7% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013.

Selling and marketing expenses were US\$10.8 million, a 16.0% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013. The decrease was primarily due to the decreased marketing related expenses and promotions for online games.

Research and development expenses were US\$15.7 million, a 30.5% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013. The decrease was primarily due to headcount reduction and decrease in personnel related expenses.

General and administrative expenses were US\$11.4 million, a 12.1% increase from the corresponding period in 2013. The increase was primarily due to the increase in office rents and share-based-compensation expenses.

Share-based compensation expenses, which were all included in operating expenses, were US\$3.4 million, compared to US\$3.2 million in the corresponding period in 2013.

Operating loss was US\$29.2 million, compared to an operating loss of US\$20.4 million in the corresponding period in 2013.

Realized gain on short-term investments was US\$27.1 million, compared to US\$15.1 million in the corresponding period in 2013. The gain was primarily derived from the sale of marketable securities.

Gain on disposal of equity method investment, net of income taxes was US\$57.1 million, due solely to the one-time gain from the disposal of our remaining equity interest in Nuomi.

Net income attributable to the Company was US\$32.3 million, compared to a net loss of US\$3.1 million in the corresponding period in 2013. This was primarily due to the US\$57.1 million gain on the disposal of equity method investment.

Adjusted net income (non-GAAP) was US\$36.1 million, compared to an adjusted net income of US\$0.5 million in the corresponding period in 2013. The increase was primarily due to the US\$57.1 million gain on the disposal of equity method investment. Adjusted net income (loss) is defined as net income (loss) excluding share-based compensation expenses, amortization of intangible assets and impairment of intangible assets.

Share Repurchase Program Update and Extension

As of May 20, 2014, Renren had repurchased approximately 22.4 million ADSs under the current repurchase program for a total consideration of US\$68.4 million. The current share repurchase program will expire on June 27, 2014. Our board has recently authorized another share repurchase program of US\$100 million for one year effective from June 28, 2014.

Business Outlook

The Company expects to generate revenues in an amount ranging from US\$21 million to US\$23 million in the second quarter of 2014, representing a 47.1% to 51.7% year-over-year decline. This forecast reflects Renren's current and preliminary view, which is subject to change.

Conference Call Information

Management will host an earnings conference call at 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, May 21, 2014 (Beijing/Hong Kong Time: 9:00 a.m., Thursday, May 22, 2014).

Interested parties may participate in the conference call by dialing the numbers below and entering passcode 10-15 minutes prior to the initiation of the call.

Dial-in Information:

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Hong Kong: +852-2475-0994 China: +86 800-819-0121 International: +65-6723-9381

Passcode: Renren

A replay of the call will be available for one week and dial-in information is as follows:

International: + 61 2-8199-0299

Passcode: 45186498

This call will be webcast live and the replay will be available on Renren's corporate web site at http://ir.renren-inc.com for 12 months.

About Renren Inc.

Renren Inc. (NYSE: RENN) operates a leading real name social networking internet platform in China. It enables users to connect and communicate with each other, share information and user generated content, play online games, watch videos and enjoy a wide range

of other features and services. Renren's businesses primarily include the main social networking website renren.com, the game development and operating platform Renren Games, and the user-generated content focused video sharing website 56.com. Renren.com had approximately 210 million activated users as of March 31, 2014. Renren's American depositary shares, each of which represents three Class A ordinary shares, trade on NYSE under the symbol "RENN".

Safe Harbor Statement

This announcement contains forward-looking statements. These statements are made under the "safe harbor" provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as "will," "expects," "anticipates," "future," "intends," "plans," "believes," "estimates" and similar statements. Among other things, the business outlook for the second quarter of 2014 and quotations from management in this announcement, as well as Renren's strategic and operational plans, contain forward-looking statements. Renren may also make written or oral forward-looking statements in its filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), in its annual report to shareholders, in press releases and other written materials and in oral statements made by its officers, directors or employees to third parties. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about Renren's beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. A number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forwardlooking statement, including but not limited to the following: our goals and strategies; our future business development, financial condition and results of operations; the expected growth of the social networking site market in China; our expectations regarding demand for and market acceptance of our services; our expectations regarding the retention and strengthening of our relationships with key advertisers and customers; our plans to enhance user experience, infrastructure and service offerings; competition in our industry in China; and relevant government policies and regulations relating to our industry. Further information regarding these and other risks is included in our annual report on Form 20-F and other documents filed with the SEC. All information provided in this press release and in the attachments is as of the date of this press release, and Renren does not undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statement, except as required under applicable law.

About Non-GAAP Financial Measures

To supplement Renren's consolidated financial results presented in accordance with United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"), Renren uses "adjusted net income (loss)" which is defined as "a non-GAAP financial measure" by the SEC, in evaluating its business. We define adjusted net income (loss) as net income (loss) excluding share-based compensation expenses, amortization of intangible assets and impairment of intangible assets. We present adjusted net income (loss) because it is used by our management to evaluate our operating performance. We also believe that this non-GAAP financial measure provide useful information to investors and others in understanding and evaluating our consolidated results of operations in the same manner as our management and in comparing financial results across accounting periods and to those of our peer companies.

The presentation of this non-GAAP financial measure is not intended to be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, the financial information prepared and presented in accordance with GAAP. For more information on these non-GAAP financial measures, please see the table captioned "Reconciliation of non-GAAP results of operations measures to the comparable GAAP financial measures" at the end of this release.

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RENREN INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

(Amounts in US dollars, in thousands, except shares, per shares, ADS, and per ADS data)	December 31, 2013	March 31, 2014		
ASSETS				
Current assets:				

Cash and cash equivalents	\$	154,308	\$	242,619	
Term deposits		492,699		339,478	
Short-term investments		301,995		403,225	
Accounts and notes receivable, net		15,958		11,425	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		34,080		35,489	
Amounts due from related parties		62,411		527	
Deferred tax assets-current		628		628	
Equity method investment-current		60,508			
Total current assets		1,122,587		1,033,391	
Non-current assets:					
Property and equipment, net		58,560		56,269	
Intangible assets, net		27,397		26,303	
Goodwill		61,407		59,800	
Long-term investments		107,842		144,833	
Deferred tax assets-non-current		1,109		1,102	
Other non-current assets		6,784	24,261		
Total non-current assets		263,099		312,568	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,385,686	\$	1,345,959	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	10,170	\$	9,232	
Accrued expenses and other payables		33,314		29,790	
Amounts due to related parties		61,062		198	
Deferred revenue and advance from customers		8,639		7,427	
Derivative contract liabilities		_		6,934	
Income tax payable		2,077		7,964	
Total current liabilities		115,262		61,545	
Non-current liabilities:					
Other non-current liabilities		156		266	
Total non-current liabilities	-	156	-	266	
Total non-current nabilities		100			
TOTAL LIABILITIES		115,418		61,811	
Sharoholdore' Equity					
Shareholders' Equity:		790		770	
Class A ordinary shares Class B ordinary shares					
•		305		305	
Additional paid-in capital		1,285,283		1,265,336	
Statutory reserves		6,712		6,712	
Accumulated deficit		(197,726)		(165,409)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income		174,781		176,312	
Total Renren Inc. shareholders' equity		1,270,145		1,284,026	
Noncontrolling Interests		123		122	
TOTAL EQUITY		1,270,268		1,284,148	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$	1,385,686	\$	1,345,959	
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RENREN INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months Ended							
(Amounts in US dollars, in thousands, except shares,		March 31,	D	ecember 31,	March 31,			
per shares, ADS, and per ADS data)		2013		2013		2014		
Net revenues	•	4.4.700	•	45.400	•	40.005		
Renren	\$	14,796	\$	15,129	\$	12,235		
Games		26,658		15,557		12,660		
Total net revenues		41,454		30,686		24,895		
Cost of revenues		(16,325)		(17,737)		(16,160)		
Gross profit		25,129		12,949		8,735		
Operating expenses:								
Selling and marketing		(12,840)		(19,610)		(10,791)		
Research and development		(22,533)		(17,843)		(15,669)		
General and administrative		(10,193)		(14,409)		(11,423)		
Impairment of intangible assets		(.0,.00)		(208)		(66)		
Restructuring cost		_		(3,475)		(00)		
Nestructuring cost				(3,473)				
Total operating expenses		(45,566)		(55,545)		(37,949)		
Loss from operations		(20,437)		(42,596)		(29,214)		
Other income		257		603		265		
Exchange gain (loss) on offshore bank accounts		(6)		1,036		(2,527)		
Interest income		3,733		2,888		2,733		
Realized gain on short-term investments		15,073		9,049		27,093		
Impairment of short-term investments		15,075		(2,098)		21,093		
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Loss before provision of income tax, earnings (loss) in								
equity method investments and noncontrolling interest, net of income taxes		(1,380)		(54,143)		(1,650)		
Income tax benefit		80		7,054		19		
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Loss before earnings (loss) in equity method								
investments and noncontrolling interest, net of income taxes		(1,300)		(47,089)		(1,631)		
(Loss) earnings in equity method investments, net of income taxes		5,143		17,974		(23,145)		
Income (loss) from continuing operations		3,843		(29,115)		(24,776)		
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Loss from operations of discontinued operations, net of income taxes		(6,997)		(2,720)		_		
Gain on deconsolidation of the subsidiaries		_		132,665				
Gain on disposal of equity method investment, net of income taxes						57,092		
Gain (loss) from discontinued operations, net of income taxes		(6,997)		129,945		57,092		
Net income (loss)		(3,154)		100,830		32,316		
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		17				1		
Net income (loss) attributable to Renren Inc.	\$	(3,137)	\$	100,830	\$	32,317		
Net income (loss) per share from continuing operations attributable to Renren Inc.shareholders per share:								
Basic	\$	0.00	\$	(0.03)	\$	(0.02)		
Diluted	\$	0.00	\$	(0.03)	\$	(0.02)		
Net income (loss) per share from discontinued operations attributable to Renren Inc.shareholders per share:	Ψ	3.00	Ψ	(0.00)	Ψ	(0.02)		
Basic	\$	(0.01)	\$	0.12	\$	0.05		

Diluted	\$	(0.01)	\$	0.12	\$	0.05	
Net income (loss) per share attributable to Renren Inc. shareholders per share:							
Basic	\$	(0.00)	\$	0.09	\$	0.03	
Diluted	\$	(0.00)	\$	0.09	\$	0.03	
Net income (loss) attributable to Renren Inc. shareholders per ADS:							
Basic	\$	(0.01)	\$	0.27	\$	0.09	
Diluted	\$	(0.01)	\$	0.27	\$	0.09	
Weighted average number of shares used in calculating net income (loss) per ordinary share from continuing operations attributable to Renren Inc. shareholders:							
Basic	1,	1,132,823,805		1,106,742,708		1,082,856,840	
Diluted Weighted average number of shares used in calculating net income (loss) per ordinary share from discontinued operations attributable to Renren Inc. shareholders:	1,	160,711,624	1	,106,742,708	1	,082,856,840	
Basic	1,	132,823,805	1	,106,742,708	1	,082,856,840	
Diluted	1,	160,711,624	1	,117,484,147	1	,092,355,990	

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP results of operations measures to the comparable GAAP financial measures

Adjusted net income

	For the Three Months Ended							
	March 31,		D	ecember 31,		March 31,		
(Amounts in US dollars, in thousands)		2013		2013		2014		
Net income (loss)	\$	(3,154)	\$	100,830	\$	32,316		
Add back: Shared-based compensation expenses		3,235		3,188		3,351		
Add back: Amortization of intangible assets		391		456		319		
Add back: Impairment of intangible assets				208		66		
Adjusted net income	\$	472	\$	104,682	\$	36,052		

SOURCE Renren Inc.