Renren Announces Unaudited Second Quarter 2014 Financial Results

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BEIJING, Aug. 25, 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 second quarter ended June 30, 2014.

Second Quarter 2014 Highlights

- Total net revenues were US\$25.0 million, a 42.4% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.
 - Renren net revenues were US\$15.1 million, a 26.7% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.
 - Games net revenues were US\$9.9 million, a 56.6% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.
- Gross profit was US\$9.1 million, a 65.0% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.
- Operating loss was US\$30.4 million, compared to an operating loss of US\$25.9 million in the corresponding period in 2013.
- Net income attributable to the Company was US\$31.3 million, compared to a net loss of US\$9.3 million in the corresponding period in 2013.
- Adjusted net income (1) (non-GAAP) was US\$37.4 million, compared to an adjusted net loss of US\$3.8 million in the corresponding period in 2013.

(1) Â 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.

"In the beginning of this year, Renren made a strategic shift to focus on college students and young generations in China. We are encouraged to see the progress we have made in this direction, as Renren has increasingly become the go-to brand for reaching and influencing this important demographic in China. Meanwhile, our on-line video business, 56.com, has also seen strong growth in daily video viewership and UGC video uploads, which both reached record highs," commented Joseph Chen, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, "On the other hand, we continue to face challenges in monetization of most of our assets. As a result, we have taken further steps to streamline the organization and enhanced our efforts to explore new monetization approaches. We will do our best to reduce the gap between our user base size and the monetization level, and unlock the value of our assets."

Second Quarter 2014 Results

Total net revenues for the second quarter of 2014 were US\$25.0 million, representing a 42.4% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013.

Renren net revenues were US\$15.1 million, representing a 26.7% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013. Within Renren net revenues, *online advertising* revenues were US\$11.7 million for the second quarter of 2014, a 23.9% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013. The decrease was due to increased competition and to the Company's being still in the early stages of monetizing its mobile traffic. *Internet Value-Added Services (IVAS)* revenues were US\$3.4 million, representing a 35.0% decrease from the corresponding period in 2013. Monthly unique log-in users decreased from approximately 54Â million in June 2013 to approximately 44Â million in June 2014.

Games net revenues were US\$9.9 million for the second quarter of 2014, a 56.6% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013. The decrease was mainly due to previously launched games having entered into mature stages and to the fact that the restructuring of our gaming business since late 2013 has yet to result in the launch of successful new titles.

Cost of revenues was US\$15.9 million, a 9.1% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013.

Operating expenses were US\$39.5 million, a 23.8% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013.

Selling and marketing expenses were US\$11.6 million, a 37.3% decrease from the corresponding period of 2013. The decrease was primarily due to the decrease in advertising and promotions for online games plus decreased headcount and personnel related expense for Renren.

Research and development expenses were US\$13.4 million, a 33.9% 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\$14.0 million, a 7.6% increase from the corresponding period in 2013. The increase was primarily due to the increase in bad debt expenses related to our SME advertising customers.

Share-based compensation expenses, which were all included in operating expenses, were US\$5.3 million, compared to US\$5.2 million in the corresponding period in 2013.

Operating loss was US\$30.4 million, compared to an operating loss of US\$25.9 million in the corresponding period in 2013.

Realized gain on short-term investments was US\$86.0 million, compared to US\$0.1 million in the corresponding period in 2013. The gain was primarily derived from sales of marketable securities.

Net income attributable to the Company was US\$31.3 million, compared to a net loss of US\$9.3 million in the corresponding period in 2013. This was primarily due to the US\$86.0 million gain on the sales of short-term investments.

Adjusted net income (non-GAAP) was US\$37.4 million, compared to an adjusted net loss of US\$3.8 million in the corresponding period in 2013. This was primarily due to the US\$86.0 million gain on the sales of short-term investments. 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

Our previous share repurchase program expired on June 27, 2014, with approximately 22.4 million ADSs repurchased with a total consideration of US\$69.4 million. Our board of directors has authorized a new share repurchase program to repurchase up to US\$100 million of the Company's ADSs within one year from June 28, 2014.

Business Outlook

The Company expects to generate revenues in an amount ranging from US\$19 million to US\$21 million in the third quarter of 2014, representing a 48.9% to 53.8% 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 Monday, August 25, 2014 (Beijing/Hong Kong Time: 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 26, 2014).

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

Dial-in Information:

US: +1 845-675-0437

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: 88543599

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 214 million activated users as of June 30, 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 third 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		June 30, 2014	
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 154,308	\$	238,898	
Term deposits	492,699		574,215	
Short-term investments	301,995		73,589	
Accounts and notes receivable, net	15,958	8 1		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	34,080		29,318	
Amounts due from related parties	62,411		508	
Deferred tax assets-current	628		628	
Equity method investment-current	 60,508		-	
Total current assets	1,122,587		932,555	
Non-current assets:				
Property and equipment, net	58,560		52,984	
Intangible assets, net	27,397		26,050	
Goodwill	61,407		59,924	
Long-term investments	107,842		140,923	
Deferred tax assets-non-current	1,109		1,144	
Other non-current assets	 6,784		24,117	
Total non-current assets	 263,099		305,142	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,385,686	\$	1,237,697	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 10,170	\$	8,319	
Accrued expenses and other payables	33,314		27,446	
Amounts due to related parties	61,062		187	
Deferred revenue and advance from customersÂ	8,639		7,603	

Derivative contract liabilities	-	13,644
Income tax payable	2,077	8,597
Total current liabilities	115,262	65,796
Non-current liabilities:		
Other non-current liabilities	156	209
Total non-current liabilities	156	209
TOTAL LIABILITIES	115,418	66,005
Shareholders' Equity:		
Class A ordinary shares	790	753
Class B ordinary shares	305	305
Additional paid-in capital	1,285,283	1,250,899
Statutory reserves	6,712	6,712
Accumulated deficit	(197,726)	(134,102)
Accumulated other comprehensive incomeÂ	174,781	47,003
Total Renren Inc. shareholders' equity	1,270,145	1,171,570
Noncontrolling Interests	123	122
TOTAL EQUITY	1,270,268	1,171,692
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 1,385,686	\$ 1,237,697

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RENREN INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months Ended					
(Amounts in US dollars, in thousands, except shares,	June 30,		March 31,		June 30,	
per shares, ADS, and per ADS data)	2013		2014		2014	
Net revenues						
Renren	\$	20,611	\$	12,235	\$	15,105
Games		22,835		12,660		9,904
Total net revenues		43,446		24,895		25,009
Cost of revenuesÂ		(17,523)		(16,160)		(15,933)
Gross profit		25,923		8,735		9,076
Operating expenses:						
Selling and marketing		(18,552)		(10,791)		(11,641)
Research and development		(20,232)		(15,669)		(13,379)
General and administrative		(13,024)		(11,423)		(14,007)
Impairment of intangible assets		-		(66)		(445)
Total operating expenses		(51,808)		(37,949)		(39,472)
Loss from operations		(25,885)		(29,214)		(30,396)
Other income		7		265		272
Exchange gain (loss) on offshore bank accounts		358		(2,527)		301
Interest income		3,057		2,733		2,897

Realized gain on short-term investments	144	 27,093		85,994
Income (loss) before provision of income tax, earnings (loss) in equity method investments and noncontrolling interest, net of income taxes	(22,319)	(1,650)		59,068
Income tax (expenses) benefit	307	19		(591)
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A Income (loss) before earnings (loss) in equity method investments and noncontrolling interest, net of income taxes	(22,012)	(1,631)		58,477
(Loss) earnings in equity method investments, net of income taxes	21,451	 (23,145)		(27,170)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(561)	 (24,776)	31,307	
Discontinued operation				
Loss from operations of discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(8,823)	-		-
Gain on disposal of equity method investment, net of income tax		 57,092		
Gain (loss) from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(8,823)	 57,092		
Net income (loss)	(9,384)	32,316		31,307
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests	58	 1		-
Net income (loss) attributable to Renren Inc.	\$ (9,326)	\$ 32,317	\$	31,307
Net income (loss) per share from continuing operations attributable to Renren Inc. shareholders:				
Basic	(0.00)	\$ (0.02)	\$	0.03
\hat{A} Diluted Net income (loss) per share from discontinued operations attributable to \hat{A} \hat{A} \hat{A} Renren Inc. shareholders:	(0.00)	\$ (0.02)	\$	0.03
Basic	(0.01)	\$ 0.05	\$	-
Diluted	(0.01)	\$ 0.05	\$	-
Net income (loss) per share attributable to Renren Inc. shareholders:				
Basic	(0.01)	\$ 0.03	\$	0.03
Diluted	(0.01)	\$ 0.03	\$	0.03
Net income (loss) attributable to Renren Inc. shareholders per ADS:				
Basic	(0.03)	\$ 0.09	\$	0.09
Diluted	(0.03)	\$ 0.09	\$	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	1,126,080,546	1,082,856,840		1,062,632,013
Diluted Weighted average number of shares used in calculating net income (loss) per ordinary share from discontinued operations attributable to Renren Inc. shareholders:	1,126,080,546	1,082,856,840		1,072,951,501
Basic	1,126,080,546	1,082,856,840		1,062,632,013
Diluted	1,126,080,546	1,092,355,990		1,062,632,013

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

Adjusted net income (loss)

A For the Three Months Ended						
June 30,	March 31,	June 30,				
2013	2014	2014				

Net income (loss)	\$ (9,384)	\$ 32,316	\$ 31,307
Add back: Shared-based compensation expenses	5,182	3,351	5,313
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Add back: Impairment of intangible assets		 66	 445
Adjusted net income (loss)	\$ (3,825)	\$ 36,052	\$ 37,373

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SOURCE Renren Inc.