

**ASMPT 2015 FIRST QUARTERLY NET PROFIT SURGES 81.6%
TO HK\$284.6 MILLION**

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A STRONG START TO 2015**Highlights**

- Group revenue of US\$394.1 million, representing a growth of 22.6% over the same period last year and a decline of 11.3% against the preceding three months
- Net profit of HK\$284.6 million, representing a growth of 81.6% and 16.8% over the same period last year and the preceding three months, respectively
- Earnings per share of HK\$0.71, representing an improvement of HK\$0.32 and HK\$0.11 over the same period last year and the preceding three months, respectively
- Back-end Equipment revenue of US\$176.2 million, representing a growth of 7.7% over the same period last year and a decline of 9.9% against the preceding three months
- Materials revenue of US\$56.9 million, representing a slight decline of 0.2% and 1.9% against the same period last year and the preceding three months, respectively
- SMT Solutions revenue of US\$161.0 million, representing a surge of 59.6% over the same period last year and a decline of 15.7% against the preceding three months
- Group bookings of US\$464.6 million, representing improvements of 35.6% and 15.2% over the preceding three months and the same period last year, respectively
- Cash on hand of HK\$2.33 billion at the end of March 2015

(Hong Kong, April 24, 2015) —The world's No.1 semiconductor assembly and packaging equipment supplier **ASM Pacific Technology Limited** ("ASMPT" / the "Group") (Stock code: 522) today announced its quarterly results for the three months ended March 31, 2015. The Group has made a strong start to the year following a very good performance last year, with its billings in the first quarter of this year achieved a healthy growth of 22.6%. Due to the strong rebound in the Group bookings, the Group are confident that it would be able to achieve a double-digit percentage growth in Group billings for the first half of this year over the same period of last year.

During the quarter under review, ASMPT achieved revenue amounting to HK\$3.06 billion for the three months ended 31 March 2015, representing an increase of 22.6% as compared with HK\$2.49 billion for the first quarter of 2014. The Group's consolidated profit after taxation for the first quarter of 2015 was HK\$284.6 million as compared with a profit of HK\$156.7 million in the corresponding period in 2014, and a profit of HK\$243.7 million in the previous quarter. Basic earnings per share for the first quarter of 2015 amounted to HK\$0.71 (2014 Q1: HK\$0.39). Cash on hand as of 31 March 2015 was HK\$2.33 billion.

Group bookings rebounded from the fourth quarter of last year, achieving a strong growth of 35.6% quarter-on-quarter. Group bookings amounted to US\$464.6 million, which represented a growth of 15.2% as compared to the same period a year ago. The book-to-bill ratio, representing net bookings over billings, was 1.18 for the first quarter of 2015. The order backlog as of the end of the first quarter remained at a high level, increasing to US\$431.9 million (HK\$3.35 billion). This was an improvement of 19.4% as compared to the order backlog at the end of last year.

Mr. Lee Wai Kwong, Chief Executive Officer of ASMPT, said, “Encouragingly, the Group is able to continue last year’s growth momentum and has had a promising start this year. With rebounded bookings, especially for the Back-end Equipment and the SMT Solutions Segments, we anticipate further improvement in billings as well as profitability in the second quarter.”

Back-end Equipment revenue amounted to US\$176.2 million, growing by 7.7% against the same period last year, contributing to 44.7% of the Group's revenue during the first quarter of 2015. The strong performance of the Back-end Equipment business was underpinned by robust demand in the semiconductor and LED markets, as well as from the CIS, automotive electronics and power management markets. Its segment bookings received during the first three months grew by 4.4% against the same period last year. The strong demand for our Back-end Equipment appears to be broad-based and driven by the Group’s customers’ investment in capacity expansion. The demand for bonders led the growth once again. Moreover, the demand for packaging-related back-end equipment and CMOS Imaging Sensor (CIS) equipment was also strong, especially from the Chinese market. The Back-end Equipment Segment achieved a gross margin of 39.4% in the first quarter of this year.

Bookings in SMT Solutions Segment grew strongly by 41.9% over the first quarter of the preceding year. Revenue from the SMT Solutions Segment amounted to US\$161.0 million (HK\$1.25 billion), representing a surge of 59.6% as compared to the first quarter of last year, contributing to 40.8% of the Group’s revenue during the first quarter of 2015. The European market contributed strongly to the strength of the Group’s SMT Solutions business. Particularly, the automotive sector made significant contribution to the SMT Solutions business during the first three months of this year. The SMT Solutions Segment achieved a gross margin of 40.6% and EBIT of 18.1% in the first quarter of this year.

“Due to the strong rebound in our Group bookings, which is mainly by the Back-end Equipment and SMT Solutions businesses, we are quite confident that we would be able to achieve a double-digit percentage growth in Group billings for the first half of this year over the same period of last year and in turn to lead to further improvements in our profitability. Despite the less visible situation for the remainder of this year, nevertheless, with our diversified application markets and large customer base, we are confident that we will once again outperform the market in 2015.” **Mr. Lee** concluded.

About ASM Pacific Technology Limited

ASMPT is listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange since 1989. The Group is principally engaged in the design, manufacturing, and marketing of machines, tools and materials used in the assembly and packaging of semiconductor devices and surface mount technology solutions, with operations being carried out in China (including Hong Kong), Germany, the Netherlands, United Kingdom, Malaysia, and Singapore.

Currently, ASMPT is one of the constituent stocks on the Hang Seng HK MidCap Index under the Hang Seng Composite Index, the Hang Seng Information Technology Industry Index, the Hang Seng Hong Kong 35 Index and the Hang Seng Global Composite Index.

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(N.B.: Enclosed please find the Financial Highlights and Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income of ASM Pacific Technology Limited.)

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three months ended		
	31 March 2015 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	31 December 2014 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	31 March 2014 (Unaudited) HK\$'000
Revenue	3,055,866	3,445,709	2,493,433
Cost of sales	(1,942,731)	(2,137,649)	(1,685,681)
Gross profit	1,113,135	1,308,060	807,752
Other income	7,674	25,977	1,795
Selling and distribution expenses	(298,111)	(326,975)	(233,649)
General and administrative expenses	(170,803)	(176,496)	(127,256)
Research and development expenses	(281,232)	(314,616)	(235,436)
Other gains and losses	70,438	28,536	(8,923)
Other expenses	-	(168,400)	-
Finance costs	(37,796)	(38,912)	(6,216)
Profit before taxation	403,305	337,174	198,067
Income tax expense	(118,709)	(93,446)	(41,376)
Profit for the period, attributable to owners of the Company	284,596	243,728	156,691
Earnings per share			
- Basic	HK\$0.71	HK\$0.60	HK\$0.39
- Diluted	HK\$0.71	HK\$0.60	HK\$0.39

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Three months ended		
	31 March 2015 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	31 December 2014 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	31 March 2014 (Unaudited) HK\$'000
Profit for the period, attributable to owners of the Company	284,596	243,728	156,691
Other comprehensive expense			
- exchange differences on translation of foreign operations, which may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	(268,447)	(100,381)	(8,463)
- remeasurement of defined benefit retirement plans, net of tax, which will not be reclassified to profit or loss	-	(52,820)	-
Other comprehensive expense for the period	(268,447)	(153,201)	(8,463)
Total comprehensive income for the period, attributable to owners of the Company	16,149	90,527	148,228