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ASMPT ANNOUNCES 2013 THIRD QUARTERLY RESULTS

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**STRONG YEAR-ON-YEAR IMPROVEMENT IN NEW ORDER BOOKINGS
PASSED THE BOTTOM AND ENTERS UPWARD PHASE OF CURRENT INDUSTRY CYCLE****Highlights**

- Group turnover of US\$399.9 million, an improvement of 8.8% and 2.2% over preceding quarter and the same period last year, respectively
- Net profit of HK\$273 million, representing an improvement of 18.6% and 9.5% over the preceding quarter and the same period last year, respectively
- Earnings per share of HK\$0.68 for the third quarter 2013
- Gross margin of the Back-end equipment business has returned to levels exceeding 40%
- Back-end equipment turnover of US\$196.2 million, representing an increase of 2.0% over the preceding quarter and a slight decline of 1.3% against the same period last year
- SMT equipment turnover of US\$140.8 million, achieving a surge of 24.0% over the preceding quarter and an increase of 10.0% over the same period last year
- Lead frame turnover of US\$62.9 million, achieving a growth of 2.2% over the preceding quarter and a contraction of 2.7% against the same period last year
- New order bookings of US\$367.4 million, a contraction of 12.2% against the preceding quarter and a surge of 41.4% over the same period last year
- Cash on hand of HK\$1.3 billion at the end of September 2013

(Hong Kong, November 1, 2013) —**ASM Pacific Technology Limited** (“ASMPT” / the “Group”) (Stock code: 522) today announced its quarterly results for the three months ended September 30, 2013. During the period under review, the Group’s results appear to support the view that the Group has already passed the bottom of the current industry cycle and is on the verge of a sustainable upturn. Bookings for all three business segments have surpassed bookings for the same period last year by a wide margin. Based on the current market momentum, the Group believes there is good chance that Group bookings this year will surpass that of 2012.

During the period under review, ASMPT achieved turnover amounting to HK\$3,101.7 million, representing an increase of 2.2% as compared with HK\$3,035.5 million for the same period last year. The Group’s consolidated profit after taxation for the three months was HK\$273.1 million, which was 9.5% higher than the corresponding period in 2012. Basic earnings per share (EPS) for the three-month period amounted to HK\$0.68 (2012 Q3: HK\$0.63).

The Group’s new order bookings surged by 41.4% to US\$367.4 million as compared to the third quarter of 2012. The backlog as of 30 September 2013 was US\$317.5 million (2012 Q3: US\$307.6 million). Book-to-bill ratio, representing net bookings over billings, for the period was 0.92.

Mr. Lee Wai Kwong, Chief Executive Officer of ASMPT, said, “Thanks to successful business realignment strategies and aggressive cost reduction programmes, as well as the progressive market recovery, our profitability continued to improve in the third quarter of 2013, where all three business segments contributed to higher operating profits as compared to the previous quarter. In particular, Back-end Equipment booking experienced a very strong year-on-year surge of 39.5% with gross margin has returned to levels exceeding 40%. Bonders, including thermal compression bonder (“TCB”), and CMOS image sensor (“CIS”) equipment were the key contributors for this sizeable growth in bookings. Packaging-related Back-end Equipment had also contributed moderately to the growth. Back-end Equipment revenue was at US\$196.2 million, represents a decline of 1.3% as compared to corresponding period in 2012 and contributing 49.1% to the Group’s turnover.”

The semiconductor back-end industry is undergoing a technology transition. Flip chip packaging, inclusive of TCB, is gaining momentum. With its heavy investment in TCB technology previously is bearing fruit, the Group has good potential to overtake our peers and to become the TCB market leader before 2015. More resources have been channeled to developing a next-generation flip chip bonder which will offer customers new value propositions providing high speed and/or high accuracy and is expected to reach the market by the middle of 2014. In the past few quarters, ASMPT has expended extensive R&D efforts to prepare for a suite of new generation equipment which will offer higher performance to customers and lower the Group’s manufacturing cost at the same time. The Group targets to achieve a gross margin of above 40% for Back-end business, which includes both the Back-end Equipment and the Lead frame businesses, by the second or third quarter of next year.

Lead frame business continued to improve its profitability and achieved revenue of US\$62.9 million, a decrease of 2.7% as compared to the corresponding period last year, contributing to 15.7% of the Group’s revenue. New order bookings for Lead frames experienced a strong surge of 77.4% year-on-year during the third quarter. ASMPT is confident that the Lead frame billings this year will set another new record. Indeed, ASMPT has been consistently gaining market share in the Lead frame business and this has made ASMPT the fourth largest Lead frame supplier in the world.

Contributing to 35.2% of the Group’s turnover, SMT Equipment revenue improved by 10.0% to US\$140.8 million. New order bookings for the segment rose by 34.2% year-on-year. Demand from European customers is recovering, the Group believes there is a fair chance that this business segment will register a higher level of bookings than last year. Despite challenges in the global SMT industry, the Group has significantly narrowed the revenue gap with its closest rival and attained No. 1 position in the Americas market. The Group is now focused to increase its market share in China, the largest SMT market in the world and target to attain No. 1 position in the global SMT equipment market by 2016.

“We are confident that the Group’s multiple-application and multiple-product strategies will continue to serve it well; and with the strong foundations that it has built, the Group is well-positioned to capture greater market opportunities in the coming years.” **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, manufacture and marketing of machines, tools and materials used in the assembly and packaging of semiconductor devices and surface mount technology, with operations being carried out in China (including Hong Kong), Germany, 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 of ASM Pacific Technology Limited.)

ASM PACIFIC TECHNOLOGY LIMITED

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Three months ended 30 Sep		Nine months ended 30 Sep	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover	3,101,733	3,035,466	8,077,411	8,180,757
Cost of sales	(2,116,325)	(2,106,820)	(5,647,493)	(5,551,865)
Gross profit	985,408	928,646	2,429,918	2,628,892
Other income	2,915	3,905	11,755	9,777
Selling and distribution expenses	(226,292)	(244,756)	(666,418)	(692,979)
General and administrative expenses	(145,374)	(121,069)	(386,745)	(333,603)
Research and development expenses	(254,785)	(237,480)	(707,935)	(671,799)
Other gains and losses	(28,688)	(14,827)	(6,616)	(13,433)
Finance costs	(4,423)	(1,767)	(13,963)	(4,781)
Profit before taxation	328,761	312,652	659,996	922,074
Income tax expense	(55,641)	(63,135)	(148,600)	(188,951)
Profit for the period, attributable to owners of the Company	273,120	249,517	511,396	733,123
Other comprehensive income				
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations, which may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	54,667	55,615	43,735	3,736
Total comprehensive income for the period, attributable to owners of the Company	327,787	305,132	555,131	736,859
Earnings per share				
- Basic	HK\$0.68	HK\$0.63	HK\$1.28	HK\$1.85
- Diluted	HK\$0.68	HK\$0.62	HK\$1.28	HK\$1.84