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## **Johnson Electric Holdings Limited**

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) (Stock Code: 179)

## ANNOUNCEMENT

### BUSINESS AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2012/13

This announcement is made by Johnson Electric Holdings Limited ("Johnson Electric" or the "Company") on the business operations and selected unaudited financial information of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the nine months ended 31st December 2012.

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Company considers the publication of quarterly performance updates to be consistent with international corporate disclosure best practice. The objective of this announcement is to provide transparency and to ensure that investors and potential investors receive equal access to the same information at the same time.

The Group's sales for the nine months ended 31st December 2012 were US\$1,526 million, down US\$107 million from the same period last year. Excluding nonrecurring items and currency effects, the Group's sales declined by US\$17 million (1.1%) compared to the same period last year. Nonrecurring items comprised the divestiture of a business at the end of July 2011, and the insourcing of a European distribution channel in 2012. The underlying changes in sales, excluding nonrecurring items and currency effects, compared to the same period last year, were as follows:

- By Region:
  - Asia declined by 4.7%
  - $\circ$  Europe declined by 0.5%
  - Americas increased by 3.7%
- By Business:
  - Automotive Products Group ("APG") increased by 3.4%
  - Industry Products Group ("IPG") declined by 8.1%
  - Controls declined by 4.9%

APG provides custom motors, actuators, switches and motion subsystems for critical automotive motion-related functions. Excluding nonrecurring items and currency effects, APG's sales for the nine months ended 31st December 2012 increased by US\$33 million (3.4%) compared to the same period last year.

In Asia, APG benefited from continued growth in China and other emerging markets where demand for luxury vehicles was particularly strong. The business continued to gain market share due to its continued focus on supplying innovative automotive motion products to improve fuel efficiency, reduce emissions, and enhance passenger comfort and safety. In Europe, the business saw decline in some product lines due to the economic downturn, but this was more than offset by growth in cooling fan and window lift applications. In the Americas, the business benefited from the resurgence of the automotive market as well as new products and customer platform launches.

IPG provides motion products and customized subsystems for multiple industries and applications including building automation and security, business machines, aerospace, entertainment, food and beverage, home technologies, heating ventilation and air-conditioning, industrial equipment, medical devices, personal care, power equipment and power tools. IPG's sales for the nine months ended 31st December 2012, excluding nonrecurring items and currency effects, declined by US\$46 million (8.1%) compared to the same period last year.

In Asia, lower demand for home entertainment products and our exit from some low margin applications in the personal care and office equipment market segments adversely affected sales. Sales declined in Europe due to the continued economic downturn. Overall, sales in the Americas remained flat as small declines in sales of some product lines were offset by growth in sales of products for home appliances.

Concerning the outlook for the remainder of the current financial year, the Group Chairman and Chief Executive, Dr. Patrick Shui-Chung Wang, said, "Given continued concerns about the health of the world economy, current weakness of demand in certain market segments and seasonal effects that we normally experience, we expect sales in the second half of our financial year to be somewhat lower than the first half, particularly in the Industry Products Group."

### **Cautionary Statement**

Shareholders and potential investors in the Company are reminded that the information provided in this announcement, including information related to the expected outlook for the full year, is based on the Group's unaudited internal records and management accounts. This information has not been reviewed or audited by the Company's auditors.

# Shareholders and potential investors should exercise caution when dealing or investing in the shares of the Company.

#### **Board of Directors**

As of the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors comprises Patrick Shui-Chung Wang, Winnie Wing-Yee Wang, Austin Jesse Wang, being the Executive Directors, and Yik-Chun Koo Wang, Peter Kin-Chung Wang, being the Non-Executive Directors, and Peter Stuart Allenby Edwards, Patrick Blackwell Paul, Michael John Enright and Joseph Chi-Kwong Yam, being the Independent Non-Executive Directors.

By Order of the Board Johnson Electric Holdings Limited Lai-Chu Cheng Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 16 January 2013

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