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Company Announcements Office ASX Limited Sydney, NSW Australia.

## **UPDATE ON RESUMPTION OF MANUFACTURING OPERATIONS**

VIP Gloves Limited ('VIP' or the 'Company') would like to inform that it will resume glove manufacturing operations during the third week of December.

The Company has been diligently working on refurbishing its six production lines over the past three months. Two of the production lines are currently undergoing the final stages of testing and are expected to be fully operational in the week commencing 16 December. The remaining four production lines will resume operations progressively over the next two quarters, supported by the anticipation of sustainable new orders.

Management is pleased to inform that it has to-date secured sufficient orders for the 3.5gram and 4.8-gram nitrile gloves variants, which will fill the capacity of the initial two production lines over a six-month period. Management anticipates securing further orders in the coming months which will be met by increased capacity as additional production capacity comes online.

VIP's factory ceased operation temporarily in December 2022 due to challenging environment as average selling prices fell significantly due to abnormal increases in competition, particular from China during the final phase of the COVID pandemic. The excess production led to a fall in product prices and increases in raw material inputs. Since ceasing manufacturing, VIP's primary focus was engaging in trading of glove productions, to ensure continued supported its long-term customer base. With a stabilised demand and supply situation globally, the Company has determined that the market conditions have improved to the point where the time has come to resume its manufacturing activities.

VIP will provide further updates to shareholders in due course as commercial manufacturing operations evolve.

The release of this announcement was authorised by Mr Chin Kar (Jimmy) YANG on behalf of the Board of VIP.

## **Mark Maine**

Company Secretary