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Letter Received from AsiaInfo Holdings Inc.

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Further to its announcement made on 11 January 2010 Powerlan Limited (the "Company") announces that it received a letter dated 12 January 2010 from AsiaInfo Holdings, Inc ("AIH") in which AIH stated that it was aware of "the nonbinding expression of intent ("intent") by AsiaInfo International of its consideration of acquiring a controlling interest in Powerlan Limited." AIH has also stated that it "would be happy to support AsiaInfo International as appropriate" subject to due diligence, definitive agreements and "if the contemplated transaction outlined in the intent suits the strategic and financial interests of AsiaInfo International."

The Company has responded to the letter by informing AIH that the Company would be happy to arrange meetings to examine ways in which the synergies between the respective companies could be exploited for each company's mutual benefit , but any meeting to discuss the "intent" would be non-productive, as based on recent Powerlan Board discussions, there was no possibility of the Board putting to the shareholders any offer that was in the price range of the "intent" and which does not provide for repayment of the CPS Group Investments Pty Ltd ("CPS") loan and for the future working capital needs of the Company. In the Company's letter, the Chairman also advised that even if an offer in terms of the "intent" were put to shareholders, CPS, as a 40.25% shareholder would vote against approval of the offer.

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About Powerlan

Powerlan Limited (ASX: PWR) provides specialist information technology products and services through four operating divisions:

- Clarity (<u>www.clarity.com</u>) offers carrier-grade Operational Support Systems (OSS) and Network Management Systems (NMS) software solutions for telcos and enterprises.
- ConverterTechnology (<u>www.convertertechnology.com</u>) provides software and services to help enterprises capitalize on the benefits of Microsoft Office 2007.
- IMX Software (<u>www.imxsoftware.com</u>) provides a full portfolio of solutions to manage the international trading of banknotes, precious metals, foreign exchange and any other financial or stored value instrument including travellers cheques, pre-paid cards, international banker's drafts and money transfers.
- Omnix Software (<u>www.omnixsoftware.com</u>) provides specialised software solutions for mobile telecommunications operators that address the specific project delivery, property management and asset management requirements of complex 2G, 2.5G, 3G and 4G/LTE wireless networks.

All divisions are incorporated and operate as self-contained companies.