VietDuc Welding Electrode Joint Stock Company No.:3.82/CV-TCKT (Regarding: Explanation of Semi-Annual Profit for 2025)

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To:

- The State Securities Commission of Vietnam.
- · Hanoi Stock Exchange.

Pursuant to Circular No. 96/2020/TT-BTC dated November 16, 2020 of the Minister of Finance, providing guidance on information disclosure in the securities market.

VietDuc Welding Electrode Joint Stock Company hereby provides an explanation regarding its business performance for the first half of 2025 compared to the first six months of 2024, as follows:

In 2025, both production and consumption volumes in the first and second quarters increased significantly compared to 2024. Over the six-month period, welding electrode output increased by 29%, while welding wire output rose by 24%. In terms of product structure, the group of products with high profit margins remained stable and showed consistent growth throughout the period.

In the first quarter, while raw material prices remained stable, the selling prices were adjusted downward in line with market trends, resulting in a decrease in profit for Q1 2025. However, in Q2, although the selling prices of products continued to decline slightly, the prices of key raw materials dropped sharply — particularly several main input materials. At the same time, the Company focused on implementing measures to improve production efficiency, save on raw material usage, and enhance product quality, thereby significantly reducing costs of goods sold — by a greater margin than the decrease in selling prices. As a result of increased production volume, average general and selling expenses per unit decreased by approximately 6%. Consequently, the Company's profit in Q2 2025 increased significantly compared to the same period in 2024.

The combined impact of the above-mentioned factors led to an increase in semi-annual profit in 2025 compared to 2024. Specifically, the Company's profit after tax for the first six months of 2025 reached VND 10.64 billion, representing a 15% increase compared to the same period in 2024 (VND 9.21 billion in 2024)



The Company respectfully reports this to the Commission, the Exchange, and our esteemed investors for your information.

Best regards! VIET DUC WELDING ELECTRODE JOINT STOCK COMPANY Director of Company

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