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Gold Peak announces 2025/2026 final results

Gold Peak Technology Group Limited (SEHK: 40) today announced its audited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Key Highlights

- Revenue increased by 2.5% to HK$7,023.9 million
- Gross profit margin decreased by 90 basis points to 28.5%
- Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company increased by 7.3% to HK$32.6 million
- The Board proposed payment of a final dividend of 0.7 HK cents per share. Total ordinary dividend for the year of 2.5 HK cents per share, representing 90.9% payout ratio
- Group's net asset as at 31 March 2026 was increased to HK$2,335.0 million from HK$2,138.1 million
- Gearing ratio as at 31 March 2026 was 99.0% (FY2025: 98.4%)

Review of Results

For FY2026, the Group generated a revenue of HK$7,023.9 million, increased by HK$172.6 million when compared to the last financial year ended 31 March 2025 ("FY2025"). Revenue from Battery Business slightly increased by 0.6% during FY2026, with intense competition in the global battery market and lower sales to the Americas resulting from the U.S. tariff impact. Revenue from Rechargeable Battery ("Rechargeable") Business decreased by 3.5% during FY2026 due to customer inventory optimisation and change in customer mix. Revenue from Electronics and Acoustics ("E&A") Business increased by 10.2%, driven by the successful launch of new products and sales channel expansion with leading retailers in key markets, resulting in increase in sales to Americas, Europe and Asia markets.

Gross profit margin decreased from 29.4% in FY2025 to 28.5% in FY2026 due to the impact of U.S. tariffs on products sold to the U.S. market and the increase in pricing competition in other markets.

Distribution costs decreased by HK$8.4 million, or 1.0%, to HK$853.2 million when compared to FY2025, mainly due to effective management of advertising and promotion expenses amid an uncertain business environment. Administrative expenses increased by HK$48.8 million or 5.7% to HK$904.7 million when compared to FY2025, mainly due to higher research and development ("R&D") expenses for Rechargeable Business, partially offset by cost savings from ongoing initiatives to optimise organisational structure, enhance operational efficiency, and tighten expense control measures.

Other operating income for FY2026 was HK$139.4 million, mainly comprising:

- Government grants of HK$46.0 million (FY2025: HK$45.6 million),
- A one-off fair value gain on remeasurement of previously held equity interest in an associate, Changzhou Lithium Batteries Limited ("CZLB"), of HK$38.4 million (FY2025: Nil),
- Fair value gain on investment properties of HK$10.8 million (FY2025: fair value loss of HK$0.3 million),
- Gain from de-registration of subsidiaries of the Battery segment of HK$4.8 million (FY2025: HK$11.6 million), and
- Interest income of HK$8.7 million (FY2025: HK$9.3 million).

Other operating expenses in FY2026 was HK$41.0 million, mainly included a provision for the Group's internal restructuring of HK$13.2 million (FY2025: HK$25.0 million), property, plant and equipment written-off of HK$8.5 million (FY2025: HK$22.1 million) and exchange loss of HK$12.2 million (FY2025: exchange gain of HK$19.2 million).

The Group's profit before finance costs and share of results of associates for FY2026 decreased by 7.6% to HK$332.1 million when compared to FY2025, primarily attributable to reduced gross profit and higher administrative expenses, partially offset by savings in distribution costs higher net other income and other gains.

The Group's share of results of associates increased substantially from HK$76.7 million in FY2025 to HK$114.7 million in FY2026, mainly due to the improved performance of Wisefull Technology Limited ("Wisefull"), which provides high-precision cooling solutions for AI and data center hardware, serving the rapidly expanding Graphics Processing Unit semiconductor markets.

The Group's finance costs declined by 16.1%, reaching HK$188.2 million, attributable to a reduction in borrowing interest rates.

Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company for FY2026 rose by 7.3% to HK$32.6 million. Basic earnings per share for FY2026 was 2.8 HK cents.

The Directors have proposed a final dividend of 0.7 HK cents per share which, together with the interim dividend of 1.8 HK cents per share, will bring the full-year dividend to 2.5 HK cents per share (FY2025: 2.5 HK cents per share), representing a payout ratio of 90.9% for FY2026 (FY2025: 86.2%).

Business Review

Battery Business

The revenue of the Battery Business for FY2026 was HK$4,866.1 million, slightly increased by 0.6% when compared to FY2025. The drop in revenue from American customers was mainly due to uncertainties in global trade and U.S. tariff developments during FY2026. In geographical terms, sales to Americas decreased by 18.1%, Europe remained stable, while sales to Asia increased by 5.6%.

Gross profit margin decreased from 25.0% in FY2025 to 24.5% in FY2026. The decrease was primarily due to the additional costs for setting up new production lines, staff training and logistics costs in Southeast Asia for reallocation of production capacity from China to Southeast Asia to better serve the U.S. market. A new China government policy to reduce Value added tax ("VAT") rebate for battery related product export also contributed to the gross profit margin decline.

During FY2026, the Group recognized a fair value gain on investment properties of HK$10.8 million, which is mainly related to the unused factory buildings and vacant land in China and a one-off fair value gain on remeasurement of previously held equity interest in CZLB of HK$38.4 million, compared to a one-off gain of HK$11.6 million from de-registration of a dormant Malaysia battery subsidiary in FY2025.

Segment profit of the Battery Business remained broadly stable, decreasing slightly from HK$432.5 million in FY2025 to HK$429.5 million in FY2026, as the impact of lower gross profit and higher administrative expenses was largely offset by one-off fair value gains on equity interest and investment properties.

Rechargeable Battery Business

The revenue of the Rechargeable Business for FY2026 was HK$417.1 million, a decrease of 3.5% when compared to FY2025. The decrease in sales was mainly due to customer inventory optimisation and change in customer mix. In geographical terms, sales to Asia rose 24.9%, Europe remained stable, and the Americas decreased by 55.6%.

Gross profit margin decreased from 17.2% in FY2025 to 12.9% in FY2026, mainly due to a shift in customer mix toward private label customers with relatively lower margins.

Segment results of the Rechargeable Business changed from a HK$9.6 million profit in FY2025 to a HK$41.6 million loss in FY2026, mainly due to a lower gross profit and the increase in R&D expenses for the Nickel Zinc ("NiZn") battery business.

In January 2026, GP Energy Tech Limited ("GP Energy Tech") officially opened its first NiZn battery manufacturing facility in Dongguan, China. Located adjacent to the Group's Innovation Center and key logistics infrastructure, the facility is well-positioned to serve growing demand for non-flammable, sustainable power backup solutions, particularly for data centers and critical AI infrastructure.

Electronics and Acoustics Business

The revenue of the E&A Business for FY2026 was HK$1,740.8 million, an increase of 10.2% when compared to FY2025.

KEF's sales increased by 10.0% in FY2026, driven by successful new product launches and distribution channel expansion. These initiatives contributed to a sales increase of 12.2% in Asia and 15.1% in Europe. Revenue from the Celestion professional speaker driver business remained stable in FY2026, as the transfer of certain production from China to the U.K. factory, undertaken to mitigate tariff impact, is still in progress. The professional audio manufacturing business reported a 15.1% increase in revenue from external customers, primarily attributable to additional production orders for the Thailand factory. The sales increase was driven by 14.8% and 30.6% increases to the Americas and Asia, respectively.

Gross profit margin of the E&A Business for FY2026 declined to 42.5%, representing a decline of 250 basis points when compared with FY2025. The decline was primarily attributable to U.S. tariffs on branded acoustics products imported to the US market, which account for approximately 45% of KEF's sales, and lower margins from selling to new global retail chains. Higher logistic costs to support production in China and Thailand also contributed; however, these costs are expected to gradually decrease as supply chains stabilise. Despite the margin pressure, profitability growth was supported by enhanced financial discipline in managing advertising and promotion expenses, together with the continued reduction of administrative expenses through restructuring initiatives and operational efficiency improvements.

Other Industrial Investments
This business segment mainly includes the Group's investments in Meiloon Industrial Co., Ltd., Shinwa Industries (H.K.) Limited and Wisefull. Segment profit increased from HK$11.3 million in FY2025 to HK$38.5 million in FY2026, mainly due to the improved share of results from Wisefull.

Capital Resource and Liquidity

During FY2026, the Group entered into a 3-year green and sustainability-linked syndicated loan facility of HK$675 million with ten major banks, and a 3-year sustainability-linked syndicated loan facility of HK$504 million (approximately S$83.4 million) with five banks. These loan facilities enhanced the maturity profile of the Group's loan portfolio and strengthened overall liquidity of the Group. As at 31 March 2026, the Group recorded a net current asset position of HK$23.7 million, as compared with a net current liability position of HK$159.4 million as at 31 March 2025.

The current ratio, calculated as the ratio of current assets to current liabilities, was 1.01 as at 31 March 2026 (31 March 2025: 0.96).

The Group's gearing ratio, defined as the Group's net bank borrowings expressed as a percentage of total equity, as at 31 March 2026 was 99.0% (31 March 2025: 98.4%).

Outlook

Commenting on the prospects of Gold Peak, Victor Lo, Chairman & Chief Executive said, "Global macroeconomic conditions are expected to remain challenging in the financial year ending 31 March 2027 ("FY2027"), characterised by regional armed conflicts, persistent geopolitical tensions, evolving trade policies, and inflationary pressures that continue to weigh on consumer demand."

"Despite these headwinds, the Group has demonstrated resilience, underpinned by strategic investments in its core brands, high-growth commercial energy storage solutions, and a long-standing commitment to geographic manufacturing diversification. The Directors have assessed the potential impact of evolving trade policies as manageable, given the Group's extensive footprint outside of China, which includes eight regional manufacturing facilities across Southeast Asia and U.K. The exposures of products directly exported from China to the U.S. is relatively limited compared to competitors."

"To address macroeconomic uncertainties, the Group continues to monitor developments closely and adapt its business strategies in order to maintain profitability while remaining responsive to customer needs. This includes further investment in the Group's "China Plus One" strategy by enhancing production capacity in Southeast Asia to serve the U.S. and other global markets. The Group's early commitment to expanding its manufacturing footprint outside of China has proven to be an advantage as these facilities started reaching operational maturity. For example, the Alkaline battery plant in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam is currently operating at full capacity. Despite the Group's relatively limited exposure to persistent geopolitical tensions and evolving trade policies, the Directors anticipate that the macroeconomic environment may lead to industry consolidation amongst competitors. In the mid-to-long term, the Directors expect the Group to be well positioned to benefit from any industry consolidation, due, in a large part, to its well-established manufacturing base outside of China and its readiness to capture the rapid growth of the data center energy storage sector."

"The Group remains committed to innovation and product development across its core business segments. In the Battery Business, the Group is shifting resources toward higher-margin specialty products, such as coin cells for IoT and smart home applications, where demand remains robust. Additionally, the Group is expanding its direct-to-consumer e-commerce activities to streamline the supply chain and reduce transaction costs. By marketing to consumers the benefits of innovative fast-charging rechargeable battery solutions, the Group is creating new opportunities that align with its core commitment to sustainability."

"GP Energy Tech enters FY2027 with a clear operational roadmap for the commercial scale-up of its NiZn battery technology, for critical immediate power applications. Following the successful commissioning of the Dongguan facility in January 2026, the Group expects to commence full mass production by June 2026, with initial commercial order deliveries anticipated in the second quarter of FY2027. The Malaysian facility remains on track to come online by March 2027, which will further diversify the Group's manufacturing footprint to serve growing demand from data centers and critical infrastructure."

"Unlike Lithium-Ion, NiZn battery chemistry is intrinsically non-flammable and eliminates the risk of thermal runaway — a critical safety advantage in the dense server environment of modern AI data centers. With up to three times the power density of conventional battery chemistries and greater than 90% recyclability, NiZn delivers both the performance and the environmental profile that data center operators and critical infrastructure clients increasingly require to meet stringent space-saving requirements and strict corporate net-zero mandates."

"In the E&A Business, KEF will continue to expand its wireless music systems portfolio and drive distribution penetration and expansion in direct-to-consumer touchpoints. This is supported by its global network of flagship Experience Centers and high-profile "Sound by KEF" partnerships. KEF will also enhance brand marketing with additional emotional differentiation to attract more premium customers. Celestion is successfully disrupting new segments, supported by the commissioning of a new fully automatic production line in Ipswich, U.K., dedicated to the Ten Squared (TSQ) range of large-format premium professional audio speakers. The flagship TSQ 24-inch drivers are seeing rapid adoption in the concert market and in high-performance home audio systems. In December 2025, Celestion entered the prosumer market with the launch of the "Hometainer", a series of second-generation multi-purpose entertainment systems featuring a home-friendly aesthetic design primarily targeting the fast-growing Asian consumer Karaoke market."

"The Group intends to accelerate the divestment of non-core assets, including unused factories and vacant land in China and Malaysia. By consolidating operations into more efficient, multi-level automated facilities, the Group is freeing up prime industrial properties for disposal or rental income generation. These initiatives, coupled with securing substantive new sustainability-linked loan facilities from a consortium of banks, will further strengthen the Group's financial position and provide the flexibility necessary for future growth, specifically in integrating advanced technologies into its energy storage architectures."

"While global trading and macroeconomic conditions present ongoing challenges, the Group's diversified manufacturing footprint, strong brand development momentum, and leadership in sustainable data-center-ready energy storage technology position the Group well to navigate these uncertainties."

"Having committed to achieving Net Zero carbon emissions by 2050 — with interim reduction targets of 20% by 2030 and 60% by 2040 — the Group remains confident in delivering long-term value to shareholders through sustainability, improved profitability, and continued expansion of its premium brand portfolio."

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