

TechFaith Reports First Quarter 2014 Financial Results

Beijing, China, May 20, 2014 - China TechFaith Wireless Communication Technology Limited (NASDAQ: CNTF) ("TechFaith" or the "Company") today announced unaudited financial results for the first guarter ended March 31, 2014.

For the first quarter of 2014, TechFaith reported net revenue of US\$26.2 million compared to US\$31.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2013 and US\$28.2 million in the first quarter of 2013. Revenue remained stable in the Company's the Original Developed Product or ODP business, which was offset by declines in the Company's gaming business, and seasonality led declines in the Company's brand name phone business. Revenue in the first quarter of 2014, as compared to the fourth quarter of 2013, derived from the Company's ODP business, gaming and brand name phone sales, decreased by 1.4%, decreased by 94.5% and decreased by 49.9%, respectively.

Gross profit for the first quarter of 2014 was US\$1.9 million compared to US\$4.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2013 and US\$4.6 million in the first quarter of 2013 primarily reflecting the adverse impact of the lower revenue level and business mix. Gross margin for the first quarter of 2014 was 7.4% compared to 12.9% in the fourth quarter of 2013 and 16.2% in the first quarter of 2013. Net loss attributed to TechFaith for the first quarter of 2014 was US\$2.9 million or US\$0.05 loss per basic and diluted weighted average outstanding ADS, compared to net loss of US\$2.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2013 or US\$0.04 loss per basic and diluted weighted average outstanding ADS and net income of US\$0.3 million in the first quarter of 2013 or US\$0.01 per basic and diluted weighted average outstanding ADS.

Miss Ouyang Yuping, TechFaith's Chief Financial Officer, said, "Revenue in the first quarter was affected by our ongoing strategic shift in our gaming business and the industry-wide impact of seasonality on the smart phone and branded phone markets. We expect the situation to remain challenged as the second quarter is normally a softer period for the industry. Importantly, we continue to carefully manage our operating costs and discretionary spending, while maintaining a strong balance sheet to support the Company's long-term health. We reduced operating expenses by an additional US\$2.5 million, or 28.0%, compared to the fourth of 2013. Our cash and cash equivalents was US\$258.5 million at the end of first quarter 2014."

Mr. Deyou Dong, President and Chief Operating Officer of TechFaith, said, "The impact from seasonality was magnified by continued higher competition and higher costs. Our focus remains on sustaining our core product programs, supporting customers with new tailored mobile devices and exploring new market segments in which we can leverage our design expertise and global reach. One example is in smart devices, where our sales increased by 260% compared to the previous quarter. While this is growing off a small base, it exemplifies the potential opportunities we are building on."

Mr. Defu Dong, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of TechFaith, said, "While the first quarter remained challenging, we nonetheless worked hard to lessen the impact of seasonality, mix and the ongoing strategic shift in our gaming business. Our core business remains challenged and stressed but there is still a far greater asset value we have created than that reflected in the Company's share price. Our goal remains to build upon our strength in the niche and branded mobile segments. We have seen several applications that while in their infancy have considerable potential. For example, there has been great interest from both consumers and developers in the wearable segment. This is particularly exciting for us as we can leverage our extensive development assets, including in ruggedized and tailored products. We are working with customers on a variety of potential devices, spanning the health and healthcare markets to fitness and outdoors. Separately, we remain on track in the development of our High-Tech Park Campus."

Second Quarter of 2014 Outlook

The forecast below is TechFaith's current and preliminary view, which is subject to change. TechFaith currently expects total revenues for the second quarter of 2014 to be in the range of US\$22million to US\$26 million.

Investor Conference Call / Webcast Details

TechFaith will hold a conference call on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. U.S. Eastern Time (8:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 20, 2014 in Beijing), using dial-in +1-617-597-5447 or +1-877-299-4454. The conference call passcode is 86473556. A live webcast of the conference call will also be available on TechFaith's website at www.techfaithwireless.com.

A replay of the call will be available approximately 2 hours after the conclusion of the live call by telephone at +1-617-801-6888, with passcode 12659131. A webcast replay will also be available at www.techfaithwireless.com

About TechFaith

TechFaith (NASDAQ: CNTF) has three primary businesses. The Company is a leading global mobile solutions provider for the global mobile handsets market (previously called the ODP (Original Developed Product) business). The Company is a leading developer of specialized mobile phones for differentiated market segments, including the rapidly growing smartphone market targeting wireless mobile phone network operators and end users; the Company also serves sports enthusiasts with a tailored line under the Jungle brand and the teen market under licensed brands. Under the Company's 17FOX brand (previously "17VEE"), the Company has built a leading intellectual property based motion gaming business ranging from Bluetoothenabled motion gaming controllers and software to a planned proprietary set-top motion game box. For more information, please visit www.techfaithwireless.com.

Safe Harbor Statement

This announcement contains forward-looking statements. These statements are made under the "safe harbor" provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as "will," "expects,"

"anticipates," "future," "intends," "plans," "believes," "estimates," "confident," "outlook" and similar statements. Among other things, the business outlook and strategic and operational plans of TechFaith and management quotations contain forward-looking statements. TechFaith may also make written or oral forward-looking statements in its periodic reports to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on Forms 20-F and 6-K, etc., in its annual report to shareholders, in press releases and other written materials and in oral statements made by its officers, directors or employees to third parties. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about TechFaith's beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. A number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. Potential risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, those risks outlined in TechFaith's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including its annual report on Form 20-F. TechFaith does not undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statement, except as required under applicable law.

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CHINA TECHFAITH WIRELESS COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY LIMITED UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(In Thousands of U.S. Dollars, except share and per share/ADS data and unless otherwise stated)

	Three Months Ended March 31		Three Months Ended December 31
_	2014	2013	2013
Revenues:			
ODP	\$23,338	\$14,532	\$23,680
Brand name phone sales	2,712	10,301	5,414
Game	117	3,402	2,112
Total net revenues	\$26,167	\$28,235	\$31,206
Cost of revenues:			
ODP	\$21,719	\$13,157	\$20,493
Brand name phone sales	2,492	7,878	4,698
Game	26	2,639	1,992
Total cost of revenues	\$24,237	\$23,674	\$27,183
Gross Profit	\$1,930	\$4,561	\$4,023
Operating expenses:			
General and administrative	\$2,104	\$1,747	\$1,660
Research and development	1,799	1,845	2,222
Selling and marketing	2,420	647	547
Impairment of long-lived assets	-	-	3,110
Impairment of goodwill	-	_	1,242
Total operating expenses	\$6,323	\$4,239	\$8,781
Government subsidy income	-	19	84
Other operating income	612	284	960
(Loss) income from operations	\$(3,781)	\$625	\$(3,714)
Interest expenses	(130)	-	(78)
Interest income	443	523	462
Other (expense) income	(1)	-	229
Change in fair value of put option	(60)	(30)	(30)

(Loss) income before income	ድ/ ጋ E ጋር\	¢4 440	# (2.424)
taxes	\$(3,529)	\$1,118	\$(3,131)
Income tax (expenses) benefits	(32)	(754)	891
Net (loss) income Less: net (loss) income attributable to the noncontrolling	\$(3,561)	\$364	\$(2,240)
interest Net (loss) income attributable to	(668)	58	(176)
TechFaith	\$(2,893)	\$306	\$(2,064)
Net (loss) income attributable to TechFaith per share			
Basic	\$(0.00)	\$0.00	\$(0.00)
Diluted	\$(0.00)	\$0.00	\$(0.00)
Net (loss) income attribute to TechFaith per ADS			
Basic	\$(0.05)	\$0.01	\$(0.04)
Diluted	\$(0.05)	\$0.01	\$(0.04)
Net (loss) income Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax Foreign currency translation	\$(3,561)	\$364	\$(2,240)
adjustment	(9,529)	1,032	3,908
Comprehensive (loss) income	(13,090)	1,396	1,668
Less: Comprehensive (loss) income attributable to			
noncontrolling interest Comprehensive (loss) income	(1,545)	143	192
attributable to TechFaith	\$(11,545)	\$1,253	\$1,476
Weighted average shares outstanding			
Basic	794,003,193	794,003,193	794,003,193
 Diluted	794,003,193	794,003,193	794,003,193

CHINA TECHFAITH WIRELESS COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY LIMITED UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	March 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$258,507	\$265,649
Accounts receivable, net of allowances of \$605 and \$543 as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively	15,613	17,100
Notes receivable	41	58
Inventories, net	13,461	13,576
Prepaid expenses and other current	13,401	13,370
assets	10,277	10,436
Total current assets	\$297,899	\$306,819
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$96,519	\$94,282
Land use rights, net	10,393	10,729
Acquired intangible assets, net	3,653	2,798
Total assets	\$408,464	\$414,628
Liabilities and shareholders' equity Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable (including accounts payable of the consolidated variable interest entity without recourse to China Techfaith Wireless Communication Technology Limited, \$nil and \$nil as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively) Short-term loan (including short-term loan of the consolidated variable interest entity without recourse to China Techfaith Wireless Communication Technology Limited, \$nil and \$nil as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013,	11,845	14,247
respectively)	15,350	15,350

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities(including accrued expenses and other current liabilities of the consolidated variable interest entity without recourse to China Techfaith Wireless Communication Technology Limited, \$184 and \$189 as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively) Advance from customers(including advance from customers of the consolidated variable interest entity without recourse to China Techfaith Wireless Communication Technology Limited, \$nil and \$nil as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively)	25,991 8,976	21,302 9,525
Deferred revenue(including deferred revenue of the consolidated variable interest entity without recourse to China Techfaith Wireless Communication Technology Limited, \$nil and \$nil as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively)	3,927	3,854
Income tax payable (including income tax payable of consolidated variable interest entity without recourse to China Techfaith Wireless Communication Technology Limited, \$22 and \$22 as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013,		
respectively) Put option liability (including income tax payable of consolidated variable interest entity without recourse to China Techfaith Wireless Communication Technology Limited, \$nil and \$nil as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013,	190	254
respectively)	1,890	1,830
Total current liabilities	\$68,169	\$66,362
Long-term loan (including income tax payable of consolidated variable interest entity without recourse to China Techfaith Wireless Communication Technology Limited, \$nil and \$nil as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively)	5 116	200
respectively)	5,116	290
Total liabilities	\$73,285	\$66,652
Shareholders' equity		
Ordinary shares of par value \$0.00002: (50,000,000,000,000 shares authorized; shares issued and outstanding, 794,003,193 and 794,003,193 as of March 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively)	\$16	\$16

Additional paid-in capital Accumulated other comprehensive	144,376	144,083
income	47,189	55,841
Statutory reserve	23,730	23,730
Retained earnings	87,516	90,409
Total Techfaith shareholders' equity	\$302,827	\$314,079
Noncontrolling interest	\$32,352	\$33,897
Total shareholders' equity	\$335,179	\$347,976
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$408,464	\$414,628