

Emerald Plantation Holdings Limited announces appointment of new Non-Executive Director and resignation of Non-Executive Director

Emerald Plantation Holdings Limited (the "**Company**") announces today the appointment of Mr. Sherman Edmiston III as a Non-Executive Director of the Company.

Mr. Edmiston has been a Managing Director of Zolfo Cooper LLC in New York between 2009 and 2015. Previously Mr. Sherman was Managing Director of Glass & Associates (a Huron Consulting Group company) and was also the founder of JME Management LLC, a distressed and special situation investment vehicle launched in March 2004.

The Company also announces today that Mr. Eugene Irwin Davis has tendered his resignation with effect as of 8 March 2017 as a Director of the Company. Mr. Davis will continue to serve as Chairman of the Litigation Trust Board formed pursuant to the Sino Forest Litigation Trust Agreement dated 30 January 2013.

Mr. Davis confirmed that his resignation is not due to any disagreement with the Board or the Company and that he is not aware of any matter relating to his resignation that needs to be brought to the attention of the Company's shareholders.

The Board is very grateful to Mr. Davis for his contributions to the Company and the Board during his tenure as a Director.