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## Name change from Catalyst Biosciences to Gyre Therapeutics

As disclosed on July 21, 2023 and September 1, 2023, Nasdaq-listed Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. ("CBIO"), an equity method affiliate of GNI Group Ltd. ("the Company"), had the resolution discussed and approved in its shareholder meeting on August 29, 2023 regarding changing CBIO's name to Gyre Therapeutics, Inc. ("Gyre") in connection with the transaction between the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliated companies ("we" or "the Group").

As published today in our disclosure "GNI Group Completes the Transaction with Catalyst Biosciences," the transaction between the Group and CBIO has been successfully completed. Accordingly, we are pleased to announce that CBIO's name is changed to Gyre, which will begin trading as Gyre on the Nasdaq market on October 31, 2023 US time.

As disclosed by the Company on October 26, 2023, regarding F351 (generic name: Hydronidone), the Group's next core product, Beijing Continent Pharmaceuticals Co., Ltd. ("BC") has completed subject enrollment in the Phase III clinical trial of F351 for liver fibrosis caused by hepatitis B, which is being conducted in China. BC is planning to apply for NDA (New Drug Application) in China after a 52-week data collection period, barring any issues. Gyre plans to conduct clinical development of F351 for the treatment of Metabolic Dysfunction Associated Steatohepatitis (MASH) in the United States.

The impact of this matter on the consolidated business results of the Group for the current fiscal year is expected to be immaterial.

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