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ASX Announcement

Search and Seizure Orders against Former CFO

IOUpay Limited (**IOUpay** or **the Company**) announces that search and seizure orders have been executed in Malaysia against the Company's former CFO, Kenneth Kuan Choon Hsuing, and three other individuals associated with Mr Kuan.

In addition to the criminal investigation into Mr Kuan, the Company has commenced civil proceedings in the High Court of Malaysia to identify and recover assets.

The search and seizure orders, known as "Anton Piller" orders, were granted by the High Court on 21 March 2023 and authorised IOUpay's lawyers to enter premises without notice, accompanied by an independent supervising lawyer and independent forensic technicians, to search and seize documents and evidence. The orders were executed on Friday 24 March, involving simultaneous raids on Mr Kuan's premises and the premises of three other individuals in Kuala Lumpur.

The documents and other evidence seized during the raids, including electronic devices and mobile handsets, are now being analysed by independent forensic investigators.

The Company also obtained a freezing order, known as a "Mareva injunction", from the High Court of Malaysia on 21 March 2023. The order freezes the bank accounts and other assets of Mr Kuan and the other named parties held in Malaysia, preventing them from removing assets from Malaysia for a specified time. The freezing orders were also served on the defendants on 24 March 2023.

The Company notes that the legal proceedings commenced against it by Clee Capital Pty Ltd were listed before His Honour Justice Jackman of the Federal Court of Australia on 22 March 2023. The Company proposed that the matter be stood over for one week, and both parties consented to this. The Company agreed that it would conduct business as usual in that period, while specifying that the investigations into the suspected fraud would continue. During this period the raids were conducted in accordance with the orders already granted by the High Court of Malaysia.

The Company's financial records are currently the subject of an independent forensic audit by Crowe Malaysia PLT ("**Crowe**"), a member of Crowe Global. The Company approached Crowe on 14 March 2023, immediately after the discovery of the suspected fraud, and has engaged them to conduct an independent forensic audit of all suspicious transactions.

The release of this announcement was authorised by the Board of the Company and released by the Company Secretary.

Yours faithfully,

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About IOUpay (ASX:IOU):

IOUpay Limited (ASX:IOU) provides fintech and digital commerce software solutions and services that enable its institutional customers to securely authenticate end-user customers and process banking, purchase and payment transactions.

The Company's core technology platform enables large customer communities to connect to end user customers using any mobile device and integrate mobile technology throughout their existing business and customer product offerings. The Company's business divisions consist of Mobile Banking and Digital Payments which service leading banks in Malaysia and large telcos and corporates in Malaysia & Indonesia. IOUpay also works with telecommunication network providers to provided mobile OTT (over-the-top) services that leverage their subscriber base to build active communities.

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