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## **SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited**

*(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 00315)**

### **APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The board of directors (the "Board") of SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited (the "Company") announces that Mrs. Ip Yeung See-ming, Christine has been appointed as Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company with effect from 16 November 2012.

Mrs. Ip, aged 49, is currently Managing Director of United Overseas Bank Limited ("UOB") and is responsible for developing Greater China strategy for the Bank. Mrs. Ip has been appointed as United Overseas Bank Hong Kong Office CEO with effect from January 2012.

Mrs. Ip is a seasoned banker with more than 26 years of experience in both Consumer and Corporate Banking, and she has significant experience in China. Prior to joining UOB, Mrs. Ip has held a range of senior management positions in product and sales management, customer segment management and risk management in Hong Kong, the United States, Canada, Singapore and China with Australia and New Zealand Bank, Standard Chartered Bank and HSBC.

Mrs. Ip's achievements have brought her the Asia Retail Congress award for "Best International Retail Banker" in 2008.

Mrs. Ip holds a Bachelor Degree of Arts from University of Hong Kong and MBA from Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. Mrs. Ip is also an Associate of the Institute of Bankers.

Save as disclosed above, Mrs. Ip (1) has not held any directorships in any public listed companies, whether in Hong Kong or overseas, during the last three years; (2) does not hold any other positions in the Company and its subsidiaries; and (3) does not have any other relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company.

As at the date of this announcement, Mrs. Ip does not have any interests in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

There is no service contract entered into between Mrs. Ip and the Company and there is no

fixed term of her service with the Company. Pursuant to the Company's Bye-laws, she will retire and be eligible for re-election at the next general meeting of the Company. Thereafter, she will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the Company's annual general meetings in accordance with the Company's Bye-laws. Mrs. Ip will be entitled to a director's fee which is currently at HK\$120,000 per annum and is determined based on the prevailing market rate of directors' fees for companies listed in Hong Kong. Fees payable to directors are subject to review and authorisation on an annual basis by shareholders at the annual general meeting of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, there are no other matters relating to the appointment of Mrs. Ip that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and there is no further information to be disclosed pursuant to the requirements of rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The Company would like to welcome Mrs. Ip in joining the Board.

By order of the Board  
**SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited**  
**Mak Yau-hing, Alvin**  
*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 16 November 2012

*As at the date of this announcement, the Executive Directors of the Company are Mr. Douglas LI and Mr. CHAN Kai-lung, Patrick; Non-Executive Directors are Mr. KWOK Ping-luen, Raymond, Mr. CHEUNG Wing-yui, Mr. David Norman PRINCE, Mr. YUNG Wing-chung, Mr. SIU Hon-wah, Thomas, Mr. TSIM Wing-kit, Alfred and Mr. John Anthony MILLER; Independent Non-Executive Directors are Dr. LI Ka-cheung, Eric, JP, Mr. NG Leung-sing, JP, Mr. YANG Xiang-dong, Mr. GAN Fock-kin, Eric and Mrs. IP YEUNG See-ming, Christine.*