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## Marvell Acquires Aquantia Corp., The First Successful Exit Project of Walden CEL Global Fund I

May 14, 2019 – Aquantia Corp. (NYSE: AQ), a portfolio company of Walden CEL Global Fund I which is a private equity fund co-invested by **China Everbright Limited** ("Everbright", stock code: 165.HK) and Walden International, had been impacted by the significant news of major merger & acquisition, accelerates the successful exit of the investment. The project is the first deal to be withdrawn after the first year of the fund's establishment and the return on investment (IRR) is approximately 36%.

On May 6, Marvell Technology Group Ltd. (NASDAQ: MRVL), a leading full-service broadband communications and storage solutions semiconductor company, announced in a definitive agreement with Aquantia that, after the approval of the boards of directors of both companies, under which Marvell will acquire all outstanding shares of Aquantia common stock in exchange for consideration of US\$13.25 per share in cash, representing the company valuation of Aquantia is approximately US\$ 452 million. Marvell's source of funds for the acquisition came from cash and bank loans. The transaction is not subject to any financing condition and is expected to close by the end of 2019, subject to regulatory approval as well as other customary closing conditions, including the adoption by Aquantia's stockholders of the merger agreement. The acquisition of Aquantia complements Marvell's product features in connectivity function and especially extends its position in high-speed automotive network products. In particular, Aquantia is the world's leading innovator of high-speed Ethernet connectivity communication chips to accelerate the transition from Gigabit Ethernet to 10 Gigabit Ethernet applied in data centers, enterprise infrastructure and automobiles. Aquantia features Multi-Gig (2.5G/ 5G /10G/100G) Ethernet controllers, which benefits Marvell to offering the most appropriate products for Level 4 and Level 5 autopilot systems.

Walden CEL Global Fund I, co-invested by CEL and Walden International Group, was established in 2018, with a targeting size of USD \$500 million and achieved USD 163 million at first closing. The fund primarily focuses on global investment opportunities in equity and equity-related securities of growth or mature stage companies in semiconductor or electronic information industries, especially concentrating on cross-border investments caused by the relocation of semiconductor and electronic information industry development in Asia and Pacific area. The fund is expected to leverage both investors' experiences of industrial operation and capital market in order to



integrate edge-tech and thriving business models of the portfolio companies into China's market to satisfy China's urgent demand in semiconductor and advanced technology in electronic engineering and related industrial utilization. Furthermore, this could accelerate the technology improvement, upgrade, and development of China's semiconductor industry.

At present, the fund has invested in 10 outstanding companies in the world including, ACM Research, ASR Microelectronics and Tong Dun Technology, etc., covering semiconductor chip design, smart wearable devices, high-end precision equipment manufacturing, intelligent data analysis and other sub-segments. As of today, two portfolio companies have gone IPO on US stock exchange which are Aquantia Corp. (NYSE: AQ) and ACM Research (NASDAQ: ACMR), while another one has been closed to be merged by a China A-share listed company, which proves the outstanding performance of the Fund.

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## About China Everbright Limited

China Everbright Limited (Everbright, stock code: 165.HK) was established in Hong Kong in 1997 with over 20 years' experience in PE investments and asset management. It is China's leading cross-border investment and asset management company, backed by its parent company China Everbright Group. Through the private equity funds, venture capital funds, industry funds, mezzanine funds, fund of funds, fixed income and equity funds it manages, Everbright cultivates a number of high-growth-potential enterprises together with its investors. While closely following the development requirements of Chinese companies, it also introduces the best overseas technologies into the Chinese market, providing multifaceted services to Chinese and overseas clients.

Moreover, via its principal investment, Everbright is cultivating CALC, the largest independent aircraft leasing operator in China; incubating CEL Terminus, a unicorn enterprise specialising in AI and Internet of Things; and also integrating high-end elderly care platforms in China to build a proprietary and quality senior care brand.

As of 31 December 2018, Everbright managed 62 funds and a total AUM of HK\$143.5 billion. Through both proprietary funds and the funds it manages, Everbright has invested in companies both in China and globally, including China UMS, Goldwind, CECEP Wind-power Corporation, HC SemiTek, BGI, Betta Pharmaceuticals Co. Ltd., Amcare, LifeTech Scientific Corporation, Focus Media, iQiYi, SenseTime, NIO, Tirana International Airport, Boreal, Burke Porter Group, Wish, Xjet and Satixfy, etc. It has invested in a total of over 300 companies, covering fields including real estate, aircraft leasing, medical & healthcare, elderly care, new energy, infrastructure, high-level manufacturing, advanced technology and cultural consumption. Of these, more than 150 companies have been listed in China or overseas, or were listed but have since withdrawn due to mergers and acquisitions.

Everbright is the second-largest shareholder of Everbright Securities (stock code: 601788.SH, 6178.HK) and a strategic shareholder of China Everbright Bank (stock code: 601818.SH, 6818.HK). It is also the largest shareholder of Everbright Jiabao Co Ltd. (stock code: 600622.SH). In Hong Kong, it is the largest shareholder of China Aircraft Leasing Group Holdings Limited (stock code: 1848.HK) and a controlling shareholder of Kinergy Corporation Ltd. (stock code: 3302.HK). In Singapore, it is the largest shareholder of Ying Li International Real Estate Limited (stock code: 5DM. SGX). Everbright and its subsidiary companies currently have offices in Hong Kong, Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen, Tianjin, Singapore and Dublin.

Everbright became one of the first Hong Kong stocks to be traded following the launches of the Shanghai-Hong Kong and Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect programmes in April 2014 and December 2016.

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