## **Fairfax India Holdings Corporation**

TSX Stock Symbol: FIH.U

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## FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS

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Fairfax India Holdings Corporation (TSX: FIH.U) announces a net loss of \$293.5 million in the first quarter of 2024 (\$2.17 net loss per diluted share), compared to a net loss of \$55.5 million in the first quarter of 2023 (\$0.40 net loss per diluted share). Book value per share decreased 10.1% to \$19.65 at March 31, 2024, from \$21.85 at December 31, 2023, primarily due to unrealized losses recorded on the company's listed investments.

Highlights for the first quarter of 2024 included the following:

- Net change in unrealized losses on investments of \$410.9 million principally from decreases in the fair values of the company's listed investments of \$273.3 million, including IIFL Finance (\$177.8 million), CSB Bank (\$63.4 million), IIFL Securities (\$22.4 million) and 5paisa (\$5.5 million), and private company investments of \$20.3 million, including Sanmar (\$30.5 million) (primarily due to a decrease in the publicly traded share price of its subsidiary, Chemplast) and NCML (\$5.2 million). These unrealized losses were partially offset by an increase in the fair value of the company's investment in the private company Seven Islands (\$7.2 million). Net change in unrealized losses on investments also included reversals of prior period gains upon the sales of NSE shares (\$117.2 million).
- Net realized gains on investments of \$116.9 million primarily related to sales of NSE shares for gross proceeds of \$132.3 million (11.0 billion Indian rupees), resulting in realized gains since inception of \$117.1 million.
- The company continued to buy back shares under its normal course issuer bid and during the first three months of 2024 purchased for cancellation 246,062 subordinate voting shares at a net cost of \$3.6 million (\$14.72 per subordinate voting share).
- Fairfax India is in strong financial health, with cash and marketable securities at March 31, 2024 of approximately \$210 million, prior to completing sales of its remaining investment in NSE for gross proceeds of \$56.7 million (4.7 billion Indian rupees) in April 2024.

There were 135.4 million and 138.2 million weighted average common shares outstanding during the first quarters of 2024 and 2023, respectively. At March 31, 2024 there were 105,152,447 subordinate voting shares and 30,000,000 multiple voting shares outstanding.

Fairfax India's detailed first quarter report can be accessed at its website www.fairfaxindia.ca.

Fairfax India Holdings Corporation is an investment holding company whose objective is to achieve long term capital appreciation, while preserving capital, by investing in public and private equity securities and debt instruments in India and Indian businesses or other businesses with customers, suppliers or business primarily conducted in, or dependent on, India.

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