## KIENLONG COMMERCIAL JOINT STOCK BANK

No:J50/NHKL

Re: Explanation of Changes in audited Consolidated After-Tax Profit for 2024

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Rach Gia, day &8 month 3 2025

To:

- State Securities Commission (SSC);
- Hanoi Stock Exchange (HNX).

Kienlong Commercial Joint Stock Bank (Stock code: KLB) hereby provides an explanation for the increase of over 10% in KienlongBank's audited consolidated after-tax profit for 2024 compared to 2023, as follows:

KienlongBank's audited consolidated after-tax profit for 2024 increased by 313.510 million VND, equivalent to a 54,62% rise compared to 2023, primarily due to the following reasons:

- Total income increased by VND 1,174,177 million (corresponding to an increase of 42.20%), mainly because KienlongBank effectively utilized mobilized capital from the beginning of the year and efficiently implemented debt settlement and recovery measures.
- Total expenses increased by VND 780,766 million (corresponding to an increase of 37.83%), including:
- + Operating expenses increased by VND 375,738 million (corresponding to an increase of 22.83%), primarily due to employee expenses rising by VND 299,959 million (corresponding to an increase of 29.31%) as KienlongBank enhanced compensation policies and increased staff income. Additionally, investments were made in infrastructure, IT systems, and digitalization projects.
- + Credit risk provision expenses increased by VND 405,028 million (corresponding to an increase of 96.92%), mainly because KienlongBank strengthened its provisioning to improve asset quality, accumulate resources for risk management, and establish a solid buffer to increase the non-performing loan coverage ratio. This proactive approach aims to mitigate potential uncertainties in the future, ensuring safe and sustainable operations.

Note: KienlongBank's consolidated after-tax profit after the audit remains unchanged from the pre-audit report.

Sincerely./.

## Recipients

- As above;
- Board of Directors, Board of Supervisor (for reporting);
- Board of Executive (for direction);
- Archieved at: Clerical department.

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