Property development company CDL Investments New Zealand Limited (NZX: CDI) today reported its results for the year ended 31 December 2017.

CDI increased its profit after tax by 19.0% to $32.2 million with property sales & other income increasing by 5.6% to $78.7 million over 2016.

“We are very pleased to report another year of increased profit performance” said managing director Mr. B K Chiu. “Our housing sections in Auckland, Hamilton and Christchurch with their locations and design remain attractive to buyers despite a less buoyant market compared to 2016.”

“The property market moves in cycles. With new legislation on LVRs, availability of finance together with the levelling of net migration, 2017 could be seen as a correction year and this can be viewed as positive in moderating the exuberance of the market. However, supply of housing remains short of demand notably in the Auckland region. We continue to see a steady but subdued demand for our sections and this underlying demand is not surprising as home ownership remains an aspiration dear to New Zealanders. To this end we continue to programme the development and release of new sections for sale in 2018 and 2019 as well as implementing our land purchase plans for the future,” said Mr Chiu.

CDI’s Board resolved to increase its dividend to 3.5 cents per share (from 3.0 cents in 2016) fully imputed which would be released to shareholders on 18 May 2018. The record date would be 4 May 2018 and the Dividend Reinvestment Plan would apply to this dividend.

Summary of results:

- Profit after tax: $32.2 million (2016: $27.0 million)
- Profit before tax: $44.7 million (2016: $37.5 million)
- Total revenue & other income: $78.7 million (2016: $74.5 million)
- Shareholders’ funds: $186.1 million (2016: $161.8 million)
- Total assets: $191.7 million (2016: $168.3 million)
- Net tangible asset value (at book value): 67.1 cents per share (2016: 58.4cps)
- Earnings per share: 11.60 cents per share (2016: 9.77cps)

About CDL Investments New Zealand Limited:

CDL Investments New Zealand Limited (CDI) has a proud track record of acquiring and developing residential sections in New Zealand for two decades. With a focus on creating and developing a range of high-quality residential sections to New Zealanders, CDI has over the past twenty years successfully completed numerous subdivision projects in Auckland, Hamilton, Tauranga, Hastings, Havelock North, Taupo, Nelson, Christchurch, Rolleston (Canterbury) and Queenstown. CDI is a majority-owned subsidiary of NZX-listed Millennium & Copthorne Hotels New Zealand Limited.

ENDS

Issued by CDL Investments New Zealand Limited

Enquiries to:
B K Chiu, Managing Director
(09) 353 5058