

Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd. Announces Upcoming Retirement of CFO

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BEIJING, May 21, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd. ("Xinyuan" or "the Company") (NYSE: XIN), a residential real estate developer with a focus on high growth, strategic Tier II and III cities in China, today announced that Tom Gurnee, the Company's Chief Financial Officer for the past four and a half years, plans to retire as CFO in August 2013. Mr. Gurnee will remain on the Company's Board of Directors following his retirement as CFO.

The Company has formed a search committee, which includes members of the Board's audit committee, to lead the effort to locate Mr. Gurnee's successor. The Company plans to have a new CFO in place prior to Mr. Gurnee's retirement in order to provide an orderly transition.

Mr. Zhang Yong, Xinyuan's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, "Tom has been an invaluable asset to Xinyuan in recent years and I want to thank him for his contributions to the growth, development, and stability of our business. Xinyuan has emerged much stronger and in a much better financial position thanks to his efforts. We wish him well in his retirement. The timing of his departure should allow for a smooth transition to a new CFO."

"It has been a privilege serving at Xinyuan and being enabled to build a strong financial team. It has been gratifying to be a part of the Company's strong growth and development over the years resulting in margin expansion, and a markedly improved balance sheet", commented Mr. Gurnee. "Xinyuan is well-positioned for growth in the years to come and I have a high level of confidence that the current organization will perform admirably. I look forward to assisting management as needed during this transition period."

About Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd.

Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd. is a developer of large scale, high quality residential real estate projects aimed at providing middle-income consumers with a comfortable and convenient community lifestyle. Xinyuan primarily focuses on China's Tier II and III cities. Xinyuan's U.S. development arm, XIN Development Group International, Inc. is a pioneer among Chinese real estate residential developers, entering the U.S. market in 2012. Xinyuan is the first real estate developer from China to be listed on the New York Stock Exchange. For more information, please visit http://www.xyre.com.

Forward Looking Statements

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