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# Carbon Revolution Carbon Fiber Wheel Backlog More Than Doubles to \$680 Million since Oct 2022

- Total revenue forecast to grow from \$28.5 million in calendar year 2022 to \$90.1 million in 2024 for a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 78%.
- Tailwinds include new business awards and funding.
- Nearly 50% of backlog is for electric vehicle (EV) programs.



Carbon Revolution's ultra-lightweight 23-inch carbon fiber wheels on the Range Rover Sport SV weigh an average of 41% less than conventional 23-inch cast-alloy wheels, resulting in improvements to outright performance, handling and ride quality.



**Geelong, Australia – June 8, 2023** – Carbon Revolution Limited ("Carbon Revolution" or the "Company"), a Tier 1 OEM supplier and a leading global manufacturer of lightweight advanced technology carbon fiber wheels, today announced that its backlog<sup>1</sup> has more than doubled to \$680 million since October 2022 due primarily to new programs.

The news comes as the Company has made other significant advances since announcing in Nov 2022 that it had entered into a definitive business combination agreement with Twin Ridge Capital Acquisition Corp. ("Twin Ridge" or "TRCA") (NYSE: TRCA).

Recent awards of new programs take Carbon Revolution's total lifetime awarded programs with global automakers Ford Motor Company ("Ford"), Ferrari NV ("Ferrari"), General Motors Company ("GM"), Renault Group ("Renault") and Jaguar Land Rover Automotive Plc ("JLR") to 16<sup>2</sup> with another 3 programs in progress under engineering agreements.

"We are firing on all cylinders," said Carbon Revolution CEO Jake Dingle. "Over the last six months we have made noteworthy progress with new OEM programs awarded, including our first two EV programs, and new funding that allows us to move forward with our global business strategy."

In May, the Company secured a \$60 million IP-backed loan, providing proceeds to progress ongoing investment in its Mega-line automation, capacity expansion, repayment of existing debt, general working capital, and liquidity to complete the merger.

The rapidly growing market for EVs is a key strategic focus because Carbon Revolution's wheels weigh up to 50% less than equivalent aluminum wheels, and can deliver an up to 5%-10% increase in vehicle range, if associated weight reduction were to be reinvested in battery mass.<sup>3</sup> Carbon Revolution's wheels provide significant unsprung mass reductions which can greatly improve efficiency and reduce road noise while also helping leading global automakers to comply with the Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) targets set by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

This month, Carbon Revolution announced that it will supply the carbon fiber wheels that are featured on the 2024 Range Rover Sport SV, revealed on May 31 by JLR, the first SUV to feature Carbon Revolution's carbon fiber wheels. Production of this 23-

inch wheel commenced on the Mega-line early this year.

<sup>1</sup> Backlog as of 5/29/2023, Backlog (remaining lifetime gross program projected revenue) is based on awarded programs and excludes programs that are contracted for engineering. See Projection Methodologies here for important details.

<sup>2</sup> Lifetime awards, of which 6 are in production, 5 are in development and 5 are in aftersales.

<sup>3</sup> The top end of range assumes further benefits derived from additional aerodynamic, noise, vibration and harshness (NVH), and structural enhancements.

"Our partnership with JLR opens up a very promising path for new applications of our advanced carbon fiber technology because trucks and SUVs are now the heart of the North American and global markets, representing a key profit pool for OEMs," said Dingle.

Carbon Revolution initially penetrated the performance and premium end of the market with wheel programs for vehicles including Ford's GT and Shelby Mustang GT350R and GT500, Ferrari's 488 Pista, F8 Tributo, SF90 Stradale, 812 Competizione and 296 GTB, Renault's Megane RS Trophy R, and GM's Chevrolet Corvette Z06 and E-Ray.

# ABOUT CARBON REVOLUTION

Carbon Revolution is an Australian technology company, which has successfully innovated, commercialized and industrialized the advanced manufacture of carbon fiber wheels for the global automotive industry. The Company has progressed from single prototypes to designing and manufacturing lightweight wheels for cars and SUVs in the high performance, premium and luxury segments, for the world's most prestigious automotive brands. Carbon Revolution is creating a significant and sustainable advanced technology business that supplies its lightweight wheel technology to automotive manufacturers around the world.

For more information, visit carbonrev.com

### **Information about Proposed Business Combination**

As previously announced, Carbon Revolution Limited ("CBR", "Carbon Revolution" or the "Company") (ASX: CBR) and Twin Ridge Capital Acquisition Corp. ("Twin Ridge" or "TRCA") (NYSE: TRCA) have entered into a definitive business combination agreement and accompanying scheme implementation deed ("SID") that is expected to result in Carbon Revolution becoming publicly listed in the U.S. via a series of transactions, including a scheme of arrangement. Upon closing of the transactions, the ordinary shares and warrants of the merged company, Carbon Revolution plc (formerly known as Poppetell Limited), a private limited company incorporated in Ireland with registered number 607450 ("MergeCo"), that will become the parent company of the Company and Twin Ridge, are expected to trade on the Nasdaq in the United States, and Carbon Revolution's shares shall be delisted from the ASX.

### Additional Information about the Proposed Business Combination and Where to Find It

This communication relates to the proposed business combination involving CBR, TRCA, MergeCo, and Poppettell Merger Sub, a Cayman Islands exempted company and wholly-owned subsidiary of MergeCo ("Merger Sub"). In connection with the proposed business combination, MergeCo has filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Registration Statement on Form F-4 (the "Registration Statement") and Amendment No. 1 thereto, including a preliminary proxy statement of TRCA and a preliminary prospectus of MergeCo relating to the MergeCo Shares to be issued in connection with the proposed business combination. The Registration Statement, as amended, is subject to SEC review and further revision and is not yet effective. This communication is not a substitute for the Registration Statement, the definitive proxy statement/final prospectus, when available, or any other document that MergeCo or TRCA has filed or will file with the SEC or send to its shareholders in connection with the proposed business combination. This communication does not contain all the information that should be considered concerning the proposed business combination and other matters and is not intended to form the basis for any investment decision or any other decision in respect of such matters.

BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING OR INVESTMENT DECISION, TRCA'S SHAREHOLDERS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES ARE URGED TO READ THE PRELIMINARY PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND THE DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT/ PROSPECTUS, WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED BY TRCA OR MERGECO WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED BUSINESS COMBINATION OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE THEREIN IN THEIR ENTIRETY BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING OR INVESTMENT DECISION WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPOSED BUSINESS COMBINATION BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED BUSINESS COMBINATION AND THE PARTIES TO THE PROPOSED BUSINESS COMBINATION.

After the Registration Statement, as amended, is declared effective, the definitive proxy statement will be mailed to shareholders of TRCA as of a record date to be established for voting on the proposed business combination. Additionally, TRCA and MergeCo will file other relevant materials with the SEC in connection with the proposed business combination. Copies of the Registration Statement, as amended, the definitive proxy statement/ prospectus and all other relevant materials for the proposed business combination filed or that will be filed with the SEC may be obtained, when available, free of charge at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, the documents filed by TRCA or MergeCo may be obtained, when available, free of charge from TRCA at www.twinridgecapitalac.com. TRCA's shareholders may also obtain copies of the definitive proxy statement/prospectus, when available, without charge, by directing a request to Twin Ridge Capital Acquisition Corp., 999 Vanderbilt Beach Road, Suite 200, Naples, Florida 60654.

## No Offer or Solicitation

This communication is for information purposes only and is not intended to and does not constitute, or form part of, an offer, invitation or the solicitation of an offer or invitation to purchase, otherwise acquire, subscribe for, sell or otherwise dispose of any securities, or the solicitation of any vote or approval in any jurisdiction, pursuant to the proposed business combination or otherwise, nor shall there be any sale, issuance or transfer of securities in any jurisdiction in contravention of applicable law. The proposed business combination will be implemented solely pursuant to the Business Combination Agreement and Scheme Implementation Deed, in each case, filed as exhibits to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by TRCA with the SEC on November 30, 2022, which contains the full terms and conditions of the proposed business combination. No offer of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act.

## Participants in the Solicitation of Proxies

This communication may be deemed solicitation material in respect of the proposed business combination. TRCA, CBR, MergeCo, Merger Sub and their respective directors and executive officers, under SEC rules, may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from TRCA's shareholders in connection with the proposed business combination. Investors and security holders may obtain more detailed information regarding the names and interests in the proposed business combination of TRCA's directors and officers in the Registration Statement, TRCA's filings with the SEC, including TRCA's initial public offering prospectus, which was filed with the SEC on March 5, 2021, TRCA's subsequent annual reports on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q. To the extent that holdings of TRCA's securities by insiders have changed from the amounts reported therein, any such changes have been or will be reflected on Statements of Change in Ownership on Form 4 filed with the SEC. Information regarding the persons who may, under SEC rules, be deemed participants in the solicitation of proxies to TRCA's shareholders in connection with the business combination will be included in the definitive proxy statement/prospectus relating to the proposed business combination, when it becomes available. You may obtain free copies of these documents, when available, as described in the preceding paragraphs.

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#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this communication are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements may generally be identified by the use of words such as "believe," "may," "will," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "expect," "should," "plan," "project," "forecast," "predict," "potential," "seem," "seek," "future," "outlook," "target" or other similar expressions (or the negative versions of such words or expressions) that predict or indicate future events or trends or that are not statements of historical matters. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the financial position, business strategy and the plans and objectives of management for future operations including as they relate to the proposed business combination and related transactions, pricing and market opportunity, the satisfaction of closing conditions to the proposed business combination and related transactions, the level of redemptions by TRCA's public shareholders and the timing of the completion of the cash proceeds therefrom. These statements are based on various assumptions, whether or not identified in this communication, and on the current expectations of CBR's and TRCA's management and are not predictions of actual performance. These forward-looking statements are provided for illustrative purposes only and are not intended to serve as, and must not be relied on by any investor as a guarantee, an assurance, a prediction or a definitive statement of fact or probability. Actual events and circumstances are difficult or impossible to predict and may differ from such assumptions, and such differences may be material. Many actual events and circumstances are beyond the control of CBR and TRCA.

These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including (i) changes in domestic and foreign business, market, financial, political and legal conditions; (ii) the inability of the parties to successfully or timely consummate the proposed business combination, including the risks that we will not secure sufficient funding to proceed through to completion of the Transaction, any required regulatory approvals are not obtained, are delayed or are subject to unanticipated conditions that could adversely affect the combined company or the expected benefits of the proposed business combination, or that the approval of the shareholders of TRCA or CBR is not obtained; (iii) the ability to maintain the listing of MergeCo's securities on the stock exchange; (iv) the inability to complete any private placement financing, the amount of any private placement financing or the completion of any private placement financing on favorable terms; (v) the risk that the proposed business combination disrupts current plans and operations CBR or TRCA as a result of the announcement and consummation of the proposed business combination and related transactions; (vi) the risk that any of the conditions to closing of the business combination are not satisfied in the anticipated manner or on the anticipated timeline or are waived by any of the parties thereto; (vii) the failure to realize the anticipated benefits of the proposed business combination and related transactions; (viii) risks relating to the uncertainty of the costs related to the proposed business combination; (ix) risks related to the rollout of CBR's business strategy and the timing of expected business milestones; (x) the effects of competition on CBR's future business and the ability of the combined company to grow and manage growth, establish and maintain relationships with customers and healthcare professionals and retain its management and key employees; (xi) risks related to domestic and international political and macroeconomic uncertainty, including the Russia-Ukraine conflict; (xii) the outcome of any legal proceedings that may be instituted against TRCA, CBR or any of their respective directors or officers; (xiii) the amount of redemption requests made by TRCA's public shareholders; (xiv) the ability of TRCA to issue equity, if any, in connection with the proposed business combination or to otherwise obtain financing in the future; (xv) the impact of the global COVID-19 pandemic and governmental responses on any of the foregoing risks; (xvi) risks related to CBR's industry; (xvii) changes in laws and regulations; and (xviii) those factors discussed in TRCA's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 under the heading "Risk Factors," and other documents of TRCA or MergeCo to be filed with the SEC, including the proxy statement / prospectus. If any of these risks materialize or TRCA's or CBR's assumptions prove incorrect, actual results could differ materially from the results implied by these forward-looking statements. There may be additional risks that neither TRCA nor CBR presently know or that TRCA and CBR currently believe are immaterial that could also cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements. In addition, forward-looking statements reflect TRCA's and CBR's expectations, plans or forecasts of future events and views as of the date of this communication. TRCA and CBR anticipate that subsequent events and developments will cause TRCA's and CBR's assessments to change. However, while TRCA and CBR may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, each of TRCA, CBR, MergeCo and Merger Sub specifically disclaim any obligation to do so, unless required by applicable law. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing TRCA's and CBR's assessments as of any date subsequent to the date of this communication. Accordingly, undue reliance should not be placed upon the forward-looking statements.

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